

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 2,
1953 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

WHITE, LOZANO, SCHMIDT, KELLER, SPIVEY, GERHARDT, CASSIDY, GREEMAN, STEVES

Mayor Sam Bell Steves presiding.

Invocation by Rev. J. C. Ramsay - Crestholme Presbyterian Church

On motion of Mr. Greeman seconded by Mr. Spivey the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

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The following resolution was presented and was passed and approved by unanimous vote of the Council.

A RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD, AND MR. JOHN HATCH OF THE SAN ANTONIO SAFETY COUNCIL FOR THEIR EFFORTS TOWARD SECURING OUR CITY THE FIRST PLACE AWARD IN THE TEXAS TRAFFIC SAFETY CONTEST

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A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,922

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO A SEWER CONTRACT WITH LINE CONSTRUCTION INC. DATED DECEMBER 18, 1952

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 506)

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A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,923

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO GUY A. THOMPSON, TRUSTEE, INTERNATIONAL-GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY, DEBTOR, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE OF CONSTRUCTING, MAINTAINING AND OPERATING A CERTAIN RAILWAY SPUR TRACK AND NECESSARY APPURTENANCES ACROSS SAN MARCOS STREET AND IN AND ALONG ELLERMAN STREET IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR COUNTY TEXAS; AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 506)

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A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

APPRO. NO. 2007

AN ORDINANCE 18,924

APPROPRIATING \$902.95 OUT OF FEDERAL AID AIRPORT PROJECT #9-41-080-206 TO PAY FRANK T. DROUGHT, CONSULTING ENGINEER, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN SUPERVISION OF CONSTRUCTION AT SAN ANTONIO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 507)

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April 2, 1953

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,925

TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$400.00 FROM THE OPERATING RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE CURRENT BUDGET OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR PURCHASE OF A WATER PUMP

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 507)

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,926

ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH ROBERT S. WOOD PLUMBING COMPANY AND GENE ALDER ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR INSTALLATIONS AT THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 508)

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,927

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$1068.44 TO BUD DIETZE MACHINERY COMPANY FOR THE REPAIR OF A BYERS DRAG LINE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 508)

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinances be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

APPRO. NO. 2008

AN ORDINANCE 18,928

APPROPRIATING \$25.00 OUT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO "STREET EXCAVATION TRUST FUND" FOR REFUNDS TO PEDRO A. VASQUEZ

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 508)

APPRO. NO. 2009

AN ORDINANCE 18,929

APPROPRIATING \$50.00 OUT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO "STREET EXCAVATION TRUST FUND" FOR REFUNDS TO GROVER C. CUTBIRTH AND LOUIS A. TOUSSAINT (\$25.00) EACH).

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 509)

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following ordinance be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

AN ORDINANCE 18,930

AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A \$5.00 FEE PAID BY H. H. ROPER FOR RELEASE OF A TRUCK IMPOUNDED IN ERROR

(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 509)

A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following resolution be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO BIND THE CITY BY AN AGREED JUDGMENT FOR DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AGAINST R. G. KLEVENHAGEN

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A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO BIND THE CITY BY AN AGREED JUDGMENT FOR DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AGAINST C. W. FENSTERMAKER

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A letter from the City Manager was read recommending the following resolutions be passed and the recommendation was unanimously approved by the Council.

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES TO ENTER UPON THE TAX ROLLS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CORRECTIONS, ADJUSTMENTS, AND REMISSIONS OF TAXES IN CASES WHEREIN TAX ERRORS HAVE BEEN FOUND UPON THE TAX ROLLS
(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 509)

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(Full text in Ordinance Book Y. page 511)

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A letter from the City Manager was read with regard to reporting utilities and services out of order.

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A letter from the City Manager was read with regard to petition of C. C. Cope.

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The following letter from the City Clerk was read:

Honorable Mayor and Members of Council,
City of San Antonio, Texas

Gentlemen:

The following petitions were received by this office and then referred to Mr. C. A. Harrell, City Manager, for his recommendation or action.

- 3-24-53 Petition of Mr. Harry M. Casanova, et al, requesting that the owners of 115 Barnes Alley be prevented from renting any portion of the above premises.
- 3-24-53 Petition of Cokesbury Methodist Church requesting tax exemption on Lot 11, New City Block 8621.
- 3-25-53 Petition of Mr. Paul W. Smith, et al, protesting the operation of an establishment at 3579 Culebra Road.
- 3-25-53 Petition of Mr. Glen W. Napier, et al, requesting a sewer line along Brenhaven Avenue.
- 3-26-53 Petition of San Antonio Charro Association requesting permission to change the site of the statue of Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla.
- 3-26-53 Petition of Mr. John W. Hennessey requesting the City to maintain change making machines to make it easier for the public to obey parking ordinances.

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- 3-27-53 Petition of St. Benedict's Hospital requesting exemption from taxes of Lot 13, New City Block 747.
- 3-27-53 Petitions of Most Reverend Robert E. Lucey, Archbishop of San Antonio, requesting tax exemption.

Yours very truly,
 /s/ J. Frank Gallagher

A Petition was presented by Mrs. F. W. Sorrell, Director of the Pan American Round Table asking that the leg of the Expressway running from Laredo eastward across North Flores Street, San Pedro Avenue, etc. be named "Avenue of the Americas" to stress the friendship of San Antonio for the republics of the Western Hemisphere and as an aid to the Good Neighbor Policy.

After the reading of the petition a letter from the Maya Society of San Antonio was read which asked that the petition of the Pan American Round Table be granted.

Mr. Lozano stated that it was his understanding that such matters were under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department. He therefore moved that the Council go on record as favoring the naming of the Highway asked for and recommend it to the State Highway Department.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

Mrs. Harker, a member of the Conservation Society, asked what had been done toward finding a location for the traffic sign of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and also asked if a member of the Conservation Society had been added to the committee. Mayor Steves informed her he thought that a member of the Conservation Society had been invited to membership and they were meeting to consider a location.

On a motion of Mr. Keller seconded by Mrs. Gerhardt the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

 MAYOR

ATTEST:

 City Clerk
