

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1973.

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The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A. M., by the presiding officer, Mayor Charles L. Becker, with the following members present: SAN MARTIN, BECKER, LACY, MORTON, BECKMANN, PADILLA, MENDOZA; Absent: COCKRELL, BLACK.

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73-51 The invocation was given by the Reverend Doctor Roald E. Braulick, St. John's Lutheran Church

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73-51 Members of the City Council and the audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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73-51 The minutes of the meeting of September 13, 1973 were approved.

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73-51 LT. GEN. PATRICK F. CASSIDY

Mayor Becker stated that General Cassidy was retiring from the military service and is going to live in San Antonio. The Mayor then presented General Cassidy on behalf of the City of San Antonio a citation as follows:

"As an expression of appreciation and in grateful acknowledgement of the valued contributions and services rendered to the community as Commanding Officer of the Fifth United States Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas and to welcome him as a citizen of the San Antonio area upon his retirement."

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The Mayor also presented Mrs. Cassidy with a commemorative plate of La Villita.

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73-51 CIVIL DEFENSE

Dr. San Martin stated that he was going to leave the meeting early and would like to ask City Manager Sam Granata for a report on the operation of the Civil Defense Program. He said the storm last night could have caused a serious proportion of loss of life and property and felt the Council should be brought up to date on the exact operation of Civil Defense and how they handle emergencies.

City Manager Granata advised he will have Mr. Martin Eser, Director of Civil Defense, make a report at a "B" Session. He assured the Council that they were on the job last night. Civil Defense was in contact with the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments. Mr. Eser called the Public Works Director, Mr. Mel Sueltenfuss, at 2:00 A. M. on what had been done.

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Dr. San Martin stated that in line with the thinking of the Council last week as to the lack of protocol coordination between the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce and other agencies involved in the community, especially when they have out-of-town guests and distinguished visitors from other countries, he suggested for consideration, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor and Council, Mr. Jack Skipper, be named as the protocol officer for the Council, since he works closely with them and because of his vast experience in these matters. If the Council wishes, perhaps they could think of him as their protocol officer.

73-51 Mr. Padilla asked that the Council at this time consider Item No. 8 on the docket, since Dr. San Martin and Mr. Beckmann would be leaving the meeting shortly.

The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION  
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EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL'S DISAPPROVAL  
OF ROBERT VAN DYKE'S PROPOSED CONTRACT AS  
GENERAL MANAGER OF THE WATER WORKS BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES.

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WHEREAS, it is the obvious intent of the Trust Indenture of the Water Works Board of Trustees that the City Council retain a large measure of governmental control over the City's Water System, which is the subject of said Indenture; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Van Dyke, the System's present General Manager has submitted to the Board of Trustees a proposed employment contract between said Van Dyke and the Board; and,

WHEREAS, said proposed contract, a copy of which is attached hereto, is, in the Council's opinion, unconscionable in its terms and conditions, particularly those set out in numbered paragraphs 2, 3 (last paragraphs), and 10 (as to the payment of the unpaid balance of his salary for the remainder of the contract); NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

The City Council of the City of San Antonio disapproves of, and condemns as being against the public interest, the proposed employment contract of Robert Van Dyke and exhorts the Board of Trustees to reject the same.

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On motion of Mr. Padilla, seconded by Dr. San Martin, the Resolution was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Black.

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In connection with the foregoing Resolution, Mr. Padilla made the following statement:

"One more comment about it, Mr. Mayor because I think it should be mentioned. Last week, as you know in speaking of the resolution and discussing it, I remarked that the proposed contract called for membership in two clubs, etc. I read in one of the Sunday papers where the club membership is \$3.00 a month and they said that's it, \$3.00 a month, or words to that effect. I would like to point out that the contract, the proposed contract also says, dues and expenses, and in checking with one of the clubs that was mentioned in the newspaper by Mr. Van Dyke or at least attributed by Mr. Van Dyke by the newspaper, I find that it isn't any problem at all in entertaining a group of four people, to run up a tab of \$40 to \$60 for the entertainment of four people. So, I don't think that anyone was talking about \$3.00 a month dues for anything. I think a \$30,000 a year man isn't going to worry about \$3.00 a month dues. I think the other word that follows, "and expenses" is the key. I just wanted to remark about that."

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MAINTENANCE OF CPSB EASEMENTS

MAYOR CHARLES BECKER: Well, I know what you mean. I think that any member of the City Council or any member of the City staff or City government or any member of anywhere, should be able to ask questions and think out loud and, you might say, wonder out loud without a lot of English and reverse twist being placed upon as to what we're really trying to do. And I mentioned easements, of cutting the weeds over at the City Public Service, and you'd think I was already trying to get them to spend \$50 million a year of the taxpayer's money and the home owner's money to keep right-of-ways clear. All I did was merely bring up the subject to try to find out what we can do to bring about a better condition and I didn't advocate anything. I merely asked a question but in my usual blunt fashion, I guess I'll continue to be asking as long as I'm on this City Council. I'm sorry that people misunderstand my intentions sometimes, but it is just our right to ask. As I said at the Homebuilders the other night, that's one of the reasons I'm especially proud of each and every member of this Council, all eight of them, is that they do ask questions and that they're prying into things and looking into things and to perhaps invade areas that used to be never, never land, sort of. We're going to continue to do it. So, I'd like for certain people to get used to that.

MR. CLIFFORD MORTON: Mr. Mayor, on the subject of those easements, I want to thank you for bringing them up. I was out of town or else I would have been there myself on the Citizens to be Heard portion to raise the issue. But the thing that I would like to say if the report of the meeting that I read was correct, I think that perhaps one member of the Board completely missed the point. The impression that I got was that most of these easements are a part obtained from developers during the process of the development of the land. Most of these easements that I was directing my concern to are a purchase, not from the developers but from the original land owner when that property is still in an agricultural state. Using a personal example, I've been in the developing business since 1959 and they have yet to buy their first easement from me and I for one, I think I rank number 2 in this town, and within this kind of activity so, I think that the point was missed completely. Not that we should put a developer in a second class citizen's category and because he gets paid for it means that we're not concerned about him. But what

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I'm really concerned about here, what I think that the citizens are concerned about, when you urbanize an area and have a 135' easement running through it, you have a problem or that community that is developed, that is, it is very hard for the City of San Antonio as I understand it, does not take the responsibility from them. Is that right? The county will not, and I know of no other city in Bexar County that will, and so the land lies fallow and it is nothing but a dumping ground. So, really, I think the City Public Service, by their policy of non-maintenance of easements as opposed to right of ways, is very short sighted and I do think that they are contributing to a health hazard, number 1 and number 2, I think they are guilty of sight pollution. I think if they would take the cost for maintaining those easements, which they have, the overhead towers and compare that against the cost of maintaining a much smaller easement and using underground, I think that we might be able to have a lot more underground transmission lines running throughout Bexar County as opposed to what I consider very unsightly structures that they run seemingly at their own will wherever they want to. So I would like to ask the City Manager if he would, to write a letter to the Manager of the City Public Service Board and ask Mr. Deely if he would, over the past ten years, to get a percentage of the easements and I'm particularly talking about those easements that are the larger easements. What percentage of those are purchased from original land owners when the land is still in an agricultural state, versus that which is purchased from developers and if you would be sure and send each member of the City Public Service Board a copy of it because I think apparently they got off on the wrong track the other day.

CITY MANAGER SAM GRANATA: Be happy to do that.

MR. MORTON: Thank you.

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SYSTEM

MR. ALVIN PADILLA: Mr. Mayor, before Dr. San Martin leaves, I'd like to give you one more item. I'd like to read it to you please. I feel that this is important to all of us that are here. This is a written report in fairly brief form of the Emergency Medical Health System and I'm going to read it in preference to some remarks. It says of the discussion of the meeting held on September 19th concerning progress toward the Emergency Medical Service System has resulted in a great deal of confusion and misinformation. This clarifies my prospective of the situation, chronological development. Incidentally Jake, if there are any copies left over, you may give them to the press if they'd like one.

SUBJECT: STATUS OF EMS SYSTEM. "The EMS was conceived by a cooperating task force of individuals responding to a felt need for services in the community in June of 1972. At the time, an EMS Council was created to deal with specific technical aspects of the situation. In August, 1972, Mayor Gatti wrote HEW requesting funding for an original EMS proposal. Due to consolidation of grant funding under General Revenue Sharing, the request was denied by HEW. Consequently, the proposal was trimmed and modified for funding by the City and other government units on a contracting basis. This revised plan was approved in February 1973 and accepted for funding under the March 22, 1973 and August 29, 1973 General Revenue Sharing budgets of the City of San Antonio.

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On June 14, I introduced a resolution, which, among other things, urged that hospitals commit themselves in writing to provide emergency medical treatment to citizens delivered to participating hospitals by city ambulances. The purpose of the resolution was to show the hospitals and everyone else concerned, that the Council considered the Emergency Medical System incomplete and not worthy of support without the explicit written assurance that citizens would receive emergency medical treatment without regard to ability to pay. The Council unanimously approved the resolution.

A number of hospitals responded favorably in writing to this suggestion. Others did not. The feeling that these remaining institutions somehow disagreed with the City Council's intent and concern could not escape me. As a result, I felt this meeting was necessary to move us off of dead center regarding this problem. The discussion was well attended by administrators and involved citizens. In my opening remarks, I stated the problem as I saw it: i.e., that it looked as if some hospitals were not cooperating with the spirit and intention of the system to serve all citizens. When I asked whether anyone would refuse treatment to emergency patients, no one responded. In fact, several participants later remarked that this would be illegal. During the entire meeting, general agreement on the intent of the resolution was achieved.

The specific problem which did occur had to do with the wording in the resolution relating to a "Major Emergency Medical Facility". Because of the qualifiers in that definition, most hospitals in the community do not hold that status. Therefore, some hospitals were hesitant toward agreeing with the resolution. The action I suggested we take was:

- (1) That Dr. John A. Williamson meet with administrators and work out a mutually agreeable statement which will display hospital commitment to the EMS system and satisfy the City that all hospitals will cooperate.
- (2) That if an acceptable rewording of the Ordinance to satisfy the hospital administrator's concerns regarding legal complications can be worked out which clearly leaves the principle intact that citizens brought to a participating hospital by City ambulances will receive necessary emergency medical treatment without regard to ability to pay, then I will recommend we rescind the Ordinance and that I will propose the new one for the Council's consideration."

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In summary, the reason I gave you this report over and above the brief verbal report I gave you last week, is because the San Antonio Express has seen fit to attach the Council's action and, particularly, this Councilman's action, not once, not twice, but three times. The last two times were last Friday and yesterday morning. I might say that the editorial staff of the San Antonio Express has never seen fit to contact me for my impression of this, my position, or my side of the story. I don't think they are being quite objective. I do not know why though I think I know part of the reason. I think it is serious because I think that the Council is reiterating a principle that is a very important part of the Emergency Medical System. I think the Council

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has a right to conclude that the system will be complete in all aspects before we spend something over a million and a half dollars of the public money. Mr. Mayor, with that I conclude my remarks now, I thank you.

MAYOR BECKER: I want to say to you that I concur 100 percent with what you have said about this incident. And it is your right to request the hospitals as to what their full intent is, it's certainly your right and the right of this Council. And I do think that you have dealt with them fairly and not in a premature fashion to say the least.

DR. JOSE SAN MARTIN: Mr. Mayor, in line with Mr. Padilla's statement from this morning, I'd like to ask Mr. Granata and our City Attorney if there is any way that these agreements with the hospitals can be re-worded to satisfy the Council's and Mr. Padilla's concerns as to ability or desire of the hospitals to provide these patients with emergency treatment and at the same time live up to whatever, I wouldn't say constitutional by laws for whatever reason their administrative setup that seems to be a hang-up that they don't want to say this because they haven't got this or something like that. Mr. Granata, is there any way that this can be worked out so that it will....I hate to see this thing not get off the ground, so to speak, because of a hang-up on wording of any agreement.

CITY MANAGER SAM GRANATA: Yes sir, I share the same concern and so does the staff. We will certainly brief this. I'll have Mr. Reeder brief it and possibly report back unless Crawford can answer now. I don't know.

CITY ATTORNEY CRAWFORD REEDER: No, I can't elaborate on what the City might do. If it's a mere matter of semantics or things like that, lawyers can usually work that out. I know the lawyers from the various hospital districts and they're not overly technical. They're reasonable people, so if what we're concerned with here is not substance but merely terminology, I feel absolutely confident we can work it out. If it's substance, we may have to....I'll have to see....

MR. PADILLA: Dr. San Martin, I'd like to remark, I want to thank you for your support and I want to thank the entire Council for the support that they've given this particular principle. I want to remark that at the last meeting that we had with the hospital administrators, I did ask staff to participate in meetings to be chaired by Dr. Williamson, who has been the chairman of the committee of doctors that's been behind this project all along, and that they meet the doctors, the hospital administrators, as well as our staff, to try to work this out. I made it clear to them that we're not, that the Council are not trying to impose any particular statement on anyone. We simply want to leave the principle intact and that is because we're spending a tremendous amount of public money, in the belief that we're doing something that we need in San Antonio. Then it is a logical, not to mention the fact that it is a very humanitarian thing to do. The assurance that people will be treated when they arrive at the hospital is just a logical part of this system. Well, I told them we did not want to impose any particular statement upon them. We are anxious to come up with whatever statement will suffice but leaving the principle intact, that people will be treated, regardless of ability to pay when they arrive in a City ambulance.

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MR. LEO MENDOZA: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to ask a question. In Councilman Padilla's report here it says that a number of hospitals responded favorably, others did not. I'd like to ask the question, what is Dr. Williamson's position on this, has he responded to this Council in writing or otherwise?

MR. PADILLA: I do not know that Dr. Williamson has responded in writing but I can tell you this Mr. Mendoza, Dr. Williamson agrees with the positions this Council has taken and I might say that I have yet to talk to a doctor that disagrees. I have talked with a doctor out at Bexar County Teaching Hospital. I have talked to Dr. Williamson and several other doctors. They do not disagree in principle with us. If there's a problem, it seems to be the concern of any particular hospital and perhaps other hospitals that they have a statement that they can attach their signature or affix their signature to, and I think that they all buy this situation in principle. I think they're all aware of what we're trying to do and let me remark that I've been accused editorially by one of the papers of trying to practice medicine and not understanding a hospital's work and many other things. The only.....

MAYOR BECKER: But you're not an engineer.

MR. PADILLA: No, I'm not. Absolutely. The only thing that we're trying to do here is to maintain that principle intact that people will be treated when they arrive by City ambulance and we're not trying to practice medicine. We are not trying to tell them that they have to keep a patient. I'm saying simply this, when a patient arrives, then he should be admitted regardless of whether he's got money in his pocket, a hospital card, or anything else. Now, I'm not saying in any way, shape or form that we're trying to impose some sort of a mode of operation on the hospitals, on the doctors or anyone else. The patient arrives at the hospital, the doctor looks at the patient, from then on, it's up to the doctor, he makes the judgements. I'm not trying to tell the hospitals how to operate. I'm simply saying to the hospital, let's have a good system and let's assure that when the patient arrives at the hospital door, the system doesn't break down. In some respects, it's a lot more merciful to leave someone at the scene of an accident than to take him all the way to the hospital and let him die there because he can't be treated. So, I'm just trying to insure that when the patient arrives at the hospital emergency room door, the system doesn't break down. That's all. No one's trying to tell anyone how to do their job.

MR. MORTON: Councilman Padilla, what is your timetable as far as action that you're requesting, regarding the ambulances that are on their way....

MR. PADILLA: Yes, I asked the hospital administrators as well as Dr. Williamson and the staff to try to bring this to a conclusion, to a satisfactory conclusion in 30 to 45 days. I reminded them, that I am not handing a problem with 30 days to work it out. Rather they can look at it in terms of 13 months to work it out and they've used 12 months of it already. We've been trying to work this thing out for a year or 15 months, something like that. My real concern is that we get this thing worked out because I see the City spending tremendous amounts of money and we still don't have an answer to this problem.

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MR. MORTON: Okay. So what you're saying is, we're expecting some action on this by November 15?

MR. PADILLA: I am.

MR. MORTON: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY REEDER: Mr. Padilla, can I ask you a question. It might expedite my participation in this. What is the hang-up...I mean what do these people who won't agree to admit these people brought by City ambulances into their hospital on emergency basis, why won't they? I don't quite understand what their contention is.

MR. PADILLA: I'm not going to tell you that I understand what all their objections are, Mr. Reeder. They basically have to do with their concern that they are clear in a legal sense.

CITY ATTORNEY REEDER: The Charter says they can't do it...or something, is it something like that...

MR. PADILLA: Well, they're talking about doctors practice and medicine. Hospitals only have a facility where doctors practice and the hospitals are concerned that if they commit to treat a patient until their condition is medically stable that they will some way be in a position of liability, if for some reason they cannot get a doctor to treat the patient and so forth. It amounts to this and what I'm saying is this. Let us assume that we gave the ambulance operators a thousand dollars and we said to the ambulance operators, anytime you take a patient to the hospital, if the only problem in getting that patient into the hospital is money, pay it out of the money we give you. Then everything else is done exactly as a hospital would do it and everything else is done exactly as a doctor would do it. The only thing is we can't give the firemen money to carry money in their pockets, so we want to get a commitment from the hospital that money will not be the problem. I'm not saying to the hospitals, if a patient with severe burns arrives at your door and the doctor using his best medical judgement thinks that this patient will be better served and can be moved to another hospital and treated at another hospital, if that is his judgement and that is a medical judgement, so be it. But I don't want an admitting clerk to say, "he hasn't got any money, take him somewhere else" and they shuffle the person around until it's too late sometimes.

CITY ATTORNEY REEDER: I see, that's the problem. Some of them won't agree across the board to that. Is that correct? I see. Okay, it's all administrative.

MR. MENDOZA: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to ask, who are the hospitals that are objecting to this. Do we have a list of these hospitals that are not, that have not complied with either some commitment in writing or have definitely said that they would not at this point?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Councilman Mendoza, I don't know. Is Chief Mulhern in the audience? He's not? He's the one that has been working....

MR. MENDOZA: Is it one or two or three?

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CITY MANAGER GRANATA: I think it's several. I'll have to say more than one.

MR. MENDOZA: Several?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Yes sir. I know that.

MR. PADILLA: Let me say this, Mr. Granata. Most of the hospitals have complied with some sort of an instrument in writing. All of the hospitals have, through their silence. When I asked them, I stated the principle they would want and I said if anyone does not feel that they agree with this, please speak up and I asked that twice.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: This was last week?

MR. PADILLA: And then I told them, I said, I take it from your silence that we agree in principle. Because I said that and because they did not speak up, I think that all the hospitals who were present at the meeting and that included most of them, if not all of them, I think they subscribed to this principle. Their concern is how to work it out in writing, how to reduce it to a statement that they feel they can put their signature on it and while I do know by name a couple that had expressed reservations, I don't think it will serve any real useful purpose to name them here this morning because many of them have already indicated that they will work with us and I think that what we're after really is to try to work something out so that they can all subscribe to it. As I say, they all subscribe to it in principle.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: May I ask, I was out of the City, who on my staff was at the meeting so that I can pick up from there, please sir.

MR. PADILLA: Mr. Guerra and someone from his shop.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Fine, fine. Okay.

MR. ALFRED BECKMANN: Mr. Mayor, I think in answer to Mr. Padilla, part of the problem is the hospital administrators do not feel they can commit the medical staff and I think that if the lawyers can get together on that one point, it can be resolved. I happen to be on the Board of the Methodist Hospital and that seems to be the problem. They want to do it, they don't know how to commit the doctors. If we can get that worked out.....

MR. MENDOZA: We're not that far apart then.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: No, no. We're not that far apart. I think....

MR. MENDOZA: It's just that we can't get the proper wording to be able to present this to the Council to satisfy, say for example....

MR. BECKMANN: It seems that we encroach upon that...in that professional area that sometimes gets a little murky and hard to pin down.

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Mayor Charles Becker made the following statement:

"Parenthetically, I would like to say certain criticisms of a possible replacement on the City Water Board, I think is unfair, undue, and unjust. One of the gentlemen who is being considered is a developer, but one of the people on the Water Board at the present time is a developer or an ex-developer, I should say homebuilder, if you will. So, I don't see anything unusual about replacing a person whoever that might be, with another person who might be considered a developer since we have one on there now. I'd also like to say that some, perhaps four weeks ago, I made available to certain news media, the fact that certain people were being reimbursed, as it were, on a sort of a contractual arrangement, with respect to gas contracts in the City of Austin. That item was never published in any of our papers nor was it published in the Austin papers. Yet, it was a matter of common knowledge to one and all. I'm not really sure why we hide these things as long as we do sometimes when there seems to be such a tremendous eagerness to bring about the complete expose of anything else that might go on if it's stacked in a more advantageous manner. It didn't have to wait this long to be published. The facts were available four weeks ago, approximately. And all I can say is that if anybody has any doubt as to who the other member of the Clint Small Law Firm is in Austin that was the recipient of this they were mentioning, I think it's probably ex-Senator Charles Herring, who is the head of the lower Colorado River Authority, who incurred my displeasure at a certain function at Austin, Texas, when in the presence of Attorney General John Hill, he accused me of accepting political contributions and so forth, from Oscar Wyatt and Coastal States and all. Isn't it funny how the ball bounces sometimes. So, in case they need the name of that individual who's been referred to in such vague terms, I'll furnish it. I just did. As far as the apprehension or perhaps understanding that something might be wrong with that type of a situation, I think all we have to do is search our own consciousness..conscience to see whether or not we ourselves would think that there is something wrong with accepting funds in that manner. There's no doubt in my mind about the propriety of it. I can assure you that. So it looks like we've gotten off to a very fine start here this morning."

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MAYOR BECKER: Well, there's one more item I'd like to bring up. It won't take me but a second Doctor.

DR. SAN MARTIN: Fine.

MAYOR BECKER: I'm going to request the City Manager that he correspond with Mr. Deely and the City Public Service Board evidencing our desire to have the street lights turned back on in San Antonio, particularly now that we're getting into winter and it's getting dark and all these things. With the terms of the Council, I think that that's the most important. I believe we've given sufficient time for everybody to work out everything that they were going to work out. I was

disappointed to see that the Railroad Commission postponed its deliberations until October 9th. I was told that we would have an answer by the middle of this week. I see now it's next October 9th. So the only way I know to do is perhaps force the issue, if there is such a thing possible and we've played games long enough. I think our citizens have been denied street lights and other privileges that really are not privileges at all. It's their due right to expect these things. It's what they're paying taxes for, it's what they live in this community for. The summer might have been one thing because it didn't get dark until 8:30 or nine o'clock, whatever it was, but it's going to start getting dark now at 6:00, 6:15. There's heavy traffic at seven o'clock and some of those hours. So, if the Councilmen concurs with this, I'd like to...

MR. MENDOZA: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to say that I support you 100 per cent because I think that we've been getting a lot of calls and we've been telling these people that they have to be patient and that we're trying to solve a problem. I think that the citizens have responded. I think it's our obligation to compliment the City for their efforts, the citizens and at this point, I certainly want to go on record saying that I support you 100 percent.

DR. SAN MARTIN: I make a motion that this action be taken by this Council today, Mr. Mayor.

MR. MENDOZA: I second that.

On roll call, the motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYES: San Martin, Becker, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza;  
NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Black.

MAYOR BECKER: Thank you, Doctor, thank you.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: I will certainly write that letter today and I'm wholeheartedly in accord, Mayor and Council, because honestly the street lights do not use that much electricity. There is the energy shortage, of course, still as we know it. We will still be hopeful that everyone else tries to conserve in every way possible but I wholeheartedly agree that it is time the lights come back on.

MAYOR BECKER: A street light probably doesn't use nearly as much energy as a TV set, I would think.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: That's exactly right, but the point is that just because we're turning the street lights on doesn't solve our energy problem and you know that and we all know that and we hope and I urge everyone to continue to conserve as much as possible but it's time we see where we're going again.

MAYOR BECKER: Well, I read in the paper constantly where certain types of businesses are burning the lights in the daytime and at night time. They haven't seemed to diminish the use of the current as far as exterior illumination and all that one bit. I don't know why the unfairness of the thing should outweigh justice and it's for that reason I'm asking the street lights be turned back on now. If these other people still don't have a conscience or any regard as to how they're just patently, not even respecting or complying in any way with the request of the general citizens of San Antonio, the group as a whole, by helping with this power shortage, then why should our own people be expected to deny themselves any longer.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: We will continue on City-owned facilities, all of our buildings, to conserve as much as possible and also I'd like to see this get resolved because I'd like to turn the ball park lights on at night. There's still a lot of softball games. Those will continue to be off but we'll wait a little while longer and maybe we'll want to turn those on. You know, the high schools are playing football and everyone else is using it and I'd hate to see all of the rest of the citizens suffer. But we will do everything possible within City buildings to keep the air conditioners 78, 80 degrees and the lights out at night and the lobbies dark but I hope we can resolve the problem.

MR. MENDOZA: Mr. Mayor, I don't see why we couldn't turn these softball diamonds on. It seems to me that the league is going to be over with pretty soon anyway, on account of winter, and maybe we should, at this time, just go ahead and let them finish their games.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Well, we do have the winter league too, softball winter league.

MR. MENDOZA: Oh, I see. But it's not as big as the one that's during the summer.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: We have some Pop Warner Football and many other things that we are depriving our citizens of because of the shortage while other people are not. They're just going ahead. The privately owned little league diamonds have their lights on all summer and our people couldn't play.

## AN ORDINANCE 42,803

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF J. M. LERMA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWN EAST PARK PROJECT; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT COVERING SUCH WORK AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$472,000.00 TO SAID CONTRACTOR, \$23,600.00 TO BE USED AS A MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY FUND AND \$15,160.00 PAYABLE TO JERRY ROGERS FOR ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL FEES; ALSO INCREASING THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN EAST COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT FUND 751-06 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,381.00 AND AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

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Mr. Ron Darner, Acting Director of Parks and Recreation, explained that this project provides for the development of the Town East Park which consists of 24 acres located between Loop 410 and W. White Road. It provides for a recreational building with 10,000 square feet, two tennis courts, multi-use slabs, picnic units, practice ball field, shelters, landscaping, irrigation, and area lighting.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Lacy, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

73-51 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Members of the Administrative Staff, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

## AN ORDINANCE 42,804

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO., TO EXTEND THE CURRENT LEASE AGREEMENT AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWENTY-EIGHT MONTH TERM, COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 1973, AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 1975.

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## AN ORDINANCE 42,805

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND THE REVEREND JAMES F. STONE TO LEASE SPACE FOR THE CHAPEL OF THE AIRWAYS AT THE SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERM.

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## AN ORDINANCE 42,806

CONSENTING TO A SUBLEASE OF CERTAIN SPACE IN LEASE AREA NO. 5 AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FROM EXXON CORPORATION TO TEXAS RESEARCH, INC.; AUTHORIZING FUTURE SUBLEASES BY SAID SUBLESSEE.

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## AN ORDINANCE 42,807

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$1,203.70 TO THE BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR HOSPITAL CARE OF MR. PAUL R. CASAREZ, JR., A PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE.

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73-51 Item No. 6 on the agenda being a proposed ordinance accepting the low bid of Travis J. McCulloch Construction Company for construction of certain additions and renovations to Fire Station No. 1, was withdrawn from consideration by the request of the City Manager.

73-51 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

## AN ORDINANCE 42,808

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 39709 PERTAINING TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEE CHARGED FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEE MEMBERSHIP DUES BY REDUCING THE SAME FROM 5 PERCENT TO 2 PERCENT OF SUCH PAYROLL DEDUCTION.

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Mr. Carl White, Director of Finance, stated that in 1971, a new State law authorized cities to have dues checkoffs for unions and employee associations. It also provided for the cities to recover the cost of doing this. The primary cost is computer cost, and a five percent fee was established on total deductions. The Fire Department is requesting along with others that dues be checked off. The fee has been recalculated, and it is felt that two percent will cover the cost. Two percent will yield \$20,549 a year. Two other provisions have been added and Mr. White asked Mr. Claude McRaven, Director of Employee Relations, to explain them.

Mr. McRaven read the added provisions as follows:

"SECTION 5. The provisions of this ordinance may be withdrawn from any employee association, organization or union which strikes, threatens to strike, or engages in any work stoppage or work slowdown against the City in violation of Article 5154c, Section 3, Texas Revised Civil Statutes."

"SECTION 6. It is the intent of this ordinance to provide a convenience to City employees, and should not be construed as a concession or benefit to any union or employee organization; neither should it be considered a condition of work or an emolument to which employees have gained an innate right. Therefore, in the event future legislation, either state or federal, should require the City of San Antonio to engage in collective bargaining the provisions of this ordinance may become a bargainable issue."

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After discussion as to who would make a judgment that there is a strike or work stoppage, City Attorney Crawford Reeder stated that he thought that under the City Charter the Council is the one that makes all policy judgments, and the Council would have to make a judgment as to whether a union is either striking or threatening to strike, and to direct the City Manager to direct the Finance Director to quit having a checkoff in the event this happens.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Lacy, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

73-51 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Mel Sueltenfuss, Director of Public Works, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,809

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF H. B. ZACHRY CO. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE CROOKED HILL SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A STANDARD CITY PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT COVERING SAID WORK AND APPROPRIATING \$27,383.00 OUT OF SEWER REVENUE FUND 820-03 PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR AND \$1,375.00 TO BE USED AS MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

AN ORDINANCE 42,810

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH TRAVIS-BRAUN AND ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION OF CROWNRIDGE SUBDIVISION UNIT 1 OFF-SITE SEWER MAIN; APPROPRIATING \$1,750.00 OUT OF SEWER REVENUE FUNDS PAYABLE TO SAID FIRM AND \$150.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND TO BE USED AS A MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

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The following discussion took place:

MR. ALVIN G. PADILLA, JR.: Some questions on two particular issues, one, Mr. Sueltenfuss, I would appreciate a brief summary of what has transpired in this controversy that seems to be centered in the Leon Valley area has to do with a sewer plant, Huebner Creek and so forth. I've had quite a bit of communication from the people that live in that area of the community, and I must confess that I feel that I am less than well-informed on this thing and if necessary I would further request that City staff sit down with the Council and brief us on this matter because there is quite a bit of concern out there. Will you please tell us in a brief form if you can, just exactly what has transpired out there and how far we've gone along with it, what commitments have we made if any, et cetera.

MR. MEL SUELTFENFUSS: All right, let me say that this is typical of a typical installation where there are no sewer lines available in the area where we provide sewer service to a new development by installation of a portable plant. This particular plant is on a creek, on a sediment creek, which in turn goes into Huebner Creek and on into the Leon Creek outfall. We do not have funds at this time to extend the main all the way up to the subdivision site; it will, we estimate it will be some four or five years probably in our planning before a line is extended to that point. In the interim, as we've done in many places, we install temporary sewage treatment plants. The effluents from these plants is of a very high quality, in fact, it exceeds the quality of our larger plants, and it's a policy matter. We install these all over. The effluents, of course, has to pass by somebody's house. I had a call from a lady in the area, and I had to pose the question to her and asked her if she knew where hers went and the thing of it is, that the people that follow the City I know don't like the sewage going by their place. The point I'm trying to make is that effluents, sewage effluents, unfortunately, has to go somewhere and the creeks are the logical place, of course, to discharge it so it can obtain gravity flow. Now the other alternative, of course, would be to just prohibit development completely in these area until such time as the sewer mains can be extended. That's the basic background, problem of the thing.

MR. PADILLA: Where does the Leon Valley effluent go ?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: Fortunately, Leon Valley is fortunate enough, that they don't have to have a plant. They give it to us, and we take it, and I think it goes on into Leon Creek Treatment Plant.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: And then from there the Medina River and into the San Antonio River.

MR. PADILLA: Now this temporary plant that seems to be necessary out there is there any way that we can take this particular development's effluent and run it through the same piping system that is now handling Leon Valley?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: Yes, it could ultimately be extended. It's a matter of two problems. One, of course, is the funding of the extension of the line, the approach main to it. Then, of course, secondly, would be the timing factor in getting the line there; those would be the both.

MR. PADILLA: How far is the Crown Hill area from the present line?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: I don't have the exact number figure, but it's.....

MR. PADILLA: It's a matter of distance?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: Yes, it's a matter of some miles, a mile or two, yes, sir.

MR. PADILLA: Is there capacity there if the line were put in?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: Yes, the capacity of the big line is there, yes, sir. It would be a matter of extending the small line up there, the smaller line. I say small line, it's a ten or twelve inch line, somewhere in that capacity.

MR. PADILLA: Now, can you bring me up to date as to just what action this Council has taken if any? Has this Council already acted as necessary or is this going to be brought to the Council?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: No, sir. You have not taken any action on this, and let me give you the procedure on that. First of all the permit for the plant is issued by the Texas Water Quality Board, and the present status of the situation is that the plant, I mean the permit, will get reissued. The rehearing, I think is next October 8.

MR. PADILLA: That's the court action that they're contemplating?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: No, sir. This will be a complete new hearing by the Texas Water Quality Board. There was a technicality in the application and everybody felt that rather than have the thing thrown out as a technicality, I think our position is to that we ought to try the merits of the case. In other words, if the courts decide or the Water Quality Board decides that there will be no temporary plants of this nature that's going to affect development greatly all over and we certainly felt that we ought to have a clean case so that we've got a policy decision rather than having it on some technicality. So, in essence, the Texas Water Quality Board will hear the case from scratch again starting next October 8, on the 8th.

MR. PADILLA: Let me ask you, Mr. Sueltenfuss, who has the responsibility to notify all the interested parties of these hearings?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: The Texas Water Quality Board does notify, handles all the notifications.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Mel, isn't this just the people within 200 feet of the party discharged?

MR. SUELTFENFUSS: Yes, they limit it. Now, arbitrarily downstream they pick a certain area you know, that they pick and say you must notify the owners within this area. Now, of course, they rely on us as applicants to obtain the landowners, technically, but they do the notifying of the people.

MR. PADILLA: I wanted to establish this because one of the complaints I receive from many people out there is that and they say, I haven't verified this except that I've been told by them, that they were noti-

fied three days before the hearing and they felt that they did not receive adequate time to prepare themselves to present their best possible case to the Texas Water Control Board.

MR. SUELTFUSS: But, this is the responsibility, and I might say, of course, that really the whole thing would be completely heard and start from scratch so they will have an opportunity.....

MR. PADILLA: Alright, will this Council have any kind of a shot at this thing, so to speak?

MR. SUELTFUSS: Well, basically, of course, the original shot that was given at it is when the sewer extension policy was established by Ordinance and now the only other place that you would get a shot at it is at such time as we would come before you for purchase of the plant, but this is on a contract basis, and I don't even know that that would be necessary because we have annual contracts for these plants. So to be very honest about your answer, I don't know that it would come before you any more.

MR. PADILLA: I would personally appreciate, Mel, you and I getting together and perhaps other members of the Council would like to have it too. I'd like to be briefed on this. Many things have been said to me about pipes running under Huebner Creek and effluents running down the creek with the pipes under it, and the money is coming from the government to buy the pipes and all kinds of things and the net result of it, in all candidness then to confuse the issue more than to help in my own mind, I'd like to know more about it if we can get together.

MR. SUELTFUSS: I would be happy to get together with you anytime.

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BRUSH PICK UP PROGRAM

The following discussion took place:

MR. PADILLA: On the next item, it's something that Sam and I have discussed many times when we run into each other from time to time, like cocktail parties, though Sam doesn't make too many of those, but when he does, I always catch him on this, and the newspapers have been catching us for a month at least. We seem to have a very serious brush problem all over town. I finally decided to bring it to the Council. Sam has told me quite a bit about it in an informal sense, but it does seem to be a very serious problem. It does seem that we are not able to get even and keep up, let alone take a substantial bit out of it. Now, I'd simply like to throw it on the table, first of all ask you for a status report on the situation and then see what if any thing this Council feels it can do to help staff out in this situation because it seems to be serious.

MR. SUELTFUSS: Mr. Padilla, let me say that, of course, brush is a highly seasonal problem and that we, of course, we all speak about September and October and we are making headway. Our calls are getting less. We will catch up again by the first of the year and in all candor though, probably next summer, based on our present operation, we'll be behind again. I just want to tell it like it is. Now, we are also having a very detailed staff study made. We've got a task force of three people working on it, and I just talked, I ironically talked to them about it this morning, and we

are gathering some information, and we may be able to change our systems some, so that may hopefully help the situation some. But, it's just a matter of just mass, mass generation of this. Now, there are several other things that we have instituted. We have said that if the people are willing to put it in four foot bundles and bundle it, we will pick it up with the garbage, you know, regular garbage pickup. For some reason or another, this hasn't caught on. It's not a very popular thing. I don't know exactly why but people are just not bundling brush. Now, this would be a tremendous help, but I would suggest that possibly in a week or two weeks, we could have a complete summary of our staff report which and if it's agreeable with you, if you could defer it maybe a week or so, we could possibly talk to you and give you a report on it.

MR. PADILLA: We'd be happy to if a week will be helpful, sure. Thank you.

MAYOR BECKER: Mel, I'd like to know if this brush problem is going to subside or eliminate itself. We're going to have in all probability record rainfall this time of the year. We're already somewhere probably close to 46 inches, and I read in the paper where the record rainfall was 50 1/2 inches in 1950, and we lack four inches, and we've got October, November, and December to go.

MR. PADILLA: Do you think we'll have 73 in '73?

MAYOR BECKER: Seventy-three inches? Well, maybe so. I don't know I saw bullfrogs, or some kind of frog on the street last night. I know that, but it's going to take more equipment, isn't it, more crew? Isn't that really what it's going to finally get down to - spending more money?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Well, sir, yes, we thought that all along. We started out with two trucks, and we're up to I think 40 trucks and trailers and each time we get more equipment, we still fall behind. I don't know really what the answer is. We've tried everything we know today. It's a free service as you know, and it's a good service but it admittedly, is our worst service. The one that generates more calls more than street calls, than any other calls because of the people's unwillingness to wait. There have been many suggestions that are printed in the paper. O. P. Schnabel always has told us, and he's a very good man, to print in the paper that this week you're going to be in a certain area. And that's fine, we could go that route and just everybody go in that one area and then it would happen that right after you move out of the area and go into the next area that's in the paper the next week, or for the following week, somebody will cut brush within the area you've already been in. And each one of you will get a call, and it may be a year before we could get back to that one brush area. With that kind of assistance, sir, we're working very diligently trying to find a way. It's a six day week operation, and we try to utilize the men that are too young to retire, but too old to still follow the garbage truck, and I'm about to put them out to pasture, and it's a slow operation. We used to hand pick it with pitchforks trying to get into the state of the art because no one wasn't in the state of the art. We've got mechanical pickers now. We're utilizing everything we know. We've tried convoys and some of the citizens are saying we're convoying the trucks; they're all loafing, and it's something that I wish I knew the answer to. I know the staff wishes they knew the answer, and we're

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going to continue to pick it up and hope. I'm glad that we can still burn it, maybe soon we'll have to quit doing that and that will be another problem, and where will we put it if we can't burn it? It's a terrible problem.

MAYOR BECKER: Maybe you're not calling it the right thing. It's brash, you know, not brush.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Well, it was originated only to pick up the brush generated by the retired couple that was pruning their rosebushes and that's gotten to be a monster, and we're spending about \$850,000 a year to pick up brush.

MAYOR BECKER: Well, of course, it isn't adequate because we are discussing it here this morning.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: It's not adequate, and I don't know if another \$850,000 would make us catch up.....

MR. PADILLA: Maybe we can let the Bus Service pick it up.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: One of the basic problems, if the citizens would bundle the brush into four foot limbs, and take a little extra effort we would pick it up three times a week with the regular service and not weigh more than 40 pounds to a bundle. Yes, sir, we've sent pamphlets to the doors.....

MAYOR BECKER: Now, how do they know it?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Well, because we've distributed it at the time door to door.

MAYOR BECKER: You know we have one out of every five people here in this town right now weren't here last year, that's a national average. Now here it's probably even higher due to the military and whatnot that are in town and these folks come into town, and they don't know any of these things, and you constantly have to be advertising the fact that if you cut your brush into four foot sections and bundle it that the garbage pickup will get it.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Our best communication with them now, of course, is when they call, and they are told that. But we don't every week put out a brochure door to door.

MAYOR BECKER: Maybe some of the space that is used in the newspapers talking about how long our meetings are down here could be devoted to such items as this and may be it would be more interesting than about how long the City Council meeting was.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: It certainly would help.

MR. SUELTFUSS: One of our basic problems is one of sheer logistics because of the haul distance to the two burning sites that we have, and we could sit down and every time we come around to it any way you slice it, you're talking about four to seven, eight hours a day working time and travel, and this is part of the basic problem. There just is no way you can go around that, sir.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: And, if you quit picking it up, they'll drop it on the side of the road, somewhere.....

MAYOR BECKER: Mel, how many of those vultures or grinders or whatever you call them how many of those do you use?

MR. SUELTFUSS: We don't use any because once the brush gets dry - this doesn't work at all.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: We used to have eight, and we phased them out.....

MAYOR BECKER: It won't handle that?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: No, sir, it's just tough as a boot, that stuff is and the chippers that we had at that time were, what, four inches in circumference or diameter?

MR. SUELTFUSS: We're looking at a machine now that will grind up to, you know, 12 inch logs, and it's a very beautiful machine but it's priced under \$75,000 a piece.

MR. PADILLA: And, if anybody's got logs, I would advise them to save them for winter. Don't throw them away.

MR. MORTON: What kind of a conclusion have we reached. We've discussed it, but have we decided we're going to take any action, or are you.....

MR. SUELTFUSS: I think we are going to come up with some things that I think will help the situation, but I would like to wait one week and have that report completed.

MR. MORTON: In other words, the direction that we're giving you, is we would like to know what the staff would recommend?

MR. SUELTFUSS: Yes, that's right.

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MacARTHUR PARK AREA DRAINAGE PROBLEM

Councilman Mendoza stated he met with some residents on the northeast section of town in the MacArthur Park area on a drainage problem that he brought to the attention of Administrative Assistant Bob Fisher. Mr. Mendoza asked the status of this matter and if he could get together with Mr. Mel Sueltenfuss, Director of Public Works, because he has been getting a number of calls about it and he asked if the City could send a crew out there in this particular instance to eliminate this hazard. He knew he was going to get more after last night's storm.

Mr. Sueltenfuss stated that he would get with Mr. Fisher and get the information so a report can be made to Mr. Mendoza.

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Mayor Becker brought to the attention of the City Manager that the Johnson Grass is so high at the Cloverleaf at Loop 410 and U.S. 281 where you enter the access road to Loop 410 that it is creating a traffic hazard. He asked if the City could send a crew out there in this particular instance to eliminate this hazard.

City Manager Granata stated that this is the responsibility of the Texas Highway Department and would call them and bring it to their attention. He added that he did not want to take over this type of project permanently because the City is weak in the area of cutting its own mediums.

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MR. BENNIE CANTU, CHAIRMAN SAN ANTONIO TRANSIT SYSTEM

Mayor Becker recognized Mr. Bennie Cantu, newly elected Chairman of the Transit System, who was in the audience. He congratulated Mr. Cantu on being elected Chairman and stated that he had read with interest the recommendations that the Transit System is making to improve bus service.

Mr. Cantu stated that he was just visiting the Council meeting and intended to attend at least once or twice a month. He invited Council members to attend the Transit System meetings whenever possible.

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The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Members of the Administrative Staff, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: San Martin, Cockrell, Black, Beckmann.

## AN ORDINANCE 42,811

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF SARGENT-SOWELL INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH ELECTRONIC VEHICLE SIRENS FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$1,440.00.

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## AN ORDINANCE 42,812

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF TRIANGLE REPRODUCTIONS, INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH REPRODUCTION OF CERTAIN SECTION MAPS FOR USE BY THE CITY TAX DEPARTMENT AT A UNIT PRICE OF \$2.80 AND \$1.44.

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AN ORDINANCE 42,813

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$6,927.00 TO  
THE CITY WATER BOARD FOR WATER SERVICES  
AT THE CULEBRA ROAD AND LOOP 410 FIRE  
STATION.

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AN ORDINANCE 42,814

GRANTING PERMISSION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION  
AND OPERATION OF A PRIVATE HOSPITAL FOR  
TREATMENT OF DOGS, CATS AND OTHER SMALL  
ANIMALS AT 4623 BINZ ENGLEMANN ROAD.

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73-51CITIZENS TO BE HEARDMR. WILLIAM JOHNSTON

Mr. William Johnston, 172 Ferris, made the following statement concerning the Emergency Medical Service System.

"Good morning, Mayor Becker, City Council. My name is William Johnston. I would like to go on record in support of Councilman Alvin Padilla's issue of persons who have been refused immediate emergency treatment in our hospitals because of the inability to pay or guarantee to pay them. It is nothing new to all the citizens of San Antonio who have been involved at one time or another with this problem, especially those who have found themselves in dire need of emergency treatment. Many of our citizens who have sought emergency treatment and have found themselves caught in the run around and instead of the necessary treatment that was needed to be administered, they were caught up in a lot of red tape. I would like to commend and support the City Council at this time on a resolution passed on June 14, 1973 that shows that the Council is not only aware of the problem but of the frequency with which this problem occurs when patients arrive at the emergency room and are unable to pay the necessary emergency deposit. Being a concerned citizen and a part of a group of concerned citizens, a part of which we are here today this morning, I would like to point out that certain editorials that have come out recently have stated in so many words that you, the Councilmen's knowledge, especially Councilman Padilla's knowledge of hospital procedures and policies leaves a lot to be desired. Being a concerned citizen, I also have understood that information has it that the gentlemen charged with writing these editorials is on the Board of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, a hospital, which I might add has throughout the years demanded cash before using any type of emergency treatment if the patient needed it. This to me as I am sure as well as you, clears your conflict of interest and suggests that this person should refrain from providing or making any statements concerning emergency hospital treatment. Again, we would like to go on record in support of the City Council's resolution asking hospitals to guarantee treatment of emergency victims brought to the hospital and to the ambulance."

MR. ISIDORE FLORES, JR.

Mr. Isidore Flores, Jr., 407 Wilcox Avenue, made the following statement concerning the Emergency Medical Service System.

"Mr. Mayor and City Councilmen, it is indeed a pleasure for me to appear before this honorable body this morning. As being also in favor of the group that is here this morning and being also a member of LULAC, being a southside concerned citizen, and being a recipient of the services that these hospitals give the emergency cases, I'm telling you, I brought my mother down there to the Baptist Hospital and she had 80 percent burns over her body and she stayed in the emergency room two hours. My God, those people could at least give the persons an aspirin or something, Jiminy Crickets! That's awful. I'm glad that this Council passed that resolution. I'm Isidore Flores, Jr. and Mr. Mayor and Councilmen, this resolution that you passed very clearly shows that this Council is well aware, very well, of the frequency with which hospitals refuse to treat patients who do not have the funds to put up for deposits."

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Numerous cases of persons who have been refused emergency care because of lack of funds to guarantee payment have been documented by the newspapers. Even by the newspaper, whose recent editorials deny it that a problem exists. Yea, sure, it's creating a conflict of interest and I am trying to put up smoke screens and using, if you please, the power of the press. The power that should serve and look after all the people, not just the interest of the hospitals alone. This newspaper has erroneously stated twice in the past week that this City Council has no control over tax exemptions, terming tax exempt status in matters of state law. However, the state law and tax exemptions is broad, very broad and the City Council traditionally approves or disapproves request of organizations asking for tax exemptions. Now, anyone even remotely familiar with City business knows that the City Council regularly rules on requested tax exemptions. This is not to say that an organization cannot appeal the decision in court. Anyone has the right to appeal on practically anything but the City Council does approve or reject such requests for tax exemptions, usually in conjunction with decisions by the City Legal staff. Mr. Mayor and City Councilmen, those editorials I'm referring to represent the view of the individual who wrote it and I'm not talking about a lowly reporter or this staff employee. I'm talking about the man in charge of the editorials of that paper who should know better, definitely. Information has it that this individual, as we've been told before, sits on the Board of Directors at the Baptist Memorial Hospital. Need I say more. Please gentlemen, we commend you, stay with your resolution because the people that go to the emergency room have a right to be given humanitarian treatment in the least. Thank you."

MRS. AURORA HERNANDEZ

Mrs. Aurora Hernandez, Health Director for the Southwest Migrant Project, made the following statement concerning emergency care at the Bexar County Hospital and the Robert B. Green Hospital.

"Mr. Becker and Councilmen, thank you for permitting me to be here this morning. I'm going to read this in order so that I'm not leaving anything out. On September 4, 1973, a three-year-old child by the name of Estella Quintor, and her mother is here, and I would like to ask her to stand up so that you all will see that we do have her mother here to verify this thing. Thank you Mrs. Quintor, All right. She was brought to our health clinic by her mother. The child was examined by our physician, Dr. William Torres and was immediately referred to the Bexar County Hospital Emergency Room and with a request that the child be admitted. Such was the seriousness of the problem. Now, the mother was sent to the Bexar County Hospital. In the patient's record, according to Mr. and Mrs. Quintor, the child was not seen at Bexar County Hospital, but was referred from that hospital to the emergency room at the Robert B. Green Hospital. The parents then took the child to the Robert B. Green, where, after several hours of waiting, were finally seen by a doctor and I will call him Doctor "X". I do have the doctor's name in my records, it's a medical record, but I feel that if you want to pursue this any further, that I will give you a complete record of names and claims here that I have. Now this child was dismissed by this doctor, stating that the child was all right and that she should be taken home. Dr. "X" stated that the child could be brought back to be checked in two days. Distressed by the condition of the child, Mr. and Mrs. Quintor took the child to Santa Rosa Hospital Emergency Room, where the parents would have to pay \$50.00 before the

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child would be seen. The physician who had found the child at the Emergency Room stated that the child's condition was serious and had the parents waited another day to bring the child in, the child could have died. And I will vouch for this because I have been a public health nurse for several years and I have seen conditions such as this child had, that a child if not treated sometime within a 12-hour period does die or does expire. Now the child was admitted to the hospital and was not released until September 14th. This is in the Santa Rosa. Apart from what the physicians charged the family for services, a bill for \$900.00 was presented to Mr. Quintor by the Santa Rosa Medical Center for hospital room and services. The family does not have the money to cover this bill."

She added that this family like other migrant families are poor and are at the mercy of the county hospitals. She felt the City Council should look into this and she would give not only the record of this case but other cases.

After discussion, Mayor Becker asked Mrs. Hernandez to leave her name, address, and telephone number with Mr. Tony Wenbe, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager and the City would get in touch with her at a later date.

MR. KENNETH STEVENS

Mr. Kenneth Stevens, Post Office Box 2104, spoke in opposition to the provisions of the Clean Air Act. He felt that total implementation would cripple the City and destroy the downtown business district. He felt the regulations are so radical that nobody is going to agree with them and the people are going to the Environmental Protection Agency for a compromise and meeting them halfway on the controls. Once the controls are in, they will only increase. He encouraged the Council to pass a resolution to be forwarded to Senators Tower and Benson and to Congressmen Gonzalez, Fisher and Kazen, requesting that the Clean Air Act of 1970 be completely repealed.

73-51      The Council took a 15-minute recess and reconvened at 11:15  
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MRS. JO ANN GUTIERREZ

Mrs. Jo Ann Gutierrez, 1015 Chihuahua, read the following prepared statement.

"I am Mrs. Jo Ann Gutierrez. I come to you today as a concerned citizen, taxpayer, but mainly as a parent of four small children. I have been chosen to speak to you today of the recent increase of glue sniffing, paint sniffing and the most recently manufactured form of balloon plastic inhaling method of which I offer you a sample.

City Ordinance 40861, which prohibits inhalation of toxic vapors from paint spray and the sale of paint spray products to certain minors and providing a penalty not exceeding \$200 fine for violations, passed and accepted on June 22, 1973, states that no paint spray or such, and that any of the 12 chemical compounds in Section One is considered dangerous, and therefore, should not be sold or offered to be

sold to any person under the age of 19 years. After you have been able to inspect the sample which will be offered to you, you will notice that ACETONE is contained as one of the ingredients listed in said City Ordinance.

The residents of the San Juan, Mirasol, Cassiano, Alazan-Apache Housing Projects believe that said City Ordinance needs reinforcement. The City's Youth Services Projects at Alazan and San Juan have been contacted for assistance. So has the Child Advocacy Project. We sincerely hope that the City, with the help of all the neighborhood agencies working with youth in the community, will take our petition into consideration before the problem becomes a major catastrophe. Thank you."

After discussion, Mr. Padilla requested that the glue sniffing Ordinance be reviewed, with particular emphasis put on whether the Ordinance covers current products, as there may be products that are new on the market which can be equally harmful.

MRS. TERRY McDONALD

Mrs. Terry McDonald, representing Citizens for a Better Environment, made the following statement pertaining to air and water quality.

"Gentlemen, my name is Terry McDonald and I'm President of Citizens for a Better Environment. I come before you to urge two things; one, support of the AACOG Task Force revised orders for protection of the Edwards Underground Reservoir and to urge support of the transportation control compromise with the Environmental Protection Agency. The air and water quality of San Antonio is a precious environmental and economic resource. Citizens for a Better Environment has been active for three years in community education directed toward the preservation and enhancement of this City environmental well being. When the Clean Air Act was passed with its subsequent amendments, we prepared technical reports on proposed standards for this area. We've testified at five hearings over a period of three years. At the recent Environmental Protection Agency hearing in San Antonio, Citizens for a Better Environment prepared and submitted a 25-page critique of the proposals on transportation sources. Although we thoroughly support the concept of needed control, we took issue with several of the EPA proposals. We strongly support the Transit Company's proposed efforts and hope very sincerely that this Council will not take a very serious problem lightly. The air pollution in San Antonio certainly isn't critical but it is increasing.

On October 19, there will be a hearing of the Texas Water Quality Board at the Convention Center. The subject of that hearing will be the Edwards Order. As you know, following the trial and publicity of the San Antonio Ranch Town case, AACOG formed a task force to study and suggest more stringent regulations for the recharge zone. Mr. Morton participated on this study. Citizens for a Better Environment initiated the Ranch Town suit. We're convinced that the recharge zone is imminently threatened. We feel that the only sure way to protect our water supply is by ultimate purchase of those areas most sensitive and those areas which are most threatened. Many people declined this particular alternative as unrealistic and impractical, but no one ever

spurns around dollar figures of what it will cost the taxpayers of this City to clean up our water should it become polluted. The head of the Environmental Science Department at Rice University, Dr. Calvin Ward, has estimated it will cost San Antonio over \$500 million. CBE realizes that purchase is a long-term alternative and that increased regulations on development is imperative as a short-term solution. We urge your support of the AACOG Task Force new proposal and urge the Council to join Bexar County and other representative local government in support of maximum protection of our water supply.

A final word. Citizens for a Better Environment has recently received a grant from the National Endowment for the Yard for Community Education Project. \$25,000 grant is a part of the national program by the National Endowment. It's entitled "City Edges". It's been designated by the Presidential Bi-Centennial Commission as an official Bi-Centennial activity. Our project will focus public attention on those city edges which are environmentally sensitive. The recharge zone of the Aquifer, the flood plain, the noise zones around International Airport and our air bases, and the agricultural plane. We will develop educational material based on input from local agencies. We hope to involve you individually in this project. We do want your help. I will be sending each of you preliminary information on the current status of the project and will look forward to getting in contact with you. Thank you."

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MAYOR BECKER: Thank you very much, Terry. I would like to say this to you, if I may, that I don't think that you ever have to question whether or not any of the members of this City Council are interested in preserving and creating and guarding the same identical things that you and your group are. We do feel this way, however about it, that we have almost a duty, if you will, to investigate, examine, ask questions going into great depth, before we just accept any of these proposals whether they emanate from Washington or wherever they might, because we don't entirely subscribe to the fact that all these things are exactly as they should be, at least on the first or second writing.

MRS. McDONALD: That's the responsibility I feel like we do the same thing. We make the same type of inquiry as concerned citizens as you do.

MAYOR BECKER: But, we live here. We have our homes here and our investments are here and our responsibility lies with this community and we're not, I don't think, just running a mock, as it were, and trying to emulate some sort of paradical people of old. We're not interested in that at all, and we'll be happy to cooperate with you every way we can.

MRS. McDONALD: I might add also, as a concerned citizen, that I share your concern for the economic well being of the City. My husband is a stockbroker. I have to raise two children in the City. I'm equally interested in a healthy downtown community and a better life, materially as well as emphatically or environmentally, but we do share that.

MAYOR BECKER: Right. I commend you for your stand. Mr. Morton, I think, has something he'd like to say.

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MR. MORTON: Yes, I would. I'd like to ask you some questions. In representing your group, do you have any reservations in support of the AACOG Task Force recommended order, of the modifications order?

MRS. McDONALD: We currently have a technical committee studying the final draft of the AACOG revisions. I imagine we will have reservations but we won't be able to finalize those until the 19th at the hearing, unfortunately.

MR. MORTON: But what you're asking from us, is that you want us to support it even though you may come back with reservations.

MRS. McDONALD: Well, we will support the concept of the AACOG, there's no doubt about that. We do need more stringent regulations on the development over the recharge zone.

MR. MORTON: I certainly agree with you. Do you think the AACOG recommendations go far enough?

MRS. McDONALD: No, but I would support a minimum of the AACOG regulations. In other words, certainly no less than that.

MR. MORTON: Are you aware of the report that I received this morning from the Texas Water Quality Board?

MRS. McDONALD: We received it but I have not been able to review it yet.

MR. MORTON: Well, if I may, I think this would be as good a time as any to discuss this. It seems to me that for some reason or other we're trying to, I guess the right word is educate, the press, and for some reason or other, certain members of the press either lack objectivity or don't understand what the problem was.

Last week, I believe the record would reflect that I did not ask for a tabling of the questions on supporting the modification to the court order. I did that for several reasons. Number one; I knew that the Texas Water Quality Board's staff had a report that had been in existence for about 30 days. I did not know why they had not released the report but I felt that this Council would best be advised if it was this type of staff work that had been done by the Texas Water Quality Board and that they have the opportunity to have a look at it as well as what the AACOG Committee came up with. So, I was not asking for a tabling of this for an indefinite period of time. However, if you would read the accounts in the paper, you would get the impression that Cliff Morton, developer, was asking that it be tabled indefinitely, which was just exactly the opposite of what I was trying to do.

But going back to some actions by previous Councils on which things were done on the spur of the moment without a complete set of facts on the different views regarding the subject, I felt that I was serving the community well by saying, let's have someone else's opinion. So we have someone else's opinion as of this morning. Very frankly, I am in disagreement with them. They're not asking for enough but what you have here is political influence over a lot of counties that have created this fast study. It is not sufficient, in my opinion, to satisfy the City of San Antonio. Now, I am sorry that my action in asking that we wait until we have the Texas Water Quality Board's staff study was not even mentioned in the paper or the fact that our City staff man,

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who served as a technical representative, who was absent last week and was not here, was another reason that we wanted to delay any consideration on it. Now, Mr. Sueltenfuss is back, he has a copy of the Texas Water Quality Board staff study and I believe that after he has had a sufficient period of time to digest it, he will come to this Council with some recommendations of his own, concerning the Texas Water Quality Board and as well as any exceptions, additions, or modifications that he might have for the AACOG study.

Now, the implication is that Cliff Morton, developer, as far as the AACOG study was concerned, that I wanted to put it off because by doing this, I was going to make sure that certain developers got out of water but Mr. Sueltenfuss and I corrected that. Really, we're not going to approve any plats over this area until we get some sort of a standard, is that correct? So in other words, as long as I'm delaying this thing, really what I'm saying, there's not going to be any action by developers, is that right? Okay. Also omitted from the article in the paper was the fact that really we had until the 19th of October, which is the date of the public hearing. There were three weeks in there and I knew that during this three-week period of time we were not delaying anything because after all, the State of Texas really had the authority on it for three weeks.

But very frankly, I'm surprised that your group, if they had studied this AACOG Task Force recommendation, doesn't have some very grave doubts about supporting it. Contrary to what the newspapers have implied in the articles about this, this last week, the implication was, of course, that I was here for the developers trying to make it easier for them. Very frankly, I very seriously question what kind of inspection procedures you're going to get when the authority is left to the county. How do you feel about that? Do you think that the Uvalde County is going to be so concerned about the enforcement of the AACOG recommendations, if that's what the Texas Water Quality Board buys and say we are here in Bexar County?

MRS. McDONALD: No, probably not, but I do know that Bexar County is the county that is most directly threatened and it's going to have much more of an impact on the quality. What happens is Bexar County....

MR. MORTON: But let me ask you, with AACOG, do we have any more authority than any other county?

MRS. McDONALD: Absolutely not.

MR. MORTON: Isn't this unfortunate, that some 20 some odd years ago, we didn't....

MRS. McDONALD: Which is one reason why our organization feels very strongly, it's the only way ultimately, to protect the recharge zone. Judge Spears agreed with us in his court order, he said, buy it, fence it, protect it.

MR. MORTON: Either that or else you go to the State of Texas and you create a sub-agency of the State that will have the authority for the enforcement of the order, whatever it is and that you have a uniform enforcement, as opposed to each county being solely responsible. So I am telling you that I am going to recommend to this Council that we object to the fact that each county has the sole responsibility for inspection and no one to inspect the inspectors.

MRS. McDONALD: Were you against the Edwards Underground Water District being the enforcement agency?

MR. MORTON: I am not, but the Edwards Underground Water District has not taken the initiative to do it. They are the logical agency in being able to do it but they have not taken the responsibility and I blame them for it.

MRS. McDONALD: They could be forced under a State law to do this.

MR. MORTON: Well, I am not so sure that I would want to force somebody to do something they didn't want to do by law. I'd rather create an agency that would want to do it. Number 2, how do you feel about the fact that the AACOG task force report does not address itself at all to surface rates?

MRS. McDONALD: I think that's too bad.

MR. MORTON: Okay, well, I do too. So I really question...I would like for you to go back to your board and I would like to ask them that before they send someone down to this City Council, saying you urge us to support something when there are grave deficiencies in what you're asking us to support, that they really think about it a little bit further than perhaps your Board did in directing you to come down here. Because when you have a very grave deficiency in inspection of whatever you come up with, and in addition to that, you completely ignore a major source of pollution, surface drainage, in the order, I feel that the order is basically deficient, and I can't support it. It's got to be... it's got to be more comprehensive than it is. Do you agree with that?

MRS. McDONALD: As I said, we will come up with a very thorough analysis of the overall order on the 19th. However, we feel very strongly that something needs to be done now that we need a new order and that the Texas Water Quality Board is going to pass an order. Now let's suppose one order, which you think is gravely deficient. AACOG is suggesting some alterations to that, right, which is somewhat more stringent than the staff's recommendation from the Water Quality Board, right? They're going to pass on something. Is our position that which is more stringent? We ought to pass now, at least get something on the book.

MR. MORTON: I think...

MRS. McDONALD: As a matter of fact, if the previous Council hadn't taken the action they did in allowing the City of 90,000 people to be built right on top of the recharge zone, we wouldn't be in this mess.

MR. MORTON: Well, this is, I have a feeling that this Council takes things apart a little bit more carefully and looks at it a little bit harder than perhaps some other Councils have. I don't know. I haven't had the privilege of serving on them. But I would just like to say that before I can recommend to this Council, that they support this AACOG or Texas Water Quality Board staff study, either one of them, and that they tell the State of Texas that they do not think that they have taken a whole look at the problem. We're not saying, let's not do what the AACOG Task Force report recommends but let's also point out to the Texas Water Quality Board that we think there are other grave deficiencies in it that need to be addressed.

MRS. McDONALD: I assure you we will be doing the same thing and we are not disagreeing in what I said. If the AACOG order, we urge your support as a minimum of protection because it is better than what we have now and they are going to pass something. If it be another interim order and go back to another city or have to go back for legislation in another year, but we need something now and just telling them that the AACOG order isn't going far enough is not going to....

MR. MORTON: I'm not recommending that at all. I also think we ought to point out the deficiencies of it, would you agree?

MRS. McDONALD: Absolutely. If at first we will present them, I'm sure we'll have certain items of reservations ourselves, probably more stringent than yours.

MAYOR BECKER: I'm not sure and I think what Councilman Morton is saying here, and I'm not trying to put words in his mouth because he doesn't need me to speak for him, but I'm not sure that we're dealing with this thing in a realistic fashion at all. Now we can protect our aquifer, we can encase cement pipes in Titaniam if we want to. We can take all the safeguards. We can insure against spillage, leakage, breakage. We can do everything that's humanly possible, but unless we have controls over the communities in the areas to the west of us, because this water is flowing west to east, is it not?

MRS. McDONALD: That's a disputed...well, it's flowing west to east but....

MAYOR BECKER: I don't know whether it's disputed or not. People say that to me and all the charts I've seen show that it's flowing west to east.

MRS. McDONALD: Generally, it flows from west to east but there were three days of testimony on that on the trial.

MAYOR BECKER: Well, of course, I heard a lot of these guys talk about this thing and I find one thing that always seems to be apparent and that is, there's never any agreement on what any of these people say about anything. That's one thing you can bet on. Now, but until we have some control over what occurs to the west of us, we're really whistling Dixie as far as San Antonio is concerned about how careful we are about what happens to this water that's already underneath us that emanated from some other part of the state.

MRS. McDONALD: The pollution of ten people and a million people are not exactly the same quantity.....

MAYOR BECKER: What I'm trying to say, Terry, is that what if some type of an industry were located to the west of us where it would be operated by one person. That could, in effect, and it's not impossible, introduce pollutants into the water to the Edwards or whatever it is, aquifer, out there and the various crevasses and all that sort of thing where this water seems to come up, go down the Frio River and the Sabinal and all that. We could pollute every bit of our water system here with just one type of an industry. Now we have to have some type of effective controls over what happens to the west of us.

MRS. McDONALD: I'm not disagreeing with you, I'm just saying that we can't ask those counties to the west of us to do something we're unwilling to do ourselves.

MR. MORTON: There's no question about that. Well, Mr. Mayor, we happen to have a very large industry out there that is a severe polluter. How about the agricultural industry and all the fertilizers that they spray on every year and can be washed...what?

MRS. McDONALD: There may be some pine trees too out there.

MR. MORTON: Well, that's right.

MAYOR BECKER: And a certain sewage....

MR. MORTON: I agree with you to this point. We, from a standpoint of a population, have more to lose than anyone else, a major city. We have the largest water system, we have the largest sewer system. I think that we should have taken the initiative many, many years ago and have done something about it. Today, I think we still have to take that initiative. We have to nullify the fact, however, in the setup with AACOG that each one of these counties, regardless of their population, has the same voice that we do, and we have to get enough political strength in Austin to be able to create a sub-agency of the State that will be responsible for the enforcement of the order. Do you agree with that?

MRS. McDONALD: Yes sir.

MR. MORTON: Okay, we're on the same wave length.

MRS. McDONALD: Any other questions?

MR. MORTON: It's a serious, serious problem.

MRS. McDONALD: Yes it is and.....

MR. MORTON: I just don't know why we haven't dealt with it but I'll guarantee you that we will and we will deal with it responsibly.

MRS. McDONALD: Good.

MAYOR BECKER: Thank you very much, Terry.

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MRS. MARY FOSTER

Mrs. Mary Foster, 1035 South Palmetto, reported on the progress that she has made in bringing the house at 108 Groveton up to standards. She said that she has spent \$911.70 for materials and labor and still needs to buy paint, windows, and window glass, screen wire, and underpainting material. The plumbing has been approved, as well as the electric wiring and the foundation holes. She named several contractors, one of whom she is trying to get to complete the job. They all require at least 45 days to do the work. She added that she

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will be able to get the necessary financing.

Mr. George Vann, Director of Building and Planning Administration, stated that about 75 to 80 percent of the work has been completed and it is being done in a permanent fashion.

After consideration, Mr. Morton made a motion that Mrs. Foster execute a contract with a contractor within two weeks and that if she does this, that she be granted a maximum of 60 working days barring bad weather, to complete the work.

Seconded by Mr. Mendoza, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; Absent: Cockrell, San Martin, Beckmann, Black.

MR. LINO MENDIOLA

Mr. Lino Mendiola, 1506 S. W. 19th Street, representing the Child Advocacy Project, spoke to the Council of the growing glue sniffing problem, more specifically, the plastic balloon which has a chemical in it. He asked that the Council review the glue sniffing ordinance.

Mayor Becker stated that he has asked Mr. Jack Skipper, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor and Council, to call Handy Andy offices and ask them if these items are for sale in the stores and if they are, to take them off the shelf and return them to the distributor. He assured Mr. Mendiola that the City would pursue this matter.

Mr. Padilla again asked the City Manager to review the City ordinance to see if it needs to be amended to include new products on the market. He also asked for a report on how the ordinance is being revised.

ROBERT B. GREEN HOSPITAL PARKING

Mr. Lino Mendiola brought to the attention of the Council that there are "No Parking" signs around the Robert B. Green Hospital on both sides of the street where people are getting tickets all day from 8:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. The parking lot that is available is there for employees of the hospital. If patients want to park there they get a ticket or they must park blocks away. Many of these people are too sick to walk.

After discussion, Mayor Becker asked City Manager Sam Granata to contact the Robert B. Green Hospital and see what is available with respect to parking for patients, patients that are infirmed and crippled and what can be done to provide some type of parking in proximity to the front door.

MR. RAMON RODRIGUEZ, JR.

Mr. Ramon Rodriguez, Jr., 603 S. W. 39th Street, spoke about the drainage problems in his area, which have existed for some time, as well as the conditions of the area after last night's storm. He felt the City was allowing the north side to drain all the water through

the middle of the City and suggested that some of this water be diverted into the Leon Creek water shed.

City Manager Sam Granata stated that the City has a master drainage plan, which is designed so that each drainage shed will take care of its own water. This, of course, will all take time. The Alazan Creek has been tamed and the Apache Creek will soon be tamed. He estimated the cost of drainage needs to be \$300 million. He invited Mr. Rodriguez to inspect the drainage plan, which shows what has been done and what is needed and what they plan for his area of the City.

City Manager Granata also added that prior to 1955, there was no requirement for subdivisions to take care of drainage as they do today.

MR. DAVID ANDREWS - E.O.D.C.

Mr. David Andrews presented the Council with a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Economic Opportunities Development Corporation as follows:

RESOLVED: That both City and County Government give careful consideration to EODC's existing metro structure, our track record in the field of aging, and our proven ability to coordinate the resources available through numerous social service delivery agencies within the community for a contract with the City of San Antonio and the County of Bexar to operate the Senior Nutritional Program to be funded by the Governor's Committee on Aging; and, be it further

RESOLVED: That EODC joins its local, elected officials in a primary concern that duplication of existing and on-going structures be avoided, that administrative costs be held to a minimum, and that services be provided by agencies that have proven their ability to deliver.

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Mr. Andrews stated that the Senior Citizens Nutrition Program will be considered in the next month and their concern is that this program be planned properly from the beginning so they do not have to go back and correct it at a later date.

MR. RICHARD BORREGO

Mr. Richard Borrego stated he was a citizen interested in development of the downtown area. He said currently, there is a plan to develop three blocks in front of the Alamo, which would center around a major hotel. The major stumbling block, it seems, is the price of the land, which has been set at \$40 to \$45 a square foot and the developers are willing to pay only \$30 to \$35 a square foot. He urged the Council to go ahead and see if this property can be acquired for the development.

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As an alternative for the site for the hotel, Mr. Borrego proposed that the City consider selling the Marina Garage to a private developer for construction of such a hotel. If such a hotel was built, he felt that Joske's would perhaps be glad to construct a parking garage on its property for use by the hotel and the Convention Center.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Borrego for the interesting concepts.

City Manager Granata invited Mr. Borrego to get together with Mr. Cipriano Guerra, Director of Community Development and Planning.

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73-51      The meeting was recessed for lunch and reconvened at 2:00 P.M.  
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A. CASE 5168 - to rezone Lot 16, NCB 11636, 4631 Vance Jackson, from "A" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District, located on the west side of Vance Jackson Road, being approximately 573.24' southeast of the intersection of Marlborough Drive and Vance Jackson Road; having 188.70' on Vance Jackson Road with a maximum depth of 123.86'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Lacy made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper replatting is accomplished and that a six foot solid screen fence is erected along the west property line. Mr. Morton seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,815

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE  
THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE  
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN  
ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION  
AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY  
DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 16, NCB 11636,  
4631 VANCE JACKSON, FROM "A" SINGLE  
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2"  
BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT  
PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED AND  
THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS  
ERECTED ALONG THE WEST PROPERTY LINE.

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B. CASE 5188 - to rezone Lot 29, save and except the south 176', Block 9, NCB 15670, 560 N. W. Loop F. M. 1604, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District; and the south 176' of Lot 29, Block 9, NCB 15670, 560 N. W. Loop F. M. 1604, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District, located southeast of the intersection of Trailcrest and Loop F. M. 1604.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Morton made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that a six foot solid screen fence be erected along the southwest property line between subject property and lot 28 except the northerly 50' thereof. Mr. Mendoza seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion,

carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,816

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 29, SAVE AND EXCEPT THE SOUTH 176', BLOCK 9, NCB 15670, 560 N. W. LOOP F. M. 1604, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND THE SOUTH 176' OF LOT 29, BLOCK 9, NCB 15670, 560 N. W. LOOP F. M. 1604, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE BE ERECTED ALONG THE SOUTHWEST PROPERTY LINE BETWEEN SUBJECT PROPERTY AND LOT 28 EXCEPT THE NORTHERLY 50' THEREOF.

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C. CASE 5197 - to rezone Lot 8 and the east 25' of Lot 7, NCB 3098, 221 East Craig, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, located on the north side of East Craig Street, 367.70' east of the intersection of McCullough Avenue and East Craig Street; having 75' on East Craig Street and a depth of 121'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Lacy made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved. Mr. Mendoza seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,817

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 8, AND THE EAST 25' OF LOT 7, NCB 3098, 221 EAST CRAIG, FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

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D. CASE 5187 - to rezone the northwest 80' of the southwest 88' of Lot 5-I, NCB 10914, 9446 South Presa Street (U. S. 181), from "B" Two Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District, located on the northeast side of South Presa Street (U. S. 181), 463.61' northwest of the intersection of Southeast Loop 410 Expressway and South Presa Street and a depth of 88'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper replatting is accomplished. Mr. Lacy seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,818

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE  
THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE  
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN  
ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION  
AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY  
DESCRIBED HEREIN AS THE NORTHWEST 80'  
OF THE SOUTHWEST 88' OF LOT 5-I,  
NCB 10914, 9446 SOUTH PRESA STREET  
(U.S. 181), FROM "B" TWO FAMILY  
RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3"  
BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT  
PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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E. CASE 5189 - to rezone a 18.513 acres out of NCB 14942, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 11800 Block of Weidner Road, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "I-1" Light Industry District, located on the west side of Weidner Road, 200' south of the intersection of Weidner Road and Leonhardt Road; having 1112.3' on Weidner Road and a maximum depth of 856.90'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper replatting is accomplished. Mr. Lacy seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

## AN ORDINANCE 42,819

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS 18.513 ACRES OUT OF NCB 14942, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 11800 BLOCK OF WEIDNER ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "I-1" LIGHT INDUSTRY DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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F. CASE 5192 - to rezone the north 75' of Lot 68, NCB 11884, 7918 Teak Lane, from "A" Single Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, located on the east side of Teak Lane, 225' north of the intersection of Sunset Road and Teak Lane; having 75' on Teak Lane and a depth of 145.2'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Lacy made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper replatting is accomplished. Mr. Mrton seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

## AN ORDINANCE 42,820

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS THE NORTH 75' OF LOT 68, NCB 11884, 7918 TEAK LANE, FROM "A" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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G. CASE 5193 - to rezone Lots 4 through 8, Block A, NCB 11981, Lots 1 through 6, Block C, NCB 11983, 3700 Block of Commercial Avenue, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "R-2" Two Family Residential District; and Lots 1 through 10, Block B, NCB 11982, 3700 Block of Commercial Avenue, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District.

Lots 4 through 8 are located on the east side of Commercial Avenue, being 200' south of the intersection of Ansley Boulevard and Commercial Avenue; having 160' on Commercial Avenue and a depth of 308.75'.

Lots 1 through 6, are located on the east side of Commercial Avenue, being 800' south of the intersection of Ansley Boulevard and Commercial Avenue; having 280' on Commercial Avenue and a depth of 308.75'.

Lots 1 through 10 are located on the east side of Commercial Avenue, being 420' south of the intersection of Ansley Boulevard and Commercial Avenue; having 200' on Commercial Avenue and a depth of 308.75'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that a six foot solid screen fence is erected on the north, south and east property line. Mr. Lacy seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,821

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 4 THROUGH 8, BLOCK A, NCB 11981, LOTS 1 THROUGH 6, BLOCK C, NCB 11983, 3700 BLOCK OF COMMERCIAL AVENUE, FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-2" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; AND LOTS 1 THROUGH 10, BLOCK B, NCB 11982, 3700 BLOCK OF COMMERCIAL AVENUE, FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS ERECTED ON THE NORTH, SOUTH AND EAST PROPERTY LINE.

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H. CASE 5194 - to rezone Lot 56, Block 2, NCB 8417, 168 Sherwood Drive, from "O-1" Office District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, located on the south side of Sherwood Drive, 97.23' west of the intersection of Interstate Highway 10 Expressway and Sherwood Drive; having 50' on Sherwood Drive and a depth of 400'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

Mr. Tom McNeil, 2502 Blanco Road, brother of the applicant, stated that they were requesting "R-3" Multiple Family Residential zoning in order to use the existing building on the property for a montessori school for children from three to six years of age. He stated that he was in agreement with the recommendation that a six foot solid screen fence be erected on the west side. However, he asked that the requirement that a screen fence be built on the south side be eliminated as there is already an existing fence which due to the depth of the lots facing Greenlawn is 300 feet away from existing homes.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that a six foot solid screen fence be erected on the west property line only. Mr. Morton seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,822

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE  
THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE  
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN  
ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION  
AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY  
DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 56, BLOCK 2,  
NCB 8417, 168 SHERWOOD DRIVE, FROM  
"O-1" OFFICE DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE  
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, PROVIDED  
THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS  
ERECTED ON THE WEST PROPERTY LINE.

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I. CASE 5198 - to rezone Tract A-7, and the remaining portion of Tract A-6, NCB 6015, 3939 N. New Braunfels Avenue, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, located on the west side of North New Braunfels Avenue, being 83.8' north of the intersection of North New Braunfels Avenue and Allensworth; having 116.6' on North New Braunfels Avenue and a depth of 136.5'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

Mr. Tom Dunn, representing the applicant, Robert W. Callaway, stated that they propose to develop the property in two and one-half story townhouses. This development would be in conjunction with adjacent property which will be developed with a high rise condominium complex.

Mr. E. J. Gray, 245 Allensworth, opposed the change because he stated that it would increase traffic and thought there was already too much traffic created by the USAA building.

In answer to a question about notices, Mr. Camargo stated that notices of the hearing were sent to property owners before the Planning Commission and City Council. Notices were also posted on the subject property giving notice of the hearings.

Mr. Tom Dunn, in rebuttal, stated they were only building four units which is an increase of two units over what they could presently build.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that a six foot solid screen fence is erected on the west and south property lines. Mr. Lacy seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

AN ORDINANCE 42,823

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE  
THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE  
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN  
ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION  
AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY  
DESCRIBED HEREIN AS TRACT A-7, AND THE  
REMAINING PORTION OF TRACT A-6, NCB  
6015, 3939 NORTH NEW BRAUNFELS AVENUE,  
FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT  
TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL  
DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT A SIX FOOT  
SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS ERECTED ON THE  
WEST AND SOUTH PROPERTY LINES.

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73-51

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

Mr. Tom Raffety, Director of Aviation and Municipal Enterprises, discussed, at length, the matter of Phase III Program for the consultant services contract, which would provide for developing an airport master plan at the International Airport site and make a further study on commercial aircraft.

A lengthy discussion took place and after consideration, the Council decided that action be postponed until the meeting next week when the full Council is present.

(A transcript of this discussion is filed and made a part of the papers of this meeting.)

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CITY WATER BOARD REPORT

The City Manager advised the Council that the City Water Board report, which was to be given at the meeting today, was postponed at the request of Mr. Jack Kaufmann, Chairman of the City Water Board, until Friday, October 5, 1973, at 9:30 A. M. This was agreeable to the Council.

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73-51

SAN ANTONIO TRANSIT SYSTEM

Mr. Padilla stated that he was interested in some comments about the upturn pertaining to the Transit System situation, which come at a time when they are examining the issue. He said that he was not implying anything, but that he knew that any quarter can be made to look good by making certain adjustments and expressed concern that they know exactly that this was not the case with the Transit System. He said the City has the right to audit the report and would like for the City staff, if possible, to take a look at the financial statement of the Transit System on a current basis and to ascertain that at no one time, for the purpose of immediate convenience, etc., that adjustments were made in the financial statement. He emphasized that he was not implying that this happened or suggesting it, but it is certainly very interesting and was sure it is a coincidence that at the time, they are trying to determine what the situation is, the whole thing has taken an upturn and a very good one.

Mr. Carl White, Director of Finance, stated he thought they could have a report within 30 days. It is going to take that long because the auditing firm is the one that prepares the report and are in the process of finishing the annual audit. He is to meet with the auditors on Friday and the City is going to have to look, in depth, to see where their systems and procedures fit into the City's operations.

City Manager Granata suggested that this report be tentatively scheduled for the first week in November.

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73-51 In the absence of Dr. San Martin, Mr. Lacy introduced and read the following Resolution:

## A RESOLUTION

73-51-55

EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL'S  
APPRECIATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE.

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WHEREAS, the 80th Annual Conference of the International Association of Chiefs of Police met in San Antonio and brought together more than 5,300 world law enforcement leaders from some 30 countries, and

WHEREAS, the Conference extended from September 22 through September 27, 1973, at San Antonio's Convention Center attracting the

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leading innovators and students of law enforcement and accompanied by exhibits of more than 192 companies demonstrating the latest material and equipment for police utilization, and

WHEREAS, the outstanding contributions and excellent service performed by officers of all law enforcement agencies should be acknowledged, NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council speaking for all its citizens does hereby express grateful thanks and appreciation for the outstanding work and progress made by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to the field of law enforcement which has resulted in greater safety for all citizens.

SECTION 2. The City Council does hereby express its appreciation to the delegates of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, its new President, Francis B. Looney, the immediate Past President, Don R. Dering, and the Executive Director, Quinn Tamm, for choosing San Antonio as the site of the 1973 Conference, and invites the International Association of Chiefs of Police to return again soon.

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On motion of Mr. Lacy, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, the Resolution was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, San Martin, Black, Beckmann.

73-51 The Clerk read the following letter:

September 21, 1973

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

The following petitions were received by my office and forwarded to the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

September 4, 1973

Petition of Rev. Daniel J. Hennessy, St. James Catholic Church, 907 West Theo, requesting permission to place a sign directing people to his church on a small piece of land owned by the City located at West Malone and Buffalo.

September 10, 1973

Petition of James K. Young, DVM, 10403 Steuben, requesting permission to build a small animal hospital to be located at the northeast corner of Marbach Road and Loop 410 SW to be known as Marbach Road Animal Hospital.

/s/ J. H. INSELMANN  
City Clerk

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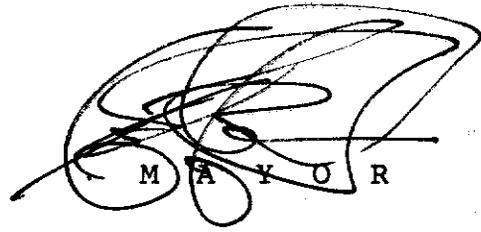
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There being no further business to come before the Council,  
the meeting adjourned at 3:10 P. M.

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M A Y O R

Charles L. Becker

ATTEST:   
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