

January 20, 1955

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN THE COUNCIL  
CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, JANUARY  
20, 1955 AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: OLIVER, RUDELOFF, DILLASHAW, WHITE, LACY, BARRETT

ABSENT: SCHERLEN, RUSSELL (ARRIVED LATE), GONZALEZ (ARRIVED LATE)

Invocation by Rev. James W. Morgan, Jeffefson Methodist Church

On motion of Mr. Rudeloff, seconded by Mr. Lacy, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The following ordinances and resolution were passed and approved by the following vote: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, White, Lacy, Barrett; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen, Russell, Gonzalez.

AN ORDINANCE 20,893

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RENEW A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MRS. MARGIE B. O'DANIEL FOR 1.97 ACRES OF LAND TO BE USED BY THE AVIATION DEPARTMENT AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 494)

AN ORDINANCE 20,894

AMENDING SECTION 60-75 PAR. 2 (a) OF THE SAN ANTONIO CITY CODE ENTITLED "STREETS WHERE PARKING PROHIBITED AT CERTAIN PERIODS" BY ADDING ADDITIONAL STREET LOCATIONS

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 495)

AN ORDINANCE 20,895

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW BID OF AUSTIN HEMPHILL, INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH ONE FOUR-DOOR SEDAN LESS TRADE-IN NET \$1,565.41

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 495)

AN ORDINANCE 20,896

AN ORDINANCE TO USE THE CITY SANITARY SEWERS BY A CONNECTION OUTSIDE OF THE CITY LIMITS ON THE PETITION OF ALBERT G. ENGELKE JR. AND ELLEN S. ENGELKE AT 301 ELIZABETH ROAD

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 496)

AN ORDINANCE 20,897

AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 20427 PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 31ST DAY OF JULY, 1954, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 496)

AN ORDINANCE 20,898

TAKING RECOGNITION OF IMPENDING PUBLIC HEALTH CONDITIONS, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND APPROPRIATING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE USE OF THE ROBERT B. GREEN HOSPITAL

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 497)

AN ORDINANCE 20,899

CHANGING THE NAMES OF CERTAIN STREETS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 498)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,900

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND RE-ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN: CASE NO. 403, PROPERTY IN 200 BLOCK OF PRICE AVENUE AND 100 AND 200 BLOCKS OF OAKLAND AVENUE, FROM "LL" MANUFACTURING DISTRICT TO "C" RESIDENCE DISTRICT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 498)

## A RESOLUTION

GIVING NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS, ETC., PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED HEREIN (CASE NO. 412)

The following ordinances were passed and approved by the following vote: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, White, Lacy, Barrett; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen, Gonzalez.

## AN ORDINANCE 20,901

ACCEPTING THE BID OF V. L. BEAVERS AND ASSOCIATES FOR PREPARATION OF A TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 498)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,902

AMENDING SECTION 40-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY DECLARING IT UNLAWFUL TO CREATE OR CAUSE OR TO PERMIT OR ALLOW TO BE CREATED OR CAUSED ANY NOISE NUISANCE

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 499)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,903

AUTHORIZING A REFUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70.88 TO BURKE L. AND URSULA COCK, DUE TO PAYMENT OF 1953 TAXES ON COMPLETED DWELLING, WHEREAS INVESTIGATION REVEALS SAID DWELLING WAS ONLY 25% COMPLETE AT COMMENCEMENT OF TAX YEAR

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 499)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,904

AUTHORIZING CERTAIN REFUNDS TO VARIOUS PROPERTY OWNERS DUE TO THE DUPLICATE PAYMENT OF CITY TAXES AND ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS; ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH DETAILED INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 500)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,905

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW BIDS OF BENITEAU AND FRED LUDERUS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH CERTAIN TIRES AND TUBES AS LISTED FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,981.42

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 501)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,906

APPROPRIATING \$25.00 OUT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO "STREET EXCAVATION TRUST FUND" FOR REFUND TO BEN ROTHE

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 501)

## AN ORDINANCE 20,907

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OF INSURANCE WITH QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY FOR FIRE AND EXTENDED COVERAGE ON BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS AT WILLOW SPRINGS GOLF COURSE FOR THREE YEARS, FROM AUGUST 23, 1954 TO AUGUST 23, 1957, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,143.33 OUT OF THE 1954 GENERAL FUND, ACCOUNT NO. 20-11-01, IN PAYMENT OF PREMIUM FOR SAID INSURANCE

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 502)

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The following letter from the City Clerk was read:

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

Gentlemen:

The following petitions were received by this office and referred to Dr. George W. Rice, City Manager, for his recommendation or action.

- 1-7-55 Petition of Roger Lopez, et al, requesting assistance in obtaining the necessary right-of-way or easement for the extension of Wear Avenue so that public utilities can be extended to the people in that area.
- 1-7-55 Petition of Mrs. Velma Awalt requesting refund of \$9.00 being double payment of Food Establishment license.
- 1-7-55 Petition of West Avenue Church of the Nazarene requesting tax exemption of Lot 4, New City Block 9702 and Lots 9 and 10, New City Block 9758.
- 1-13-55 Petition of Highland Church of Christ requesting tax exemption of Lot 24, Block 30, New City Block 6662.

Yours very truly,

J. Frank Gallagher  
City Clerk

At this time Mr. Eli Bergmann, appearing for the Fire and Police Civil Service, submitted a set of proposals for the betterment of the Police Department as follows:

1. Increase the number of authorized Sergeants by ten men, which the Chief of Police believed to be the needs at this time.
2. Allow only members in the Detective Classification to compete for the position of Sergeant.
3. After the promotion of ten Detectives to the rank of Sergeant, reduce the authorized strength of the Detective Force by ten men.
4. Creating a new classification in the Police Department to be known as Patrolman First Class, which rank would be on an equal basis with that of Detective and the duties of such rank would be flexible to allow Patrolmen First Class to work in any division of the Police Department.
5. Authorize ten positions at this time of Patrolman First Class, which would be filled by a competitive examination to be held for patrolmen with two years or more of service, exclusive of probationary time.
6. As the needs of the Police Department require in the future, increase the number of Patrolmen First Class, and/or decrease authorized strength of Detectives.

He asked permission of the City Council to have an ordinance drawn embodying the above recommendations for later presentation to the council and its action.

Mr. Gonzalez arrived at this time.

The council next took up and continued the hearing on Zoning Case #400 which was recessed on December 16th. until this time.

Discussion ensued as to whether or not this site was definitely out of the route of the proposed expressway #87 north. It was explained to the council that the route was not definitely set but that it would not touch the area for which zoning is requested. The City Manager was requested to get a letter from the Resident Engineer of the Highway Department and also a sketch of the proposed route of Expressway 87 North and present them at a special meeting of the council at 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 25th. The Council recessed the hearing on Zoning Case #400 until 2:00 P.M., January 25th; on motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Rudeloff, by the following vote: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Russell, White, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; NAYS, Dillashaw; ABSENT, Scherlen.

The Mayor then called on Mr. Roy Baines, Chairman of the Urban Rehabilitation Study Commission for a report on and discussion of the study of a minimum housing code for the city. Mr. Baines gave a resume of the actions of the Commission and emphasized the needs of San Antonio for a housing code.

He introduced Mr. John Flannery of the San Antonio Real Estate Board, Mr. Ed Conroy, Executive Vice President of the Research and Planning, Mrs. Marie McGuire, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of San Antonio, Mr. Roland Bremer, Past President of San Antonio Home Builders, Mr. Charles Weimer of the Chamber of Commerce Health Committee, Rabbi David Jacobson of the Welfare Commission, all of whom stressed the great need for an adequate housing code.

Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Rudeloff, moved the adoption of the ordinance proposed by Mr. Baines with the addition of a clause stating that the "Enforcement Officer" be designated by the City Manager with the approval and consent of the City Council. The roll call vote was as follows: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, White, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen.

AN ORDINANCE 20,912

ESTABLISHING MINIMUM HEALTH AND HOUSING STANDARDS, PROVIDING FOR AN ENFORCING OFFICIAL, CREATING A CITIZENS HOUSING COUNCIL AND A BOARD OF HOUSING APPEALS, PROVIDING FOR THE INSPECTION OF DWELLINGS AND PREMISES, DESIGNATING UNFIT DWELLINGS AND LEGAL PROCEDURE OF CONDEMNATION, PROVIDING FOR THE RELOCATION OF DISPLACED FAMILIES, PRESCRIBING A FINE FOR VIOLATIONS, PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 504)

Zoning Case #407 was next called up for a hearing. It would rezone property bounded on the west by Highway 281 (San Pedro Avenue), on the north by Harry Wurzbach (Military) Highway, on the east by Jones-Maltzberger Road from "A" Residential to "H" Local Retail. The question was raised as to whether or not this zoning change would in any way offer interference to the airport pattern and whether construction permitted would come within the rulings of the Airport Zoning Board. After thorough discussion it was decided to add a proviso as follows: "subject to compliance with the order of the Joint Airport Zoning Board of the City of San Antonio and the County of Bexar, Texas as authorized by the Legislature of the State of Texas by Acts of 1947, 50th Legislature Page 784 Chapter 391 (Article 46e-3 of Vernon's Civil Statutes of the State of Texas) and ratified by City Ordinance No. 19528 dated 3rd day of September, 1953." and approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission. A motion, to adopt the ordinance effecting the change, by Mr. Rudeloff, seconded by Mr. Barrett, was carried by the following vote: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, White, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; ABSENT, Scherlen. NAYS, none.

AN ORDINANCE 20,908

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND RE-ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN: CASE NO. 407, PROPERTY BOUNDED BY HIGHWAY 281, HARRY WURZBACH (MILITARY) HIGHWAY, AND JONES-MALTSBERGER ROAD, FROM "A" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "H" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT

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Mr. Dillashaw now took the Chair and Mayor White left the meeting.

Zoning Case #409 was next called up for a hearing to rezone Lots 66 and 67, Block 40, New City Block 3699 on north side of Merida Street east of Hamilton and West of Elmendorf from "C" Residential to "J" Commercial. No one appearing to be heard, Mr. Rudeloff moved the adoption of an ordinance approving the recommendation of the Planning Commission as follows:

AN ORDINANCE 20,909

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND RE-ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN: CASE NO. 409, LOTS 66 and 67 BLOCK 40, NCB 3699, FROM "C" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "J" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page. 503)

The following vote was recorded on the above ordinance. AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen, White.

Zoning Case #410 was next called. The recommendation of the Planning Commission was to change the zoning of Lots 7 and 8, 15 and 16, Block 10, New City Block 1890 from "E" Apt. to "F" Local Retail. Mr. Bond Davis, a resident in the area, stated to the council that he had no objection to the minor change involved in this case but he warned the council that the entire neighborhood would object seriously to any attempt to cross the street with a change. No one else wishing to be heard, Mr. Rudeloff moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved and that the ordinance effecting the change be adopted. The motion carried: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen, White.

AN ORDINANCE 20,910

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND RE-ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN: CASE NO. 410, LOTS 7, 8, 15 AND 16, BLOCK 10, NEW CITY BLOCK 1890, FROM "E" APARTMENT DISTRICT TO "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 503)

Zoning Case #411 to rezone property on West Avenue was next called for a hearing. No one wishing to be heard, Mr. Rudeloff, seconded by Mr. Oliver, moved to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission and pass the following ordinance effecting the change. The motion carried by the following vote: AYES, Oliver, Rudeloff, Dillashaw, Russell, Lacy, Barrett, Gonzalez; NAYS, none; ABSENT, Scherlen, White.

AN ORDINANCE 20,911

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND RE-ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN: CASE NO. 411, A .606 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF A 4-ACRE TRACT, SAID 4-ACRE TRACT BEING THE SOUTH 4 ACRES OF AN EQUAL SUBDIVISION OF A 12-ACRE TRACT IN O.C.L. 11, RANGE 6, DISTRICT 3, FROM "A" TEMPORARY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT

( Full text in Ordinance Book AA page 504)

*In Ord# 20912 - see page 299*

Major Bain of the U. S. Air Force in charge of Area Filter Stations for Air Defense warnings, next addressed the council. He explained the workings of the warning system of the Filter Station and the Ground Observer Corps composed of patriotic volunteers needed to help the Air Force and aid in thwarting surprise by any enemy. He called this a civilian army and stated that the personnel needed would be 500 to 1500 volunteer sentry's and 50 to 150 observation posts. He asked the council for its moral support.

Major Bain was followed by General Michael H. Davis, AF (Ret) in charge of Civil Defense who explained the steps being taken under his direction to guard against eventualities. He stated that Terrell Hills and Alamo Heights and all military installations were cooperating. He stated that a plan was being worked out for evacuation in an emergency, and that the Red Cross was making a survey to determine the capacity of adjoining counties to receive evacuee's.

He said that the radar installation at Alamo Field and twenty one other such stations were synchronized to aid in alarm work.

Mr. Gonzalez then moved that the city endorse and approve of the program and work outlined and that a resolution for passage by the Council be drawn up by the City Clerk calling on all organizations in the County to aid in the volunteer work.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Mr. Aldridge, the Finance Director, then made a statement to the council and presented a statement of the budgetary position after five months of operation. Council members questioned Mr. Aldridge about the total assessment and the tax roll.

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Mr. Dillashaw, for the committee to investigate the complaint of Dr. G. H. Allen, regarding rabies vaccination, stated that his report was ready but in the absence of Mr. Scherlen he did not know whether to present it. He was told to present it at the special meeting Tuesday, the 25th.

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Mr. Dillashaw then asked (in his own name only) for the City Attorney to give him an opinion about submitting a Charter Change at the time of the General Election in April.

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On motion of Mr. Lacy, seconded by Mr. Barrett, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED: *R. W. White*  
MAYOR

ATTEST:  
*Frank Gallozzi*  
City Clerk