

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1976.

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The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A. M., by the presiding officer, Mayor Lila Cockrell, with the following members present: PYNDUS, BILLA, CISNEROS, BLACK, HARTMAN, TENIENTE, NIELSEN, COCKRELL; Absent: ROHDE.

76-53 The invocation was given by The Reverend Seaborn Kiker, St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

76-53 Members of the City Council and the audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

76-53 YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

Mayor Cockrell announced that this was "Youth in Government" Day in the City sponsored by the Optimist Clubs. She invited those students who were designated City officials for the day to come forward and sit with the Council members. They were:

Mayor - Ricky Dickson, Holmes High School  
Mayor Pro-Tem - Jackie Shamway, John Marshall High School  
Council Members:  
Paul Contreras, John Jay High School  
Pat Garza, Burbank High School  
Ronald Contreras, Burbank High School  
Sue Farrar, John Jay High School  
Becky Beam, Southwest High School  
Phillip Bennett, Southwest High School  
Pat Arbuthnot, Harlandale High School

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Mayor Cockrell welcomed these students to the meeting and commended them for participating in this event.

76-53 STUDENTS OF ST. ANTHONY SEMINARY

Mayor Cockrell read the following Citation:

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
(State of Texas)

Hereby Presents This

CITATION

to

STUDENTS OF ST. ANTHONY SEMINARY

IN RECOGNITION OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF 22 STUDENTS IN SETTING A NEW WORLD RECORD BY CONTINUOUSLY PLAYING SOCCER FOR 40 HOURS. THIS NEW RECORD WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS. FUNDS COLLECTED DURING THE COURSE OF THIS UNIQUE EVENT WERE CONTRIBUTED TO ST. PETER'S AND ST. JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S HOME.

THE CITY COUNCIL CONGRATULATES THE YELLOW JACKETS FOR THIS NEW RECORD AND EXPRESSES THE APPRECIATION OF A GRATIFIED COMMUNITY FOR ITS BENEVOLENCE.

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Mayor Cockrell presented the Citation to Father John Sokolski, Rector of St. Anthony High School Seminary; and Alex Diaz, Captain of the Yellow Jackets Soccer Team.

Mr. Alex Diaz thanked Mayor Cockrell for the Citation and presented her with a soccer ball signed by all the team members.

76-53 The minutes of the meeting of November 4, 1976, were approved.

76-53 REPORT OF HASKINS AND SELLS ON THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR FY 1975-76

Councilman Pyndus asked that this item be withdrawn and considered at next week's meeting.

Mr. Carl White, Director of Finance, stated that the auditors work for the City Council as per the City Charter and were present to make a presentation. There will be no formal action required by the City Council.

Mr. Duane Whitmarsch, Partner in charge of the Haskins and Sells San Antonio office, the independent auditors for the City of San Antonio, stated that the firm had completed the examination of the City's financial statement for the year ending July 31, 1976. A report is included in the City's financial report which has been forwarded to each Council member.

Mr. Floyd Burnside, Jr., Audit Manager for Haskins and Sells, stated that it was the practice of his company at the conclusion of each audit to furnish their clients with a supplemental report containing comments and suggestions which are intended to be constructive and should not be construed as criticism.

Mr. Burnside then went through the supplemental report explaining their recommendations on property tax assessing, funding pension costs, and handling of revenue from the City Public Service Board. (A copy of the supplemental report is included with the papers of this meeting.)

Mayor Cockrell stated that the City Council will take the report under advisement and asked the staff to also review the report and make comments to the Council advising them of what would be involved in implementing the suggestions. The Council concurred in scheduling "B" sessions for further discussion of the items.

76-53 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Cecil Henne, City Public Service Board, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Teniente, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,361

PROVIDING FOR THE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS.

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76-53 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,362

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH JOE CONRAD PROVIDING FOR OPERATION AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE NINETEENTH HOLE GOLF CENTER.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,363

APPROPRIATING \$40,000.00 FROM 1970 PARKS AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS TO PAY FOR LIGHTING TEN TENNIS COURTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT NORTHSIDE STADIUM.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,364

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH BEXAR COUNTY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE SOCIAL SERVICES PLANNING PROJECT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,365

PERMITTING A BONFIRE TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 1976 BY THE LUTHER BURBANK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL IN ORDER TO COMMEMORATE THE SENIOR GAME.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,366

GRANTING A PETITION TO CONSTRUCT APPROXIMATELY 360 LINEAL FEET OF 10' HIGH CHAIN LINK FENCE, FOR THE PURPOSES OF ENCLOSING A TENNIS COURT ON THE REAR OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7015 OAKRIDGE, KNOWN AS LOT 9, BLOCK 1, NCB 12471. (TO THOMPSON-MOORE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY ON BEHALF OF DR. JAMES CROSSEN)

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AN ORDINANCE 47,367

GRANTING A PETITION TO CONSTRUCT A 3' ADDITION TO APPROXIMATELY 80 LINEAL FEET OF AN EXISTING 6' HIGH PRIVACY FENCE, FOR PRIVACY PURPOSES, ALONG THE REAR OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 14126 SMOKEY WAY, KNOWN AS LOT 2, BLOCK 8, NCB 15902. (TO MR. FORREST DINN, JR., ON BEHALF OF MR. AND MRS. PATRICK STOLOWSKI)

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76-53 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 47,368

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$19,000.00 TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR ADDITIONAL WORK TO BE PERFORMED IN THE RENOVATION OF SAN PEDRO AVENUE FROM RECTOR TO

IH 410 INVOLVING A REVISION IN THE LAYOUT  
OF MEDIANS ON THE STREET AND AUTHORIZING  
PAYMENT OF SAME FROM 1970 GENERAL OBLIGATION  
STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

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In response to Mr. Hartman's question, Mr. Stewart Fischer, Director of Traffic and Transportation, explained that a consultant was hired about two years to study the traffic congestion problem on San Pedro Avenue and Rector and a recommendation was made to provide an additional left turn lane for southbound traffic north of Rector in order to relieve the amount of left turn traffic at the intersection of San Pedro Avenue and Rector.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Pyndus, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

76-53 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,369

ACCEPTING A \$2,300.00 GRANT FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR A SPECIAL CRIME PREVENTION PROJECT IN THE VALLEY HI AREA AND ESTABLISHING FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,370

ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION TO FINANCE A PROGRAM IDENTIFIED AS THE SAPD ARREST AND DISPOSITION SYSTEM, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY WATER BOARD FOR THE DESIGN AND INSTALLATION OF THE SYSTEM BY THE BOARD'S CONSOLIDATED DATA PROCESSING CENTER AND RENDER SAME OPERATIONAL, AND ESTABLISHING A FUND AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE PROJECT.

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76-53 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 47,371

ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,700.00 FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE IN SUPPORT OF A PROGRAM KNOWN AS PROJECT DETOUR II - SECOND YEAR, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH UNITED ORGANIZATIONS COALITION, INC. TO CONDUCT SUCH PROJECT, ESTABLISHING A BUDGET, PROVIDING FOR CETA MATCHING FUNDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS PAYABLE FOR CONTRACTUAL SERVICES TO BE RENDERED.

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Mr. Pyndus asked that this item be pulled so that there could be more insight into Project Detour II and ability of the United Organizations Coalition to handle this project.

Mr. John Small, Operations Manager for Fiscal Planning and Control, explained that this Ordinance accepts \$120,700 from Criminal Justice Division to match \$120,700 from CETA for the operation of the Project Detour II Program by the United Organizations Coalition. Goals of this program are essentially to assist in the rehabilitation of criminal offenders by providing employment, counseling, job training, and supportive services.

Mr. Sam Dominguez, Manpower Planning Officer, stated that this application was reviewed by the Bexar County Criminal Justice Council and approved for funding. The CETA program also has matching funds. They have found through review of the program that whatever deficiencies occurred in the past have been corrected.

Dr. D. Ford Nielsen, Chairman of the Criminal Justice Council stated that they have received reports and reviews by the Criminal Justice Division in Austin, local courts, and from the District Attorney's staff and there have been no serious shortfalls in the program or management deficiencies since its inception.

Dr. Nielsen then moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Teniente seconded the motion.

Mr. Pyndus made a substitute motion to postpone this Ordinance. The motion died for lack of a second.

On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Billa, Cisneros, Black, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSTAIN: Pyndus; ABSENT: Hartman, Rohde.

76-53 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Pyndus, seconded by Mr. Billa, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,372

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FIELD ALTERATION NO. 4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,170.00 AND FIELD ALTERATION NO. 5 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,995.02 TO THE VISTA VERDE URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL SANITARY SEWER AND STORM DRAINAGE WORK IN THE AREA.

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76-53 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 47,373

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF M. B. KILLIAN COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,244,378.67 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE CULEBRA-MARTIN DRAINAGE PROJECT NO. 58-C; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION FOR A STANDARD PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACT AND FOR CONTINGENT CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES.

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Mr. Mel Sueltenfuss, Assistant Director of Public Works, explained that the Culebra-Martin project was a 1970 Bond Issue Project. It begins at the St. Mary's University Channel. The Apache Creek has now been completed, and it completes the entire length of this series. It will also go through the Rosedale Park and make a lot of that land useable. In response to Mayor Cockrell's question, Mr. Sueltenfuss stated that it is projected to be a two year project.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Billa, seconded by Mr. Teniente, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

76-53 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,374

ACCEPTING THE BID OF C. A. LOGEMAN CO., INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,365.00 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SIGN FOR THE CONVENTION HALL, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A STANDARD CITY PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACT AND FOR CONTINGENT CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,375

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FIELD ALTERATION NO. 12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,853.51 TO COVER REVISIONS TO THE TICKET WINDOWS AND OFFICE, DESIGN AND CHANGES, AND FRAMING AND FLOORING FOR THE MEZZANINE OFFICES PLUS VARIOUS OTHER MISCELLANEOUS CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONS TO THE SAN ANTONIO CONVENTION CENTER.

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LEAKS IN AIRPORT TERMINAL ROOF

In response to a question by Mr. Hartman concerning leaks at the airport, City Manager Raffety stated that they are in the survey process at the present time and will proceed with the plans. There will be a report in 30 days on this matter and will begin working on the problem within 60 days.

76-53 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Pyndus, Billa, Cisneros, Black, Hartman, Teniente, Nielsen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Rohde.

AN ORDINANCE 47,376

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INSURANCE CONTRACT BY THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH THE RANGER INSURANCE COMPANY FOR INSURANCE COVERING POLICE DEPARTMENT HELICOPTERS, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A PREMIUM IN THE SUM OF \$12,420.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 47,377

AUTHORIZING A CORRECTION OF THE TAX ROLLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE TAX ERROR BOARD OF REVIEW AND AUTHORIZING REFERRAL OF A \$594.00 OVERPAYMENT DUE TO SUCH ERROR, TAX ACCOUNT 605-2465.

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## AN ORDINANCE 47,378

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF SOUTHWEST LIFT TRUNK COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH A SWEEPER FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$7,150.00.

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## AN ORDINANCE 47,379

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF WATSON DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, INC. TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH GOLF COURSE EQUIPMENT FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$19,006.43.

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## AN ORDINANCE 47,380

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF O. M. SCOTT & SONS COMPANY, CHEMICAL & TURF SPECIALTY COMPANY, INC. AND GULF COAST AG. & TURF SUPPLY, INC. TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH FERTILIZER FOR A TOTAL OF \$36,609.80.

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## AN ORDINANCE 47,381

APPOINTING LOU NELLE SUTTON TO A VACANCY ON THE ST. PAUL SQUARE ADVISORY BOARD. (TO REPLACE THE LATE REPRESENTATIVE G. J. SUTTON)

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## AN ORDINANCE 47,382

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FOUR LOG STRUCTURES, MOVING SAME TO SAN ANTONIO, RECONSTRUCTING THEM AT THE SITE OF THE SAN ANTONIO BOTANICAL CENTER AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFOR.

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76-53 The Council recessed at 10:45 A. M. to go into Executive Session and reconvened at 1:45 P. M.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARDMR. JOE WEBB

Mr. Joe Webb, 2226 Burnet Street, representing R.O.B.B.E.D., stated that they had invited the Council members to a meeting on Monday, November 8, 1976 at the East Side Multi-Service Center and were very disappointed that most of the Council failed to attend. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss problems relating to high utility bills.

Mayor Cockrell stated that the group should have called and inquired to see if the Council members had any previous commitments. She stated that the City Council met with a Congressional delegation on that evening to discuss a National Park designation.

MR. RONALD WHITE

Mr. Ron White, Black Student Coalition, stated that the City Council is not responsive to the needs of the Black community.

Mayor Cockrell stated that she would like to meet and discuss with Mr. White's group on how community development funds and revenue sharing funds have been allocated in the past few years.

REV. CLIFTON BYRD

Reverend Clifton Byrd, representing C.A.P., also stated that he was concerned with the fact that the City Council did not attend the meeting on Monday evening where they planned to present four demands. He then advised the Council of their demands. The demands are as follows:

1. That the City Council order City Public Service to return to the old method of itemizing utility bills.
2. That every ratepayer be provided with a notice of their right to pay their bills under formal protest.
3. That the Council agree to refund the financial proceeds of the City's damage suit against its gas supplier to CPS customers, if there are any.
4. That the Council not authorize any more funds to City Public Service until a Black is appointed to the vacancy on the City Public Service Board.

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Reverend Byrd also stated that another meeting will be scheduled and will notify the Council with ample time so that they may attend.

Reverend Black stated that the matter of a Black filling the vacancy on the City Public Service Board is under serious discussion and explained some of the problems that the City Council faces with regard to utility bills.

Mayor Cockrell also stated that the matter of filling the City Public Service Board vacancy with a Black is under serious consideration. She also stated that the City Council has passed a Resolution stating that they would not take any benefits into the City treasury from any settlement with Coastal.

MRS. JERRY WILLIAMS

Mrs. Jerry Williams spoke of the need for traffic lights on Gabriel and Walters and on Hays and Walters.

Mr. Stewart Fischer, Director of Traffic and Transportation, stated that a report on the study made on Gabriel and Walters is complete. A study has not yet been made on Hays and Walters because of street construction. The study made on Gabriel and Walters determined that the volume of traffic on Gabriel did not warrant a traffic light under any warrant. He said that a study on Hays and Walters will probably warrant a traffic light.

Mrs. Williams then suggested a proper school crossing at Gabriel and Walters.

Mr. Fischer stated that he will make every effort to complete the study on Hays and Walters by next week, as well as a report on a school crossing for the intersection of Gabriel and Walters.

MS. RENEE PASCHALL

Ms. Renee Paschall, Chairperson of the Black Student Coalition, stated that their demand for a Black representative on the City Public Service Board is a legitimate demand and citizens should be able to submit names to the City Council that are sensitive to the needs of their community.

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Mayor Cockrell stated that they may submit any name for consideration by the City Council.

MR. RAUL RODRIGUEZ

Mr. Raul Rodriguez stated that the names of the persons applying for the position of City Manager should be made public. He also stated that a bulletin board should be placed outside of City Hall available for viewing by citizens at all times on all days.

Mayor Cockrell stated that certain personnel actions are confidential. She also stated that the City Attorney will look into the matter of placing a bulletin board outside of City Hall.

MR. E. L. RICHEY

Mr. E. L. Richey stated that all citizens that come to City Hall as citizens to be heard be allowed to park free. He also suggested that citizens be heard first on the agenda. Mr. Richey stated that a local person be named to the position of City Manager.

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REV. CLAUDE W. BLACK

Reverend Black stated he is concerned about capital punishment and its grave inequities in the State of Texas. He will present a Resolution to the proper authorities and would welcome any Council Members to join him.

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MR. RICHARD TENIENTE

Mr. Teniente asked for a consensus on naming Park No. 6 in honor of Willie Ojeda, the firefighter who recently lost his life.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 P. M.

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*Lila Cockrell*

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ATTEST:

*G. V. Jackson*  
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