

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1966 AT 8:30 A.M.

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor
W. W. McAllister, with the following members present: McALLISTER,
CALDERON, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI and TREVINO. Absent: JONES,
PARKER AND BREMER.

The invocation was given by Councilman S. H. James.

66-999 The Mayor announced that the Special Meeting
was called for the purpose of canvassing the returns and declaring
results of the December 3, 1966 Bond Election and to consider
other business in connection therewith.

66-999 Following is the Call of the Special Meeting.

December 1, 1966

Mr. J. H. Inselmann
City Clerk
City Hall
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sir:

Under authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of San Antonio,
I hereby request you to call a Special Meeting of the City Council
to convene on Monday, December 5, 1966, at 8:30 A.M., in the City
Council Chamber, for the purpose of canvassing the returns and
declaring the results of the December 3, 1966 Bond Election, and
other business in connection therewith.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. W. McALLISTER
Mayor

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

Pursuant to a written request filed by Mayor W. W. McAllister, you are hereby called into special session to convene on Monday, December 5, 1966, at 8:30 A.M., in the City Council Chamber, for the purpose of canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the December 3, 1966 Bond Election, and other business in connection therewith.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. H. INSELMANN
City Clerk

/s/ W. W. McAllister

/s/ Roland C. Bremer

/s/ John Gatti

/s/ Dr. Herbert Calderon

/s/ Felix B. Trevino

/s/ Bob Jones

/s/ Gerald Parker

/s/ S. H. James

/s/ Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr.

The Council proceeded to officially canvass the returns of the December 3, 1966 Election.

When the canvassing was completed, it was announced that the results showed that there were 25,112 votes for the issuance of Tower Bonds and 14,295 against.

66-999 The following ordinance was then duly introduced and read in full by the City Clerk.

ORDINANCE NO. 35,010

ORDINANCE CANVASSING ELECTION RETURNS

(Full text in Ordinance Book)

After due consideration by the Council, Dr. Calderon made a motion that the ordinance be passed as an emergency measure. Seconded by Mr. Trevino, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the ordinance as an emergency measure, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti and Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Jones, Parker and Bremer.

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The following ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 35,011

PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF \$5,500,000
IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.

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Mr. Joe Rainey Manion stated that he represented the 14,000 people who voted against the Tower Bonds. He complained that the news media would not give him equal time to respond to editorialization by radio stations, especially KONO Radio and TV Station. He asked the Council to consider the results of the election, which he felt was not a mandate of the people, and that the ordinance issuing the Bonds be not passed by unanimous vote.

Mrs. LaVerne Redwine stated that she was not against the Tower or HemisFair but questioned the validity of the ordinance calling the election and advised the Council that litigation on the matter would be forthcoming.

Mr. Richard Sanchez stated that when he voted, two persons ahead of him did not furnish any proof of being a qualified voter, not even a Poll Tax Receipt. They did, however, have to sign some papers in order to vote. He felt this was a loosely conducted procedure. He then asked the Council, on its' own volition, to spot check four precincts in various parts of the City to see how many of those that voted were qualified. He felt it was not right for people to vote because they owned automobiles, but didn't pay property taxes.

The Mayor explained that the procedure had been established by the Courts.

Mrs. Redwine then asked the Council to re-check the dials on the voting machines and allow a group from her Taxpayers Tower Committee to be present.

The Mayor advised that the machines have not been returned to the Election Center and asked that she get together with the City Clerk to see if a date can be arranged for a re-check of the machines.

Mr. Gatti made a motion that the ordinance providing for the sale of Bonds be adopted as an emergency measure. The motion, seconded by Dr. Calderon, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti and Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Jones, Parker and Bremer.

66-999 The following ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk

AN ORDINANCE 35,012

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH O'NEIL FORD AND ASSOCIATES FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH CONSTRUCTION OF THE TOWER STRUCTURE AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Mr. Gatti made a motion the ordinance be passed as an emergency measure. Seconded by Dr. Calderon, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti and Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Jones, Parker and Bremer.

66-999 The following Resolution was introduced and read by the City Clerk.

A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A TOWER AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Dr. Calderon made a motion that the Resolution be passed as an emergency measure. Seconded by Mr. Trevino, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti and Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Jones, Parker and Bremer.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting adjourned.

A P P R O V E D :

McAllister

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ATTEST:

J. H. Sulman
C i t y C l e r k

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