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MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH, A.D.1921, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable O.B. Black, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden, Wright.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

---MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS---

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police: J.Mantecon, for permit to erect a tent. For the establishment of a jitney route over Cameron, Castro and Zarzamora Streets. Wm. J.Kroschel, for permit to install gasoline tank, 201 Meerscheidt Street. A.H.Kahn, for permit to install gasoline pump and tank. For extension of watermains on Arbor Place. For watermains in Ohio Street. For extension of watermains on W.Theo Avenue. For arc light at Lamar and St Charles St, and to have weeds cut on certain lots. For watermains on Ditmar Avenue. Sophie Lewis for permit to put shingles on shed. S.A.Bexar County Civic League, protesting against useing garbage cans for advertising. For arc light, W.Houston and Comal Streets.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation:

Nora Prudon, for refund of taxes. Sam Chafetz, for correction of assessment and refund of taxes. O.H.Anderson, for correction of assessment. City Back Tax Collector, for cancellation of taxes. I.A.Sisinger, for cancellation of assessment.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements:

For bridge over Martinez Creek in Arbor Place. To have 700 block, Arbor Place, graded and gravelled. C.B.Clarke, for permit to connect with City Sewer. For the completion of the work of widening Navarro and Nueva Streets, and building two bridges. Citizens, protesting against the cost of paving on New Braunfels Avenue. To have Mesquite and Sherman Street drained.

Communication from C. E. Convers, requesting appropriation to defray his expenses to meeting of Municipal Electricians, was read and referred to City Attorney.

Bids for supplying City with street brooms, lumber, and imstalling new boiler for steam heating in City Hall, were read and referred to City Purchasing Agent.

Bids for paving of Lakeview Avenue, and for the grading of Rigsby Avenue, were read and referred to City Engineer.

The following resolutions were introduced and read and adopted:

THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF BEXAR: CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

RESOLUTION

Approving report and roll filed by City Engineer with reference to improvements to be constructed on E.Guenther Street, with attached documents. (For full text of this resolution see Street Improvement Records, Vol 8, page 24)

THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF BEXAR: CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

RESOLUTION

Approving report and roll filed by City Engineer with reference to improvements to be constructed on South New Braunfels Avenue with attached documents. (For full text of this resolution see Street Improvement Records, Vol. 8, page 20)

THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF BEXAR: CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

RESOLUTION

Approving report and roll filed by City Engineer with reference to improvements to be constructed on W.Travis Street with attached documents. (For full text of this resolution see Street Improvements Records, Vol 8, page 34)

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

RESOLUTION.

Authorizing the Bexar County Civic League to sell tickets on the streets for the Pageant to be held in Brackenridge Park. BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the San Antonio Bexar County Civic League, be hereby authorized to sell tickets on the streets of the City, for the pageant which is to be held in Brackenridge Park, the first week in October, and the proceeds of which are to go towards erectin a monument in the Park in honor of the boys who died during the late war.

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden, Wright.

No. 95

AN ORDINANCE *MD-1510*

Appropriating \$11.57 to pay Express charges on shipment of birds for Zoo.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$11.57 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Zoo Fund to pay express charges on shipment of birds from San Francisco for the Zoo, warrant to be made payable to the City Clerk to reimburse the Incidental Expense Fund out of which this payment was made.

No. 96.

AN ORDINANCE *- 1511*

Appropriating funds for the payment of gravel taken from gravel pit at Incinerator Plant.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Ninety Five Dollars and fifty five cents (\$95.55) be hereby appropriated for the payment of 637 co.yds. of gravel hauled from the gravel pit at the Incinerator Plant in accordance with proviso contained in deed from J.J.Stevens to the City of San Antonio.

No. 99

AN ORDINANCE *- 1512*

Appropriating money to pay for Band Concert.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$140.00) be hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the Band Concert held in Koehler Park, Sunday August 7, 1921. To be charged to the Zoo fund.

No. 100.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1513*

Appropriating money to pay for Birds purchased for Brackenridge Park. Charged Zoo fund.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Two Dollars (\$122.00) be hereby appropriated to pay Ansel W. Robinson of San Francisco, Cal. for various birds purchased from him to be used in Brackenridge Park.

Petition of Bexar County Farm Bureau for use of Brackenridge Park September 28th, 29th, and 30th, was read and on motion of Commissioner Lambert duly seconded and carried, was granted.

Commissioner Wright recommended that the petition of the Elisa Engels for special building permit be granted. Adopted.

The following Ordinances were introduced by Commissioner Rieden and were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden, Wright.

No. 97.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1514*

Appropriating \$3100.00 to pay Southwest Bitulithic Company final estimate for paving Brooklyn Avenue.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$3100.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Paving and Storm Sewer fund to pay Southwest Bitulithic Company final estimate for the paving of Brooklyn Avenue from Oakland Street to Cypress Street, as per approved estimate of City Engineer.

No. 98.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1515*

Appropriating \$129.03 to pay S. A. & A. P. R. R. Co.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$129.03 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Paving and Storm Sewer Fund to pay S. A. & A. P. Railroad Company for gravel taken from Eads Avenue pit, as per approved estimate of City Engineer.

Commissioner Rieden introduced the following resolutions which were read and adopted.

RESOLUTION.

Directing the City Clerk to advertise for bids for constructing a concrete bridge over river on Navarro Street.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the construction of a reinforced concrete bridge over the San Antonio River on Navarro Street, north of Crockett Street, bids to be received until 4 o'clock p.m. August 29th, 1921, the City reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

Commissioner Rieden introduced the following resolution which was read and adopted

RESOLUTION.

Directing the City Clerk to advertise for bids for removing bridge over river on Navaro Street.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to advertise for bids for taking down and removing old steel bridge over San Antonio River on Navarro Street, north of Crockett Street; bids to be received until 4 o'clock p.m. August 29 1921, the City reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

The following resolution was read and referred to the City Attorney.

RESOLUTION.

Requiring all drafting and construction work to come under the supervision of the City Engineer.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that hereafter all engineering, drafting and construction work, and all employees engaged in such work, shall come under the direct supervision of the City Engineer, and all payrolls covering such work and all estimates covering construction work of any character for which the City is required to pay out money, shall be approved by the City Engineer, in addition to the approval of the Commissioner of the Department under which such work is done.

~~BE IT ORDAINED and approved by the City of San Antonio on the day of August A.D. 1921~~

Commissioner Pfeiffer made the following recommendations which were adopted. Caffarelli Bros. for refund of Building Permit not granted.

John T. Dixon for refund of Taxes granted.

Mrs Felipa R. Feille for cancellation of taxes and release of judgment granted upon payment of cost by petitioner.

J. A. Flack for refund of Taxes granted.

F. P. Davenport for cancellation of certain taxes on personal property granted.

Heirs of A. Levine for permit to pay taxes granted.

Mrs. Mary E. Walker for reduction of assessment not granted.

D. W. Light for refund of taxes granted.

C. Herrington for refund of taxes granted.

A. Canavati Bros. for correction of assessment granted.

Frank Lightfoot for refund of taxes granted.

Frank Strano for refund of taxes not granted.

Commissioner Pfeiffer introduced the following ordinances which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll-call to-wit: Ayes, Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden, Wright. No. 90.

AN ORDINANCE. MD-1516

Appropriating \$1118.52 for paying Merchants Bills for month of July 1921.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$1118.52 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is, hereby appropriated out of the Special Funds as listed below.

PARK IMPROVEMENT-----	\$17.72
RIVER IMPROVEMENT-----	550.40
STREET PAV & STORM SEWER -	550.40
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NO. 89.

AN ORDINANCE. -1517

Appropriating funds to pay weekly pay roll.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the following sums of money be and the same are hereby appropriated out of the hereinafter named funds to pay weekly pay roll, to-wit:

ORIGINAL.	Weekly P. Roll	Aug. 4th & 6th. 1921.	
	Park Improvement Fund of 1919.		1250.00
	Sanitary Sewer fund of 1919.		350.00
	St. Paving & Storm Sewer Fund of 1919.		1750.00
	River Improvement Fund of 1919.		800.00
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			\$4150.00
	Trench Fund		350.00
	1921 General Fund.		5000.00
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	Gran Total		\$ 9500.00

No. 92.

AN ORDINANCE. -1518

Appropriating \$47.42 to pay Alf Reeh taxes paid on erroneous assessment.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$47.42 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund to pay Alf Reeh for taxes paid on erroneous assessment. (San Antonio School Boards proportion being \$13.55)

No. 93.

AN ORDINANCE. *MD-1519*

Refunding \$2.10 to Juan Martinez, acct taxes paid in error.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$2.10 (the San Antonio School Boards proportion being \$.60¢) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund to pay Juan Martinez account taxes paid in error, Rec. No. 25066.

No. 94.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1520*

Appropriating \$1.13 to pay Henry Rhodes taxes collected in error.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$1.13 (the San Antonio School Boards proportion being \$0.26¢) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Back Tax Fund (1913) to pay Henry Rhodes taxes paid by him Lot 40, C.B. 3991, these taxes having already been paid.

NO. 101.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1521*

Appropriating \$1.99 to pay Paul Castiglione taxes paid in error.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$1.99 (the San Antonio School Boards proportion being \$.55¢) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund to pay Paul Castiglione on account of double assessment.

The following ordinances were read and adopted by the following vote and roll call to-wit: Ayes, Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden, Wright.

NO. 88.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1522*

Transferring one hundred and thirty thousand (\$130,000.00) dollars out of the Auditorium Building Fund from the National Bank of Commerce and seventy thousand (\$70,000.00) Dollars out of said funds from the Alamo National Bank to the Texas State Bank and Trust Company.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, Texas, that the sum of One Hundred and thirty thousand (\$130,000.00) dollars out of the Auditorium Building Fund as voted under the bond issue of 1919 be and the same is hereby ordered transferred from the National Bank of Commerce to the Texas State Bank and Trust Co. Co. Be it further ordained by the City Commissioners, that the sum of seventy thousand (\$70,000.00) dollars, out of said auditorium building fund as voted under the bond issue of 1919, and which is now on deposit in the Alamo National Bank be and is hereby transferred to the Texas State Bank and Trust Co.

The Auditor is hereby directed to draw the necessary warrants making the transfers of such funds as above ordered.

NO. 91.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1523*

Appropriating the sum of \$17.59 out of the 1921 General Fund to pay State and County taxes on Lot No. 6 Block 31 New City Block 628 being the taxes for the year 1920 the year that said property was bought from Mrs. Ida F. Shafer for use of Material yard.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; That the sum of \$17.59 be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1921 General Fund to pay State and County Taxes on lot No, 6 Block 31 New City Block 628 for the year 1920, it having been agreed by the commissioners when buying said lot that the taxes due for said year would be assumed by the City, Said lot was purchased from Ida F. Shafer for use of said City of San Antonio, January 22 1921.

That said warrant for the amount of \$17.59 be drawn in the name of John A. Bitter Tax Collector.

Passed and Approved this 8th day of August A. D. 1921.

AN ORDINANCE. *- 1524*

Authorizing the acceptance of a deed from Nat Lewis to the riparian rights to the San Antonio river bed as to Lot No. 19 B. New City Block No. 412. on the Southwest side of Fourth street.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to accept for the City and Deed to the riparian rights to the San Antonio River and the bed thereof, of Nat Lewis, to said riparian rights as to Lot No. 19 B. New City Block No. 412 on Taylor Street in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County Texas, according to the terms of said deed.

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AN ORDINANCE appropriating the sum of \$195. to pay six months interest on \$30,000 balance of purchase price of lot out of New City Block 872 extension of Market Street, according to the terms of deed to said property dated January 29th 1921 said warrant payable to W. H. Maverick holder of said notes. Was read and referred to the City Attorney for report.

Commissioner Lambert recommended that the petition Conopus Club for construction of six tennis-courts at San Pdero Park be granted.

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Commissioner Wright called up and moved the adoption of An Ordinance Prohibiting the Playing of Mechanically Operated Musical Instruments in places of Amusements, etc., without obtaining permit from City Commissioners, and a motion to adopt was lost by the following vote on roll-call, to-wit: Ayes, Lambert, Wright. Nays, Black, Pfeiffer, Rieden.

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On motion of Commissioner Wright duly seconded and carried, it was agreed that the Mayor, City Attorney, City Electrician, Commissioner of Fire and Police and Attorneys for the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company should meet in conference to discuss the Ordinances granting these Companies certain rights in connection with underground conduits etc., The Meeting to be held upon call of the Mayor.

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On motion, duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED W. S. Black,  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jas Simpson  
CITY CLERK.