

## MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

MONDAY, MAY 7TH, A. D. 1917. 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Clinton G. Brown, Mayor, presiding and Commissioners Garland and Uhr. Absent, Kearny and Lambert.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

## ----MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS----

The Clerk read the following telegram:

New York, May 4, 1917.

Clinton G. Brown, Mayor, and Commissioners  
San Antonio, Texas.

Owing to the necessity for my departure for Europe on important business I regret hereby tendering my resignation as Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of San Antonio same to be effective from May 1st. Please express my best wishes always for the welfare of San Antonio and I greatly appreciate the assistance and co-operation you have given me in the management of my department.

(signed) C. E. Kearny.

The resignation of Commissioner Kearny was accepted with expressions of regret.

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Petition of R.A.Richey for permit to repair roof of house with shingles, was read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police.

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The following changes in Presiding officers for the election to be held May 8th 1917, were read and adopted:

Precinct No. 11.	B.A.Greathouse	instead of	R.B.Greathouse.
"	15. Henry Chidgeg	"	" Joe Obriotti.
"	35 J.J.McCormick	instead of	T.W.Labatt
"	40 Melvin Pittman	"	" T.W.Hollum

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Commissioner Uhr submitted a letter from J.M.Simpson, City Detective Dept. requesting leave of absence to attend the Officers Training Camp at Leon Springs, and requesting pay from the City of San Antonio while absent, providing the U.S.Government does not pay him for the time he is at the Camp, was read and granted on motion of Mayor Brown, duly seconded and carried.

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Petition of E.A.Rhodius for permit to enclose a part of Palmetto Avenue was read and referred to City Engineer.

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The following resolution was read and adopted:

## RESOLUTION

Relating to the opening of Romana Place between East Romana, Main Avenue, Camden, Reynolds and Dallas Streets.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds and declares a public necessity for the opening of a plaza and park between East Romana Street, Main Ave., Camden, Reynolds and Dallas Streets. Said plaza to be known as Romana Place.

That the Mayor be and he is hereby directed to ascertain the purchase price demanded by owners for the land necessary for such improvements in order that the City

may determine whether to proceed by purchase or by condemnation proceedings. The land to be acquired is shown on certain map and Plat hereto attached and marked Exhibit "A", and said plat is hereby adopted and when arrangements therefor are consummated, said Plaza shall be opened and in accordance with the lines shown on said plat.

That the Mayor shall report the prices stated to him for the sale of said property for said purposes at the earliest possible moment for the further action of this Board.

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Commissioner Garland recommended that petition of Callahan & Dejagers for remission of certain taxes be granted. Adopted.

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Petition of Louise Wasson for exemption of taxes was read and referred to City Attorney.

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Commissioner Garland presented an ordinance granting G.H. & S.A. Rway Co. <sup>permit</sup> to lay a spur track, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

**MB-568** AN ORDINANCE

Granting the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Co. permission to extend two tracks across Burnet Street, between North Walnut and Cherry Streets, San Antonio.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that the Galveston Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company is granted permission to lay, construct and maintain two tracks across Burnet Street each four hundred and seventy feet (470) long, to serve United States Government warehouses in New City Block (580) Five Hundred and eighty.

Second. Said tracks shall be constructed across Burnet Street and to conform to the grades as may be given by the City Engineer and their operation, maintenance or continuance shall be subject to all regulations and ordinances now or that may hereafter be in force.

Third; In consideration of the granting of this permit, the Galveston Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway Company binds and obligates itself to hold the City of San Antonio free and harmless from all damages to persons and property, that may result by reason of the granting of this permit, or the exercise of any right thereunder.

The exercise of any privilege under this ordinance shall be acceptance of all its terms and conditions by the Galveston Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

**- 569** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$104,696.26 to pay off certain notes executed by the City of San Antonio.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that the sum of \$104,696.26 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay off and liquidate the following notes with interest thereon to date;

Note No. 1. dated July 1, 1916, payable to the Alamo National Bank in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars with interest computed to date at 5-1/2 per cent per annum, being \$2343.13

Note No. 2. dated July 1, 1916 payable to the State National Bank in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars with interest computed to date at 5-1/2 per cent per annum being \$2343.13

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 361 **MB-570** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$3000.00 to pay expenses of Charter Amendment Election.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$3000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay the expenses of the Charter Amendment Election to be held on May 25, 1917.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on ~~xx~~ roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 362 **-571** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$104.87 to pay Woolley Cons. Co. for repairs to paving in 600 Block Cincinnati Ave.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred and Four and ~~88~~/100 (\$104.~~88~~) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay Woolley Cons. Co. for repairs to paving in 600 Block on Cincinnati Ave. the City being reimbursed this amount by Texas Fidelity & Bonding Co.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 363 **-572** AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the payment of wages to City Laborers for the week ending May 3, 1917 and making an appropriation therefor.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to issue warrants for the payment of wages to City Day Laborers for the week ending May 3, 1917 and that the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated out of the several special funds for that purpose, to-wit:

General Fund of 1916 \$384.25

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 364 **-573** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$48.75 to pay Frank M. Gray for services in preparing brief in case of Frank Newnam vs. City of San Antonio.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Forty Eight and 75/100 (\$48.75) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Judgement Fund to pay Frank M. Gray for preparation of brief in case of Frank Newnam vs. City of San Antonio.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom and the same shall take effect at once.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 365

**MB-574** AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That the following sums of money be appropriated out of the following funds to pay Merchants bills of April 1917, to-wit:

Out of the 1916 General Fund for the following departments:

City Hall Expenditures	\$ 531.70
Police	1160.00
Health	260.75
Hospital	4.62
Fire	2795.00
Fire Alarm	62.50
Engineering	512.30
Parks and Plazas	2475.80
Street Maintenance	200.00
Street Cleaning and Sanitation	460.00
Market and Market House	20.25
Lights	4883.19
Water	4904.75
Rivers and Ditches	25.00
Plumbing & Sewer Inspection	25.00
Police and Fire Station	142.60
Contingencies	1187.44
Sewer Construction	22.50
Cemetery	10.10

Making total out of 1916 General Fund	<u>\$19683.50</u>
Police and Fire Sta. Fund	3.65
	<u>\$19687.15</u>

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

No. 366

**-575** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$423.95 for constructing Lily Pond in Rock Quarry Park.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Four Hundred and Twenty Three and 95/100 (\$423.95) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay for labor used in constructing a Lily Pond in Rock Quarry Park, as per pay roll submitted May 6, 1917.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Uhr introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, and Uhr.

No. 367

**-576** AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That the sum of Sixty Five and 90/100 Dollars, be and is hereby appropriated out of the Police Fund for the year 1916 to pay the pay roll of policewomen and policemen for extra work in that department during the carnival or Fiestas.

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Commissioner Uhr recommended that the petition of Peerless Bottling Works, for permit to erect electric sign at 228 St. Mary St. be granted. Adopted.

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Bids for constructing sidewalks on the north side of Myrtle Street between San Pedro Avenue and North Flores Street, submitted by Woolley Construction Co., Chas T. Parker, David Lehr Jr. and G.G. Braden were read and referred to City Engineer.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland and Uhr.

**MB-517 AN ORDINANCE**

Ordering the laying of sidewalks etc. on various streets, under the penalties for failure to comply with said order.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

WHEREAS the City Commissioners in the exercise of the Police Power, finds and hereby declares a public necessity for the laying of sidewalks, etc, as hereinafter ordered; and

Whereas by an ordinance heretofore on the 10th day of August A.D.1914, passed and approved this City ~~XXXXXX~~ Commissioners provided for such cases; said ordinance being entitled "An ordinance prescribing specifications for sidewalks and curbing for public streets and places, and providing measures to compel the laying, construction and repair of the same by owners of abutting property; requiring the cost thereof to be paid by the owners of such property and declaring such cost a personal liability of such owners, and a first and prior lien and charge against such property; and prescribing the manner of ordering and compelling the construction of such work, and the punishment for failure to comply with such orders", and proceeding hereupon in accordance with said previous ordinance, which is made a part hereof;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED

Section One. That the construction of cement sidewalks be and the same is hereby ordered along or in front of the entire extent of each parcel of the property and premises hereinafter described, and that the owners of such premises proceed immediately to construct said improvements, or to cause same to be constructed at their cost and expense, on the streets and public places hereinafter named; the respective premises herein referred to. the owner or owners thereof to whom this order is addressed and each such respective street or public place being as follows, to-wit:

OWNER	LOT NO.	N.C.B.NO.	LOCATION.
Frank Velten	A 5	A 8	Ave D
Lizzie Judge	No.1/2 8	683	Sycamore St.
McAllister	5	939	Wicks
J.M.Bonnett & wife	20	559	Burnet and Olive Sts.
S.W.Baptist Hospital	all	548	Olive, Nolan, Hackberry & Burnett.
L.B.Rice	1	563	Olive St.
M.E.Loeborg	12	563	Olive St.
M.Dougherty	1	571	Olive St.
Mitchell	A-18	571	Olive St.
R.D.Benton	A-19	571	Olive St.
Seth Lester	A-20	571	Olive St.
V.Y. & Thomas M. Harpole	4	682	Swiss St.
Chas Bellinger	A-20	582	Swiss St.
H.L.Dignowity	A-13 & 14	549	Pine, Burnet and Olive
Emma M.Robinson	A-17	549	Olive St.
Mrs Annie Fritze	1	531	Olive St.
R.Krueger	46	1805	Michigan St.
P.M.Christensen	1.2	1823	Capitol & Huisatch
G.M.Peak	9 - 10	1843	Woodlawn Ave.
Allice M.Peak	11 to 15	1843	Woodlawn Ave.
F.H.McAskell & Pat Stevens	12	999	Camden St.
C.F.Mitchell	10;11	1848	Mistletoe St.
A.Frederick			
H.D.Hale	2	82 0	Oakland St.
Mary C.Springer	1	820	Oakland St.
Yale Hicks	1	820	Brooklyn Ave.
Mrs. F.A.Chapa	A-6	111	Flores St.
C.S.Venable, Agt.	B-6	111	Flores St.
D.M.A.Probandt	8-9	111	Flores St.
W.B.Shiner	7	111	Flores St.
B.Fisk	A-4	2974	Guenther
Josephine L.Flores	7	2971	Guenther St.
Annie R.Brooks	8	2970	Guenther St.
Est. Leroy Denman	A-1	2974	Frasch St.
E.G.Smith	1	2973	Guenther & Nathan
Mary B.Gaenslen	A-1	2972	Guenther & Nathan
F.M.Clemens	A-6	2972	Nathan St.
J.C.Applewhite	7	2769	Guenther & Flores Sts.
Nic Grannerie	5-6	2969	Flores St.
N.J.Gooman	3	2555	Flores
J. & A.S.StJohn	8	2559	Daniels
Jos. A.Murphy	A-6	989	Flores St.

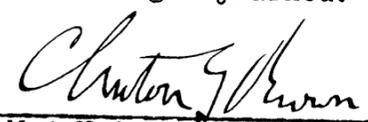
Section 2. That said improvements shall be constructed promptly in accordance with the specifications and other provisions contained in said ordinance of August 10, 1914, and that said work shall be commenced within thirty days after the service of notice on this order, and that said notices shall be given and all other things shall be done as therein provided; and that for failure to comply with or violation of this order, any person, association of persons, or corporation found guilty of such offense shall be fined not less than Five (\$5.00) Dollars nor more than Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, all under and as in said ordinance of August 10, 1914 provided.

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

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

  
MAYOR