

DECEMBER 13, 1945

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL, AT TEN O'CLOCK, A.M., ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1945.

PRESENT: Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson; Mayor Mauermann presiding.

The Clerk read the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 6, and those of the Special Meeting of December 10, both of which were approved, as read, on motions of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, in each case.

Petitions presented:

Referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police:

Humble Oil & Ref. Co., for permission to make gasoline installation at 812 N. Flores St.  
Jack Neal, Inc., 2 petitions, for permission to make gasoline installations at 429 San Pedro Ave. and 1516 Fredericksburg Road.

Juan Flores, and others, asking for street light at Navidad and Obregon Sts.

Dr. S. Van Wie, and others, for street light at Adams and Temple Sts.

Clyde Simpson, and others, for street light at E. Malone and Rochambeau Sts.

William Albach, and others, protesting use of Catalpa St. by Transit Co. buses.

Referred to Commissioner of Streets:

Better Homes Development Co., for permit for installation of extensions to City Sanitary Sewer System.

H. R. Freiling, for permit for installation of extensions to City Sanitary Sewer System.

Referred to City Engineer:

Baker Engineering, for approval of two plats, respectively vacating and subdividing Lots 1 and 2 in C.B. 211 and 212, and Lots 1 through 20 in C.B. 198, 199, 200, 209 and 210.

Oscar Abbott, for approval of subdivision plat of east 112 feet of Lot 301, N.C.B. 8728.

Leopoldo Ramos, for approval of subdivision plat of Lot 3, Block 15, Lady of the Lake Gardens, N.C.B. 8988.

Guy L. Reasoner, for approval of vacating and subdivision plats of Lots 33, 34, 35, 36, N.C.B. 8957.

Referred to Committee of the Whole:

Petition of Daughters of the Republic of Texas regarding a policy in regulating all celebrations in the vicinity of the Alamo. Referred to Committee of the Whole on motion of Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

Referred to Zoning Commission:

Petition of Finesilver Mfg. Co., and others, for re-zoning of parts of City Blocks 112, 113, 131-A and 131-B. Referred on motion of Commissioner Callaghan, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

Commissioner Callaghan introduced the following ordinances, which were passed & approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

DECEMBER 13, 1945

APPRO. NO. 453 AN ORDINANCE (2887)  
 APPROPRIATING \$50,023.02 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY 1945  
 GENERAL FUND NOTES NO. 37 & 38, AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 454 AN ORDINANCE (2888)  
 APPROPRIATING \$370,734.36 OUT OF VARIOUS SINKING FUNDS TO PAY  
 JANUARY 1, 1946, BOND AND INTEREST COUPONS MATURITIES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 455 AN ORDINANCE (2889)  
 APPROPRIATING \$98,987.94 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND FOR SEMI-  
 MONTHLY PAYROLLS.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 456 AN ORDINANCE (2890)  
 APPROPRIATING \$421.59 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, VARIOUS DEPTS.,  
 PAYABLE TO DAN QUILL, POSTMASTER, FOR POSTAL CARDS & STAMPS.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 457 AN ORDINANCE (2891)  
 APPROPRIATING \$229.80 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND, ASSESSOR'S  
 DEPT., TO PAY VARIOUS MERCHANTS BILLS.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 458 AN ORDINANCE (2892)  
 APPROPRIATING \$162.50 OUT OF INTER-AMERICAN HEALTH PROJECT  
 NO. AIA2-5309 FOR PAYROLL.

- - -

Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinance, which was passed and approved by  
 roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 459 AN ORDINANCE (2893)  
 APPROPRIATING \$257.60 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, GARBAGE & SANI-  
 TATION DEPT., PAYABLE TO ELGIN SWEEPER CO., ELGIN, ILLINOIS.

- - -

Upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, and on motion of Commissioner Steffler,  
 seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Calla-  
 ghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, in each case, the Council approved the following plats:

Subdivision of Lot 26, Block 9, N.C.B. 8992, Lady of the Lake Gardens, submitted by  
 Ed Steves & Sons.

Vacating and subdivision plats of Lots 1, 2, 14, 15, 16, N.C.B. 3734, submitted by V. H.  
 Jaycox.

Vacating and resubdivision plats of Lots 8, 9, 20, 21, Block 26, N.C.B. 3699, Edgewood  
 Addn., submitted by J. C. Rice.

- - -

Upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, and on motion of Commissioner Steffler,  
 seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Calla-  
 ghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, the Council granted the petition of Hall P. Street for  
 permission to construct private sewer line from the end of present line in the alley between  
 Rigsby and Hammond Aves. to a point 160 feet east of east line of Clark Ave., and to make a  
 charge for connections thereto.

- - -

In each case upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, and on motion of Commissioner  
 Steffler, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauer-  
 mann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, the Council granted the following two petitions  
 for street name changes:

DECEMBER 13, 1945

H. C. Thorman and others, to change the name of Cavalier Drive in Olmos Park Terrace Addn. to Howard St.

I. B. Van Ocker, and others, to designate Highway 281 South, within the City limits, as Roosevelt Ave.

These two petitions precipitated a Council discussion in which it was brought out that there are duplications in more than 300 street names in the City.

Mayor Mauermann suggested that this matter be looked into carefully and thoroughly by the City Engineer and the Chief City Building Inspector, with a view to eliminating such duplication. He suggested that they recommend changes where necessary and the Council conduct open hearings, inviting the residents on the streets involved to be heard. He suggested the Post Office Dept. also be consulted in such a survey.

Commissioner Steffler suggested that no final action on changing names in all cases of duplication be taken until the annexation program has been completed.

- - -

The Clerk read the following letter:

December 11, 1945

Honorable Mayor  
City Commissioners  
City of San Antonio  
Building

Gentlemen:

With reference to the proposal of the Turner Roofing Company, in which they suggest that the City pay the cost of tearing down and reconstructing the front of their present building on a line 22 feet south of the present south curb line on East Houston Street at an estimated cost of \$3500.00 plus the additional cost of widening the pavement, it is assumed that this property required for street widening would be deeded to the City.

In view of the fact that the so called traffic bottle neck is caused by reason of the fact that the large trucks serving the Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Company use most of the street for loading purposes, it seems that this company should be willing to participate in the cost of eliminating this condition since they are deriving all of the benefits at the expense and inconvenience of the public in general.

It is my opinion that a fair share of the expense involved in correcting this condition is for the City to bear the cost of constructing the new curb and the cost of widening the pavement.

Respectfully,

s/ Thos. H. Coghill

City Engineer.

- - -

Commissioner Anderson, discussing the above matter, stated the plan submitted by the Turner Roofing Co. was bad because it would cause traffic to approach a railroad crossing at an angle. He said he had suggested that the trucks in question load and unload through side doors instead of backing up to the loading platforms.

Mayor Mauermann asked the Engineer if it would be possible to build an overpass at this junction and received an affirmative reply.

Commissioner Anderson also stated the street involved is one of the main traffic arteries leading to the proposed Coliseum site.

On motion of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Steffler and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, the Engineer was instructed to consult with the City Traffic Engineer and property owners with a view to working out this problem on the basis suggested in his letter.

- - -

DECEMBER 13, 1945

Commissioner Steffler introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 460

AN ORDINANCE (2894)

APPROPRIATING \$66 OUT OF STREET EXCAVATION TRUST ACCOUNT FOR REFUNDS AND REPAIRS.

- - -  
AN ORDINANCE (2895)

MAKING A CONTRACT FOR A TRUCK WITH W. G. MORTON.

- - -

In each case on recommendation and motion of Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, the Council granted the following petitions:

Magnolia Petroleum, granted permission to make gasoline installation at 1202 San Pedro, and granted permission to make gasoline installation at E. Houston and Hackberry Sts.

Miss Hazel Hunter, granted permission to erect barbecue pit at 1900 N. St. Mary's St.

- - -

Commissioner Anderson introduced the following ordinances, which were passed & approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 461

AN ORDINANCE (2896)

APPROPRIATING \$4.10 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, POLICE DEPT., TO PAY COUNTY CLERK FOR NOTARY FEES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 462

AN ORDINANCE (2897)

APPROPRIATING \$256.47 PAYABLE TO HARLEY-DAVIDSON CYCLE CO. FOR 10 H-D MOTORCYCLE ANTENNAS, ETC., OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND APPRO. NO. 762, MAY 10, 1945.

- - -

Mayor Mauermann introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 463

AN ORDINANCE (2898)

APPROPRIATING \$66 OUT OF COMMERCE BUILDING FUND TO PAY OTIS ELEVATOR CO. FOR MAINTENANCE OF ELEVATORS FOR NOVEMBER, 1945.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 464

AN ORDINANCE (2899)

APPROPRIATING \$104.63 OUT OF PARK REVENUE BOND 1945 FUND TO PAY FOR MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 465

AN ORDINANCE (2900)

APPROPRIATING \$55 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, PAUPER INTERMENT, PAYABLE TO CASTILLO FUNERAL HOME FOR BURIALS DURING NOVEMBER, 1945.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 466

AN ORDINANCE (2901)

APPROPRIATING \$60 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., TO PAY DR. B. E. GALLOWAY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 467

AN ORDINANCE (2902)

APPROPRIATING \$60 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., TO PAY DR. J. M. DONALDSON, JR., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 468

AN ORDINANCE (2903)

APPROPRIATING \$45 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., TO PAY DR. HELEN CANNON BERNFIELD FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

- - -

DECEMBER 13, 1945

APPRO. NO. 469

AN ORDINANCE (2904)

APPROPRIATING \$463.42 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY EXCHANGE ON JAN. 1, 1946, BOND AND INTEREST COUPON MATURITIES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 470

AN ORDINANCE (2905)

AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER QUITCLAIM DEED TO LOTS 1 & 2, BLK. 6, C. B. 3963, TO JOHN M. GONZALEZ FOR CONSIDERATION OF \$397.37 CASH; AND APPROPRIATING \$396.12 TO PAY PRO RATA PART OF JUDGMENT, TAXES AND COSTS.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 471

AN ORDINANCE (2906)

APPROPRIATING \$1.25 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY FOR RECORDING DEED IN CAUSE NO. C-11528, STYLED CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, ET AL, VS. JUAN F. VALDEZ, ET AL.

- - -

Mr. Walter Loughridge, attorney representing Carpenter Paper Co., introduced a petition withdrawing the objection of Albert C. Sien, Sr., and Louis E. Sien, Sr., to the closing of alley in N. C. B. 250 and asking the closing of this alley. Carpenter Paper Co. had petitioned for the closing of this alley and asked to purchase it from the City on March 15, 1945.

Commissioner Steffler stated that all was in proper order on this petition except for agreement on the price to be paid the City for the alley. He suggested that it be appraised by the Tax Commissioner.

Mayor Mauermann instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance, subject to agreement on the price.

- - -

Bids on the installation of sewer line on Cunningham Ave. were opened and publicly read and referred to Commissioner Hein.

- - -

On motion of Commissioner Steffler, seconded by Commissioner Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson, the meeting was recessed to 11:00 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, December 18, 1945.

\* \* \*

PURSUANT TO THE RECESS of the Meeting of December 13, the Council reconvened in the Council Chamber of the City Hall at 11:00 o'clock, A.M., Tuesday, December 18, 1945.

- - -

PRESENT: Hein; Steffler and Anderson; absent: Mauermann and Callaghan; Commissioner Anderson presiding as Mayor Pro Tem.

- - -

On motion of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Steffler and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan, the Council excused from attendance Mayor Mauermann and Commissioner Callaghan who were attending the trial of the suit contesting the Sept. 25, 1945, City Bond Election.

- - -

Commissioner Hein (for Commissioner Callaghan) introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan.

APPRO. NO. 472

AN ORDINANCE (2907)

APPROPRIATING \$26,091.86 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND FOR PER DIEM PAYROLLS.

- - -

DECEMBER 18, 1945

APPRO. NO. 473

AN ORDINANCE (2908)

APPROPRIATING \$49,989.66 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY FOR MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 474

AN ORDINANCE (2909)

APPROPRIATING \$1,787.63 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1945.

- - -

APPRO. NO. 475

AN ORDINANCE (2910)

APPROPRIATING \$566.50 OUT OF PARK REVENUE BOND 1945 FUND FOR PAYROLL.

- - -

Commissioner Steffler introduced the following ordinance, which was passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan.

APPRO. NO. 476

AN ORDINANCE (2911)

APPROPRIATING \$1812.14 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND, VARIOUS DEPTS., TO PAY FOR INDEPENDENT HIRE OF TEAMS AND TRUCKS.

- - -

In each case on recommendation and motion of Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Steffler and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan, the Council granted the following petitions:

Humble Oil & Refining Co., granted permission to make gasoline installation at 812 N. Flores St.

Jack Neal, Inc., granted permission to make gasoline installation at 429 San Pedro Ave.

- - -

Commissioner Anderson introduced the following ordinance, which was passed & approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan.

APPRO. NO. 477

AN ORDINANCE (2912)

APPROPRIATING \$505.49 OUT OF 1945 GENERAL FUND TO PAY CITY'S SHARE OF GROUP INSURANCE FOR DECEMBER, 1945, COVERING EMPLOYEES IN THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

- - -

On motion of Commissioner Steffler, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; absent (nays), Mauermann and Callaghan, the meeting adjourned Tuesday, December 18, 1945.

APPROVED:

*James Mauermann*

M A Y O R

ATTEST:

*Jack Beady*  
City Clerk

- - -

(For full text of all ordinances passed at this Regular Meeting and Recessed Meeting, see Ordinance Book "N", pages 220 through 230 .)

\* \* \*