

JANUARY 2, 1947

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, THE SECOND DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1947.

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PRESENT: Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; Mayor Mauermann presiding.
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The Clerk read the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 26, 1946, which were approved as read, on motion of Comm. Hein, seconded by Comm. Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.
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Comm. Callaghan introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 580

AN ORDINANCE (4438)

APPROPRIATING \$428.75 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ASSESSOR'S DEPT.,
TO PAY MAVERICK-CLARKE LITHO CO. FOR BINDING OF BOOKS.
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APPRO. NO. 581

AN ORDINANCE (4439)

APPROPRIATING \$1,054.84 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND TO PAY INTEREST ON
1946 GENERAL FUND NOTES FOR DECEMBER, 1946.
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Comm. 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. 582

AN ORDINANCE (4440)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$731.44 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND,
EMERGENCY STREET & BRIDGE DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO ALAMO LUMBER CO. FOR A
LOT OF BRIDGE LUMBER.
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APPRO. NO. 583

AN ORDINANCE (4441)

APPROPRIATING \$1,036.38 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND TO PAY BELFAST
SUPPLY CO. FOR ONE CAR COLAS-EMULSIFIED ASPHALT.
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Pursuant to recommendation of the City Engineer and motion of Comm. Steffler, duly seconded and carried, the Council approved the plat of subdivision of C. B. 8567, submitted by Frank T. Drought.
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Pursuant to motion of Comm. Anderson, duly seconded and carried, the Council granted the Petition of Texas and New Orleans R. R. Co. requesting right, privilege and permission to construct, maintain and operate spur track in, upon and along S. Walnut St. and upon and across Indiana St. The Council ordered the necessary ordinance drawn. There was no objection from the City Engineer's and Police Depts.
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Pursuant to motion of Comm. Anderson, duly seconded and carried, the Council denied the Petition of Texas and New Orleans R. R. Co., requesting right, privilege and permission to construct, maintain and operate a spur track in, upon and along Perez St. and upon and across Colorado St. The Police Dept. objected that this spur would be objectionable from vehicular and traffic viewpoints, and would interfere with the proposed Inter-Regional Highway.
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Pursuant to motion of Comm. Anderson, duly seconded and carried, the Council denied the Petition of Texas and New Orleans RR Co., requesting right, privilege and permission to construct, maintain and operate a spur track in, upon and across Granada St. and in, upon and across N. San Jacinto St. The Police Dept., City Engineer, and Expressway Manager all objected that this spur would interfere with the proposed Inter-Regional Highway.
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The delay in plumbing work at veterans housing projects at Trinity University and Camp Cushing was discussed with the Council by H. H. Haaker, representative of the Federal Public Housing Authority; Tom McCann, FPHA contractor on the two projects; H. S. Brown, representative of the plumbers, and R. L. McCollum, representing Trinity University.

Haaker asked that the City plumbing code be waived. McCann stated the government specifications for the plumbing on the two projects does not meet the City code requirements and said the plumbers would not do the work unless the code was waived.

In discussion, Comm. Anderson said he had told the contractor to go ahead with the work at Camp Cushing. Mayor Mauermann asked what was the difference between the work at Trinity University and that at Camp Cushing. Comm. Anderson said the Trinity project was a permanent installation, while that at Camp Cushing was temporary.

Brown, the plumbers' representative, said his organization considered the work at Trinity detrimental to the general health of the City. He said the difficulty was brought about by a contractor who started putting in the plumbing without consulting anyone in the City government. He said his organization would agree to do the work under the City's temporary code, but "that is as far as we can go."

McCann said the work at Camp Cushing would require payment of \$6,000 more to the plumbing contractor, which amount the government would not pay. He said the Trinity and Cushing projects were both temporary. McCollum added that the contract for the Trinity buildings specified that they were to be torn down within two years after the cessation of hostilities.

Following further discussion, Mayor Mauermann suggested the Council go on record for waiving the plumbing code to allow the work to be done. Comm. Anderson agreed, asking for Council action to uphold the Commissioner of Fire and Police in waiving the code. He added that he had waived the code for this work on direct orders of the Council three or four months ago, and that he did not want the Council blamed falsely for "anyone being behind in their work". He said he wanted it understood that the Council was not at fault in the delay.

Comm. Hein moved that the Commissioner of Fire and Police be upheld in waiving the code requirements for the plumbing work. Mayor Mauermann seconded the motion, adding that he understood this would apply to all such similar work. The motion was carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

Pursuant to recommendation of the City Engineer and motion of Comm. Steffler, duly seconded and carried, the Council accepted the bids of Jones and Garrett for construction of an eight-inch sanitary sewer main on S. Flores St. between Compton Ave. and Stonewall St. and construction of a 60-inch storm sewer main from Bigfoot St. to S. Flores St. to San Pedro Creek, and ordered the necessary ordinances drawn to award the contracts. The City Engineer stated Jones and Garrett was low bidder on both jobs. Bids were opened December 26, 1946.

Pursuant to motion of Comm. Hein, duly seconded and carried, the Council ordered rejected the bid of Geo. L. Brombaugh, only bid received, for junk tractor, which was opened and read and referred to Comm. Hein on December 26, 1946.

Bids to furnish adding machines and money chests, both for the Housing Authority, were opened and publicly read and referred to the Purchasing Agent.

Pursuant to motion duly made and carried, the Council Meeting was adjourned this Thursday, January 2, 1947.

ATTEST: *Frank Brady*
City Clerk

APPROVED: *Frank Mauermann*
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