

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, A. D. 1923, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable John W. Tobin, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners, Bushick, Steffler, Wright. Absent. Lambert.

Minutes of the previous meeting were ordered approved.

## ---MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS---

M. Heidemann, requesting release of lien held by the City against sundry lots owned by him, read and referred to the City Attorney.

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The following petitions were read and referred to the Commissioner of Fire and Police.

Wm. J. Frazier, for permit to install gasoline tank at New Braunfels Ave. and Stafford St.

Edward Green, for permission to erect signboards on his own property.

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The following petitions were read and referred to the Commissioner of Streets and Public Impts.

Petition for the improvements of Virginia Blvd.

Property owners requesting the grading and macadamizing of West Summit Place.

Petition of Roman Gutierrez

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The following petitions were read and referred to the Commissioner of Taxation.

Roman Gutierrez, for correction of assessment.

C. C. Weathers, for cancellation of taxes on personal property.

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Commissioner Wright, made the following recommendations, which were read and adopted.

The Uvalde Company, for concrete oil & asphalt storage tanks. Lots 11 & 12, Blk 558 Dawson Street. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Washington Irving Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Joel Chandler Harris Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Sidney Lanier Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Nathaniel Hawthorne Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Ralph Waldo Emerson Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Mark Twain Junior High School. granted.

San Antonio Board of Education, to install 1500 gal. Fuel oil burning plant for the Edgar Allen Poe Junior High School. granted.

Morgan Woodward Company, for permit to erect two metal roof signs at 234 S. Flores. granted.

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Commissioner Bushick, made the following recommendation, which was read and adopted.

Grace English Lutheran Church, for exemption from taxation. granted.

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The application of the International Refining Company for permission to connect with City

Sanitary outfall sewer was granted, and referred to the City Attorney with instructions to prepare the necessary contract.

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The City Purchasing Agent recommended the purchase of one ton Ford truck from each of the following firms to-wit; Jordan, Ives Motor Co., Baker Motor Car Company, Yantes Motor Co., and Morgan Woodward Co. Also the purchase of 40 Squares of Slates roofing for Brackenridge Park dancing pavillion from Ed. Steves & Sona. adopted.

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Bids for printing 60.00 tax reciepts and binding the Assessment Rolls for the current fiscal year were opened and referred to the City Purchasing Agent.

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Commissioner Bushick, introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit; Ayes, Tobin, Bushick, Steffler, Wright.

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No. 134.

AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating funds out of Zoo funds to pay for Labor.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$50.00 be paid, the same is hereby appropriated out of the Zoo Fund, to pay for services rendered during period ending August 31st, 1923.

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No. 135.

AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating Funds out of the Auditorium Building Fund of 1919, to meet pay rolls.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$214.40 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Auditorium Building Fund 1919, to pay for labor during month ending August 31st, 1923.

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

RESOLUTION

Whereas, San Antonio has a romantic and heroic history extending over two hundred years, under the flags of six different sovereignties, or historic periods, including (1) the period of Spanish discovery and disputed dominion with France; (2) the period of Mexican rule; (3) the period of the Revolution from Mexico and the Republic of Texas; (4) the period of Statehood after Annexation to the United States; (5) the period of the Confederacy or the Cival War; (6) the period of Reconstruction; and

Whereas, We should preserve for their historical and educational valure the annals and traditions and nomenclature of the past, not only because of their value as attractions to tourists and visitors, but to honor the pioneers and patriots who founded and bequeathed to us the priceless heritage of a Christian civilization and republican government of law and liberty, now therefore

Be it Resolved; That it is the sense of the City Commission of the City of San Antonio that both practical and sentimental considerations make it desirable to retain the early historic names by which our streets and public places have been designated by law and sactioned by long use, and that no changes of such ancient and historic names should be made hereafter except for a necessary and compelling reason of public interest as distinguis-hed from mere whimsicality, desire for novelty or mistaken devotion to a trite modernism.

Resolved further, That in pursuance of the above policy, which has received the endorsement of various patriotic and civic organizations of our City, that Westcott Place, voted by the City Commissioners two years ago as the name of the plaza at the intersection of Main Avenue, Romana and Camden streets, be changed back to its original and historic name of Romana Plaza, an historic name which has attached to that locality for a century and continues to be used by the general public.

Resolved further, that the City engineer to instructed to make the necessary changes on the City maps and plats, showing Romana Plaza instead of Westcott Place.

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Commissioner Steffler, introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit; Ayes, Tobin, Bushick, Steffler, Wright.

AN ORDINANCE

An Ordinance adjusting property lines of Charles H. Wagner, on the west line of Chupederas Street, the south line of Buena Vista Street, and the north line of Monterey Street in City Block No. 2332; and fixing the west lines of said block along the east line of Calaveras Street, between Buena Vista and Monterey Streets.

Be it Ordained by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio:

WHEREAS, Charles H. Wagner, owning Lots Nos. 1 and 2 in Block No. 2332, bounded on the north by Buena Vista Street, on the east by Chupederas Street, and on the north by an alley, when he acquired the same more than forty years ago, applied to the then City Engineer, who in accordance with the ordinance of the City then in force, gave him the street lines shown in yellow on the attached plat, and he accordingly built his fences on said lines, and with reference thereto erected improvements including the building of his homestead, iron fences and planting of trees; and whereas afterwards, without the knowledge or consent of said Charles H. Wagner, in the plotting of said block in the City Engineer's office, the west line of Chupederas Street is shown to be located 23.2 feet west of said yellow line originally given him by the then City Engineer, at Buena Vista Street and 25.2 feet west therefrom, at Monterey Street; and the east line of Calaveras Street was correspondingly moved west, and afterwards the west line of Lot No. 7 in said block was so established as fixed by said new line and the party owning the same has improved the same and build his fence accordingly, and the owner of Lot 8 has likewise taken possession thereof in accordance with said new line, leaving an excess between the east line of said Lot 8 as so fixed, and the west line of Chupederas Street as claimed by said Wagner and given him by the then City Engineer when he acquired the same, of 25.2 feet which is in possession of said Wagner and under his fence; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to adjust and fix said street lines in accordance with the situation on the ground and of the equities and justice of the case, in accordance with the petition of said Charles H. Wagner; therefore,

Be it ordained by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio:

That the west line of Chupederas Street extending north from Monterey Street to Buena Vista Street, is hereby fixed and established along the yellow line shown on said plat hereto attached, between a point 25.2 feet east of the line as shown on the present plat in the City Engineer's office, at Monterey Street, and extending northerly to a point 23.2 feet east of the line as shown on the present plat in the City Engineer's office, at Buena Vista Street, and which yellow line is also the line of fence as now exist, on Chupederas Street, between Buena Vista and Monterey Streets; and the east line of Calaveras Street between Monterey Street and

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Referred by ordinance  
of October 19<sup>th</sup> 1925.  
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the alley to the north is hereby fixed and established along the line of said street according to the new and present plat in use in the City Engineer's office. And that therefore, the present owners of Lot 7 and 8 will then have their full complement of frontage on Monterey Street, and it appearing that there is an excess of 25.2 feet frontage along Monterey Street and of 24.1 feet along the alley to the north, included between the east line of Lot 8 and the west line of Chupederas Street as herein established, and that the same is in possession of said Wagner, and he having offered to pay the assessed value thereof to the City for a quit claim deed thereto; therefore, it is further ordained, that upon payment of said assessed value, viz:- the sum of \$ 277.20, the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute a quit claim deed unto said Charles H. Wagner for the said excess between the said east line of Lot No. 8 and the west line of Chupederas Street as herein established and fixed.

And it further appearing that allowing the full complement of frontage to the owners of Lots. Nos. 1 to 6, inclusive, in said block, beginning at the west line of Chupederas Street as herein fixed and established, the east line of Calaveras Street between Buena Vista Street and the alley to the south, should be and it is hereby fixed and established between the points 23.2 feet west of said line as shown on the present map in use in the City Engineer's office, at Buena Vista Street, and 24.1 feet east of said east line as shown on said present map in use in the City Engineer's office, on the north side of said alley, and the City Engineer is hereby directed to replat said block in accordance herewith. Passed and approved this 4th day of September, A. D. 1923.

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AN ORDINANCE

ME-1546  
 Authorizing L. G. Lecomte to make certain sewer connections in accordance with contract herein included.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the following Contract with L. G. Lecomte, viz:-

STATE OF TEXAS,  
 COUNTY OF BEXAR,

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That this contract, made and entered into by and between L. G. Lecomte of Bexar County, Texas, hereinafter called First Party, and the City of San Antonio, a Municipal Corporation, hereinafter called Second Party:

WITNESSETH:

FIRST: Said First Party agrees to construct at his entire cost and expense, a system of sewers, consisting of 8" mains, same to be located in the alleys and along the east side of Greenwood Street, better described and shown on blueprint attached, covering fully LeComte's Bellevue Sub-division, said plat of Sub-division mentioned being duly recorded in Volume 368, page 60 of the plat of records of Bexar County, Texas. Thence from the N. E. corner of said LeComte's Bellevue Sub-division due east for a direction of about three hundred and fifty-one feet (351') at which point it will intersect with the City of San Antonio's six foot outfall sewer, as also shown on blue print hereto attached, same which is made a part hereof, in accordance with plans, specifications, and grades, approved by the City Engineer, and to complete same in a workmanlike manner and that said work shall be entirely under the jurisdiction and supervision of the City

Engineer of said Second Party.

SECOND: That upon completion of said line of sewers, as provided for in section above, and the acceptance thereof by said Second Party, said Second Party agrees to connect same with the main line of its outfall sewers as indicated on blueprint attached, so as to make said line of sewers so connected and paid for by said First Party, a part of its public sewer system to the same extent that it would be if said line of sewers so connected were wholly within the City Limits, and constructed by said Second Party out of its funds to appropriation for such purposes, said Second Party agreeing, however, that no extensions to the above 8" mains mentioned constructed and paid for by First Party, will be granted by Second Party until all the lots enumerated in Lecomte's Bellevue Sub-division have been sold by said First Party, this being the sole and entire purpose of the First Party constructing these sewers at this time. In the above though, one tap is to be allowed the City at the present north terminus of Greenwood Street, same to serve property adjoining if required and covered by deed cited in my original petition dated August 16, 1923.

THIRD: That from and after the completion of said main sewer line by First Party and its acceptance by said Second Party and the connection of same with the main outfall sewer system, the absolute and unqualified ownership and control of said line shall pass to and vest in the City of San Antonio and it alone shall have the right to regulate and control the connections made thereto and therewith, this to be however, strictly in accordance with the proviso conditions at the end of SECTION TWO, above. A written application will be required on such form as it may prescribe as a pre-requisite to the granting of a permit for a house connection to the sewer above referred to for said sewer construction, same to be entirely under the jurisdiction and supervision of the City Engineer, of said Second Party.

FOURTH: In consideration of the construction and payment of said line of sewers by the said First Party and the conveyance of same to the Second Party, said Second Party hereby agrees to make a connection charge of (\$50.00) Fifty Dollars for each and every connection permitted to be made on each and every lot on Lecomte's Bellevue Sub-division, which amount is to be added to the price of the lot and collected by First Party through whom the permit must be requested and then tendered to the City Engineer for execution, in this manner there will be a credit of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars extended for each connection as permits are issued until the full amount of the original cost of said sewers constructed by First Party are fully paid for. Said First Party shall file with the City Engineer of said Second Party, a statement of the final cost of the construction of said line of sewers, within thirty days from the date of the final completion and acceptance thereof by said Second Party:

FIFTH: It is expressly agreed and understood by and between the parties hereto that no charges of any description will be made by the Second Party for either main sewers to be constructed by the First Party or individual connections to be made by householders at the latter date, this being fully covered by deed on which this contract is based.

SIXTH: It is further agreed between the parties hereto, that all permits will be executed promptly when presented as designated in section THREE, thereby causing the least delay possible to householders purchasing lots and erecting buildings on aforementioned property.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement at San Antonio, Texas, this 4th day of September, A. D. 1923.

L. G. Lecomte  
Party of the First Part.

City of San Antonio, By John W. Tobin,  
Party of the Second Part.

Attest:  
Fred Fries.  
City Clerk.

be and the same is hereby approved and the Mayor authorized to execute the same.

Passed and approved on the 4th day of September 1923.

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Commissioner Steffler introduced the following resolutions, which were read and adopted.

RESOLUTION

Accepting temporary wooden bridge constructed by Elder Construction Company on Martin-Lakeview Streets- over San Antonio River.

BE IT RESPLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City of San Antonio does hereby accept the temporary wooden bridge constructed by the Elder Construction Company, as per their constract with the City of San Antonio, over the San Antonio River at Martin-Lakeview Avenue, in accordance with certificate of the City Engineer, dated August, 31st, 1923, and filed with the Board of Commissioners on this 31st day of Aug. 1923.

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RESOLUTION

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 4th. 1923.

Honorable Mayor & Board of Commissioners,  
City of San Antonio, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

This is to certify that I have inspected Sadie Street, between S. Presa Street and Labor Street, as per contract with the City of San Antonio and the Southwest Bitulithic Company, dated December 30th, 1922, and the same has been accepted by me on this day of September, 1923.

Yours truly,

D. D. Harrigan  
City Engineer.

Accepting paving on Sadie Street, between S. Presa and Labor Street by Southwest Bitulithic Company.

BE RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City of San Antonio does hereby accept the paving constructed by the Southwest Bitulithic Company in accordance with their contract dated Dec. 30th, 1922, on Sadie Street, between S. Presa and Labor Street, as per certificate of the City Engineer, dated September 4th, 1923, and filed with the Board of Commissioners on this 4th day of September, 1923.

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RESOLUTION

Authorizing the purchase of gravel for use in the Street Department of the City.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Purchasing Agent be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase 2466 yards of gravel @ .15 per yard, \$294.90, from pit in South San Antonio owned by C. S. Fowler, for use in Street Maintenance Department.

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Commissioner Wright, introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit; Ayes, Tobin, Bushick, Steffler, Wright.

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No.136

AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$50.00 to pay for one police dog pup and two badgers purchased from C. C.

Rutledge.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of fifty dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the Zoo Fund, to pay for one police dog pup and two badgers bought from C. C. Rutledge.

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Commissioner Wright introduced the following resolutions, which were read and adopted.  
RESOLUTION

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Authorizing purchase of material for installing Traffic Signal System on Commerce Street.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Purchasing Agent be and he is hereby directed in immediately purchase the material necessary for installing a Signal System for controlling traffic on Commerce Street, from Alamo Street to Main Plaza.

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RESOLUTION

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Authorizing the purchase of material necessary for the construction of a swimming pool at Roosevelt Park.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Purchasing Agent be and he is hereby directed to purchase material necessary for the construction of a swimming pool at Roosevelt Park.

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RESOLUTION

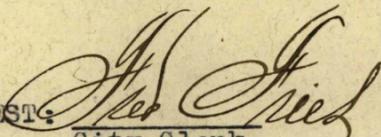
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Authorizing the City Purchasing Agent to purchase material for building dog pound.

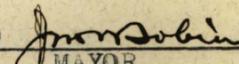
BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City Purchasing Agent be and he is hereby authorized, to purchase the material necessary for constructing a fire proof dog pound, to replace the one recently destroyed by fire.

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

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk.

APPROVED

  
MAYOR.