

DECEMBER 5, 1946

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 FIFTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1946.

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PRESENT: Callaghan, Hein and Steffler; ABSENT: (excused) Mauermann and Anderson; Comm. Steffler, Mayor Pro Tem ad Interim, presiding.

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On motion of Comm. Callaghan, seconded by Comm. Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Callaghan, Hein, and Steffler; Nays, Mauermann and Anderson (both absent), the Council dispensed with the reading of and ordered approved as written the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 29, 1946.

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PETITIONS PRESENTED:

Texas and New Orleans Railroad, for permission to construct a spur track upon and along Perez Street and upon and across Colorado Street, referred to City Engineer and Commissioner of Fire and Police.

Joe Civileto, for permission to make service charge for sewer connections to private line in a subdivision located west of Fredericksburg Road and north of Babcock Road, referred to City Engineer.

J. B. Etheridge, asking that certain tracts on Austin Highway be zoned as J Commercial, referred to Zoning Commission.

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REFERRED to Comm. of Fire and Police:

Jack Neal, Inc., for gasoline installation permit at 401 E. Commerce St.

Humble Oil & Refining Co., for gasoline installation permit at 1650 Woodlawn Ave., and a second petition for gasoline installation permit at Roosevelt and Fairplay Aves.

Frank Levin, for permission to install boiler at 121 Lee Street.

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

APPRO. NO. 492

AN ORDINANCE (4325)

APPROPRIATING \$31,278.05 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND FOR PER DIEM PAYROLLS.

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APPRO. NO. 493

AN ORDINANCE (4326)

APPROPRIATING \$15,571.41 OUT OF U.S. GOVERNMENT TAX ACCOUNT TO PAY WITHHOLDING TAXES FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1946.

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APPRO. NO. 494

AN ORDINANCE (4327)

APPROPRIATING \$771.50 OUT OF PARK REVENUE BOND 1945 FUND FOR PAYROLL.

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APPRO. NO. 495

AN ORDINANCE (4328)

APPROPRIATING \$733.50 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, VARIOUS DEPTS., TO PAY FOR INDEPENDENT HIRE OF TEAMS AND TRUCKS.

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APPRO. NO. 496

AN ORDINANCE (4329)

APPROPRIATING \$758.83 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND TO PAY INTEREST ON 1946 GENERAL FUND NOTES FOR NOVEMBER, 1946.

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APPRO. NO. 497

AN ORDINANCE (4330)

APPROPRIATING \$1,155 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ASSESSOR'S DEPT., TO PAY FOR BINDING BOOKS OF INVENTORY SHEETS.

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

APPRO. NO. 498 AN ORDINANCE (4331)
 APPROPRIATING \$350 TO ERICH POHL, REGISTRATION CHAIRMAN OF THE SOUTH TEXAS AAU FOR EXPENSES.

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APPRO. NO. 499 AN ORDINANCE (4332)
 ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF MONROE CALCULATING MACHINE CO., INC., TO FURNISH GARBAGE & SANITATION DEPT. WITH ONE ELECTRIC ADDING MACHINE AND APPROPRIATING \$252 IN PAYMENT OF SAME.

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AN ORDINANCE (4333)

MAKING A DEED TO MOTOR TRANSPORT POST 1533, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, TO LAND ON MARTINEZ STREET.

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

APPRO. NO. 500 AN ORDINANCE (4334)
 APPROPRIATING \$592.92 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, STREET MAINTENANCE DEPT., TO PAY SOUTHERN CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR PAVING INTERSECTIONS ON KIRK PL. & S. WALTERS, HICKS AND ADELE STS.

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APPRO. NO. 501 AN ORDINANCE (4335)
 APPROPRIATING \$646 OUT OF STREET PAVING ACCOUNT TO PAY COLGLAZIER AND HOFF, INC., FOR PAVING IN FRONT OF SAN ANTONIO BOARD OF EDUCATION PROPERTY ON FAIR AVENUE.

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APPRO. NO. 502 AN ORDINANCE (4336)
 APPROPRIATING \$542.50 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ST. MAINT. DEPT., TO PAY KELLY CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR PAVING INTERSECTIONS ON SANTA ANNA, SANTA MONICA AND BUCKEYE STREETS.

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APPRO. NO. 503 AN ORDINANCE (4337)
 APPROPRIATING \$77.70 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ST. MAINT. DEPT., TO PAY THURMAN BARRETT FOR 1554 CUBIC YARDS OF GRAVEL.

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APPRO. NO. 504 AN ORDINANCE (4338)
 APPROPRIATING \$110.40 OUT OF 1919 ST. OPENING AND WIDENING FUND TO PAY D. B. ALEJANDRO FOR CONSTRUCTING SIDEWALK AT 2211 AND 2215 CINCINNATI AVENUE.

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APPRO. NO. 505 AN ORDINANCE (4339)
 APPROPRIATING \$905 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ENGINEERING DEPT., TO PAY FRANK T. DROUGHT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

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APPRO. NO. 506 AN ORDINANCE (4340)
 APPROPRIATING \$276.45 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ST. MAINT. DEPT., TO PAY H. B. ZACHRY CO. FOR 5529 CUBIC YARDS OF GRAVEL @ 5¢ PER CU. YD.

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APPRO. NO. 507 AN ORDINANCE (4341)
 APPROPRIATING \$1,039.50 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ST. MAINT. DEPT., TO PAY BELFAST SUPPLY CO. FOR 1 CAR COLAS-EMULSIFIED ASPHALT.

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APPRO. NO. 508 AN ORDINANCE (4342)
 APPROPRIATING \$26 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, VARIOUS DEPTS., TO PAY A-1 PLUMBING CO. FOR REPAIR ON BROKEN WATER PIPE.

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APPRO. NO. 509

AN ORDINANCE (4343)

APPROPRIATING \$57 OUT OF STREET EXCAVATION TRUST ACCOUNT FOR REFUNDS AND REPAIRS.

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A RESOLUTION (4344)

EXERCISING THE OPTION OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO REDEEM \$1,392,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO ELECTRIC AND GAS REVENUE BONDS DATED AUGUST 1, 1942, AND PROVIDING FOR THE REDEMPTION THEREOF ON FEBRUARY 1, 1947.

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In each case on recommendation of the City Engineer and pursuant to motion duly made and carried, the Council approved the following plats:

Subdivision plat of San Pedro Place, 2nd Unit, out of OCL 15, 16, and 17, Range 4, District 3, submitted by C. L. Browning Jr. and O. L. Brinkerhoff Jr.

Subdivision plat of Tract A-35, NCB 2955, submitted by G. W. Ewing.

Vacating and subdivision plats of parts of NCB 8615 and 8090, submitted by Isaac Bledsoe, President, Fidelity Realty Co., Inc.

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In each case on recommendation of the Fire and Police Commissioner and pursuant to motion duly made and carried, the Council granted the following petitions:

Humble Oil & Refining Co., for gasoline installation permit at 521 Menchaca St.

Golden West Lubricating Co., for gasoline installation permit at 625 Austin St.

Sinclair Refining Co., for gasoline installation permit at 501 Porter St.

San Antonio Coca-Cola Bottling Co., for gasoline installation permit at 101-3 Narp St.

Kwik-Way Chemical Co., for permit to move tanks from inside to outside of building at 325 Hays St.

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

APPRO. NO. 510

AN ORDINANCE (4345)

ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF MONROE CALCULATING MACHINE CO., INC., TO FURNISH HOUSING STINSON FIELD DEPT. WITH ONE ELECTRIC ADDING MACHINE AND APPROPRIATING \$252 IN PAYMENT OF SAME.

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Bid of San Antonio Machine & Supply Co. to supply street markers, only bid received, was opened and publicly read. Comm. Steffler moved that the bid be accepted and the ordinance ordered drawn and passed and approved as of this date. After being duly seconded, the motion was carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Callaghan, Hein and Steffler; Nays (absent), Mauermann and Anderson, and the following ordinance passed and approved:

APPRO. NO. 511

AN ORDINANCE (4346)

ACCEPTING PROPOSAL, CREATING CONTRACT AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR SUPPLIES WITH SAN ANTONIO MACHINE & SUPPLY CO. TO FURNISH STREET MAINTENANCE DEPT. WITH 417 STREET MARKERS AND APPROPRIATING \$437.85.

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Mr. C. G. Benham, representing the Taxpayers' Defense League, urged the Council to make an effort to collect revenue from the taxicab companies and pledged support of any such measure. He said the League had been gathering data on fees charged by other cities, to-wit: Dallas, 4% of gross receipts; Detroit, \$60 per year per cab; Houston, \$50 per year per cab.

Comm. Steffler asked Mr. Benham to furnish copies of such data to Comm. Anderson.

Comm. Hein asked if the League had ever taken up the matter of revaluation of property.

Mr. Benham replied that the League had made a study of it and considered it a serious problem; that they consider present valuations inadequate since they were prepared many years

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ago. He added that no reflection was intended on any present or past incumbent. He said the League realizes this is a big problem but it should be done, since the City must raise more revenue.

Comm. Callaghan stated he had been invited to speak before the Taxpayers' Defense League recently and had discussed this matter in his talk, but added that he had expected to have a \$15,000 allocation which has since been recalled.

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Mr. R. S. Menefee discussed the baseball park situation, telling the Council that he had been requested by the St. Louis Browns Baseball Club to try to acquire a site adjoining Eagle Field. He said the City has a deed to this property, with a reversionary clause if it is not used for a swimming pool. He said the location of a baseball park there would in no way interfere with plans of the Boys' Club concerning that area.

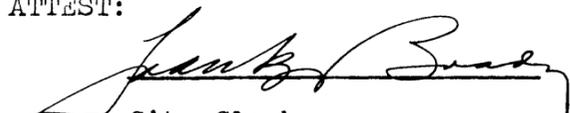
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Pursuant to motion duly made and carried the Council meeting was adjourned Thursday, December 5, 1946.

APPROVED:



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ATTEST:


City Clerk

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