

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

MONDAY, JANUARY 24TH, A.D.1921, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Sam C. Bell, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Coy, Lambert, Heuermann, Wright.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements:

Petition recommending the paving of W.Travis Street, Santa Rosa Avenue to Medina St.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire & Police: Eckert, for permit to erect electric sign at Flores St. and Military Plaza.

For watermains in Culebra Ave, Calaveras St. to Navidad St. The Tire Builders, for permit to erect gasoline pump, etc. 521 1/2 E.Commerce Street.

Bids for the purchase and removal of all the material in the building known as 438 Main Avenue were opened and referred to City Purchasing Agent.

Proposals to install plumbing fixtures in new comfort stations in Brackenridge Park; Hot water for dressing rooms at Municipal Golf Course; beds and desks for new Fire Department Stations; and for drainage gates for use in river improvements were opened and referred to City Purchasing Agent.

Commissioner Heuermann introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Coy, Lambert, Heuermann Wright.

AN ORDINANCE

Granting the petition of C.H.Moore for permission to connect with City Sanitary Sewers. (For full text of this ordinance see Ordinance Book F, page 541)

No. 433 AN ORDINANCE MD-1068

Appropriating funds to pay Uvalde Asphalt Company. BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, 1st. That the sum of \$1,344.90 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Paving, Storm Sewer and Drains Fund to pay Uvalde Rock Asphalt Company final estimate for paving on Crockett Street, from Bowie to Chestnut Street.

2nd. That the sum of \$31.44 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Paving, Storm Sewers and Drains Fund to pay Uvalde Company account of reduction in assessment of a triangular lot on W.Craig Place, Blk 1871, Reagan Houston owner.

AN ORDINANCE -1069

Authorizing the purchase of a strip of land from the estate of Geo. Bucklin, deceased out of Lot A-5, in City Block 908, on the north side of Market Street, in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, for the purpose of widening and straightening Market Street, approving settlement with said grantor as to the value of the land purchased, damages to remainder of said property, fixing the tentative amount of assessments for benefits, and making appropriation to pay the balance of the consideration due for said property.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has heretofore declared the existence of a public necessity and has determined upon the widening and straightening of Market Street from Military Plaza to South Alamo Street, all as shown by map and plat on file in the office of the City Engineer in the Department of Streets and Public Improvements showing the location of the new established street line; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with said line of improvement, said city will require a strip of land off the south side of Lot A-5, in City Block 908, owned by the estate of George Bucklin, deceased; and

WHEREAS, it has been agreed by and between the City and the Citizens Committee acting on Market Street, on one part, and the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, of Providence, R.I. a corporation, executor and trustee of the estate of George Bucklin, deceased, on the other part, that the value of the land taken and to be deeded to the City of San Antonio for said improvement of Market Street, and the damage to the remainder of said property is as follows:

Value of the land taken and to be deeded to the City of San Antonio	\$11,305.00:
Damages sustained to the remainder of said property by reason of the necessity of cutting off the southern part of the present building situated on said lot and reconstruction of said building on the new street line	1,650.00
making a total of	<u>\$12,955.00</u>

and, WHEREAS, it is contemplated that the City of San Antonio will levy an assessment for benefits against the property owners and property abutting on said street on the front foot plan, and it is now tentatively estimated that said assessment will amount to approximately \$75.00 per front foot; and

WHEREAS, said executor and trustee has agreed to allow said City of San Antonio a credit of \$75.00 per front foot, or the sum of \$6,930.00 on the amount due from the City in consideration of the conveyance of said property as aforesaid, in lieu of an assessment against said property for benefits, on the express understanding, however, that when the assessment is finally made, should the amount assessed other property on said street be in excess of the amount now contemplated and tentatively fixed at \$75.00 per front foot, said executor and trustee shall be called upon to pay and shall be liable for the increased pro rata of such amount in excess of \$75.00 per front foot,

and the ordinance levying said assessment shall recite payment of said assessment to the extent of \$75.00 per front foot, leaving the amount to be assessed against the remainder of the property hereinbefore described fronting on said street only for the amount in excess of \$75.00 per front foot; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with said agreement, after deducting a credit on account of the assessments for benefits, as hereinbefore stated, there is a balance due said executor and trustee, in consideration of the conveyance of said property, amounting to \$6,025.00 which amount the City of San Antonio has agreed to pay in cash, THEREFORE, THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO;

SECTION ONE; That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to acquire by purchase from the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, of Providence, R.I. a corporation, executor and trustee of the last will and testament of George Bucklin, deceased, all that part or portion of Lot A-5 in City Block 908, fronting on the North side of Market Street and the west side of South Alamo Street, necessary and required for the widening and straightening of said Market Street, as shown on map and plat now on file in the office of the City Engineer in the Department of Streets and Public Improvements of said City, for the consideration of \$12,955.00 which said amount includes the value of the land taken, the damages sustained to the remainder of said property by reason of the necessity of cutting off part of the improvements not situated thereon and reconstructing same on the new street line.

SECTION TWO: That the sum of \$6,025.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Widening and Opening Fund arising from the proceeds of the 1919 bond issue, in payment of the balance of the consideration for the conveyance to the City of San Antonio of the property described in Section One hereof, after deducting from the total consideration due therefor the sum of \$75.00 per front foot of the remainder of said lot fronting on said street on account of the amount of the assessment for benefits accruing to said property, which it is contemplated that the City will hereafter levy and assess, it being understood that the above amount is only an estimate and that the final amount of said assessment will hereafter be fixed and determined in a lawful manner; that warrant for said sum of \$6,025.00 be drawn payable to the order of said executor and trustee and delivered upon the execution and delivery to the City of San Antonio of a general warranty deed conveying the property mentioned in Section One hereof to said City of San Antonio for street purposes, and approved as to form by the City Attorney.

No. 435

AN ORDINANCE

MD-1070

Approving the purchase of a lot between Main Avenue and North Flores Street, from Mrs. Marguerite Maruchau for the extension of Lakeview Avenue, and making appropriation therefor.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has heretofore contracted with Mrs Marguerite Maruchau for the purchase of a portion of Lot A-8 in City Block 121, as shown on the map and plats now on file in the City Engineers office, locating the proposed extension of Lakeview Avenue, for the cash consideration of \$35,000.00; and

WHEREAS, H.P. Drought & Company hold a deed of trust lien on said lot to secure a certain indebtedness of \$11,000.00 bearing 8% interest payable semi-annually, which said indebtedness does not mature until October 1st 1921, and has declined to accept payment of said indebtedness and release the said lien securing same without the payment of interest to the maturity date thereof; and

WHEREAS, said Mrs Marguerite Maruchau has proposed to convey said property to the City of San Antonio, the city to assume the payment of said indebtedness with the interest thereon as the same accrues, allowing the City of San Antonio to retain as a credit the difference between the interest accruing on said indebtedness from this date to its maturity at the rate of 8% and 4% per annum respectively; and

WHEREAS, under said proposition the City of San Antonio would only be required to pay 4% interest on said indebtedness of \$11,000.00 which is the rate of interest it can obtain by depositing said money in its depository, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION ONE: That the proposition of the said Mrs Marguerite Maruchau to convey said property to the City of San Antonio for the consideration hereinabove stated, be and the same is hereby accepted, and that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to consummate said transaction at once and procure the conveyance of said property to the City of San Antonio for the purpose aforesaid.

SECTION TWO: That the sum of \$23,159.79 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Street Opening and Widening Fund arising from the proceeds of the 1919 bond issue for such purposes, warrants for which shall be drawn as follows: Warrant payable to order of H.P. Drought & Co. for \$453.94, being amount of accrued interest to October 1, 1920 on the \$11,000.00 note of Mrs Marguerite Maruchau herein before described, together with interest thereon from October 1, 1920 to January 25, 1921, at the rate of 10% per annum, as provided in said note in the event of the non payment of interest at maturity, and warrant for the sum of \$22,966.85, payable to the order of Mrs Marguerite Maruchau, said amount being the balance of the cash consideration for the property hereinbefore described after deducting accrued interest to January 25, 1921 and deducting interest on said sum of \$11,000.00 from January 25, 1921 to October 1, 1921 at the rate of 4% per annum; that said warrants be delivered to the respective payees upon the execution and delivery to the City of San Antonio of a general warranty deed conveying to the city said property described in Section One hereof, and approved as to form by the City Attorney.

In reference to sewers in the 800 block on Florida Street, the Sewer Engineer reported that the line will be put in under Knob Hill contract and construction has been started. Adopted.

Commissioner Coy introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Coy, Lambert, Heuermann, Wright.

No. 436

AN ORDINANCE

-1071

Appropriating \$7050.00 to pay special weekly pay roll.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the following sums of money be and the same are hereby appropriated out of the hereinafter named funds to pay Special Weekly Pay Roll for week ending January 22, 1921: to-wit:

Park Improvement Fund 1919	\$450.00	Trench Fund	\$200.00
Sanitary Sewer Fund	400.00	1920 General Fd.	3600.00
St. Paving & Storm Sewer Fund	1400.00		<u>\$7050.00</u>
River Improvement Fund	300.00		
St Open & Wid Fund	300.00		
Bridge Fund	400.00		

No. 437

AN ORDINANCE *MD-1072*

Directing the payment of salaries and wages for services rendered by officers and employees of the City of San Antonio for the month of January, 1921, and appropriating money therefor.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the following sums of money, or so much therefor as may be necessary, be and is hereby appropriated for the payment of officers and employees for the several accounts and departments as specified to the City for the month of January, 1921, as per pay rolls:

Park Improvement Fund	\$5000.00
Sanitary Sewer Fund	2600.00
St Pav & Storm Sewer Fund	2600.00
River Impt Fund	1200.00
St Open & Wid. Fund	1800.00
Bridge Fund	600.00
Trench Fund	600.00
Cemetery Fund	500.00
Police & Fire Pen. Fund	497.50
1920 General Fund	88650.00
	<u>\$104047.50</u>

for which city warrants shall ~~be~~ issue and be delivered to said respective payees; providing that all persons performing services for the city for uncertain periods, may be paid on pay rolls certified to be correct by the Commissioner of the Department or the Chief of the Division in which they are engaged, and such person so paid shall thereupon receipt said pay roll, all as provided by charter.

Commissioner Coy made the following recommendations, which were adopted:  
Back Tax Collector for cancellation of taxes on parts of lots 7 & 8 (A-13) Block 2, City Block 1725. Granted.

R.S.Cobb, for cancellation of improvements on Lot 7, Block 3, City Block 3567. Granted.

Commissioner Wright made the following recommendations, which were adopted:  
Jenison Optical Co. for permit to erect electric sign. 228 1/2 Losoya St. granted.  
For arc light on corner of S. Presa St. and Fair Avenue. granted.  
For arc light at Perez and Colorado Streets, granted.

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted: by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes Bell, Coy, Lambert, Heuermann, Wright.

No. 439

## AN ORDINANCE

*-1073*

Appropriating \$25,462.40 to pay City's proportion of maintenance of R.B.Green Memorial Hospital.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$25,462.40 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund to pay City's proportion for maintenance of R.B.Green Memorial Hospital, warrant for same to be made payable to County Judge of Bexar County:

September 1920	\$6710.48
November	3133.82
December	6414.56
	<u>\$25462.40</u>

Hearings were given to the owners of property abutting on McCullough Avenue from Bushnell Street 390 feet north; ~~XXXXXX~~ Hunstock Avenue between Schley Avenue and ~~XXXX~~ Bryant Avenue, and on Labor Street between S. Presa Street and Goliad Street.

(See record of hearings p. 137, 139, 141.)

Commissioner Wright introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Coy, Lambert, Heuermann, Wright.

## AN ORDINANCE

*-1074*

Authorizing the settlement of claim of the San Antonio Buick Company for damages sustained in a collision of a car owned by said company with a car owned by the City of San Antonio at the corner of Main Avenue and French Place on December 27, 1920.

WHEREAS, on December 27, 1920, an automobile owned and operated by employees of the City of San Antonio collided with an automobile belonging to the San Antonio Buick Company at the corner of Main Avenue and French Place; and

WHEREAS, said San Antonio Buick Company has filed a claim for the injuries and damages sustained to its said automobile, amounting to the sum of \$255.82 and the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio are of the opinion that said claim should be paid, THEREFORE

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

That the sum of \$255.82 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund, a warrant for which shall be drawn payable to the San Antonio Buick Company in full payment, satisfaction and discharge of any demand, claim or liability whatsoever owned, claimed or held by said company against said City of San Antonio by reason of a collision between a car owned by said company and a car owned by the City of San Antonio, as set out in the premise herein before stated.

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

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
City Clerk.

APPROVED

*[Signature]*  
MAYOR.