

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1979.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by the presiding officer, Mayor Lila Cockrell, with the following members present: CISNEROS, WEBB, DUTMER, WING, EURESTE, THOMPSON, ALDERETE, CANAVAN, ARCHER, STEEN, COCKRELL; Absent: NONE.

79-23 The invocation was given by The Reverend Maryin O. Huth, Shepherd King Lutheran Church.

79-23 Members of the City Council and the audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

79-23 The minutes of the meeting of May 3, 1979 were approved.

79-23 CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Steen moved that items 5-20, constituting the Consent Agenda be approved, with the exception of Items 11 and 19, to be considered individually. Mr. Webb seconded the motion.

On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinances, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 50,722

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF ALAMO IRON WORKS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WITH REINFORCING STEEL BARS FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,709.00 LESS 1/2 OF 1% -- 10 DAYS.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,723

ACCEPTING THE BID OF BEXAR AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES, INC. TO PURCHASE SEWAGE SLUDGE FROM THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR \$1.52 PER CUBIC YD. OF SLUDGE; THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT BEING FOR FIVE (5) YEARS, BEGINNING TEN (10) DAYS AFTER AWARD OF SAID CONTRACT BY CITY COUNCIL, AND ENDING THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1984.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,724

ACCEPTING THE HIGH BID OF FESTIVE ENTERPRISES TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CONVENTION FACILITIES WITH A SOUVENIR CONCESSION CONTRACT - TOWER OF THE AMERICAS, WITH NO DIRECT COST TO THE CITY; THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT WILL BE FROM THE 1ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1979 THROUGH THE 31ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1984.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,725

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF MARTINEZ BROTHERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A RESTROOM AND PICNIC STRUCTURE AT COLLINS GARDENS PARK FOR \$34,667., PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACT AND FOR A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,726

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A STANDARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH MACINA, BOSE, COPELAND AND ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WALNUT HILL APARTMENT SUBDIVISION UNIT 2 OFF-SITE SEWER.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,727

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF D.D. W. CONSTRUCTION CO. IN THE SUM OF \$242,095.00 TO CONSTRUCT THE UNSEWERED AREA NO. 61 SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A STANDARD PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT THEREFOR; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$261,750.00 PAYABLE PURSUANT TO THE CONTRACT, AND FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES AND ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING FEES; AND AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,728

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$30,730.00 OUT OF VARIOUS FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING TITLE AND/OR EASEMENTS TO CERTAIN LANDS; ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF TITLE AND/OR EASEMENTS TO CERTAIN LANDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A RELEASE OF EASEMENT; ALL TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY PROJECTS.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,729

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF REFUNDS TO PERSONS MAKING OVERPAYMENTS OR DOUBLE PAYMENTS ON CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TAXES.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,730

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH FOR CITY USE OF SPACE DURING THE SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,731

ACCEPTING THE HIGH BIDS FROM CERTAIN BANKS RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH CITY FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR DEPOSIT IN INTEREST-BEARING CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,732

AUTHORIZING ALVIN FRIEDEN AND ASSOCIATES TO CLOSE VERAMENDI STREET BETWEEN MAIN AVENUE AND SOLEDAD STREET UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 1979 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMODELING THE RAND BUILDING; PROVIDING FOR THE STANDARD STREET RENTAL FEE THEREON; AND REQUIRING THAT TRUCKS SERVING THE SOLO SERVE COMPANY AND THE CLEGG COMPANY HAVE ACCESS THROUGH VERAMENDI STREET BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,733

AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT ON EAST HILDEBRAND AVENUE AT THE SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY PARKING LOT; ACCEPTING THE CONTRIBUTION FROM SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF \$7,000.00 FOR THE COST THEREOF; AND ESTABLISHING A FUND AND ACCOUNTS AND ADOPTING A BUDGET.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,734

AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE CHARGES FOR PERSONS INJURED DURING THE BATTLE OF FLOWERS SNIPER INCIDENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 50,735

ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF \$60,320.00 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON AGING IN U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE FUNDS FOR USE IN PURCHASE OF FOOD FOR THE METRO SAN ANTONIO COMPREHENSIVE NUTRITION PROGRAM AND ESTABLISHING A FUND AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE GRANT.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50.736

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF ROY MCGINNIS AND COMPANY, INC., IN THE SUM OF \$68,472.00 FOR CONSTRUCTING SHORING FOR THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM ROOF; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A STANDARD PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$71,895.00 PURSUANT TO THE CONTRACT AND FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

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Mrs. Dutmer moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Wing seconded the motion.

Mr. Archer expressed his concern that the City Council needed to commit themselves one way or another whether the Municipal Auditorium should be rebuilt before passing an ordinance such as this.

In response to Mr. Archer, the City Manager, Thomas Huebner, stated that the purpose of this ordinance is to protect the facility from further damage at this point and the shoring protects the building.

Mayor Cockrell stated that the City Council is favorably going along with the idea of rebuilding the Municipal Auditorium and that this was simply a safety factor should the roof collapse.

Mr. Frank Kiolbassa, Director of Public Works, stated that a reevaluation needs to be made on the roof structure which is the most significant part of the building that was damaged and this ordinance would prevent any dangers.

After considerable discussion and on roll call, the motion, carried by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Canavan, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: Thompson, Archer; ABSENT: Webb, Alderete.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50,737

AUTHORIZING WRITE OFF OF \$29,714.00 AS
UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE FOR
SERVICES RENDERED BY THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES PROGRAM.

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Mr. Webb moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Wing seconded the motion.

In response to Mr. Thompson, Mr. Carl White, Director of Finance, explained the procedure by which the City Finance Department handles all Emergency Medical Service bills. He also stated that the City of San Antonio has a collection ratio of 59.5% as of April 1, 1979, which is better than any other City in the State of Texas.

Mr. Thompson stated that his main concern was the feedback in the accessibility of the program.

After considerable discussion, and on roll call, the motion, carried by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

79-23 ZONING HEARING

21. CASE 7586 - to rezone a 5.510 acre tract of land out of NCB 13663, being further described by field notes filed in the Office of the City Clerk, in the 4800 Block of Medical Drive, from "B-2" Business District to "B-3" Business District, located southwest of the intersection of Medical Drive and Wurzbach Road, having 560' on Medical Drive and 540.45' on Wurzbach Road.

The Zoning Commission has recommended that this request of change of zone be approved by the City Council.

No citizen appeared to speak in opposition.

After consideration, Dr. Cisneros moved that the recommendation of the Zoning Commission be approved provided that proper platting is accomplished. Mr. Alderete seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 50,738

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS A 5.510 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 13663, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, IN THE 4800 BLOCK OF MEDICAL DRIVE, FROM "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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22. CASE 7666 S.R. - to rezone Lot 9, Block 5, NCB 10244, 134 Ferris Street from "B" Two Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District for a day care center for over twenty (20) children, located on the south side of Ferris Street being 400' east of the intersection of Lincoln Street and Ferris Street, having 50' on Ferris Street and a depth of 125'.

Mr. Gene Camargo, Planning Administrator, explained the proposed change which the Zoning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

Dr. Cisneros moved that the recommendation of the Zoning Commission be approved. Mrs. Dutmer seconded the motion.

Mr. Canavan stated that his main concern is the increased traffic that will be generated and spoke against the motion.

Mr. Webb spoke in favor of the motion because he felt that this zoning change is drastically needed. He stated that he is very familiar with the area and the granting of this zoning change would not cause a congestion of traffic.

Several of the Council members spoke in favor of the zoning change

No citizen appeared to speak in opposition.

After considerable discussion, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: Archer; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 50,739

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 9, BLOCK 5, NCB 10244, 134 FERRIS STREET FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR A DAY CARE CENTER FOR OVER TWENTY (20) CHILDREN.

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23. CASE 7675 - to rezone Lots 6 thru 9, NCB 8934, in the 1700 Block of S.W. Military Drive from "E" Office District to "B-2" Business District, located on the north side of S.W. Military Drive, Being 50' east of the intersection of Nock Avenue and S.W. Military Drive, having 280' on S.W. Military Drive and a depth of 155.4'.

The Zoning Commission has recommended that this request of change of zone be approved by the City Council.

No citizen appeared to speak in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Canavan moved that the recommendation of the Zoning Commission be approved provided that a six foot solid screen fence is erected and maintained along the north property line and that street dedication is accomplished in accordance with the Major Thoroughfare Plan. Mr. Wing seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 50,740

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 6 THRU 9, NCB 8934, IN THE 1700 BLOCK OF S.W. MILITARY DRIVE FROM "E" OFFICE DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT PROVIDED THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS ERECTED AND MAINTAINED ALONG THE NORTH PROPERTY LINE AND THAT STREET DEDICATION IS ACCOMPLISHED WITH THE MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN.

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79-23 The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION
NO. 79-23-49

ADOPTING NAMES FOR CERTAIN PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES.

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In response to Mr. Alderete's question, Mr. Ron Darner, Director of Parks and Recreation, stated that signs will be made to identify the different parks and recreation facilities.

After consideration, Mr. Steen moved to approve the Resolution. Mr. Alderete seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Resolution, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

79-23 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion of Dr. Cisneros, seconded by Mrs. Dutmer, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 50,741

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF FROST NATIONAL BANK TO ACT AS THE DEPOSITORY AND FISCAL AGENT FOR THE CITY, AND TO LEND MONEY TO THE CITY DURING THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 1979 AND ENDING JULY 31, 1981.

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79-23 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50,742

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH WAYNE WEHRUNG TO PROVIDE THE CITY WITH PARKING MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$3,000 FOR SUCH SERVICES.

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In response to Dr. Cisneros, City Manager, Thomas Huebner, stated that this contractor will assist the city in training employees and devising the system of managing the parking lots. A set policy will be forthcoming before the City Council at a later date.

After consideration, Mrs. Dutmer moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Steen seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Webb.

79-23 Item 27, being a proposed ordinance rejecting a Section 8 substantial rehabilitation neighborhood strategy area agreement submitted by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development was temporarily pulled from consideration at this time. See pages 8-9 of these minutes.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50,743

AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO (TAXICAB ORDINANCE) BY ALLOWING THE OPERATING OF TAXICAB WITHOUT TWO-WAY RADIO COMMUNICATION PENDING LICENSING BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION AND REQUIRING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FROM APPLICANTS.

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Dr. Cisneros moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Wing seconded the motion.

Mr. Buenteo, a citizen signed up to speak, stated that the 2-way communication radio has delayed his operating his taxicab because he has not yet received his FCC License. He spoke in favor of the Ordinance.

In response to Mr. Canavan, it was agreed upon by the City Council members that the Mayor appoint a Council Committee, who will determine the limited amount of permits that are to be issued to the cab drivers.

After discussion and on roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

79-23 Item 29, being a proposed ordinance establishing rules, times, and procedures for conducting Council Meetings, was temporarily pulled from consideration at this time. See page 10 of these minutes.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50,744

AMENDING CHAPTER 38 OF THE CITY CODE BY PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN PARKING SPACES FOR THE USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS ONLY, AND PROHIBITING THE USE OF SUCH SPACES BY PERSONS WHO ARE NOT PERMANENTLY DISABLED, OR TRANSPORTING THE PERMANENTLY DISABLED; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200.00.

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Mr. Webb moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Alderete seconded the motion.

In response to Mr. Archer's question, City Attorney, Jane Macon stated that \$200.00 is the maximum Class C Misdemeanor. The range can be anywhere from \$1.00 to \$200.00.

Mr. Roy Montez, Director of Citizens Action and Public Information, stated that a person must be 70% or more disabled to be considered as handicapped. In the case of veterans, and other citizens, they must present a physician's statement.

After discussion, and on roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

79-23 DELEGATION FROM COLUMBUS OHIO

At this time, Mayor Cockrell recognized a group from Columbus Ohio, representing the Development Committee for their City. She welcomed them, offered the City's assistance, and extended greetings to Mr. Tom Moody, Mayor of Columbus, Ohio.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 50,745

REJECTING A SECTION 8 SUBSTANTIAL REHABILITATION NEIGHBORHOOD STRATEGY AREA AGREEMENT SUBMITTED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

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Mrs. Dutmer moved to approve the Ordinance. Mr. Steen seconded the motion.

Mr. Frank Perry, Capitol Programs Coordinator for the Budget and Research Department, spoke about the grant agreement and briefed the Council on the original request made by the Mexican American Unity Council and explained the boundaries which would be involved. He stated that the Mexican American Unity Council and the City staff both feel that the City should reject the grant at this time.

Dr. Cisneros expressed concern about damaging the City's relations with HUD.

After considerable discussion, and on roll call, the motion carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION
NO. 79-23-50

MANIFESTING THE DETERMINATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THAT THE RICHARD CARLYON COMPANY HAS VESTED RIGHTS UNDER ARTICLE THREE OF ORDINANCE NO. 48484.

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Mr. Wing moved to approve the Resolution. Mr. Steen seconded the motion.

In response to Dr. Cisneros' question, City Attorney, Jane Macon, stated that the City Council Advisory Committee and the Metcalf and Eddy Aquifer Committee have a meeting scheduled and will furnish the Council with an up to date report on the number of Vested Rights Ordinances.

After discussion and on roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Webb.

79-23 The following Resolution was read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Wing, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Webb.

A RESOLUTION
NO. 79-23-51

MANIFESTING THE DETERMINATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THAT MR. ROBERT W. CARVER HAS VESTED RIGHTS UNDER ARTICLE THREE OF ORDINANCE NO. 48484.

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79-23 The following Resolution was read by the Clerk and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Wing, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Webb; ABSTAIN: Alderete.

MANIFESTING THE DETERMINATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL THAT MR. LOUIS J. CARIFFE HAS INTERIM DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL UNDER ARTICLE FOUR OF ORDINANCE NO. 48484.

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79-23 The Clerk read a proposed ordinance establishing rules, times, and procedures for conducting Council Meetings.

Dr. Cisneros moved to approve the ordinance. Mrs. Dutmer seconded the motion.

A discussion then took place on Section 2, Items A & C, regarding the Citizens To Be Heard and a discussion also took place regarding the personal attacks on City Council members.

Mr. Eureste spoke in opposition of not allowing the citizens to speak for five minutes on whatever issue. He then made a substitute motion to table this item. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion.

After considerable discussion, the substitute motion to table the item carried by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Archer.

Mayor Cockrell appointed a Committee, consisting of Mrs. Dutmer, Mr. Eureste and Mr. Thompson, and asked that they review this matter with the City Attorney's Office and report back to Council.

79-23 The Clerk read a proposed ordinance accepting the low qualified bid of Edward J. Sobolak, General Contractor, in the amount of \$168,930 to construct additions to the Animal Control Center, authorizing execution of a contract covering such work and authorizing payment.

The following citizens spoke regarding the present Animal Control Facility and requested that these items be met: 1) A City-wide program to educate the public on the need for a spading and neutering program; 2) the need for a low-cost sterilization program; 3) provide a better animal control facility with better qualified personnel.

Marilyn Rindfuss- President of Man & Beast Incorporated

Dr. Amy Freeman Lee

Mr. James Rindfuss

Mrs. Sybil Kane

Mr. Bill Meade - Regional Director of the Humane Society of the U.S. with his office in Corpus Christi

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After discussion, Mr. Alderete made a motion to expand that portion of the facility that addresses its needs to the personnel, as far as lockers and showers and set up a long range plan of trying to find a new site for the Animal Control Facility. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion.

Dr. Cisneros spoke regarding the problem of the stray animals particularly because of the rabies problem. He also spoke regarding the management situation with respect to the personnel at the management office. He spoke for the motion in the sense that the morale problem must be dealt with.

City Manager, Thomas Huebner, spoke regarding the salary of the personnel at the Animal Control Facility being at the "short end of the stick." He stated that there have been management problems. He agreed that the present site is not an ideal site and stated that a new site would cost a great deal of money. Mr. Huebner urged the City Council to consider this idea very carefully.

Mr. Eureste asked staff to develop an overall plan or a master plan for animal control. He stated that City Council needs a set of options to look at and costs that are tied to these options. He asked staff to survey the number of kennels needed.

Mr. Alderete raised the question of providing uniforms to the personnel.

City Manager Huebner stated that uniforms would be made a part of the recommendation on the budget.

Mrs. Dutmer spoke against the motion because of the lack of funds. She spoke regarding the overcrowdedness at the present Animal Control Facility. She also stated that the Leash Law should be enforced. Councilwoman Dutmer made a substitute motion to go ahead with the plans as presented. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Mr. Webb concurred that action needed to be taken immediately but after visiting the present site, the facility is very inadequate. Uniforms, showers and lockers are badly needed for the employees.

Mr. Archer spoke regarding the better equipment that is needed, particularly because of the stray dog situation.

After further discussion, Mr. Wing made a substitute motion to adopt the plan as presented, since it does include the shower facilities for the men. Mr. Canavan seconded the motion.

Mr. Eureste spoke against Mr. Wing's motion because of the lack of space at the present facility.

Mr. Steen spoke in favor of the motion because the facility is badly needed now and the personnel need the extra space and conveniences such as the showers and locker rooms.

Mayor Cockrell spoke in opposition to the substitute motion for the reason that the present site is too overcrowded to be functional or to be expanded. She felt that a better site would be feasible.

Dr. Cisneros concurred with Mayor Cockrell in locating another site for the Animal Control Facility mainly because of the overcrowded conditions. He asked staff to investigate other sites as possibilities.

After considerable discussion, the substitute motion failed to carry by the following vote: AYES: Dutmer, Wing, Canavan, Archer Steen; NAYS: Cisneros, Webb, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Cockrell; ABSENT: None.

A discussion then took place on the \$168,930.00 available for the project.

Mr. Steen made an amendment to the original motion that any balance of the funds be reserved for the use of the Animal Control Capital Fund Facility. Dr. Cisneros seconded the motion. On roll call the motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Dutmer, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Canavan, Archer, Steen, Cockrell; NAYS: None; Absent: None.

The original motion to give staff direction to proceed with a revised plan, which would be to provide facilities for the personnel in terms of showers and other facilities needed and to come back to City Council with additional overall plans, including uniforms, carried by the following vote: AYES: Cisneros, Webb, Wing, Eureste, Thompson, Alderete, Cockrell; NAYS: Dutmer, Canavan, Archer, Steen; ABSENT: None.

79-23

MASTER TY BLAKER

At this time, Mayor Cockrell introduced Master Ty Blaker, a student from Kate Schenck Elementary School, who had indicated his desire, with a local radio station, to be Mayor for one hour.

79-23

The meeting was recessed at 4:00 P.M. and reconvened at 5:00 P.M.

79-23

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

MRS. KAY BROWN

Mrs. Kay Brown, 334 Dartmouth, spoke to the Council regarding the procedure of signing in at 12:00 P.M. for Citizens To Be Heard at 5:00 P.M. She stated that Citizens To Be Heard should not be stifled.

Mayor Cockrell stated that there was very little change to the present plan. The recommendation of screening citizens was not approved by the Council, the only major change was the overall time frame between 5 and 6 P.M.

Mr. Thompson spoke regarding the Council Committee on this matter.

MRS. ARMANDINA SALDIVAR

Mrs. Armandina Saldivar stated that what appeared in the newspaper was misleading and that Citizens To Be Heard serves a very useful purpose. Mrs. Saldivar stated that she would continue to come before the Council and criticize the politicians because it is her freedom of speech.

MR. RAUL RODRIGUEZ

Mr. Raul Rodriguez stated that he has attended many City Council meetings during the past 14 years and represented many citizens who were not able to come and speak for themselves.

He asked that he be appointed to the Fire and Police Civil Service Commission. He related a case to the Council as a reason as to why he should be appointed to the board.

REVEREND R.A. CALLIES, SR.

Reverend R.A. Callies, Sr., introduced a delegation, residents and citizens for the improvement of the Rice Road Bridge and members of the Youth Leadership Conference. He expressed concern about the Rice Road Bridge and the inconvenience the bridge is causing the people.

Reverend Callies made the following requests: 1) He asked that the barricade at the west end of the bridge be removed in order to allow ingress and egress and 2) to provide better safety measures to control traffic at the intersection at the west end of the bridge.

Mayor Cockrell, on behalf of the Council, asked staff to review the matter and report back to Council.

Dr. Cisneros mentioned the accidents which have already occurred and asked for a report in next week's packet.

In response to Mr. Webb, Mr. Kiolbassa, Director of Public Works, stated that this project was in the final stages of construction.

Mr. Rolando Bono, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager, stated that a report would be forthcoming in two weeks.

MR. LOUIS VENEGAS

Mr. Louis Venegas, 334 Lyle Street, stated that the City Council should be given a raise and stated that the salary they are presently receiving is not adequate.

Mayor Cockrell explained the procedure by which such an action could occur.

MR. SIDNEY E. FREEMAN

Mr. Sidney E. Freeman, 4406 Lakewood Drive, expressed concern about the garbage dump in his neighborhood. He said that this Council had promised to close the dump within six months and this has not been done. He asked that the dump be closed as previously promised.

Mr. Frank Kiolbassa, Director of Public Works, explained to the Council the problems that they had encountered and stated that the intent was still there however, completion of the project is taking longer than they had expected. He stated that a report on this matter would be forthcoming to Council.

79-23 The Clerk read the following Letter:

May 7, 1979

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of San Antonio

The following petition was received in my office and forwarded to the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

April 30, 1979

Petition submitted by Linda Gaines requesting certain traffic signals to be placed on Queen Anne Court.

/s/ G.V. JACKSON, JR.
City Clerk

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There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

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Attest: *G.V. Jackson, Jr.*
City Clerk

May 10, 1979
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