

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21st, A.D. 1939, 2:00 P.M.

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PRESENT: Honorable Maury Maverick, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb.

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The Clerk read the following call, to-wit:

San Antonio, Texas,  
June 21st, 1939.

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

Gentlemen:

Under the authority vested in me as Mayor by the Charter of the City of San Antonio, I hereby call you into Special Session this 21st day of June, 1939, for the purpose of a public hearing on the repeal or partial repeal of a certain ordinance passed and approved on the 17th day of May, A.D. 1920, regulating the Fire and Police Departments, prohibiting membership by the employees of such departments in Labor Unions, etc., and to open and read bids to supply the City with an inter-communicating system, with letter heads and stationery and the Police Department with cadet uniforms, said meeting to convene at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully,

Maury Maverick  
Mayor

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The Mayor called the meeting to order and requested Reverend A.G. Schwartz, President of the Ministerial Alliance, to lead the meeting in prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayer, the Mayor announced that the proponents for the repeal of a certain ordinance passed and approved on the 17th day of May, A.D. 1920, regulating the Fire and Police Departments, prohibiting membership by the employees of such departments in Labor Unions, etc., would be heard.

J.W. Connally, Chairman of the Central Labor Committee introduced the following speakers for the proponents: James A. Petris of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Vice-President of the International Association of Fire Fighters, Father Stanley Kusman of Saint Mary's University, Reverend A.G. Schwartz, President of the Ministerial Alliance, Louis Schlessinger, Attorney, Louis Lauterstein, business man, Charles Coulon, business man and J.H. Lopez, who presented pleas on behalf of the Firemen for repeal of the ordinance.

Judge S.J. Brooks, representing the Chamber of Commerce, and W.P. Lobban spoke for the opponents of the repeal of the ordinance prohibiting firemen and policeman from joining labor unions.

After some discussion on the subject, Commissioner Steffler made a motion that in order for the Commission to make a more thorough study and to hear more evidence on the matter, that another hearing be held at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 28th, which motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Bids to supply the City with 100M letter heads and 50M envelopes, the Mayor's Department with an inter-communicating system and the Police Department with uniforms for Police Cadets, were opened and read, and on motion of Commissioner Hein, duly seconded and carried, were referred to the City Purchasing Agent for tabulation and report.

On motion duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED Ray Marcell  
Mayor

ATTEST: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk