

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD, A. D. 1940, 11:30 A. 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:

April 3, 1940.

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 3rd day of April, 1940, to convene at 11:30 A.M., for the purpose of submitting for your consideration A RESOLUTION ORDERING INTRODUCTION AND READING OF ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNEXATION OF JEFFERSON MANOR, and, AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE COLORED HOUSING AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND APPOINTING MEMBERS THEREOF, and various ordinances appropriating funds for payrolls and to pay notes.

Respectfully,

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

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Commissioner Davis introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb.  
No. 1188.

AN ORDINANCE (1633) *MP-1110*

APPROPRIATING \$3,000.00 OUT OF THE BACK TAX GENERAL FUND AND TRANSFERRING SAME TO THE 1939 GENERAL FUND.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$3,000.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Back Tax General Fund and transferring same to the 1939 General Fund, payable to the National Bank of Commerce, San Antonio, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Davis introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb.  
No. 1189.

AN ORDINANCE (1634) *- 1111*

APPROPRIATING \$25,000.00 TO PAY 1939 GENERAL FUND SERIES NOTE #26 AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$25,000.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1939 General Fund to pay 1938 General Fund series Note #26, and accrued interest at the rate of .027%, maturing on or before June 30, 1940, payable to the National Bank of Commerce, San Antonio, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Mayor Maverick introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1190.

AN ORDINANCE (1635) *MQ-1112*

APPROPRIATING \$195.38 OUT OF THE 1939 GENERAL FUND TO PAY SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR SERVICES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$195.38, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1939 General Fund to pay Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for telephone service, as per approved bills on file in the City Auditor's Office, chargeable to the following departments:

Public Affairs in General	48.60
Sanitation, Parks & pub. Property	73.83
Streets & Public Improvements	25.15
Fire & Police	47.80
	<u>\$ 195.38</u>

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Mayor Maverick introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1191.

AN ORDINANCE (1636) *-1113*

APPROPRIATING \$15.00 OUT OF THE 1939 GENERAL FUND TO PAY M. A. TYLER RENTAL ON BUILDING FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1940.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$15.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1939 General Fund, Recreation Department, to pay M. A. Tyler rental on building at 508 Villita Street for the month of April, 1940.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1192.

AN ORDINANCE (1637) *-1114*

APPROPRIATING \$3.35 OUT OF THE 1939 GENERAL FUND TO PAY DR. JAMES E. L. REVELEY FOR SERVICES RENDERED.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$3.35, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1939 General Fund, Street Cleaning Department, to pay Dr. James E. L. Reveley for professional services rendered to Faustino Reyes, as per approved invoice on file in the City Auditor's office.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1193.

AN ORDINANCE (1638) *-1115*

APPROPRIATING \$56.25 OUT OF THE 1927 PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PAYROLL.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$56.25, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1927 Park Improvement Fund for payroll for the

period ending March 31, 1940.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1194.

AN ORDINANCE (1639) *MQ-1116*

APPROPRIATING \$899.44 OUT OF THE 1928 PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PAYROLL.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$899.44, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1928 Park Improvement Fund for payroll for the period ending March 31, 1940.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No. 1195.

AN ORDINANCE (1640) - 1117

APPROPRIATING \$48.00 OUT OF THE 1936 PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PAYROLL.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$48.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1936 Park Improvement Fund for payroll for the period ending March 31, 1940.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Lipscomb introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler, Lipscomb. No. 1196.

AN ORDINANCE (1641) - 1118

APPROPRIATING \$886.51 OUT OF THE 1939 GENERAL FUND TO PAY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SERVICE IN CONNECTION WITH SURVEY OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$886.51, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1939 General Fund, Police Department, to pay Public Administration Service for personal services and transportation expense in connection with its survey and re-organization of the Police Department, during December 1939 and January 1940, as per approved bill on file in the City Auditor's Office.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Steffler introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler, Lipscomb. No. 1197.

AN ORDINANCE (1642) - 1119

APPROPRIATING \$15.00 OUT OF THE RAIL REMOVAL FUND TO PAY V. GIANNEO FOR RENTAL OF BUILDING AT 1804 $\frac{1}{2}$  S. ST. MARY'S STREET.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$15.00, be

and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Rail Removal Fund to pay V. Gianneo for rental of building at 1804½ S. St. Mary's Street used in connection with WPA Project 12520, removal of rails, for the period Mar. 27, 1940 to April 27, 1940, as per approved invoice on file in the City Auditor's office.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Steffler introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler, Lipscomb. No. 1198.

AN ORDINANCE (1643) *MQ-1120*

APPROPRIATING \$115.00 OUT OF THE 1924 FLOOD PREVENTION FUND FOR PAYROLL.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$115.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1924 Flood Prevention Fund, for payroll for the period ending March 31, 1940.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Commissioner Davis introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb. No.

AN ORDINANCE (1644) - *1121*

SETTLING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FUNDS DUE THE L. H. MEADOWS ESTATE.

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

1. That Check No. 1850, payable to L. H. Meadows, Deceased, at present being in the payroll account of the City of San Antonio in the Frost National Bank, be and the same is hereby ordered transferred to and deposited in the payroll account of the City of San Antonio in the National Bank of Commerce, same being in the amount of \$70.97.

2. That back pay warrant No. 519, payable to the L. H. Meadows Estate, in the amount of \$75.00, and drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, be and the same is hereby ordered deposited in the payroll account of the City of San Antonio in the National Bank of Commerce.

3. Said sums of money so deposited in accordance with Sections 1 and 2 hereof are authorized to be disbursed by the Paymaster of the City of San Antonio as follows: One ninth (1/9) of the total sum due shall be paid to each of the following, to-wit:

John Meadows  
William Meadows  
Charles Meadows  
Robert Meadows  
Mrs. Maggie Aaron  
Miss Belle Meadows  
Miss Ida Meadows  
Estate of Joseph Meadows, deceased  
Estate of Henry Meadows, deceased

said distribution being in accordance with affidavits of heirship on file with the Paymaster of the City of San Antonio.

4. PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of April, 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

Attest: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Mayor Maverick introduced the following ordinance, which was read, passed and approved by

the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb.

AN ORDINANCE (1645)

CREATING THE COLORED HOUSING AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: AND APPOINTING MEMBERS THEREOF.

( For full text of this ordinance, see Ordinance Book "J", page 115 )

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Mayor Maverick: I recognize the representatives of Jefferson Manor, the foreign colony, a suburb of the City of San Antonio. (laughter)

Mr. L. E. Fite: We have a small delegation from Jefferson Manor. We feel honored to be the first progressive community to make application and I have a petition to read:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners,  
City of San Antonio, Texas:

Greetings:

We, the undersigned residents and/or property owners of Jefferson Manor, an Addition to the City of San Antonio, respectfully petition the annexation of the hereinafter described property, the same to become a part of the municipality of San Antonio and the San Antonio Independent School District.

Our proximity to Jefferson High School makes it ridiculous for our children to be shunted to another, and distant, area, for schooling. We naturally feel that our geographic location entitles us to the use of the schools so conveniently located to us, and we further feel that since we earn our livelihood in or because of the City of San Antonio, we owe an allegiance to the City both economic and political, and that the mutual interest of the area we represent and the City of San Antonio would be best served by our becoming a part of the city proper and of the San Antonio Independent School District. This area is already well built up and will very shortly be one hundred per cent developed. It is entirely contiguous to the present city limits. The area is described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the West boundary line of Wilson Blvd., where the city limits crosses the East boundary line of Lot 28, New City Block 7016, thence in a northerly direction to the Northeast corner of the said Lot 28, New City Block 7016, thence in a westerly direction along the North boundary line of Blocks 4, 3, 2 and 1, to the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 1, of Jefferson Manor Addition, thence in a southerly direction along the East boundary line of St. Cloud Road to its intersection with the North boundary line of Donaldson Avenue, thence in an easterly direction along the North boundary line of Donaldson Avenue to the present city limits of the City of San Antonio. It is intended that this description include all of Jefferson Manor not now inside the city limits.

Respectfully submitted:

(54 names attached to petition)

Mayor Maverick: On behalf of the City Commission I accept this petition and I ask that the City Clerk file it in his office. I want to read and introduce this resolution. Then I want to say a few words, and will ask each Commissioner, and you visitors to express your opinions.

Mayor Maverick introduced the following resolution, which was read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Maverick, Davis, Hein, Steffler and Lipscomb.

A RESOLUTION (1646)

ORDERING INTRODUCTION AND READING OF ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNEXATION OF JEFFERSON MANOR.

WHEREAS, a great majority of the inhabitants and property of the suburban district known as Jefferson Manor have filed a petition with the Board of Commissioners of the City of San Antonio asking to be annexed to the City of San Antonio; and,

WHEREAS, said district, consisting of approximately 70 acres of land, is adjacent to the present city limits and a great part thereof is substantially developed and built up and where not so actually developed and built up there is a real probability of immediate development of the City of San Antonio in said new territory and the same is near enough to the thickly settled part of San Antonio to justify the view and conclusion that the growth of the City of San Antonio will soon include all of the territory requested to be annexed to be included within the city limits of San Antonio; and,

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board of Commissioners of the City of San Antonio that the proposed extension of the present city limits to include said territory described would be reasonable and in accordance with justifiable conditions as the Board of Commissioners find them to exist in said territory; NOW, THEREFORE:-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:-

That the proposed ordinance for annexation of said area known as Jefferson Manor and more particularly described in the proposed ordinance be ordered introduced and read in open council meeting and that the same be published in the SAN ANTONIO EVENING NEWS one time so as to give thirty days published notice before passage of said ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of April, A. D. 1940.

Maury Maverick  
Mayor.

ATTEST: J. J. Patterson  
City Clerk.

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Mayor Maverick: I now officially introduce this resolution. We can take up the ordinance of annexation later.

Now, to the people of Jefferson Manor, whom we are about to adopt, I want to say to you and to the Commissioners that it has been the policy of this administration not to gobble or forcibly annex a single inch of territory. Our desire is to have an orderly growth of the city of San Antonio and we don't want anyone in San Antonio unless they want to be with us.

We notice in Harlandale, where a strongly organized group against the city operates, the majority voted not to come into the city.

We have numerous petitions from Los Angeles Heights, but it is a bigger place than Jefferson Manor and harder to digest. We want you to know that if other places would like to join we would have to call the various Commissioners and others to see if we could efficiently render the services that would go with the annexation. We are very anxious to have one metropolitan area, but we want to know if increasing the size of San Antonio is practicable.

The City of Houston has become one of the most progressive cities as it has annexed its urban areas.

If you look at the map of Dallas, it is not merely a square field made out by unimaginative engineers, but it is an area that is suitable for urban areas. That is what we want to do for San Antonio --- but I'm going to say again, WE ARE NOT GOING TO USE FORCE.

Now, before I ask the Commissioners to talk. I want to say that we will make every effort to give the people of San Antonio the best government in America. The parks are for true recreation, our tax department is organized to give equality to all taxpayers. Our police department is one of the most highly mechanized in America; and extensive developments have greatly improved our fire department. Our street department also is up-to-date. I want you Commissioners to say how you feel about it.

Commissioner Hein: Your Honor the Mayor, Commissioners, and friends of Jefferson Manor: Friends, I am glad to welcome you to San Antonio, you have a rightful place within the city limits and we welcome you, and my department will do everything it can to make you welcome -- keep the streets clean and the garbage collected, and in a way I think it is to your advantage for you to come into the city.

Commissioner Davis: Your Honor, Ladies and Gentlemen: The time has come in the life of San Antonio when if our city is to continue to grow and develop, something must be done to go beyond the limit defined here some 100 years ago, to take in all suburban areas so it can grow and develop and not remain in the lines set 100 years ago. I am certainly in

favor of seeing these suburban areas come into the city, provided they can work each one in without becoming a problem. I think it is a thing we should look to and do everything possible to work it out in a manner that will be a mutual benefit to both the city and suburban areas.

Commissioner Lipscomb: I have known Louis Fite a great many years and I don't know who is responsible for this annexation, but in my own mind I have given him credit for it. I am sure it will work out to the mutual advantage of both the city and Jefferson Manor. In a few hours you will have the fire and police protection of the city.

Commissioner Steffler: Your Honor, Ladies and Gentlemen: It brings to my mind again some years ago when we tried forcibly to annex some territory. Some of course, was virgin soil and not cultivated. But I have made so many of them, of course one more would'n't hurt. When sewers are needed in that district, the city financed it. Isn't that right, Mr. Fite?

Mr. Fite: That's right.

Commissioner Steffler: When streets were needed the city did that. We widened Donaldson Avenue up to Jefferson High. Also we widened Fredericksburg Road. I just want to show you that we have already played a great part and we hope that after your annexation we can play a greater part. I can assure the full cooperation of the street department in developing your district.

Mayor Maverick: Mr. Wood, the Sheriff, is to come so that we can discuss the matter of policing the area which is contemplated for annexation. And at this time I want to read in full the Annexation Ordinance, just to introduce it and file it, but not pass it at this time. In other words this is to be published first and then to be finally passed, if practicable, as I'm sure it will be.

#### AN ORDINANCE

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY DESIGNATED AS JEFFERSON MANOR LYING ADJACENT TO THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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

1. That the following described land and territory lying adjacent to the City of San Antonio be and the same is hereby added and annexed to the City of San Antonio, and that said territory hereinafter described shall hereafter be included within the boundary limits of the City of San Antonio; and the present boundary limits of said City, at the various points contiguous to the area hereinafter described are altered and amended so as to include said area within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, to-wit: In the County of Bexar and State of Texas, which said annexed territory is now designated as Jefferson Manor, and being more particularly described as follows:-

#### FIELD NOTES

BEGINNING at a point in the North City Limit line of the City of San Antonio where it intersects the West Property line of Wilson Blvd;

THENCE North  $6^{\circ} 44''$  East 52.6' to the Northeast corner of Block 4, in Jefferson Manor Addition;

THENCE North  $83^{\circ} 22''$  West along the North line of Blocks 4, 3, 2 and 1, of said Jefferson Manor Addition 2738.57' to an intersection, said point being in the East property line of St. Cloud Road, also being Northwest corner of said block #1;

THENCE South  $6^{\circ} 19''$  West along said East property line of St. Cloud Road 1553.23' to an intersection at the North line of Donaldson Avenue;

THENCE, South  $83^{\circ} 48''$  East along the North property line of said Donaldson Avenue 1732.34' to a point in the West City Limit line, of the City of San Antonio;

THENCE, North along the said West City Limit line of the City of San Antonio 1362.09 Ft. to the Northwest corner of City Limit line of the City of San Antonio;

THENCE, East along the North City Limit line of the City of San Antonio 1162.66 Ft. to place of beginning.

2. That the above described additional territory and area so annexed shall be a part of the City of San Antonio and the property so added therein shall bear its pro rata part of the taxes levied by the City of San Antonio, and the inhabitants thereof shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the other citizens of the City of San Antonio and shall be bound by the acts, ordinances, resolutions and regulations of the City of San Antonio.

3. The City Engineer shall change the records of his office to conform to the new bounds and limits of the City of San Antonio.

4. The City Tax Assessor shall change the records of his office to conform to the new bounds and limits and shall proceed to assess taxes and collect taxes on the property included in the new bounds and limits as now provided by the Charter and ordinances of the City of San Antonio.

5. All ordinances of said City shall apply to the persons and property included within said annexed area to the City of San Antonio as hereinabove specified.

6. That this ordinance shall be published and passed in the manner provided in Section 2, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the City of San Antonio.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 1940.

MAYOR.

ATTEST:

City Clerk.

Mayor Maverick: - - -

Now my friends what we are going to do is to offer you this - with all the services of the City of San Antonio. But I would like to hear from some lady back there. The lady looks like she has on a green dress.

Lady: Well, I think - - - -

Mayor Maverick: What is your name? Please give your name. How do you spell it?

Lady: Thigpen.

Mayor Maverick: Alright.

Mrs. S. E. Thigpen: I feel alright about it. I think it is a very good thing for you to do.

Mayor Maverick: Have you any suggestions you would like to make?

Mrs. Thigpen: No, its alright.

Mayor Maverick: Thank you very much. Now that lady with the blue hat. What is your name?

Lady: Trotter.

Mayor Maverick: What are your initials?

Mrs. Trotter: C. N.

Mayor Maverick: Alright, Mrs. Trotter, what is your opinion on this?

Mrs. Trotter: I am heartily in favor of it. I think it's more to the advantage of the residents that it will be to the City of San Antonio. But it will prove of value to you in the future.

Mayor Maverick: Of course it will. Thanks. It will be mutually beneficial. Now, let's hear from another lady, there is another lady in there. (lady stands) What is your name? Give your name so that we can . . .

Lady: Mrs. Adams.

Mayor Maverick: Alright.

Mrs. Adams: I am very much in favor of it.

Mayor Maverick: Some gentleman that lives out there rise and face the Commission.

(man rises)

Mr. O. L. Butler: I am O. L. Butler. I am a resident of Jefferson Manor and live half in and half out of the City as I understand I should live in Jefferson Manor, but I am heartily in favor of the annexation.

Mayor Maverick: Call on someone else there.

Mr. Fite: Mr. Stubblefield.

Mayor Maverick: What are your initials?

Mr. Stubblefield: J. E. I think we are going to get in the City of San Antonio. If we are to be a part of the City it should be all the way. I live at 310 Alexander Hamilton. I signed the petition meaning that I was in favor of the annexation. Living 120 feet away, I think that it would be very necessary to get into the City of San Antonio.

Mayor Maverick: I want to say in reference to that - - - and that is as I said about Houston and Dallas, they have annexed people and places that are suitable as urban areas.

I assure you that we will be glad to make such annexations. I think that that should be the policy because more than 90% of the people are of the desire to be here in the City. It may be more, for as far as I know, there isn't anybody that is opposed to this, but everybody seems to be in favor. But even if we had 51% of the people, it would be enough.

Let me make an explanation about the status of Jefferson Manor. The City has no power outside the City of San Antonio. It can only operate to protect life and property outside the city limits, and that only on contract.

Here's what we are prepared to do. We have some police scout cars, fire engines, and garbage trucks - - - ready to go in there in that part of town, this very noon. As for the Police, we have no power of arrest until the final ordinance is adopted. What we intend to do is to go out there with policemen, and ask the sheriff who has the police power, to go with them. We want the sheriff to give directions to policemen to protect and control in that area. We are not going to make any arrest - if such is necessary, the sheriff will do it.

If somebody does not put their garbage can out, we are not going to arrest anybody now. But if you put your garbage cans out now we will pick them up. We will clean your streets, unless you tell us you want the, to stay dirty.

We are going to request the San Antonio Water Board to make an immediate survey of that area for water use and fire protection. The purpose of having the sheriff cooperate with us is because he always cooperates with the City of San Antonio. If a crime occurs in your area; and is necessary to arrest robbers or cut throats or thieves or something like that, the sheriff will make the arrest. But the City of San Antonio will be glad to give the full service of the Police Department, whether it's two-way radios, it's fingerprint men, photographers or inspectors. We'll merely give this area protection.

Now the reason all this is perfectly legal is that we can contract to give fire service or any kind of service outside of the City limits; and in view of the Resolution that we have passed, and the introduction of this ordinance, and in view of the opinions expressed by 90% of you wanting to be annexed, well, if you want these services we will write that down as a contract with the City of San Antonio. I want to ask the Sheriff if what I'm saying is correct as to being willing to give that cooperation.

Sheriff: Yes Sir.

Mayor Maverick: Thank you very much, if there isn't anything further the Mayor and the Commissioners will adjourn. If there is anybody who wants to go with us, we are going downstairs and the Police Chief will lead out. If any of you happen to have cars and want to go you are welcome to go.

We welcome you to the City of San Antonio. We know already that you are good

citizens. We know already that you will be willing to contribute to the City of San Antonio and we know that you can help make it a good city, And further, we are willing to confer with any other suburbs who will want to come into the City.

BUT REMEMBER WE ARE NOT FORCING YOU TO BECOME ANNEXED, but that you have by your own acts, and by your own wishes, and by your own petition, asked to come into the City. We are glad to have you. And now we will start moving in.

On motion duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED

*Maury Maverick*  
MAYOR.

ATTEST:

*J. J. Patterson*  
City Clerk.

Mr. Maverick and the Commissioners left the Council Chamber and drove to Jefferson Manor, while Police, Fire, Garbage, Parks, Streets and other department equipment moved in to the new section of the City.

SAN ANTONIO EVENING NEWS, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1940

## Jefferson Manor Annexation Is Held Virtually Assured

With virtual assurance given in a city commission meeting this morning that Jefferson Manor will be annexed, San Antonio stood ready to extend its boundaries for the first time in more than 100 years.

Mayor Maury Maverick introduced a petition calling for the first reading of an ordinance providing for the annexation. The petition said that a majority of the Jefferson Manor area had signed a petition requesting annexation.

The first reading was passed and the ordinance will be published and 30 days given before final action is passed. L. E. Fite, real estate man who developed the section, near Jefferson High School, spoke in behalf of annexation and said that about 90 per cent of the 1,500 residents were in favor.

For years, San Fernando Cathedral has been the center of San Antonio and the limits have been parallel lines extending three miles in each direction from the cathedral.

The city's 36-square-mile area will be increased by 70 acres.

Despite the delay in final action, Maverick announced that fire, police and garbage collection service would be extended to the area immediately. To safeguard the area, Sheriff Will W. Wood's department will make arrests, while the city police department will offer their radio and other facilities.

A parade of city officials and members of the citizens' committee from the new area marched through Jefferson Manor following the commission meeting. The group was led by a sound truck.

Among those in the parade were Maverick, members of the city commission, Police Chief Ray Ashworth and Sheriff Will W. Wood.

Fite said that Jefferson Manor is bounded on the north by an alley north of Shadwell Dr., south by Donaldson Ave., east by Wilson Blvd. and west by St. Cloud Rd. Thirty acres of this is already in the city limits and 70 acres are not. There are about 75 homes each in both divisions, Fite said.

The proposed ordinance provides that the citizens of the annexed area be given all rights and privileges of other citizens and orders the city engineer to make the changes in the city's boundaries on the official maps. It also instructs the tax commissioner to change his records to include the Jefferson Manor residents.

Meanwhile, Maverick announced that Stinson Field and Olmos Basin, both city property, would be annexed immediately. At the same time, citizens of Los Angeles Heights were filing a petition with County Judge Charles W. Anderson to hasten incorporation proceedings.

To add to the complicated situation, three suburban independent school districts announced that they would fight to the end to keep their districts intact in case of annexation.

Stinson Field is composed of 500 acres of city property and contains only two homes—those of caretakers. Plans have already been made to place four fire hydrants at the field. It will also be provided with city police service.

Olmos Basin contains 1,100 acres, but no residences. It is city park land and, according to a provision made when the city took the property, no residents are allowed.

The petition filed with Judge Anderson today is the second requesting an election on incorporation. The first was found faulty. The one filed today contains 37 names. Twenty signatures of qualified voters are required in order to call an election. The date must be within 10 days after filing.

D. C. Hardin, a member of the Harlandale school board, said today that a majority of the board members, including Pres. J. C. Richardson, were opposed to having their school district annexed to the San Antonio district.

A ruling by Attorney General Gerald C. Mann held that extension of city limits would automatically extend the school district limits.

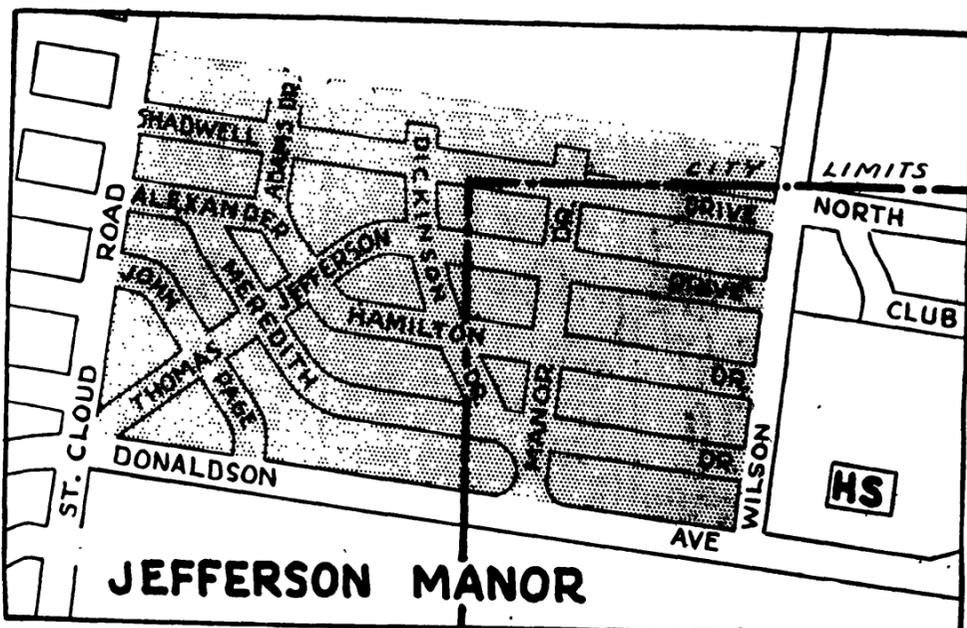
Annexation would split the Harlandale district, Hardin declared, and only one-fifth of the district would be taken in by the city, while 80 per cent of the value would be in that area.

The school board members will contact both the city and the San Antonio school board to determine what steps they intend to take, he said. Any means to separate the suburban district will be fought to the end, he said.

The school boards of Los Angeles Heights and South San Antonio have both announced that they would oppose any steps to split their districts.

Hot Wells school officials have not expressed themselves on the issue, but it has been indicated that they would favor annexation

TO BE A PART OF S. A.



JEFF MANOR IS ANNEXED BY CITY

Jefferson Manor, suburban area surrounding Thomas Jefferson Senior High school, Wednesday was officially welcomed into the corporate limits of San Antonio—although it cannot become a portion of the city for at least 30 days.

Ordinance ordering annexation of the area was passed by the city council Wednesday after L. E. Fite,

real estate man and developer of the section, presented a petition signed by 44 people, representing 14 families, asking annexation.

The petition requested annexation of Jefferson Manor to the city and independent school district of San Antonio. Fite was accompanied by a group of the Manor residents in his appearance before the city council.

PART OF JEFFERSON MANOR (SHADED) OUTSIDE CITY WILL BE ANNEXED  
Notice of action to be published 30 days but police protection starts now.

CITES BENEFITS.

"Our proximity to Jefferson High school makes it ridiculous for our children to be shunted to another and distant area for school," Fite pointed out.

He held that since the residents of the suburb gained their livelihood in San Antonio, they owe it both an economic and political allegiance.

The annexation, he contended, would be to the benefit of both areas.

The 70-acre area is bounded on the west by the St. Cloud road, on the south by Donaldson avenue, on the east by the present city limits of San Antonio and a line extending northeast to Wilson boulevard and one-half block farther. The northern boundary is a line one block north of and parallel to Shadwell drive.

Fite said his petition represented 40 per cent of the residents. There has been no opposition to the annexation move, he held.

MAYOR IN STATEMENT.

"It has been the policy of this administration not to gobble up a single inch of territory. We want orderly growth. We do not want anyone in unless they want to be in San Antonio," Mayor Maury Maverick stated in accepting the petition.

The mayor drew attention to the abortive attempt to incorporate Harlandale as a "rebut" to "persons trying to incorporate hitherto unincorporated areas," and pointed to the success of Dallas and Houston in annexing suburban areas.

Ordinance calling for the annexation of Jefferson Manor and the 30-day advertisement of the plan, as required by the city charter, before annexation can take place, was introduced by the mayor.

It was pointed out that the area is adjacent to the city limits, part of it already lying within present limits, and is substantially developed. Fite said there were between 75 and 100 homes in the area, with 25 under construction.

CONSIDERED CONTRACT

Pointing out that the city has a right to contract with suburban areas for police and fire protection, Mayor Maverick announced he would consider the petition a contract with the manor for those services.

"We will pick up your garbage if you put out your cans, and we'll clean your streets unless you tell us not to," the mayor announced to the delegation.

He stated a group of 10 police squad cars, a number of garbage wagons, police patrol wagon, motorcycle officers, street sweepers, and equipment of street and health departments was waiting in a four-block-long parade at the edge of the manor.

Immediately after the council session, the mayor departed to lead this procession in a parade through the manor.

NO INDEBTEDNESS.

He said Sheriff Will Wood would be asked to aid in law enforcement in the area. He pointed out that the suburb has no indebtedness, all streets are paved or being paved, and all sewers have been laid.

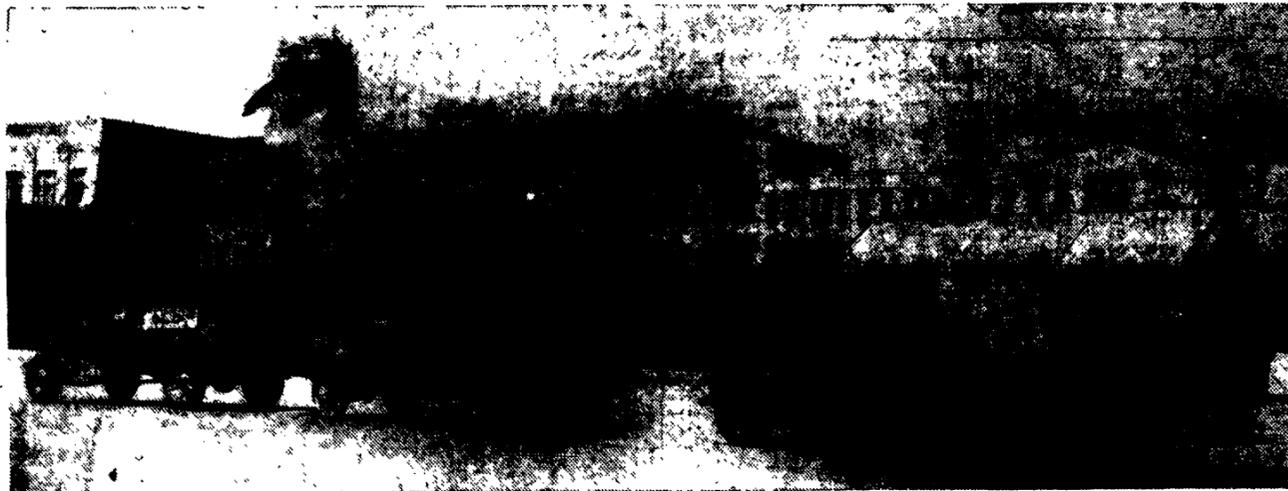
The mayor announced the city also will annex city property in the Olmos basin and at Stinson field, in order that police and fire protection may be extended there.

Under terms of the city charter the city must publish notice of the action for a period of 30 days and provide for a public hearing before annexation of the suburb will be official.

A second petition asking that an election on incorporating Los Angeles Heights be called by County Judge Charles W. Anderson was filed with Judge Anderson Wednesday.

Last week a petition bearing 23 names was presented to Judge Anderson but a check by tax office clerks showed that the poll lists did not contain the names of 20 as required by law. The new petition contains 37 names and they will be checked against the poll lists.

TRUCKIN' OUT TO JEFF MANOR



MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT GOES ON DISPLAY FOR SUBURBANITES DESTINED TO BE CITIZENS OF S. A.  
Parade of garbage, police, fire, street vehicles through Jefferson manor, after annexation move.

NEW S.A. AREA HAS PARADE

The old and the new in citizens Thursday had been treated to a view of the old and the new in municipal equipment.

Occasioned by the petition for annexation of Jefferson Manor, a four-block-long parade of city equipment Wednesday afternoon coursed about streets of the suburb which is soon to be taken into the corporate limits.

In the procession were 10 police scout cars, fire-fighting equipment, steamrollers, motorcycle officers, the old and new types of garbage wagons, street-sweepers and other equipment of street and health departments.

Fire and police protection and other city services already have been extended to the suburb.

The parade was headed by a number of city officials, including Mayor Maury Maverick. Take-off of the procession was delayed an hour, waiting for the mayor to conclude annexation preliminaries in the city council and arrive to lead the parade.



**MAYOR GREETES NEW SAN ANTONIAN**—Mayor Maverick led his staff and a motorized column of city equipment into Jefferson Manor to show what services an annexed territory might expect from the city. Halting the parade, the mayor shook hands with Louis Leroy Swartzkopf III, 10-month-old new resident of San Antonio. Holding the baby is Mrs. L. L. Swartzkopf, 328 Meredith Drive. Others, left to right, are Park Commissioner Henry Hein, Mrs. M. E. Adams, 324 Meredith Drive; Mrs. George W. Richey, 1418 West Magnolia Avenue; Mrs. W. D. Fitzpatrick, 225 East Park Street; Mrs. W. G. Lagerquist, 606 East Myrtle Street; Mrs. J. J. Taylor of Houston, and Tax Commissioner C. Ray Davis.

## City Gives Suburb Preview Of Its Service After Annexation

### Fire, Police, Street and Garbage Departments Parade in Jefferson Manor

Residents of Jefferson Manor, first suburban area to petition the City of San Antonio for annexation, Wednesday were given a preview of city services they can expect as a part of the city.

Fire engines, police radio patrol cars, garbage collection trucks and street and health department equipment were paraded through streets of the 70 acres of Jefferson Manor after the petition for annexation into the city limits had been presented the city council by L. E. Fite, real estate man.

The ordinance accepting the area into the city was introduced and read at the commission meeting, but action was deferred until 30 days after its publication.

#### 44 Families Sign

The petition for annexation, bearing the names of representatives of 44 of the 54 families in the area, pointed out that "our proximity to Jefferson Senior School makes it ridiculous for our children to be shunted to another, and distant, area for schooling." The signers of the annexation petition said that "we owe political and economic allegiance to the city because we make our living in San Antonio."

It is of mutual interest both to the area and to San Antonio that the territory be annexed, the signers added.

Approximately 300 homesites are included in the territory bounded on the west by a line west of Manor Drive on the south by Donaldson Avenue, on the east by St. Cloud Road, and on the north by a line just north of Shadwell Drive, for which annexation was asked.

#### City Services Start

Turning the petition over to J. J. Patterson, city clerk, for filing and introducing the resolution which required introduction and reading of the annexation ordinance. Mayor Maury Maverick said that fire and police protection, and garbage collection would start immediately, although it will be a month before any action can be taken on annexation itself.

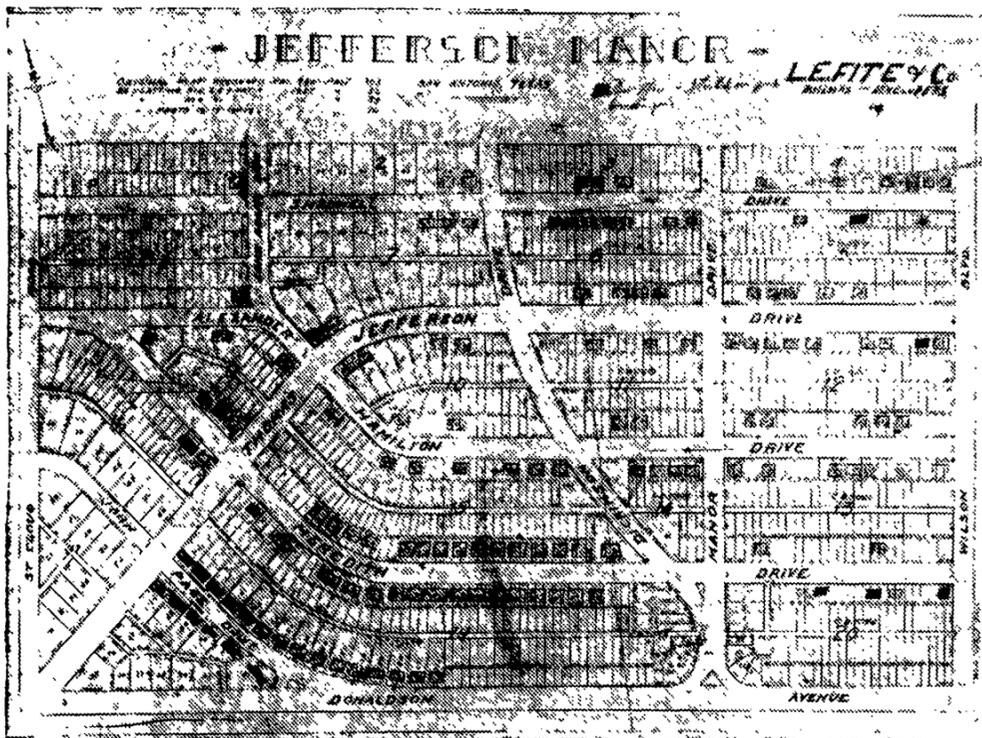
The mayor added that the city at present would have no law enforcement powers, but could give protection services.

#### Parade in District

Parading through the streets of the area, headed by the city's official Cadillac carrying Mayor Maverick, Street Commissioner Paul Steffler, Parks Commissioner Henry Hein, Tax Commissioner C. Ray Davis and Deputy Mayor Floyd McGown, were cars occupied by Fire and Police Commissioner Louis Lipscomb, Fire Chief C. A. Hart, Police Chief Ray Ashworth, Sheriff Will Wood, three pieces of fire equipment, 11 radio patrol cars, street department equipment, garbage collection wagons and representatives of the city health department.

Police distributed city traffic regulations, bicycle registration blanks and a copy of "Cops," police department bulletin, to residents of the area.

Mayor Maverick reiterated at the council meeting the city's policy of not wanting forcibly annex any territory and doing so only if the residents of the area request it.



**300 HOMESITES IN DISTRICT**—Approximately 70 acres of Jefferson Manor will come under the protection of the city limits when the annexation ordinance is finally adopted early in May. The area, not already included in the northwestern-most corner of the city, includes approximately 300 homesites between Donaldson Avenue on the south, St. Cloud Road on the west, an alley north of Shadwell Drive on the north, and a line just west of Manor Drive on the east.



**SHOW-OFF**—Two San Antonio fire department pumps and a hook and ladder truck were in the parade through Jefferson Manor in the pre-annexation parade of city equipment as a visible guarantee to the residents that they would be protected against fire.