

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1974.

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The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A. M., by the presiding officer, Mayor Charles L. Becker, with the following members present: COCKRELL, SAN MARTIN, BECKER, BLACK, LACY, MORTON, BECKMANN, PADILLA, MENDOZA; Absent; NONE.

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74-9 The invocation was given by The Reverend D. Claud J. Bonam, Huisache Baptist Church.

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74-9 Members of the City Council and the audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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74-9 The minutes of the meeting of February 21, 1974, were approved.

74-9 RESOLUTION OF RESPECT
ROLAND C. BREMER

Mrs. Cockrell introduced the following Resolution which was read in full.

A RESOLUTION OF RESPECT
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WHEREAS, life came to a close for Roland C. Bremer on February 25, 1974, and

WHEREAS, Roland C. Bremer was an illustrious and respected citizen of San Antonio who was cognizant of the many problems facing the community and devoted his efforts to the welfare of the City far beyond the ordinary call of duty, and

WHEREAS, he served for three terms as a member of the City Council of the City of San Antonio from May 1, 1961 through April 30, 1967; as a member of the Urban Renewal Agency Board of Commissioners from January 4, 1968 to December 23, 1969, and was serving on the Water Works Board of Trustees at the time of his death, having been appointed on December 23, 1969, and

WHEREAS, Roland Bremer was admired for his sound judgment which was reflected in the manner in which he carried out his duties and responsibilities and was loved for his fairness and generosity and his constant devotion to the interest of San Antonio, and

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WHEREAS, in his passing the community has lost a staunch friend and a conscientious and loyal public servant, NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. On behalf of ourselves, the Mayor, the City Manager, the officials and employees, as well as the citizens of this community, do express profound regret upon the occasion of the death of Roland C. Bremer and tender to the bereaved members of his family our heartfelt sympathy.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution be spread upon the permanent records of the City and a copy suitably engrossed be presented to his family.

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Upon motion by Mrs. Cockrell and seconded by Dr. San Martin the Resolution was unanimously adopted.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER FRANK VAUGHN

Mr. Beckmann recognized County Commissioner Frank Vaughn in the audience and welcomed him to the meeting.

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PRESENTATION OF CITATION TO LONE STAR BREWING COMPANY

A Citation of appreciation was presented to Mr. Beckmann to be read. It read as follows:

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
(STATE OF TEXAS)

Hereby Presents This

CITATION

To

LONE STAR BREWING COMPANY

In appreciation of outstanding civic service in the field of international relations by donating use of the Lone Star Pavilion and the Wax Museum as well as furnishing refreshments at the Western Barbeque Dinner in honor of the official international exchange visit of the Guatemalan Delegation sponsored by the San Antonio Bi-Centennial Celebration Committee in cooperation with the Texas Bi-Centennial Celebration Committee.

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Following the reading of the Citation, it was presented to Mr. E. C. Sullivan, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company who accepted it with pleasure.

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Mayor Becker read Citations for the following named persons who have served well on the Bicentennial Celebration Committee:

Mr. David Castro	Mr. Martin Goland
Mrs. Peggy Becker	Bishop Harold Gosnell
Col. Leilyn M. Young	Mr. W. F. "Woody" Keller
Mr. Valmo Bellinger	Mr. Charles Kilpatrick
Dr. Jose Cardenas	Lt. Gen. Sam Maddux, Ret.
Mr. Jose A. Cano	Mr. Bob Roth
Bishop Patrick Flores	Mr. L. E. Sheppard
Mr. Ed Cheviot	Mr. John Steen
Mr. Don Garrett	Mr. David Straus

Mr. B. J. "Red" McCombs, Chairman

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SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Mayor Becker stated that newspapers have erroneously stated that the San Antonio Conservation Society is a party to the suit which is trying to stop the North Expressway. The Society is in no way involved although some of its members are involved as individuals.

Mrs. Beverly Blount, President of the Conservation Society, thanked Mayor Becker for his statement. She said that the Society is engaged in too many important projects to get involved in such a suit.

REPORT OF THE CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD ON MARCH BILLINGS

MAYOR CHARLES L. BECKER: Mr. Tom Deely and Mr. Jerry Spangler are here to represent the City Public Service Board, and I might also say that the newly elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the City Public Service Board, Mr. Tom Berg, is in the audience. Tom, would you care to rise, please. The other gentleman next to you there, Tom, is Mr. Don Thomas, the rate analyst of the City Public Service Board and when Mr. Deely is finished or Mr. Spangler is finished, Mr. Berg, if you'd care to make some remarks, you're more than welcome to do so. Okay? Tom, how are you this morning?

MR. TOM DEELY: Fine, thank you, sir. Mr. Mayor and Members of the Council, I come with glad tidings today as opposed to my previous appearance here. I would like you to know better Mr. Don Thomas. Mr. Thomas is, as the Mayor says, our rate expert. If he were 100 miles away from home, I could call him an expert. He does have his brief case with him, but he is one of the outstanding rate men, I'd say, in the United States, certainly in the southwest area. I would like for you to know him better so I'm going to ask him to make this report to you.

MAYOR BECKER: All right.

MR. DON THOMAS: Mayor and Council members, I don't intent to read all this document here. I have learned to come prepared for these discussions because there is a lot of interest in them. As you recall what I'll do I'll just give you a few brief things and then, of course, I'll be prepared to answer any questions you'd like. If you recall, Mr. Deely reported that the average residential bill in January would

be \$20.81. This is a reduction of 11.6 percent over the February bill. Now, I might just mention just a couple of things to what attributed to the decline. Of course, the average bill is based on the usage for the particular month. So, in March, the gas usage would be slightly lower than February - that attributes part of that - plus the gas price that we're paying Lo-Vaca decreased by some four cents per 1,000 cubic feet for that month and that contributes to the decline. So, these are the factors that contribute to the 11.6 percent decline and this is essentially what I would like to just leave with you.

Now, for your information for other consumers, this is, of course, is just the average residential bill. For other consumers, on electric the adjustment over the basic bill, in other words, if you take the rate schedule applied and then apply the fuel adjustment on electric, it's 5.45 mills per kilowatt hour. On gas, it would be 3.43 cents per hundred cubic feet. Now, I just give you those figures because every bill would be different, but I might point out that your adjustment is the same for every consumer whether they be small or large. It's per unit of use and with that that would be - where I would leave it as part of this presentation. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

MAYOR BECKER: I think it'd be a good time to establish one fact. A lot of the citizens seem to think that if you serve on the City Council, or if you are in any way connected with City government that you get your utilities free. Believe me, we've had certain indications that certain citizens were under the impression that this is one of the lagniappe accrued to being in public office. Well, of course, nothing could be further from the truth. We all pay exactly what everybody else pays on a pro-rata basis. Our corporations or businesses do the same. I know that the bill that my own company that I represent pays is a horrendous thing and, if it were only so, you know, but it isn't. So, I just thought I'd inject that because certain members of the Council have had some phone calls and some dialogue with various people to that effect. Now are there any Council members that have anything they'd like to discuss?

MR. ALFRED BECKMANN: May I ask one? What is the price per 1,000 cubic feet on gas? What is the number?

MR. THOMAS: For bills, that will be going out in March.....

MR. BECKMANN: No, I just mean Coastal States?

MR. THOMAS: For the month of January, we paid them 53.7 cents. There was some gas from this Delhi worked into that average, but actually Lo-Vaca we paid 53.7. Mr. Beckmann, along that line, I meant to mention one point that we have received our estimate for what we will pay during the month of February and that is 48.73 cents. I just might mention that on that invoice we have a credit of about 3.2 cents per 1,000 cubic feet because they overbilled us in December. Their estimate was high. I think some of the news media were interested in that figure. When we come back at a later time, we'll have all of the costs, but we do have that one estimate in.

MRS. LILA COCKRELL: I'm lost again about that question. You mentioned these figures and said, and mentioned the January and February and on my sheet it says March to April, so would you explain that, of the cost. You've got the cost of Lo-Vaca gas.....

MR. THOMAS: For April.....

MRS. COCKRELL: Okay, you said February, so I.....

MR. THOMAS: Well, all right this is what get's to be confusing about it. What applies to customer's bill in April is what we would pay during the month of February. There is a two month lag. So you, in working in this fuel adjustment it gets very confusing because what we pay in a month doesn't apply to bills until two months after that.

MR. ALVIN PADILLA: Can we see that, Mr. Thomas, based on these rates that you have here? Since the current billing is based on gas two months ago, then when gas in April costs us forty eight cents, can we reasonably expect a further reduction in the billing?

MR. THOMAS: Mr. Padilla, I do not think so. I think that it will fluctuate around this and maybe one month it will go down but all of the predictions by all of the industry experts, nationwide as well as state-wide, predict that these prices will continue to rise over the period. I hope that it stays there for a while, but I wouldn't hold a great deal of confidence in it.

MR. PADILLA: Mr. Thomas, which is the billing that you indicated earlier in your discussion would be down eleven percent.

MR. THOMAS: It will be the bills, the average residential bills for the month of March.

MR. PADILLA: All right. That was calculated, so to speak, with our gas purchases for January then wasn't it?

MR. THOMAS: That is correct.

MR. PADILLA: All right then, in January we paid what for gas to Lo Vaca, .31?

MR. THOMAS: No, we paid, what's shown there is the March. What I tabulate here are the costs that are included in the billing. 54.53 and as you recall I mentioned, that's made up of a gas to Lo Vaca at 53.7 and some gas that we bought from this Dell Hi that you've read in the paper about. It's a mixture of those two purchases, but I think what you might be getting at is that the cost of gas that we are paying that is shown here for April, that will affect April bills will affect a further reduction, I believe on April bills as far as gas is concerned. You might also recall on electric we do have to burn fuel oil so that we do not know how much fuel oil we burned during the month of February yet, so we can't give you the whole story on that.

MR. PADILLA: I think what I am asking is, are the current bills which will be out next week you said, I think, will be down some eleven percent.

MR. THOMAS: That is according to our - this is the average residential bill. Now that's important to keep that in mind because the effect of commercial and industrial customers and other customers might be different than this. Every customer would be slightly different for us.

MR. PADILLA: All right, do you have any way of being able to make an intelligent estimate of what the next two months; billings will look like?

MR. THOMAS: Well, I have this first indication for April, which would indicate the cost of gas for Lo Vaca would be down from the factors that are used for the March billing. I do not know what the cost will be beyond April. We are given an estimate the twentieth of each month as to what the cost of gas will be for that month.

MR. PADILLA: Can we say then, in a reasonable, responsible sort of way that if the usage be no higher for the average residential customer that the billing will be down in April?

MR. THOMAS: That would be correct. Usually the April usage is about the same as the March usage so that - now when you start getting into May and June, the usage starts going up.

MR. PADILLA: Air conditioning!

MR. BECKMANN: How is the supply of gas from Coastal States?

MR. THOMAS: Well, we are experiencing some curtailments and have burned a sizeable amount of oil in February. It varies from day to day, of course, as it gets colder we get less gas, of course. We received a letter, I believe it's fair to reveal this, yesterday. I believe that we are going on to a daily allotment. We will have to turn in an estimate every day of our gas requirements for the next day and then by 5 o'clock of the day you turn them in you will get an allocation back of how much gas you're going to receive for the next day. Heretofore, it has been a, as they call, as they change, but this way they will get from each customer every day an estimate of their gas requirements for the next day and then by 5 o'clock that day you will get your allotment for the next day. So we will have a little better planning information from here on out, it looks like on that.

MAYOR BECKER: Anything else?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Mr. Mayor, let me ask Mr. Thomas, the average citizen knew that in February that his bill would be some 17.2% higher than his January bill. Now, can you clear it up about - will the March bill be 11% less than that or will it be 6.6% above that?

MR. THOMAS: My comparison, Mr. Granata, is that it will be 11.6% less than his February bill.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Okay. That's the average residential customer.

MR. PADILLA: It's still a bit higher than January but a lot less than February.

MR. THOMAS: That is correct. It is exactly 73 cents higher than what the average January bill would be and that's on the tabulation here that's available, I understand.

MAYOR BECKER: Any other questions for Mr. Thomas? All right sir, well, thank you very much Mr. Thomas. Now, Tom, do you have anything else you would like to say. Tom Deely?

MR. DEELY: No sir, I have nothing else to say.

MAYOR BECKER: All right sir, thank you. Mr. Berg, do you care to make some comments today on your newly elected position.

MR. TOM BERG: Thank you. Mayor and councilmen, for the condolences or congratulations, I am not sure which since we are all talking about what we pay. I might just indicate our company last year paid \$200,000 approximately for utility bills of which \$19,000 represented the fuel adjustment clause. Let me put a specific to the part you were talking about. Just briefly I wanted to first assure the Council and Staff, everybody who are consumers, rate payers, as to the kind of thinking or the kind of thought I want to bring to the Board, of course, we have a fine utility, an outstanding one in the United States. I wanted to be sure that you all knew that we don't want to have surprises given to the City Council or to the City. We want to be totally responsible to the consumers. We want to be totally responsive to them. We want to be totally honest and with complete candor with what's going on. We have asked the courts to look into the suit that we have entered against Coastal States, Lo Vaca, against their officers and directors. We will sue them and the Railroad Commission also to determine that we are as a city not being discriminated against. In connection with the contracts we intend to pursue with total aggressiveness to protect all of our consumers. It may have to be determined by a judge as to exactly where we stand. I think this is a very important thing.

We told the press and the news media that our meetings are not only continuing to be open meetings, but that we will have a news conference after every board meeting so that we can have an organized united effort to ask and answer questions rather than to have a fragmented type of thing. We will work closely with City Council, with the Staff so you will have total communication of what is happening. Our endeavour, as a utility, naturally has to be to be sure that industry, various commercial people, know there is plenty of power available, developers know that they can build houses, people can come here and, therefore, we must have as our responsibility that when you turn the light switch on something happens. Therefore, the long term growth, the twenty year plan, that we have at the utility which is a very important one because it takes so long to build a plant, is a part of the planning and, therefore, must come into our minds daily when we hear about what rates are and what rates cost us. But it does effect the economic growth and it effects the jobs that we have in the City. From the Chamber of Commerce stand point, we had an objective of some 14,000 new jobs last year. We got just under 11,000. We think a lot of that had to do with the energy crisis. We hope to go about it in a different manner. I want to thank you for the opportunity to make these few comments to reassure you that we are going to do everything we can to work closely and honestly with all you people.

DR. JOSE SAN MARTIN: Mr. Mayor, I would like to ask, Tom, first of all, Mr. Berg, I would like to congratulate you for your appointment. You are certainly one of the finer gentlemen I have ever known. I also want to welcome the Board for its new approach not only to openness, but to a feeling of cooperation with the City Council. I've been privileged to be on this Council before in the late 50's and the new approach is certainly a very welcome and healthy thing for all of our citizens. I would like to ask you as to the board of inquiry that you have designated, how is it going to be made up and what kind of - what is the perspective of that, I mean, what are you aiming for?

MR. BERG: What's the purpose of it? What's it all about?

DR. SAN MARTIN: Yes, what are you looking for?

MR. BERG: Several things, Dr. San Martin. I do appreciate your comments. First of all, the make up of the board, which will consist of three people and most probably we'll have to engage a law firm, which I want to be sure it is clearly understood it will not be the law firm the City Public Service Board has now. It will be a different law firm for a lot of obvious reasons. The three people have not been as yet chosen. I have been looking over a long list, and the list gets longer and longer. I must say that it is incredible, naturally in this City that so many people in the oil business, every name you put down somewhere you find they got a finger that was in the oil or gas business at one time. It is pretty hard to find someone totally detached from this industry. I am hoping to have someone perhaps from the clerical end of our community as a - you might say to add perhaps, a sense of honesty to what is going on, I hope, with defense to Reverend Black. In other words, I thought maybe that would be the balance wheel, you know. Well, we got a man of God here and maybe it's going to be honest. There have been so many tornadoes around us it's a question of gas and what not that it's a very difficult thing. The objective, now that's the problem of selecting people.

The objective of the inquiry is to put in one place a document that says, "here are all the facts in connection with this". When next year, five years from now, we have the something else happen and somebody says, "well, you know, back in '62 we did thus and so". Well, it will be easy to have the document to say "well, now here we spent the money, here is the investigation, here are the facts", and this permits us to then adjudicate the entire matter. Otherwise, there are innuendos, there are unanswerable questions constantly being raised about this thing. So it's just a matter of collecting in one place, putting it in the record and letting everybody have it. I might if I just could say one

more thing...I was in Houston the other day at a meeting and I was talking with a law firm there and this man said to me, "Oh, you want to be sure and have Mr. so and so, one of our senior partners. He was the attorney for United Gas." So, you never know where you find someone in connection with this problem.

DR. SAN MARTIN: Well, I think it's a wonderful thing the Board is doing. May I suggest and that is all it can be...would you consider that the City Council name one of the three persons to the Board of Inquiry?

MR. BERG: Before we....your suggestion is a good one and I thank you for it. Before the names will be announced, I do want to go over it with the Mayor and I'm sure he will want to do it with the Council and your input to the Mayor, as a member of the Board of Directors, will help us in the final determination.

MAYOR BECKER: There's one thing, Tom, that we were in....

MR. BERG: I hope that is agreeable with your thought.

MAYOR BECKER: And that was that it might be termed white paper, but it would not in any way be a whitewash.

MR. BERG: Yes, that's a very factual statement and a very good one. The Mayor made that at the meeting, it was not...maybe we better use something other than the white paper.

MAYOR BECKER: I think so, especially the shortage of toilet tissue is a fact.

MR. BERG: It's going to be a factual document. Yeah, very factual document.

MR. PADILLA: Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR BECKER: Head on approach to the situation, you know.

MR. BERG: Yes, with all the horns out.

MAYOR BECKER: That's it. Yes, sir.

MR. PADILLA: I'd like to ask Mr. Berg one question. First, I'd like to congratulate you as well as join Dr. San Martin in all his remarks. Mr. Berg, I think you're a very capable individual and I can see from the start that you had at the last meeting that you're moving in our direction and I'm glad to see it.

MR. BERG: Thank you.

MR. PADILLA: I'd like to ask you one question that perhaps everybody in town knows the answer to, but I'm not quite sure I do. I think some four or five weeks ago, the Council through the efforts of Dr. San Martin by resolution, asked the Public Service Board to join in the lawsuit in Houston against Lo-Vaca by the 15th of February. I think we said by the 15th of February and my question is simply, have you done so?

MR. BERG: Yes, we joined in the suit against...with Pennzoil against the, I believe, it's against Coastal and Lo-Vaca, but it's a joint suit of the City Public Service joining Pennzoil. The answer to the question is yes, it was done. And the deadline of February 15th, I think it was several days before that achieved.

MR. PADILLA: Very good.

MR. BERG: Definitely and I might add our current lawsuit against Coastal States is pursuing very rapidly. A letter is in the hands of our attorney from me again repeating the Board's instructions, post haste if the document's together - that's a lot of legal work, you know, getting all the pages written. We've asked them to pursue it and they tell me within two or three weeks such document will be ready, prepared and put in the district court without question. We also intend to pursue against the Railroad Commission, too.

DR. SAN MARTIN: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to ask our City Attorney if there is any statement that he would like to make in connection with the legal action that we requested. I asked a few days ago that the City Attorney keep this Council informed of any new development in this litigation. Do you have anything to add to what Mr. Berg has said?

CITY ATTORNEY REEDER: No, there isn't anything that I can say that Mr. Berg hasn't already covered, Dr. San Martin. Thank you.

MAYOR BECKER: Okay.

MR. LEO MENDOZA: I'd like to just say that everyone's been saying congratulations, and I also just want to say congratulations and good luck to you. You noticed I mentioned good luck.

MR. BERG: I need it all. Thank you Mr. Mendoza, I appreciate it.

MR. MORTON: On the subject of communication, Tom, I don't know whether you've done it yet or not but one of the things that I think would help in communicating to your customers the effect of this pass through would be if you would change your program to where your bill broke out pass through amount onto the billing. Now, I have asked for this.....

MR. BERG: Breaking it off - separate items.

MR. MORTON: Separate items, in other words, the current rate what your bill would be X dollars and then your fuel adjustment clause X dollars, total bill for this month so that they know this. Now, I've been told by members of the staff over there that this is very difficult to do. I'm sure it is, but I understand that you have one of the better computers around town and is sophisticated enough to be able to work out the problem.

MR. BERG: I understand that it's a - I don't know the total answer to this thing, Mr. Morton, but I will look into it. I understand this, that a new bill has to be designed. I'm told that a new bill is being designed. The industrial bill receives a break out of the fuel adjustment. Of course, you pay something like what we're talking about we want to know about it. We certainly do. Our residential consumers and a new rate bill will be a part of the design and, perhaps, if either Mr. Deely or Mr. Thomas could comment on that now, I understood that's being looked into. Is that correct?

MR. DEELY: We are working on it. We also have in stock a number of these bills. I don't know where it stands.

MR. BERG: Well, could we leave it this way that you'll get it in writing a specific on this thing, and we'll have a time when this is going to be accomplished. If it's possible to program it sooner, it will be done.

MR. PADILLA: Tom, one other thing to follow up on what Mr. Morton has said is something I've brought up several times with the Public Service Board and the Water Board and I never really got an answer, and that is the exploring of the possibilities of joint billing. I know just the postage and it has just recently gone up, but the postage reflects something like \$72,000 a year just for postage that each agency could save if they could join hands and sent out a common bill. Now, I realize there

are problems. The idea though is to explore this thing to see if we can work the problems out so this can be done. Just the savings in postage is something like \$72,000 each for you and the Water Board.

MR. BERG: Yes, I think it is a very fine idea. I'm sorry I don't know the answer to that but I know that we will look into that and get something specific. I hope the consumers would like to get all the bills at one time too.

MAYOR BECKER: There's something that when you get your chair warm over there....you really haven't gotten it...even gotten the chill off of it yet....

MR. BERG: Fourth day.

MAYOR BECKER: We have something in mind over here at the City that some of us have thought of for many, many years privately and since we've been members of the Council. That is the consolidation, ultimately, of all these computers into one. We're hopeful that the City, the Water Board, the City Public Service and, Commissioner Frank Vaughn is sitting back there, and I'm even going to encourage that Bexar County, the government of Bexar County, someday and the City of San Antonio share one common computer. Now, people say it can't be done but it can be done. The Air Force had computer systems at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base at Dayton that accommodated their requirements for the total world. Anything can be done if men make up their minds to it and the consolidation of those computers, the possibility of saving the citizens of this community just a figure off the top of my head and I have to use that type of figures, but I would say 2½ to 3 million dollars a year, which is no small amount of money.

Now, Mr. Granata was discussing the other day and to show you the type of thinking that's coming out of the City Manager's office, the utilization, and I hope not speaking of this prematurely, Sam, but the utilization of the shops at the City Public Service, I mean, the Transit Authority for the repairs and maintenance and what not of most of the City-owned vehicles. You see, and stop all this duplication of empire building because that's really what it is. You have a corporation that's sizable and you know what the tendencies of humans and their frailties, we're all inclined to the same thing.

MR. BERG: You've got to control every penny of cost.

MAYOR BECKER: And everyone's inclined toward empire building. If you permitted your departments within your Freidrich Company, and I permitted mine and each department would have its own computer and its own personnel department own the accounting department and own everything. It's just the way people are. We're like squirrels. We like to hide things away at those corners, you know. So....

MR. BERG: I have to agree with you.

MAYOR BECKER: When you get some of your problems pretty well sorted out over there, let's see if we can't embark on even further savings like this common billing between the Water Board and so forth. After all, I think the citizens are entitled to it.

MR. BERG: Absolutely. We need to find a way to save money every where.

MAYOR BECKER: It's their money we're spending and that's the sad thing about it. It's their money we're spending.

MR. BERG: I might just say that I agree totally with what's been said. From our own personal standpoint of running our business as we get increases in cost, we don't pass them on to our consumer. We try to find a way to be more efficient in running our business and absorb it in that way and we'll try every way we can. At least that will be our policy and our objective, that I assure you.

MAYOR BECKER: I for one am delighted that you are the Chairman and....

MR. BERG: Thank you for inviting me to talk...

MAYOR BECKER: I'm just looking forward to tremendous things that have, you might say heretofore been regarded as impossible. The accomplishment of those things I see right in the immediate future.

MR. BERG: First thing was to sue Coastal. We've done that.

MAYOR BECKER: That's correct, thank you. Okay. Thank you for being here today, Mr. Deely, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Spangler. We appreciate your taking your time to come over today. We appreciate your cooperation.

MISSIONS OF SAN ANTONIO PLAN

The Clerk read the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION
NO. 74-9-12

ADOPTING THE MISSIONS OF SAN ANTONIO
PLAN AS A PART OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR
DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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Mr. Cipriano Guerra, Director of Community Development and Planning, gave a brief review of the efforts that have gone into the development of this Missions of San Antonio Plan which, when adopted, will become a part of the master plan of the City. He pointed out that this is a plan only and does not commit the City to any aspect of it. It can be modified at any time.

Mr. Al Eisenmenger, Senior Planner, showed a series of colored slides of the area which had scenes of historical structures in the area as well as the missions. He said that some of the goals of the project are to develop tourist attractions, develop a linear metro park and to stimulate the growth and economic development of the south side of the City.

The following persons spoke in favor of the project and urged the Council to adopt the Resolution:

Mr. Sam Godfrey, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce
Tourist Committee

Mrs. Beverly Blount, President of the San Antonio
Conservation Society

Mrs. Jerry Ursin, League of Women Voters

Mrs. Helen Dutmer, 739 McKinley Avenue

Father Balthasar Janecek

Mrs. Della Geigenmiller

Mrs. Winfield Hamlin

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Mrs. Linda Avena, 326 East Mulberry, read a prepared statement offering certain suggestions concerning development of the Park. (A copy of Mrs. Avena's statement is included with the papers of this meeting.)

Councilman Mendoza expressed his appreciation to the staff for the extra effort put forth in developing this plan.

Councilman Morton discussed financial aspects of the plan with Mr. Eisenmeyer and Mr. Guerra.

Mr. Guerra stated that the State of Texas, Bexar County and other agencies are expected to cooperate with the City in the development. There are 1,400 acres of land involved, some of which is already owned. The total estimate of cost is \$9,393,000.

Mr. Guerra pointed out that the project is broken down into 52 projects which could be completed over a period of years. The largest single project is \$575,000 and is already funded through the 1970 bond issue. It is the Six Mile Creek Project. At present detail financing plans are not made.

Mr. Morton said that he is very much in favor of the project but does need to have some idea of what the City's cost will be and how the financing will be done. He also asked for a statement showing what the profit or loss would be from the operation of the facility after it is completed. He asked that Mr. Guerra come back to the Council with a plan for funding by project item as well as a commitment on those project items that will be completed by the time of the Bicentennial Celebration.

Mr. Guerra stated it would take about 60 days to develop the information.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Mendoza, seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the Resolution was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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Following passage of the Resolution, Mr. Mendoza asked that the City Manager be instructed to prepare an ordinance transferring funds into an account for the Mission Parkway. The funds would come from the funds which had been allocated to a Southeast service center out of revenue sharing funds.

Reverend Black expressed concern about reallocation of funds without some study and asked that the matter be reviewed for the Council by the City Manager.

City Manager Granata said that he would review all revenue sharing funds and report to the Council in two weeks.

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HEMISFAIR PLAZA

Councilman Lacy stated that the plan which has been proposed for HemisFair Plaza may run into difficulty because of the four-lane street designed through the area construction of the four-lane street, in the eyes of HUD, would be tantamount to taking away open space or park area. While HUD may not be any longer involved in this area, the citizenry would be. He stated that Mrs. Beverly Blount of the San Antonio Conservation Society had expressed the hope that the City would consider other plans. He also said that he hoped that peripheral parking could be worked out to avoid any opposition. At least one member of the Society had said that if the plan is approved, she would seek injunctive relief in the courts.

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Mrs. Beverly Blount said that the Conservation Society has not made a formal statement concerning the plans for HemisFair Plaza. The Society recognizes that there are problems to be worked out and hopes that the Society will be able to contribute to a solution.

74-9 SALE OF \$2,100,000 CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1974.

At 10:00 A. M. the bids received for the sale of \$2,100,000 City of San Antonio International Airport Revenue Bonds, Series 1974, were opened and read as follows:

L. F. ROTHSCHILD & CO.

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$976,995.00
Less: Premium	1,863.35
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$975,131.65</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 5.2062%

M. E. ALLISON & CO., McCLUNG & KNICKERBOCKER, FIRST SOUTHWEST COMPANY, MGR., WHITE, WELD & CO., COLUMBIAN SECURITIES CORP.

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$914,587.50
Less: Premium	384.50
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$914,203.00</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 4.88095%

SMITH, BARNEY & CO. INCORPORATED

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$929,500.00
Less: Premium	103.25
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$929,396.75</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 4.962076%

UNDERWOOD, NEUHAUS & CO., INC., HOUSTON
LOEB, RHOADES & CO., SAN ANTONIO
RAUSCHER PIERCE SECURITIES CORPORATION (MANAGER)

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$899,692.50
Less: Premium	-0-
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$899,692.50</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 4.80348%

ROTAN MOSLE INC. -- MANAGER
RUSS SECURITIES CORPORATION

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$905,115.00
Less: Premium	-0-
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$905,115.00</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 4.832434%

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ROWLES, WINSTON DIV., COWEN & CO.
WEEDEN & CO.

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$915,020.00
Less: Premium	-0-
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$915,020.00</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 4.88532%

HALSEY, STUART & CO. INC.
(AFFILIATE OF BACHE & CO. INCORPORATED)

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$967,115.00
Less: Premium	210.00
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$966,905.00</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 5.16233%

MERRILL LYNCH PIERCE FENNER & SMITH INC.

Total interest from February 1, 1974 to final maturity:	\$937,490.00
Less: Premium	26.81
Net Interest Cost:	<u>\$937,463.19</u>

Effective Interest Rate: 5.005142%

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After verification of the bids, Mr. Carl White, Director of Finance, advised the City Council that the bid submitted by Underwood, Neuhaus & Company, Inc., Houston; Loeb, Rhoades & Company, San Antonio; and Rauscher Pierce Securities Corporation (Manager) was the low bid with an effective interest rate of 4.80348 percent. Mr. White explained his pleasure with the bids and recommended acceptance of the bid.

The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 43,456

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REVENUE BONDS (\$2,100,000 SERIES 1974, SOLD TO UNDERWOOD, NEUHAUS & COMPANY, INC., HOUSTON; LOEB, RHOADES & COMPANY, SAN ANTONIO AND RAUSCHER PIERCE SECURITIES CORPORATION (MANAGER).)

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After consideration, on motion of Mr. Beckmann, seconded by Dr. San Martin, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Padilla.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARDMR. RAUL RODRIGUEZ

Mr. Raul Rodriguez again spoke to the Council concerning the Firemen's and Policemen's Civil Service Commission. He said that the report on meetings prepared by the Personnel Department, as a result of his comments at last week's meeting, was not correct and claimed that it concealed information rather than disclosing information. He again asked that members of the commission be replaced.

FIRE AND POLICE PENSIONERS

Mr. Walter J. Madalinski, Attorney for a group of pensioners, said that those policemen and firemen who retired prior to 1971, under old state laws, were getting insufficient funds to live on. Some widows are only getting \$100 per month. There are 373 persons affected by these low pensions. He asked that the Council give serious consideration to raising the pensions of this group \$50 per month as soon as possible.

Dr. San Martin advised Mr. Madalinski that the entire pension fund has a deficit of over \$60 million and this problem must be faced by the Council at budget preparation time. It has been estimated that it will cost \$1 million per year in addition to the city's present contribution to bring the pension fund up to where it belongs. All pensions are being considered. Dr. San Martin also said that it would be unwise to raise these pensions until the entire problem is worked out.

MR. HENRY MUNOZ

Mr. Henry Munoz spoke to the Council urging that the Council appoint Mr. Bob Bouble to serve on the City Water Board in the vacancy which was only recently created.

The Council took his request under advisement.

74-9 The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 P. M., and reconvened at 1:50 P. M.

74-9 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 43,457

APPROVING THE PRICE AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OF THE SOUTH PART OF DISPOSITION PARCEL C-C-21 CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 2,490 SQUARE FEET LOCATED WITHIN THE ROSA VERDE URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT, TEX. R-78 TO E.B.S. COMPANY, INC., FOR THE SUM OF \$8,715.00 OR \$3.50 PER SQUARE FOOT.

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The Ordinance was explained by Mr. Winston Martin, Executive Director of the Urban Renewal Agency, who said that bids had been received from the E.B.S. Company, Inc., and from Mr. Ramon Galindo. Mr. Galindo's bid was invalid because of conditions in it and in addition it was the low bid. Mr. Martin said that the bid submitted by the E.B.S. Company met all requirements and he recommended adoption of the Ordinance.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. San Martin, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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A. Case 5357 - to rezone Tract 5, NCB 10575, 3800 Block of Belgium Lane, from "A" Single Family Residential District to "I-1" Light Industry District, located on the north side of Belgium Lane, 136.0' west of Willowood Boulevard; having 499.0' on Belgium Lane with a maximum depth of 383.82'.

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

Mr. Pleas Naylor, the applicant, said that this parcel of land is the last piece owned by the Frederich Estate in this area. It is irregular in shape and by a railroad track. He said that he has tried for five years to sell this parcel for residential use but cannot find a buyer. He said that he now has a buyer, provided that the property is zoned "I-1" so that a warehouse type business can be conducted there. The Planning Commission had denied "I-1" zoning and had recommended "B-2" zoning. He asked that the Council approve the "I-1" zoning. However, if the Council would not approve "I-1", then he would accept "B-2" zoning.

Mr. Naylor said that he had received a letter from Mr. Sam Mims, President of the United Homeowner's Improvement Association, Inc., in which he said that his organization does not oppose the rezoning but had requested information about the price of the tract and purchasing terms with the view that the neighborhood organization might purchase it. The information has been furnished to Mr. Mims.

Mr. Ernest Baetz, Trustee for the Frederich Estate, spoke in favor of the proposed rezoning.

Mr. Eugene Coleman, 3315 Willowood, spoke in opposition to the application. He said that it is being used as a playground by neighborhood children and that this is the best use for it. At one time the developer of this subdivision had said that it would be given to the neighborhood for park purposes. He urged the Council to deny the rezoning and let this remain a single family residential area.

After discussion, Mayor Becker suggested that the people in the neighborhood should get together and purchase this tract.

Mr. Baetz explained to the Council that he was obligated to sell this land for cash under the terms of the will. He would be glad to discuss the matter with Mr. Coleman and perhaps work out an arrangement the neighbors could handle.

After consideration, Dr. San Martin moved that this case be postponed for three weeks to allow Mr. Coleman time to negotiate with Mr. Baetz. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mendoza and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

B. Case 5214 - to rezone 2.702 acres out of Tract 4, NCB 11642, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, from "A" Single Family Residential District to "R-6" Townhouse District, located west of the intersection of Callaghan Road and Vance Jackson Road; having 244.65' on Callaghan Road and 398.81' on Vance Jackson Road.

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

Mrs. Sister Narcisco, a past owner of this property, spoke in favor of the rezoning. She said that under the present zoning regulations, it would be possible to put 54 units on this tract. However, there are only 25 units planned. She said that she would be willing to deed restrict the property as to the number of units, area of each unit screen walls and most anything else that would be reasonable. She described the area in general and had photographs which she distributed. She asked for the Council's favorable consideration.

The following persons spoke in opposition:

Mr. John Thornton, 9102 Callaghan Road
 Mr. and Mrs. George Ozuna, 5118 Vance Jackson
 Mr. Roy Jones
 Mr. Walter Griffith, 5138 Vance Jackson
 Mr. Courtney Broussard, 9115 Callaghan
 Mr. Charles Spencer, 2802 Deer Ledge
 Mr. Don Karschner, 9211 Old Gardener
 Mr. Michael Beldon, 2526 Old Gate
 Mr. Brian Weiner, 9208 Old Gardener

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The opponents all stated a wish to retain the area for single family use. They described the nice residences in the area now and said that this development would be an intrusion.

After consideration, Mr. Lacy made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be overruled and the rezoning granted, provided that a six foot masonry wall be erected along Callaghan Road and Vance Jackson Road and that a screen fence be erected on the north property line and that a limit of 25 units be placed on the property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morton.

Mrs. Cockrell said that she is very familiar with this area and felt strongly that the proposed use for townhouses would not be in character with the rest of the neighborhood. She also expressed the view that there are ways to develop the property that would not take away from the neighborhood.

After consideration, on roll call, the motion failed to carry the necessary seven affirmative votes and the rezoning was denied. The roll call vote was as follows: AYES: Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Mendoza; NAYS: Cockrell, San Martin, Padilla.

C. Case 5275 - to rezone the south irregular 53' of Tract C and the south irregular 73' of the west 147' of Tract D, NCB 12105, from "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District; and the north 220' of the south 477' of Tract C and the south 55' of Tract B, NCB 12105, from "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District.

The "B-2" zoning being located on the north side of N. E. Loop 410 Expressway, being approximately 620' southwest of the intersection of Norwich Drive and N. E. Loop 410 Expressway, being northwest 310.51' with a maximum width of 75' and a maximum depth of 147'.

The "R-3" zoning being located northwest of the intersection of Norwich Drive and N. E. Loop 410 Expressway, being 151.67' southwest of Norwich Drive and 565' northwest of N. E. Loop 410 Expressway; having a maximum width of 220' and a maximum depth of 560'.

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

Mr. Jack Charles, the applicant, said that the Planning Commission had recommended "R-3" zoning on the westerly half of his property. The neighbors were opposed to "R-3" zoning because of the density of units which could be placed on it. He had met with these people and agreed to ask for "R-6" zoning. A deed restriction was prepared which is agreeable to the neighbors and is in the hands of the attorney representing the neighborhood.

Mr. Arthur H. Bayern, attorney representing people in the immediate area, confirmed statements made by Mr. Charles. The deed restrictions are prepared and will be recorded immediately after rezoning is approved.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be overruled and the property be rezoned, provided that proper replatting is accomplished. Mr. Padilla seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,458

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 THE SOUTH IRREGULAR 53' OF TRACT C AND THE SOUTH IRREGULAR 73' OF THE WEST 147' OF TRACT D, NCB 12105, FROM "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND THE NORTH 220' OF THE SOUTH 477' OF TRACT C AND THE SOUTH 55' OF TRACT B, NCB 12105, FROM "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-6" TOWNHOUSE DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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D. Case 5369 - to rezone Lots 55 through 57, Block 3, NCB 11613, 2100 Block of Babcock Road, from "A" Single Family Residential District to "O-1" Office District, located south of the intersection of W. Beverly Mae Drive and Babcock Road; having 268.7' on W. Beverly Mae Drive and 338.6' on Babcock Road.

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

Mr. John D. Baines, the applicant, spoke in favor of the proposed rezoning. Proposed is a two-story luxury medical building which would face on Babcock Road. He said that he would be willing to have a non-access easement placed on the Beverly Mae side. He reviewed the zoning in the vicinity and described the heavy increase in traffic which is generated by the medical center. He asked that his request be favorably considered.

The following persons spoke in favor of the rezoning, saying that the area has changed drastically and that Babcock Road is no longer suitable for residential use:

Mr. Huey Stewart, 2010 Babcock Road
 Mrs. Donald Shore, 4807 Betty Lou Drive
 Mr. W. W. Whitehead, 7038 Callaghan Road
 Mr. Perry Penn, 2026 Babcock Road
 Mr. Lloyd Graham, 7302 W. Beverly Mae
 Mr. Justin Duncan, 219 Clearview
 Mrs. Norma Stewart, 2010 Babcock

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The following named persons spoke in opposition to the request:

Mr. Jack Morse, 7115 W. Beverly Mae
 Mrs. Thelma D. Johnson, 2002 Babcock Road
 Mr. Tom King, 7123 W. Beverly Mae
 Mr. John Hess, 6819 Dorothy Louise
 Mrs. Marian Perry, 7119 W. Beverly Mae
 Mrs. Robert Egloff, 7203 W. Beverly Mae

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Opponents to the proposed rezoning all expressed a desire to keep the area residential. They denied that Babcock Road is unsuitable for homes any longer and urged that the application be denied.

Mr. John Baines spoke in rebuttal saying that it was unfair to allow persons not directly affected to dictate the type of zoning for this tract.

Dr. San Martin moved that the Council sustain the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the application for rezoning. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Cockrell but failed to carry by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Cockrell, San Martin, Lacy; NAYS: Becker, Black, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; ABSENT: None.

Mr. Morton then moved to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the rezoning. The motion was seconded by Mr. Beckmann and on the following roll call vote, the motion failed to obtain the necessary seven affirmative votes and the rezoning was denied. AYES: Becker, Black, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: Cockrell, San Martin, Lacy; ABSENT: None.

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E. Case 5402 - to rezone Lot 14, Block 3, NCB 9203, 2104 Texas Avenue, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "O-1" Office District, located south of the intersection of Bandera Road and Texas Avenue; having 122.52' on Bandera Road and 50' on Texas Avenue.

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

Mr. Joe P. Medina, the applicant, said that he wished to have a small real estate office in this residence. The main objection from neighbors is lack of parking space but Mr. Medina said he could provide eight off-street parking spaces which would be adequate.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be overruled and the rezoning approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Beckmann and on the following roll call vote, failed to obtain the necessary seven affirmative votes and the request was denied. AYES: Becker, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: Cockrell, San Martin, Black; ABSENT: None.

F. CASE 5442 - to rezone a 25.680 acre tract of land out of NCB 14853, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 5400 Block of North Loop 1604 West, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District; and a 38.460 acre tract of land out of NCB 14853, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 5400 Block of North Loop 1604 West, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "I-1" Light Industry District.

Subject property is located on the north side of North Loop 1604 West, being 468' east of the cutback between Interstate Highway 10 Expressway and North Loop 1604 West; having 1327.91' on North Loop 1604 West and a maximum depth of 2620.37'. The "B-3" being the south 894.9' on subject property and the "I-1" being the remaining portion.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Morton made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper replatting is accomplished. Mr. Mendoza seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,459

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 25.680 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14853, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 5400 BLOCK OF NORTH LOOP 1604 WEST, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND A 38.460 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14853, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 5400 BLOCK OF NORTH LOOP 1604 WEST FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "I-1" LIGHT INDUSTRY DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER REPLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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G. CASE 5443 - to rezone a 20.384 acre tract of land out of NCB 14861, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 7000 Block of Hausman Road, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, being located on the south side of Hausman Road, being 883.72' east of the cutback between Hausman Road and Babcock Road; having a total frontage of 409' on Hausman Road and a depth of 1675.4'.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Dr. San Martin seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,460

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 20.384 ACRE
TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14861, BEING
FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED
IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 7000
BLOCK OF HAUSMAN ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY
"R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DIS-
TRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS
ACCOMPLISHED.

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H. CASE 5444 - to rezone Parcel 2G and the south 200' of Parcel 127, NCB 14865, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District; and the north 403.21' of Parcel 127, NCB 14865, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District.

The "B-2" zoning being located on the west side of Babcock Road, being 1239.13' south of the intersection of F.M. 1604 and Babcock Road; having 200' on Babcock Road with a maximum depth of 1,275'.

The "B-3" zoning being located on the west side of Babcock Road, being 736.51' south of the intersection of F.M. 1604 and Babcock Road; having 502.62' on Babcock Road with a maximum depth of 911.75'.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Beckmann made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Dr. San Martin seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,461

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 PARCEL 2G AND THE SOUTH 200' OF PARCEL 127, NCB 14865, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND THE NORTH 403.21' OF PARCEL 127, NCB 14865, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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I. CASE 5445 - to rezone a 16.056 acre tract of land out of NCB 14861, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District; and a 15.107 acre tract of land out of NCB 14861, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District.

The "R-3" zoning being located approximately 900.01' southeast of the cutback at the intersection of Hausman Road and Babcock Road; having 764.26' on Babcock Road with a maximum depth of 924.68'.

The "B-2" zoning being located southeast of the cutback at the intersection of Hausman Road and Babcock Road; having 850.01' on Babcock Road, 433.72' on Hausman Road and 70.48' on the cutback between these two roads.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Dr. San Martin seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,462

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 16.056 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14861, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; AND A 15.107 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14861, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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J. CASE 5446 - to rezone a 2.552 acre tract of land out of NCB 14890, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 5500 Block of Hausman Road, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District; and a 1.823 acre tract of land out of NCB 14890, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 5500 Block of Hausman Road, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District.

The "B-2" zoning being located 225.01' north of Hausman Road and 133.57' west of Interstate Highway 10 Expressway; having a maximum length of 664.44' and a maximum depth of 214.84'.

The "B-3" zoning being located northwest of the cutback between Hausman Road and Interstate Highway 10 Expressway, having 149.12' on Hausman Road, 352.43' on Interstate 10 Expressway and 123.96' on the cutback between Hausman Road and Interstate Highway 10 Expressway.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Dr. San Martin made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Mr. Mendoza seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,463

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 2.552 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14890, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 5500 BLOCK OF HAUSMAN ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND A 1.823 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14890, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 5500 BLOCK OF HAUSMAN ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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K. CASE 5370 - to rezone a 1.985 acre tract of land out of NCB 14618, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 8300 Block of Huebner Rd., from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential to "B-1" Business District; and a 8.216 acre tract of land out of NCB 14618, being further described by field notes filed in the office of the City Clerk, 8300 Block of Huebner Road, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District.

The "B-1" zoning being located 600.05' southwest of the cutback at the intersection of Eckert and Huebner Roads, having 200' on Huebner Road, with a maximum depth of 574.57'.

The "B-2" zoning being located southwest of the cutback at the intersection of Eckert and Huebner Roads; having 580.56' on Eckert Road, 600.05' on Huebner Road and 72.80' on the cutback between these two roads.

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

After consideration, Mr. Morton made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Mr. Beckmann seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,464

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 1.985 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14618, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 8300 BLOCK OF HUEBNER ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-1" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND A 8.216 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF NCB 14618, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED BY FIELD NOTES FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 8300 BLOCK OF HUEBNER ROAD, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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L. CASE 5416 - to rezone Lots 1 through 8, Block 39, NCB 16295, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "R-3" Multiple Family Residential District, located on the northwest side of Henderson Pass, being approximately 2961.60' northeast of the intersection of Lost Hollow and Henderson Pass; having frontage of 765.48' on Henderson Pass and a maximum depth of 195'.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Dr. San Martin made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved. Mr. Beckmann seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,465

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 1 THROUGH 8, BLOCK 39, NCB 16295, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

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M. CASE 5430 - to rezone Lots 8A, 8B, 1, 2, and the north 50' of Lot 3, NCB 9610 and the north 360' of Arb. 8F, NCB 11316, 3000 Block of Weir and 100 Block of Darson Marie Drive, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "B-1" Business District; and Lots 4, 5, 6 and the south 50' of Lot 3, NCB 9610 and the south 400' of Arb. 8F, NCB 11316, 3000 Block of Weir and 100 Block of Darson Marie Drive, from "B" Two Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District.

The "B-1" zoning being located southwest of the intersection of Weir Avenue and Darson Marie Drive; having 346.35' on Weir Avenue and 356.81' on Darson Marie Drive.

The "B-2" zoning being located northwest of the intersection of West Thompson Place and Darson Marie Drive; having 350.26' on West Thompson Place and 381.86' on Darson Marie Drive.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Dr. San Martin made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished. Mr. Lacy seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,466

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 8A, 8B, 1, 2, AND THE NORTH 50' OF LOT 3, NCB 9610 AND THE NORTH 360' OF ARB. 8F, NCB 11316, 3000 BLOCK OF WEIR AND 100 BLOCK OF DARSON MARIE DRIVE, FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-1" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND LOTS 4, 5, 6 AND THE SOUTH 50' OF LOT 3, NCB 9610 AND THE SOUTH 400' OF ARB. 8F, NCB 11316, 3000 BLOCK OF WEIR AND 100 BLOCK OF DARSON MARIE DRIVE, FROM "B" TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED.

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N. CASE 5438 - to rezone Lot 13, Block 7, NCB 15509, 200 Block of Altitude Drive, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-2" Business District; and Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 7, NCB 15509, 8100 Spiral Avenue, from Temporary "R-1" Single Family Residential District to "B-3" Business District.

The "B-2" zoning being located on the east side of Altitude Drive, being 135' north of the intersection of Altitude Drive and Spiral Avenue; having 103.13' on Altitude Drive and a maximum depth of 169.37'.

The "B-3" zoning being located northwest of the intersection of Observation Drive and Spiral Avenue; having 135' on Observation Drive and 203.25' on Spiral Avenue.

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

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, Mr. Mendoza made a motion that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be approved, provided that proper platting is accomplished and that a six foot solid screen fence is erected adjacent to the single family residential district. Mr. Beckmann seconded the motion. On roll call, the motion, carrying with it the passage of the following Ordinance, prevailed by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 43,467

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 13, BLOCK 7, NCB 15509, 200 BLOCK OF ALTITUDE DRIVE, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND LOTS 8, 9, AND 10, BLOCK 7, NCB 15509, 8100 SPIRAL AVENUE, FROM TEMPORARY "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT, PROVIDED THAT PROPER PLATTING IS ACCOMPLISHED AND THAT A SIX FOOT SOLID SCREEN FENCE IS ERECTED ADJACENT TO THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

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Mrs. Cockrell distributed copies of a memorandum to all Council Members in which she recommended that the tax rate for the coming year be set at \$1.87, a decrease of .02 per hundred valuation. She said that by using the surplus in the Bond Service Fund, the Insurance Reserve Fund and the Airport Revenue Fund and by continued certain money saving measures the decrease would be possible. The net reduction in tax revenue would be \$320,000. (A copy of Mrs. Cockrell's memorandum is included with the papers of this meeting.)

Mrs. Cockrell then moved that the tax rate be set at \$1.87. The motion was seconded by Mr. Padilla.

The following conversation took place:

MR. CLIFFORD MORTON: With all due respect to my fellow Councilmen, I beg to disagree with the logic on which this motion was based. I would like to take each of the items that we are looking at, and I feel that through the various media have been misconstrued. I understand that staff, and apparently the Finance office, have made efforts to make sure that certainly those people on an Editorial level get the facts. Hopefully, those facts will be reflected in those media that did not have the facts at the time they took the position.

Looking at the reserve funds that we look at as surpluses. The first one, the Bond Service Fund. It is my understanding from Mr. White that this is a surplus, designated as a surplus, only from the standpoint of convenience because, in a sense, we must have this balance in this particular fund in order to meet our debt service requirements. Is that correct or not?

MR. CARL WHITE: Well, I don't like the use of the word, "surplus." The amount - let me say it this way - if we were not able to sell, if the market on future sales went higher than five percent, in other words, we've got two sales left, if we were faced with selling bonds at six percent that would eat into that million dollar surplus, the surplus that's in the fund right now. It is an unappropriated fund balance. Other things that could happen that could change the market picture would also affect that balance. Right now that balance is accumulated because we have been able to sell bonds at less than five percent primarily plus the fact that the City has grown faster than we anticipated.

CITY MANAGER SAM GRANATA: Carl, isn't that balance truly for that purpose, about \$4 million and this \$1 million is a bargaining - or surplus to that unless the things you just mentioned happen. But there is about \$4 million built up as I understand it.

MR. WHITE: That's correct.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: And then the \$1 million, Mr. Morton, is a true amount that could be reprogrammed if this Council saw fit unless the remaining \$19 million to be sold in one sale or two if the interest rate gets above five percent or other things happen that Mr. White -- I just want to bring it all out as we have with everybody.

MRS. COCKRELL: This list, that I have, has that the scheduled payment against the peak requirement which is what we were - is the reserve, in effect, to balance the accounts out during all these low or peak years was over \$3 million.

MR. WHITE: We should have, based on our estimates at that time, we should have a balance of \$3.6 million. Now, that would be predicated on selling the rest of the bonds at five percent. Now, if we, like I say, if the next two sales the interest rate goes above five percent then we are going to be eating into that balance. I think that's something that could be handled within the framework of our budget but just to pick that out and say that is truly a surplus.....

MR. MORTON: Does this balance, adding the quantity of bonds as a balance that we have in this particular fund, have any effect on future bond rates?

MR. WHITE: Well, I'll say it this way. I don't know what weight it will be given but certainly when the rating agencies take a look at the financial picture of the City the greater our balance is the better we are and the higher rating we would gain as a result of that. Now, how much, I couldn't say.

MR. MORTON: I understand that. In other words, you are saying that having a balance of this size in there is going to be a favorable factor as they analyze the financial condition of the City.

MR. WHITE: That is very true.

MR. MORTON: Next item. The surplus in the Insurance Reserve Fund is really a misnomer as well. We are talking about self-insurance. How much do we put in this fund every year?

MR. WHITE: \$150,000.

MR. MORTON: Now, we've been putting money in this fund for five years?

MR. WHITE: Five or six years, yes, sir.

MR. MORTON: It works a saving of something less than the \$150,000 premium because we are having to pay some losses. The experience over this five years indicates that self-insurance is more economical than buying insurance through a third party.

MR. WHITE: We were paying in premiums \$150,000 per year, and we found out that our losses were about \$30,000 a year. We thought well, this kind of seems silly.

MR. MORTON: Then in this administration you are picking up \$120,000 a year. If the self-insurance fund continues to contribute at the rate of \$150,000 until we get to a million dollars.....

MR. WHITE: Until we get to a million dollars, then we intend to quit contributing to that fund and let the interest sustain the fund until it drops below that.

MR. MORTON: This will be \$150,000; let's say, in 1974 and 1975 we would not have to contribute the well \$150,000 assuming we had the same losses for that period.

MR. WHITE: That's right. Now, the City Attorney, I think, would be very quick to point out to you that one loss can wipe that thing out.

MR. MORTON: I'm assuming we are having the same loss experience that we have experienced over five years.

The next item is the surplus in the Airport Revenue Fund. Again, is this a surplus or are there things that we do need at the Airport to spend this money on?

MR. WHITE: Well, this money -- first, let me point out that the surplus in the Airport Fund has been contributed to the fund through the airlines that use the airport. There is no tax money involved in this at all. It is all strictly from airport operations. There are many, many improvements that need to be made at International Airport if it is to maintain the traffic and sustain San Antonio's air traffic through the year 2000 which it is supposed to do. Those funds are really earmarked for future improvements.

MR. MORTON: Okay. In trying to look at the ending balance of \$2 million that we will have in the General Fund, this really represents less than three percent of an \$80 million budget. Is that right?

MR. WHITE: That's correct.

MR. MORTON: In looking at the areas of various savings on the second page of Mrs. Cockrell's memorandum, she says that the savings in the first and second quarters were shown as \$497,154. It would seem to me that those things that we are buying today we are experiencing a rate of inflation on those costs at a greater rate than we experienced six months ago. Is Mr. Brooks here to comment one way or the other on that?

MR. JOHN BROOKS: Our prices keep going up weekly.

MR. MORTON: Would you say that they are going up at a faster rate than they were six months ago?

MR. BROOKS: Yes, sir. They are.

MR. MORTON: If that be the case then, the experience that we had this last six months could not necessarily be assumed that we will have as good or bad in the next. Is that right?

MR. BROOKS: I think it is entirely dependent on what the government does with Phase IV. If Phase IV is removed and supplies are higher than the demand prices will come down or it could go the other way. It is really an unknown factor at this time.

MAYOR BECKER: If Phase IV is as successful as the preceding attempt we're in for a real drubbing.

MR. MORTON: On Item No. 3 on page 2, stating that we are saving in areas where public works equipment may not be purchased. It is my understanding that the reason this equipment is not being purchased is that we do not have the materials that are necessary to use this equipment for or the equipment is not available....But evidently we thought that this equipment was needed. Otherwise, we would not have permitted it in the budget in the first place. So, essentially, all we are doing is putting off to a later date something that we have already agreed that we need. My question is this - do we think that we are going to buy this equipment at some future date for more or less money than we have budgeted for it now?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: If we buy it at a later date, it will cost us more money, but in order to justify why we didn't buy earlier even though it was budgeted and has been put off. We may not buy now because of two things - we didn't know about our gasoline crisis and also whether enough gas would be available and then we would have to get people to man the equipment. So, that decision would be put off. If you put any amount of that off, say \$200,000 or \$300,000, we will rebudget for those items in next year's budget.

MR. MORTON: So, in other words, we are going to have to pay for them sooner or later.

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: At a slightly higher price, yes, sir.

MR. MORTON: And we are still talking about the same number of dollars of revenue as a ceiling if we say that \$1.89 is going to be it. We're going to ask growth for approximately \$5 million in the General Fund and if we have a 25 percent increase, and, I say if, from City Public Service this will add approximately \$3 million which will give \$8 million more. In other words, we're just shifting it from one year to another but it is going to be at a higher cost.

Now the other thing that we could do is lessen services. In the area of public works we could lessen the quality of our street repair. Is that right? For every dollar that we save on that and we delay doing the job right how much is it going to cost us?

MR. MEL SUELTFUSS: Maintenance dollars are two to one probably.

MR. MORTON: So, in other words, you're not recommending that we lessen the quality of the services that were offered because in a sense it is going to cost you two dollars for every dollar that you save.

MR. SUELTFUSS: (Inaudible - from the audience)

MAYOR BECKER: May I project a thought on that subject. If anybody has traveled Jones-Maltsberger Road north of Loop 410, I guarantee you it is getting worse by the day. Now, that is typical of many streets that I travel. I'm not being critical. I'm just saying that we have not been able to keep up with the street repair that is necessary.

MR. MORTON: Let me ask you these questions, Mr. White. In the last 18 to 24 months has either this Council or the immediate previous Council granted an increase on the telephone rate which on a single one-party line increased the average cost from \$6.40 to \$7.20 for a net of .80 per month?

MR. WHITE: Yes. The telephone increase was two years ago.

MR. MORTON: The City Water Board in 1972 was granted a 25 percent increase and they are up for another 25 percent increase sometime this year. Was that average cost increase to the average homeowner an increase from \$4.85 to \$6.10 or \$1.35 per month?

MR. WHITE: Yes, sir. That is correct.

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MR. MORTON: And this Council last summer granted an increase on sewer rates from \$1.37 to \$2.42 a month for homeowners?

CITY MANAGER GRANATA: Average, yes.

MR. MORTON: A net of \$1.05. That is \$3.20 a month or \$38.40 per year. We can call it taxes or we can call it utilities or service fees or whatever we want to but as Councilman Padilla has said it is still cost of services that this City offers a typical homeowner. We are talking about an increase for an average homeowner of \$38.40. The Public Service rate increase if granted in the summer will add \$5.50 on a base rate with no fuel pass through. In the winter it would add \$4.48. Average that out and that's \$5.00 a month, \$60 a year. Add that to your \$38.40 and you're talking about \$100 per year.

Now, let's take what we are talking about here in this two cent proposal. Is it true that the average single family house on the tax rolls of the City of San Antonio is approximately \$13,500, but is assessed for \$6,000?

MR. WHITE: Yes, sir. That's what the record shows.

MR. MORTON: If it's assessed for \$6,000 then every penny that we fluctuate the tax rate we are talking about 60 cents a year. Is that correct? In other words, this proposal we are talking about of two cents would be \$1.20 per year or 10 cents a month as opposed to cost increases that either this Council or the previous Council has given or under immediate consideration here.

For this reason I cannot support this motion. I think it completely ignores a responsible position of this Council taking care of the fiscal affairs of this City of San Antonio. You don't have to go to a statistical book or economics book to find out what is happening. What's happening in grocery stores is happening to this staff as they go out and try to buy things. We are faced with more uncertainties today than we ever have been at any period in the past. In my opinion, I think that reserve requirements that we have are minimum margins. To have a three percent ending projected balance with all of the uncertainties we have, in my opinion, is a minimum margin for error. I think that we have held out to the press false impressions. We've given them false hopes and when you boil the whole thing down, if we give them what has been proposed we are talking about 10 cents a month. You compare the 10 cents a month against what they have been faced with, or are going to be faced with, \$100 per year for a single family average house. I think we would be acting irresponsibly to say here's two cents that we are going to give you on your tax rate. I feel that the City of San Antonio has been fortunate in having a Council that has run this City on a "tightship". I don't think we should break our arm patting ourselves on the back. I think there is still work to be done.

I would urge that we hold the \$1.89 rate. We have given a \$3,000 exemption to the elderly. We have given them a break on bus fares. I think we can look for other ways we can give all of the citizens of San Antonio better service or a lower cost. I think we should go on with the cost savings that we are attempting to work out as far as specifically consolidation of services. For these reasons I will urge and I move that we table the motion that is before this Council.

DR. SAN MARTIN: I will second it and would like to say why, Mr. Mayor. Mr. Morton has explained most of my feelings adequately. I think that in the expected expenses that we are facing next week, especially a deficit of the Transit System. We are faced with the Fire and Police Pension Fund which must be replenished from the General Fund. We have to face inflation. We have to face the Mission Plan, the River Corridor. For that reason, I'm going to support Mr. Morton's motion. Another reason is that I feel that in a way we are not being fair to our citizens in offering them a symbolic tax cut which will amount to cents while on the other hand we are extracting \$50 to \$60 a year in additional service fees. I don't like to do that. I would just as soon go ahead and if it's going to be done, I'd just as soon cut the tax rate 10 cents as two cents because I feel that we are not really giving the citizens of San Antonio anything at all when we give them two cents tax cut.

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After discussion, Mr. Morton withdrew his motion to table Mrs. Cockrell's motion to reduce the tax rate to \$1.87.

After consideration, Mrs. Cockrell's motion to reduce the tax rate to \$1.87 which was seconded by Mr. Padilla failed to carry on the following roll call vote: AYES: Cockrell, Padilla; NAYS: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Mendoza; ABSENT: None.

Mr. Morton asked that the Clerk read the following Ordinance maintaining the tax rate at \$1.89:

AN ORDINANCE 43,468

LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO; LEVYING A TAX TO SUPPORT THE CITY-COUNTY T. B. CONTROL BOARD; LEVYING A TAX TO PAY THE INTEREST ON THE FUNDED DEBT OF SAID CITY; AND TO CREATE A SINKING FUND THEREFOR; AND FIXING THE TAX RATE AT \$1.89 PER \$100.00 OF VALUATION, ALL SAID TAXES BEING LEVIED FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 1973 AND ENDING MAY 31, 1974.

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After further consideration, on motion of Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Beckmann, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Cockrell, San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Mendoza; NAYS: Padilla; ABSENT: None.

74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Ron Darner, Director of Parks and Recreation, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell.

AN ORDINANCE 43,469

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF ALTO FENCE COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FRIEDRICH PARK AND MATTHEWS PROPERTY BOUNDARY FENCE; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT COVERING SUCH WORK AND AUTHORIZING \$63,424.00 PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR OUT OF THE EMILIE & ALBERT FRIEDRICH PARK FUND, ALSO \$3,000.00 TO BE USED AS A MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,470

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF KEITH A. NELSON CO. FOR REPLACING A PORTION OF THE RETAINING WALL ON THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER WALK; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT COVERING SUCH WORK AND AUTHORIZING \$45,717.00 OUT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR, \$2,300.00 TO BE USED AS A MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT AND \$350.00 PAYABLE TO SEIDEL, LIVESAY & DAVIS, CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC., AS ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING FEES.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,471

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF MAYFIELD CONSTRUCTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN SWIMMING POOL IMPROVEMENTS AT CONCEPCION AND CENTRAL PARKS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT COVERING SUCH WORK AND AUTHORIZING \$277,267.00 OUT OF FUND 705-05 PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR, \$13,200.00 AS A MISCELLANEOUS CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT AND \$15,803.00 PAYABLE TO LAWRENCE E. HANS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES, ALSO AMENDING THE SWIMMING POOL FILTER SYSTEMS BUDGET.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Members of the Administrative Staff, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Padilla; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Mendoza.

AN ORDINANCE 43,472

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT AMENDING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND 19TH HOLE GOLF CENTER, INC., AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PRICE INCREASES FOR SERVICES AND MERCHANDISE OFFERED BY THE CONCESSIONAIRE.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,473

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH REA EXPRESS, INC., TO EXTEND THE PRESENT LEASE AGREEMENT OF CERTAIN BUILDING SPACE AT SAN ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.

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74-9 Mayor Becker was obliged to leave the meeting and Mayor Pro-Tem Beckmann presided.
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74-9 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 43,474

AUTHORIZING A SIX MONTH EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE CAREERS PROGRAM; APPROVING A BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT; APPROPRIATING NECESSARY FUNDS AND ACCEPTING A GRANT OF \$106,875.00 FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

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The Ordinance was explained by Mr. Leroy Harvey, who stated that this grant from the Department of Labor will enable the City to continue the Public Service Careers Program for another six months. Mr. Harvey said that approximately 3,000 employees have received benefits from the program. In the last 18 months, 84 City employees have been promoted as a direct result of training received in the program.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. San Martin, seconded by Mr. Padilla, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Black, Lacy, Beckmann, Padilla; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Becker, Morton, Mendoza.

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74-9 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. William Donahue, Director of Human Resources and Services, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. San Martin, seconded by Mr. Lacy, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Black, Lacy, Beckmann, Padilla; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Becker, Morton, Mendoza.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,475

EXTENDING THE OPERATING PERIOD OF THE
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO YOUTH SERVICES
PROJECT--JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION,
AND REVISING THE PROGRAM BUDGET.

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74-9 Item 9 of the agenda being a proposed lease agreement with Sam Reille and Tony Constanzo for space at HemisFair Plaza was withdrawn from consideration at the request of the City Manager.

74-9 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Chief of Police Emil Peters, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Mendoza, seconded by Dr. San Martin, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Black, Lacy, Beckmann, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Becker, Morton, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,476

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH SCHNECK
AVIATION, INC., TO AMEND THAT CONTRACT
PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES ON
TWO HELICOPTERS USED BY THE SAN ANTONIO
POLICE DEPARTMENT, TO INCLUDE CERTAIN
TERMS IN SAID CONTRACT REQUIRED FOR
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL FUNDING.

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74-9 Mayor Becker returned to the meeting and presided.

74-9 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. W. S. Clark, Land Division Chief, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. San Martin, seconded by Mr. Lacy, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Beckmann, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,477

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$27,673 OUT OF
VARIOUS FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING
TITLE TO CERTAIN LANDS AND EASEMENTS OVER,
UNDER, ACROSS AND UPON CERTAIN LANDS, TO BE
USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BABCOCK ROAD
WIDENING (DRAINAGE), THE RIVERSIDE GOLF
COURSE ENTRANCE, AND THE 24TH STREET IMPROVE-
MENT PROJECT; ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF
EASEMENTS OVER, UNDER, ACROSS AND UPON CERTAIN
LANDS, TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE K.D.R.
MEADOWS SUBDIVISION OFF-SITE SEWER MAIN, NORTH
CASTLE HILLS OFF-SITE TO PARLIAMENT SQUARE
TREATMENT PLANT, AND THE PARLIAMENT SQUARE
SUBDIVISION PORTABLE SANITARY SEWAGE TREATMENT
PLANT; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A RELEASE
OF EASEMENT, THEREBY ABANDONING A 10 FOOT SANITARY
SEWER EASEMENT IN NCB 13594 AND NCB 13595.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Mel Sueltenfuss, Director of Public Works, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,478

APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO LLOYD A. DENTON FOR THE COST OF THE OAK MEADOW UNIT 1 SANITARY SEWER PRESSURE SYSTEM.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,479

APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF LACKLAND CITY WATER COMPANY FOR THE COST OF BABCOCK PLACE UNIT 10 SANITARY SEWER FORCE MAIN AND LIFT STATION.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,480

APPROPRIATING \$11,108.16 OUT OF SEWER REVENUE FUNDS PAYABLE TO SAN ANTONIO PROPERTIES NORTH, INC. DEVELOPERS OF UNIVERSITY OAKS, UNIT 2 AND \$555.40 AS A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO COVER INCREASED COSTS BY CONSTRUCTING AN OVERSIZE ON-SITE SEWER MAIN AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 36-35b OF THE CITY CODE.

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74-9 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Cipriano Guerra, Director of Community Development and Planning, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. San Martin, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,481

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO BECOME A PRIME SPONSOR OF MANPOWER TRAINING PROGRAMS UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT OF 1973 AND TO CONTRACT WITH BEXAR COUNTY FOR COMBINED ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAMS WITHIN THE ALAMO MANPOWER AREA PLANNING COUNCIL REGION.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. John Brooks, Director of Purchasing, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,482

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF STRUCTURAL METALS, INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN REINFORCING STEEL BARS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$17,475.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,483

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF CRANE SUPPLY CO. TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH A DUPLEX SUBMERSIBLE LIFT STATION FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$4,496.00.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. John Brooks, Director of Purchasing, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla, Mendoza.

AN ORDINANCE 43,484

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF RENCO SUPPLY TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT MARKERS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$1,954.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,485

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF RENCO SUPPLY TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN COLD APPLIED PLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKINGS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$38,820.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,486

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF MAVERICK-CLARKE TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH STACKING CHAIRS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$10,996.00.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. John Brooks, Director of Purchasing, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,487

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF C.M.I., INC. TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH CERTAIN RADAR UNITS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$4,402.50.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,488

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF BRIGGS-WEAVER, INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN PAINT SPRAYING EQUIPMENT FOR A TOTAL OF \$2,530.06.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,489

AUTHORIZING CERTAIN SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS FOR THE SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY FROM THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$1,950.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,490

ACCEPTING THE LOW BIDS OF ROYAL LUMBER & HARDWARE; PRASSEL LUMBER COMPANY AND ACME LUMBER COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN LUMBER FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$3,765.01.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,491

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH A TRUCK-TRACTOR FOR A TOTAL SUM OF \$17,685.44.

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74-9 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by City Attorney Crawford B. Reeder, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Lacy, Beckmann, Padilla.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,492

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 43433 SO AS TO SET THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE TERMS OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ELECTRICAL EXAMINING AND SUPERVISING BOARD AS JANUARY 31, 1976.

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"Section 2. That Ordinance No. 43326 passed and approved January 24, 1974, is hereby amended by extending the terms of Mr. LaChappelle, Mr. Marek, Mr. Otterpohl, and Mrs. Passur from July 31, 1975 to January 31, 1976.

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74-9 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Members of the Administrative Staff, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: San Martin, Becker, Black, Lacy, Morton, Mendoza; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Beckmann, Padilla.

AN ORDINANCE 43,493

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FROST NATIONAL BANK FOR OFFICE SPACE TO BE UTILIZED BY THE PERSONNEL OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COVERING 1,548 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS, TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$8,000.00 FROM GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT 18-09-13 TO SPECIAL PROJECTS ACCOUNT 18-30-02, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFROM.

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AN ORDINANCE 43,494

APPOINTING EIGHT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE SAN ANTONIO - BEXAR COUNTY URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY.

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A. Members of the City Council of San Antonio:

1. Councilwoman Lila Cockrell
2. Councilman Glenn Lacy
3. Councilman Alfred G. Beckmann
4. Councilman Leo Mendoza

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- B. Director of Department of Aviation - Thomas A. Raffety
- C. Director of Traffic and Transportation - Stewart Fischer
- D. Director of Department of Planning and Community Development -
Cipriano F. Guerra, Jr.
- E. The General Manager of the San Antonio Transit System -
Norman Hill

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74-9 The Clerk read the following letter:

February 22, 1974

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

The following petitions were received by my office and forwarded to the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

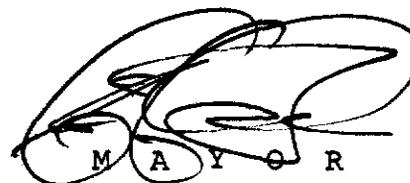
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| February 18, 1974 | Petition of Mr. Al Rohde, 4139 Gardendale, Suite 201, requesting that the Fiesta Carnival remain at HemisFair Plaza. |
| February 22, 1974 | Petition of Mr. Allen M. Ghormley, San Pedro Properties, Inc., 8103 Broadway, requesting permission to construct a ten (10) foot screen around a recreation complex. |

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/s/ J. H. INSELMANN
City Clerk

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 P. M.

A P P R O V E D



M A Y O R

Charles L. Becker

ATTEST: *J. H. Inselmann*
C i t y C l e r k

February 28, 1974
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