

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1971.

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The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by the presiding officer, Mayor John Gatti, with the following members present: HABERMAN, BECKER, HILLIARD, MENDOZA, GARZA, NAYLOR, TREVINO, GATTI; Absent: HILL.

71-46 The invocation was given by Reverend Preston Adkinson, Browning United and Palm Heights Methodist Churches.

71-46 Members of the City Council and the audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

71-46 The minutes of the meeting of October 7, 1971, were approved.

71-46 Mayor Gatti declared October 21, 1971, as "Texas Chefs Association Day," and presented a Proclamation to Mr. Ernest Jimenez, Executive Chef of Fort Sam Houston Officers Club, and to Mr. Sam Maldonado, Executive Chef for the Gunter Hotel.

Mr. Ernest Jimenez invited the Mayor and Members of the City Council to attend the Culinary Arts Day which will feature over 100 individual food exhibits. He added that Texas Chefs have won high honors in International Culinary Exhibits in Germany and other contests sponsored by the American Culinary Federation.

Also, recognized by Mayor Gatti were members of the Hotel and Motel Associations, who are co-sponsoring the Southwest's First Culinary Art Show.

71-46 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: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

AN ORDINANCE 39,991

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$1,848.00 TO THE
CRISS CROSS SERVICE TO FURNISH THE CITY
WITH 1972 CRISS CROSS DIRECTORIES.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,992

ACCEPTING THE LOW BIDS OF TERRELL SUPPLY
COMPANY AND SOUTHERN HOSPITAL SUPPLY TO

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FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN MEDICAL
EQUIPMENT FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,888.42.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,993

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF ACTION UTILITY
COMPANY, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE
SAN PEDRO NORTH SUBDIVISION OFF-SITE
SANITARY SEWER MAIN; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION
OF A STANDARD PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION
CONTRACT; APPROPRIATING \$156,764.00 OUT
OF SEWER REVENUE FUND 204-04 PAYABLE TO
ACTION UTILITY COMPANY, INC.; \$7,800.00
AS A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; \$2,973.48
PAYABLE TO GROVES, FERNANDEZ, LUDWIG,
BARRY, TELFORD & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR
ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,994

APPROPRIATING A TOTAL OF \$2,650.00 OUT
OF VARIOUS FUNDS FOR ACQUISITION OF
PROPERTY AND EASEMENTS PERTAINING TO
ROSILLO CREEK OUTFALL PROJECT, ROYAL
RIDGE OUTFALL PROJECT, SALADO CREEK
SEWER EXTENSION, 36TH STREET STORM
SEWER OUTFALL AND LEGAN SUBDIVISION
SANITARY SEWER MAIN.

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71-46 The Clerk read an ordinance amending Chapter 9 of the City Code pertaining to operation of City cemeteries by providing that all grave spaces shall be sold for cash only and amending certain definitions.

Mr. Bob Frazer, Director of Parks and Recreation, explained that the cemetery was opened in 1923 and certain roads have been put in. This ordinance amends the property descriptions to conform with the actual property designated as San Jose Burial Park. Mr. Frazer added that they are also asking that all sales of grave spaces be sold for cash only. He stated that recently they have had to write off \$500.00 as uncollectable debts.

Several Councilmen expressed themselves as not being in favor of instituting such a policy as it may cause a hardship and deny someone of a burial space.

After further discussion, the ordinance was withdrawn from consideration, and the Parks and Recreation Director was asked to make a detailed report regarding San Jose Burial Park.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,995

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSALS OF RUSSELL L. MAXWELL AND W. B. GARRETT, JR., PROFESSIONAL APPRAISERS AND CONSULTANTS, TO CONDUCT APPRAISAL COURSES FOR NEW CITY TAX OFFICE EMPLOYEES COVERING A THREE TO FOUR WEEK PERIOD AT FEES OF \$200.00 EACH PER DAY.

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Mr. Earl O. Dean, City Tax Assessor, stated that a number of people have been hired under the Emergency Employment Act who are to be trained as appraisers for the reappraisal program. These employees are now ready to go into training.

Mr. Dean explained that he was recommending Mr. Russell L. Maxwell and Mr. W. B. Garrett, Jr., qualified appraisers and consultants, to conduct property appraisal courses for these new employees. The \$200.00 per day fee is in line with standard charges for such work. Both of these men are members of the Society of Real Estate Appraisers and are highly qualified to teach these classes.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mr. Becker, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: Garza; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

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The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

AN ORDINANCE 39,996

GRANTING THE PETITION OF MRS. IGNACIO GUZMAN TO ERECT AN EIGHT-FOOT HIGH FENCE ON HER PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2419 WEST SALINAS.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,997

GRANTING THE PETITION OF MRS. MARGARET NOLL TO ERECT AN EIGHT-FOOT HIGH FENCE ON HER PROPERTY LOCATED AT 226 GLENWOOD COURT.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,998

GRANTING THE FROST NATIONAL BANK THE
PRIVILEGE OF OPERATING "DRIVE-UP" AND
"WALK-UP" TELLER WINDOWS ON TREVINO
STREET.

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Mr. Stewart Fischer, Director of Traffic and Transportation, advised that the Frost National Bank has asked for permission to reactivate the "Drive-Up" and "Walk-Up" teller windows on Trevino Street during the time that the new building is under construction. The Bank will pay the City \$500.00 per year for this privilege.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mr. Naylor, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSTAIN: Becker; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,999

CLOSING A PORTION OF AUDITORIUM CIRCLE
TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.

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Mr. Stewart Fischer, Director of Traffic and Transportation, explained that the portion of Auditorium Circle to be closed is right behind the YMCA. He stated that this is necessary because of construction that will take place there. Adjustments will be made so that traffic going north on Navarro Street will be able to turn right and go into Auditorium Circle.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mr. Becker, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

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Item No. 11 being a resolution approving and endorsing the application by Bexar County to the Texas Criminal Justice Council for an area wide Criminal Justice Information System Grant, was withdrawn from consideration at the request of the City Manager.

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The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 40,000

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF TRINITY UNIVERSITY
FOR A MUNICIPAL INFORMATION STUDY AND OUTLINE,
ALSO AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

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Mr. Winston Ulmer, Fiscal Planning and Control Supervisor, advised that this proposal is for a study and analysis for possible implementation of a Municipal Information System. Trinity University is offering to do this for \$9,000. The City is recommending that we pay \$7,500.00 and also provide two staff members to work with Trinity University on the project so that the City could have some input into the project after the study is over.

The contract will become effective on October 18, and the work completed in ten weeks by January 3.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Becker, seconded by Mr. Mendoza, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

71-46 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: Becker, Hilliard, Mendoza, Garza, Naylor, Trevino, Gatti; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Haberman, Hill.

AN ORDINANCE 40,001

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNORS COMMITTEE ON AGING FOR FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,913.48 FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A SENIOR CITIZEN'S MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY IN HEMISFAIR PLAZA.

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AN ORDINANCE 40,002

APPROVING A DEMOLITION GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

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AN ORDINANCE 40,003

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE SAN ANTONIO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY WHEREBY SUCH AGENCY AGREES TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, MODEL CITIES DEPARTMENT, WITH ALL LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF MODEL CITIES PROJECTS.

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Mr. Raul Rodriguez, 719 Delgado, a member of the Board of Directors of the Midwest Corporation, spoke to the Council regarding the manner that funds are used by this organization. He claimed that outsiders are hired by the corporation rather than persons in the neighborhoods, and that the program does not benefit the poor as it was intended. He stated that within three months, \$19,000 was spent without any discussion by the Board.

Mayor Gatti pointed out to Mr. Rodriguez that the Midwest Corporation is one of seven corporations funded by O.E.O. They have an autonomous Board, and the City has no connection with it except that one City Councilman is a member of one of the Boards. Mayor Gatti suggested to Mr. Rodriguez that he direct his complaints to the O.E.O. Board of Directors.

Mr. William J. Wallace, Jr., spoke to the Council regarding a drainage problem at 36th Street and Inez Street. He stated that recently he had observed school children wading across the street in a very fast current. He described the drainage problem throughout the area and asked that something be done about it.

Mr. Wallace also spoke of conditions in far west San Antonio beyond 36th Street which need attention.

Mr. Wallace stated that recent reports of persons employed under the Emergency Employment Act have been expressed in percentages of ethnic groups. He objected to this and stated that he felt that it would be better to express it in numbers of persons in each ethnic group that were employed.

Associate Manager Sam Granata invited Mr. Wallace to visit the Department of Public Works and go over the entire drainage problem. He assured Mr. Wallace that the City would do everything possible to alleviate the situation.

Mayor Gatti reminded Mr. Wallace that the various school districts are also participating in the E.E.A. Program. He expressed the feeling that finally the participation of poor people in the program will be much higher than indicated in the initial reports.

Councilman Leo Mendoza stated that he would like to receive a narrative report each week on action taken by the City Staff as a result of complaints made. In this way, the Council will know exactly what the status is and whether or not the Council was able to help a situation or whether it is pending.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 A. M.

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