

MARCH 8, 1945

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL, AT TEN O'CLOCK, A. M., ON THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 1945.

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PRESENT: Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson. Mayor Mauermann presiding.

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The Clerk read the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 1, which minutes were approved as read, on motion of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

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The Clerk read the following letter:

Mrs. W. M. Randolph San Antonio 1, Texas
1901 West Mistletoe

March 4, 1945.

The Mayor;
Honorable Gus B. Mauermann
and
The Commissioners of San Antonio,
City.

My dear Sirs:

I am deeply grateful to you for the beautifully framed resolution which you have sent me concerning the men-folk of my family and for your words of sympathy to my daughter and myself.

I realize that great honor has come to my family, this fact in some degree helping to make less poignant the sharp pangs of sorrow that the loss of my husband and sons has brought within my home.

To quote from the citation of President Roosevelt sent to me upon the death in battle of my son, Lieut. Ben D. Randolph, on June 3, 1944. My three "stand in the unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that Freedom might live, and grow, and increase its blessings. Freedom lives, and through it (they) live in a way that humbles the undertakings of most men."

Conscious of their sacrifice, with that of countless thousands who have preceded them, and of those who are yet to die to preserve our wonderful Nation, I too feel humble, and shall endeavor to live worthily of their shining examples of unselfishness, loyalty, and bravery.

Yours sincerely,

s/ Mrs. W. M. Randolph.

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On motion of Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson, the Council ordered this letter recorded in the Official Minutes.

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The Clerk read the following telegram:

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Hon. Gus B. Mauermann
Mayor, City of San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex.

Convalescent Hospital will be established at Fort Sam Houston. Have succeeded in saving Personnel Center at Dodd Field. Facilities to be moved are Adjutant Generals's (sic) School and Provost Marshal General's School. Still attempting secure transfer of one or both Schools to other facilities in Bexar County.

Paul J. Kilday, M. C.

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On motion of Commissioner Steffler, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson, the Council commended Representative Kilday for his successful work in saving the Dodd Field Personnel Center for San Antonio.

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The Clerk read the following letter:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

THE OFFICE OF DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION
J. M. Johnson, Director

Highway Transport Department
1516 Transit Tower

San Antonio, Texas
March 7, 1945

Hon. Mayor and City Commissioners,
City of San Antonio,
San Antonio, Texas.

In reply refer to: H-Taxi-8-C

Re: Resolution dated February 6, requesting allotments for
additional taxicabs in the City of San Antonio.

Gentlemen:

Your resolution requesting permission to license 38 additional taxicabs, based on the findings at a public hearing on the 20th day of January 1945, has received our careful consideration.

Our study of the data at hand, and our investigation of the facts and information through a review of our files has brought forth the following pertinent facts:

1. That there are 117 of the certificated cabs in the City of San Antonio operating substantially below a reasonable average yearly mileage.
2. That if the aforementioned 117 cabs were operating a reasonable average mileage, it would amount to the equivalent of a substantial increase in the number of cabs available to the public.

Therefore after considering the resolution referred to herein, our records, information gained through our investigations, and all matters, facts and things proper to be considered, it is the opinion of this office, that with the number of partially utilized cabs now operated in San Antonio, that the city has not established proof of need for thirty-eight additional cabs and that its application (resolution) should be denied. Accordingly, the application herein above described for a special permit to increase the number of taxicabs to be operated in San Antonio from 179 to 217 is, hereby, denied.

Yours very truly,

s/ John G. Ross
John G. Ross
District Manager

The following petitions were presented and referred to the Commissioner of Fire & Police:
Petition of W. E. Hood, et al, protesting erection of gasoline service station by the Texas Company on northeast corner of intersection of Highland Boulevard and S. Hackberry St.

Petition of Humble Oil & Refining Co. for permission to install two 550-gallon underground gasoline storage tanks and one electric dispensing pump at Day P. McNeel Construction Co., 1322 West Poplar St.

Commissioner Callaghan introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 579

AN ORDINANCE (1863)

TRANSFERRING \$25,000.00 FROM 1944 GENERAL FUND - TAXES, LICENSES, FINES, ETC. ACCOUNT - TO 1944 GENERAL FUND- PROCEEDS OF NOTES ACCOUNT.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 335.)

APPRO. NO. 580

AN ORDINANCE (1864)

TRANSFERRING \$6,300.00 FROM BACK TAX GENERAL FUND AND \$1,600.00 FROM 1943 GENERAL FUND TO 1944 GENERAL FUND.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 335.)

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APPRO. NO. 581

AN ORDINANCE (1865)

APPROPRIATING \$140.62 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - TO PAY DAN QUILL, POSTMASTER, FOR POSTAGE STAMPS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 335.)

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APPRO. NO. 582

AN ORDINANCE (1866)

APPROPRIATING \$16,178.00 OUT OF U. S. GOV'T TAX ACCOUNT TO PAY WITHHOLDING TAXES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1945.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 336.)

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AN ORDINANCE (1867)

GRANTING PETITION OF REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1943 AND YEARS SUBSEQUENT THERETO ON LOT 17, BLOCK 73, N. C. B. 8809, AT 1827 EDISON DRIVE, IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 336.)

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AN ORDINANCE (1868)

GRANTING PETITION OF REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1943 AND YEARS SUBSEQUENT THERETO ON LOT 21, N.C.B. 6707, AT 106 QUENTIN DRIVE, IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 337.)

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AN ORDINANCE (1869)

GRANTING PETITION OF REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1942 AND YEARS SUBSEQUENT THERETO ON LOTS 22 AND 23, N. C. B. 6707, AT 2511 FREDERICKSBURG ROAD, IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 338.)

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Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 583.

AN ORDINANCE (1870)

APPROPRIATING \$60.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - MARKET DEP'T - PAYABLE TO CHARLES P. LE FRANK FOR PLASTERING & REINFORCING 2 VASES.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 339.)

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AN ORDINANCE (1871)

MAKING A SALE OF A CISTERN TO C. A. BOLDT.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 339.)

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Commissioner Steffler introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 584

AN ORDINANCE (1872)

APPROPRIATING \$658.90 IN PAYMENT TO O. R. MITCHELL MOTORS FOR REPAIR OF DODGE TRUCK.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 339.)

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APPRO. NO. 585

AN ORDINANCE (1873)

APPROPRIATING \$21.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - ANNEXATION ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT - PAYABLE TO GEORGE LUFT FOR 14 TRACINGS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 340.)

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APPRO. NO. 586

AN ORDINANCE (1874)

APPROPRIATING \$161.70 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - STREET
MAINTENANCE - PAYABLE TO B. H. BUCH FOR GRAVEL.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 340.)

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APPRO. NO. 587

AN ORDINANCE (1875)

APPROPRIATING \$6.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - ANNEXATION
ENGINEERING DEP'T - PAYABLE TO HAROLD A. CRESSWELL FOR 4 TRACINGS.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 340.)

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APPRO. NO. 588

AN ORDINANCE (1876)

APPROPRIATING \$5.75 IN PAYMENT TO ARTHUR C. JUELG, CITY
EMPLOYEE, FOR MEDICAL SERVICES.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 341)

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AN ORDINANCE (1877)

ABANDONING AN EASEMENT IN CITY BLOCK A-53.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 341.)

City Engineer T. H. Coghill explained the City never had accepted this easement.

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AN ORDINANCE (1878)

ACCEPTING DEED OF DOUGLAS ANDERSON TO EXTEND 18TH STREET SOUTHWEST.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 341.)

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On motion of Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Hein and carried by roll
call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson, the Council granted
the petition of Texas and New Orleans Railroad Co. for permission to install a 1000-gallon
storage tank and pump on company property east of Hoefgen Ave. between Wyoming and Dakota Sts.

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Commissioner Anderson introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved
by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 589

AN ORDINANCE (1879)

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND AMENDING THE 1944
FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 342.)

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A RESOLUTION (1880)

CALLING FOR BIDS FOR THE REPAIR OF HARLANDALE FIRE AND
POLICE STATION.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 342.)

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Mayor Mauermann introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by
roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 590

AN ORDINANCE (1881)

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF QUIT-CLAIM DEED TO LOT 4,
BLOCK 8, BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS, TO FRANCISCO RUIZ, FOR CONSIDERATION
OF \$218.81 AND APPROPRIATING \$211.01 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND,
JUDGMENTS & SUITS DEP'T TO PAY COURT COSTS IN CAUSE NO. C-11,500,
AND TO PAY JUDGMENTS FOR TAXES, PENALTY AND INTEREST TO CITY OF
SAN ANTONIO, SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND STATE OF
TEXAS AND BEXAR COUNTY.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 343.)

Mayor Mauermann stated this ordinance was recommended by the City Back Tax Attorney in
settlement of a tax suit.

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- APPRO. NO. 591 AN ORDINANCE (1882)
 APPROPRIATING \$25.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND PAYABLE TO DR. E. J. ARENDT FOR USE OF HIS PERSONALLY OWNED X-RAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1945.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 344.)
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- APPRO. NO. 592 AN ORDINANCE (1883)
 APPROPRIATING \$60.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND TO PAY DR. J. M. DONALDSON, JR., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 344.)
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- APPRO. NO. 593 AN ORDINANCE (1884)
 APPROPRIATING \$60.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND TO PAY DR. B. E. GALLOWAY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 345.)
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- APPRO. NO. 594 AN ORDINANCE (1885)
 APPROPRIATING \$45.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - PAUPER INTERMENT - FOR BURIAL OF PAUPERS DURING MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1945.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 345.)
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- APPRO. NO. 595 AN ORDINANCE (1886)
 APPROPRIATING \$160.00 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND TO PAY RENT FOR CONTROL CENTER AND U. S. EMPLOYMENT SERVICE.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 345.)
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- APPRO. NO. 596 AN ORDINANCE (1887)
 APPROPRIATING \$66.00 OUT OF COMMERCE BUILDING FUND PAYABLE TO OTIS ELEVATOR CO. FOR MAINTENANCE OF ELEVATORS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2, 1945, to MARCH 2, 1945.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 346.)
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- APPRO. NO. 597 AN ORDINANCE (1888)
 APPROPRIATING \$4.15 OUT OF COMMERCE BUILDING FUND PAYABLE TO PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS CO. FOR FURNISHING AND INSTALLING 1 WINDOW.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 346.)
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- APPRO. NO. 598 AN ORDINANCE (1889)
 APPROPRIATING \$53.55 OUT OF 1944 GENERAL FUND - AIRPORT DEP'T - PAYABLE TO J. WAYNE PARKS, OPERATIONS MANAGER, SAN ANTONIO AIRPORT, FOR EXPENSES INCURRED ON TRIP TO FT. WORTH & DALLAS ON OFFICIAL CITY BUSINESS.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 346.)
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- A RESOLUTION (1890)
 MAKING A SITE AVAILABLE FOR THE MEMORIAL HALL OF WORLD WAR II FOR SOUTHWEST TEXAS.
 (Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 347.)

Mayor Mauermann explained this resolution was requested by the Witte Museum Board of Directors.

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AN ORDINANCE (1891)

ACCEPTING \$36,107.97 IN SETTLEMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS AGAINST
AMERICAN LIGHT AND TRACTION COMPANY.

(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 347.)

City Attorney Cobbs explained that in closing the deal by which the City of San Antonio purchased the San Antonio Public Service Co. there was a guarantee against taxes and the current asset position of the business, and this is the account stated after all offsets and counter-claims by each party had been made and the agreed balance to the City of San Antonio.

Mayor Mauermann stated this ordinance was recommended by the City Public Service Board.

The bid of Colglazier and Hoff, Inc., for levelling base and pavement at West End Park was opened and publicly read. This being the only bid submitted, City Engineer Coghill stated he thought the price was fair. On motion of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Steffler and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson, the bid was accepted and the ordinance ordered drawn, as follows:

APPRO. NO. 599

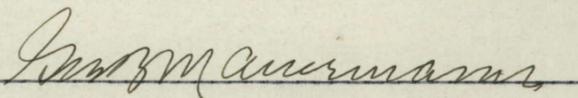
AN ORDINANCE (1892)

ACCEPTING BID OF COLGLAZIER & HOFF, INC., FOR REPAIR AND
IMPROVEMENTS TO TENNIS COURT AT 18TH AND MENCHACA STREETS;
AND MAKING APPROPRIATION.

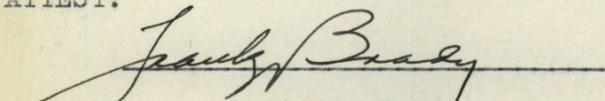
(Full text in Ordinance Book "M", page 348.)

On motion of Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Callaghan and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler, Anderson, the meeting adjourned Thursday, March 8, 1945.

APPROVED:


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ATTEST:


City Clerk

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