

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1968 AT 8:30 A.M.

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The Meeting was called to order by the presiding officer, Mayor W. W. McAllister, with the following members present: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER AND TORRES; Absent: NONE.

68-259 The invocation was given by Mrs. Cockrell.

The minutes of the March 28, 1968 meeting were approved.

68-259 The Mayor read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the local Alamo and San Antonio de Bexar Chapters sponsor Junior American Citizen Clubs in Elementary Schools of the San Antonio Independent School District for the purpose of making better American citizens, and

WHEREAS, the clubs in their respective class rooms salute our flag and sing patriotic songs, and on Friday, the clubs discuss topics such as school safety, better citizenship, loyalty to our City and Government, and

WHEREAS, members of the Junior American Citizen Clubs have entered local and national essay and poem contests and have won many awards, and

WHEREAS, special programs by the above named Chapters will be held on April 6, and April 11, 1968, to honor this years winners,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. W. McALLISTER, Mayor of the City of San Antonio, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim the week of April 4-11, 1968, to be

"JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZEN CLUB WEEK"

In San Antonio, Texas, and call upon our citizens to pay tribute to the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the individual teachers and administrators of the schools and the junior citizens who are doing so much to help our young people understand and appreciate the great advantages of our democratic way of life and the responsibilities of good citizenship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
have hereunto set my
hand and caused the
seal of the City of
San Antonio to be
affixed this 4th day
of April, 1968.

/s/ W. W. McALLISTER
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The Mayor then presented a copy of the Proclamation to Master Don Findley, a student at the Kate Schenck Elementary School and also to Master Don Carrington of De Zavala Elementary School. Each young man thanked the Mayor for the Proclamation and gave a short talk on citizenship.

68-260 The first zoning case to be heard was case 3076 to rezone Lot 34, Blk. 5, NCB 11715 from "A" Single-Family Residence District to "R-3" Multiple-Family Residence District, located on the east of Lorene Lane, 461' north of San Pedro Avenue; having 289.45' on Lorene Lane and a maximum depth of 162.87'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by the passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, TORRES; NAYS: None; ABSENT: GATTI and PARKER.

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AN ORDINANCE 36,387

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 34, BLK. 5, NCB 11715 FROM "A" SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

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68-261 Next heard was zoning case 3111 to rezone Lot 1, Blk. 1, NCB 14163, Lot 1, Blk. 3, NCB 14175, Lot 1, Blk. 2, NCB 14107 & Lot 1, Blk. 1, NCB 14106 from Temporary "A" Residence District to "R-3" Multiple-Family Residence District, located on the east side of Starcrest Drive, 1087.40' north of Loop 410; having 2242.42' on Starcrest and a maximum depth of 313.40'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Torres, seconded by Trevino, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, TORRES; NAYS: None; ABSENT: GATTI AND PARKER.

AN ORDINANCE 36,388

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 1, BLK. 1, NCB 14163, LOT 1, BLK. 3, NCB 14175, LOT 1, BLK. 2, NCB 14107, AND LOT 1, BLK. 1, NCB 14106 FROM TEMPORARY "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

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68-262 Next heard was zoning case 3170 to rezone Lots 17 and 18, NCB 8407 from "B" Two-Family Residence District to "R-3" Multiple-Family Residence District, located northeast of the intersection of DeChantle Road and Loma Linda Drive and having 144.52' on DeChantle Road and 496.88' on Loma Linda Drive.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Torres, seconded by Dr. Calderon, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, TORRES, CALDERON; NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI AND PARKER.

AN ORDINANCE 36,389

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 17 and 18, NCB 8407 FROM "B" TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "R-3" MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

68-263 Next heard was zoning case 3195 to rezone 0.1758 acres out of the Missouri Pacific Railroad R. O. W. being described by field notes filed with the original copy of the ordinance from "B" Two-Family Residence District to "B-3" Business District, located on the east side of Frio City Road between Highway 90 West and Harriman Street, having 47' on Frio City Road, 116.19' on Highway 90 West and 100' on Harriman Street.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Calderon, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote:

McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, TORRES;
NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI AND PARKER.

AN ORDINANCE 36,390

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE
THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN
ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICA-
TION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
DESCRIBED HEREIN AS 0.1758 ACRES OUT
OF THE MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD R.O.W.
FROM "B" TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT
TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT.
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~~68-264~~ Next heard was case 3206 to rezone 121.246
acres out of NCB 11632, described by field notes filed with
the original copy of the ordinance from "A" Residence Dis-
trict to "R-3" Multiple-Family Residence District and 9.341
acres out of NCB 11632, also described by field notes filed
with the original copy of the ordinance from "A" Residence
District to "B-3" Business District, located on the south-
east side of Callaghan Road between Fredericksburg Road and
I.H. 10 Expressway, having 3321.66' on Callaghan Road, 2906.60'
on I.H. 10 and 1113.24' on Fredericksburg Road, the "B-3" zon-
ing being on the east 364.76' of the north 1460' of this tract,
"R-3" zoning on the remaining portion.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director,
explained the proposed changes which the Planning Commission
recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Parker,
the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by
passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES:
McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER,
TORRES; NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,391

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 DES-
CRIBED HEREIN AS 121.246 OUT OF NCB
11632 FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO
"R-3" MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DIS-
TRICT AND 9.341 ACRES OUT OF NCB 11632
FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B-3"
BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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68-265 The next case heard was case 3222 to rezone Lot 20, NCB 11619 from Temporary "A" Residence District to "B-1" Business District, located on the south side of Oak Manor Drive approximately 246.10' southeast of Louis Pasteur Drive, having a maximum width of 492.50' and a maximum depth of 380' with a frontage of 146.59' on Oak Manor Drive.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change to the City Council which the Planning Commission recommended be approved.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER, TORRES; NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,392

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 DES-
CRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 20, NCB 11619
FROM TEMPORARY "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT
TO "B-1" BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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68-266 The next case to be heard was case 3241 to rezone Lot 34, NCB 11167 from "B" Residence District to "B-3" Business District, located on the west side of the Poteet-Jourdanton Expressway, 414.97' north of Villaret Blvd. and having 150.42' on the Poteet-Jourdanton Expressway and a maximum depth of 137.70'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Dr. Parker, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER, TORRES; NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI.

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AN ORDINANCE 36,393

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 34, NCB 11167 FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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68-267 The next case heard was case 3249 to rezone Lot 10, NCB 10914 from "B" Residence District to "B-3" Business District, located north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 181 South (S. Presa Street) and I.H. Loop 410, having 48.61' on U.S. Highway 181 South (S. Presa St.) and 68.50' on I.H. Loop 410, having a maximum depth of 370.16'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER, TORRES; NAYS: None; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,394

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 10, NCB 10914 FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B-3" BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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68-278 The next case heard was case 3252 to rezone Lot 19, Blk. 11, NCB 13773 from Temporary "A" Residence District to "0-1" Office District, located on the northwest side of Eveningway Drive, approximately 202' southwest of Starlight Terrace; having 115.34' on Eveningway and a depth of 125'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

Dr. Calderon stated that he felt that the various classifications such as this "0-1" Office District should be broken down more. In this case where a Masonic Lodge was going to be constructed, the surrounding property owners were notified properly, but he doubted whether any of the adjacent property owners could define "0-1" Office District.

Councilman Jones felt that a list of all the various uses for particular zoning classifications should be enclosed with the notice that is sent to property owners within 200 feet of the property being considered for rezoning.

After discussion by the Council, the Planning Department was instructed to consider such a recommendation and report back to the Council with their recommendations.

On motion of Mr. Torres, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER AND TORRES; NAYS: CALDERON; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,395

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 19, BLK. 11, NCB 13773 FROM TEMPORARY "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "01" OFFICE DISTRICT.

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The next case heard was case 3268 to rezone Lot 23, Blk. 1, NCB 1858 from "B" Residence District to "0-1" Office District, located southwest of the intersection of Woodlawn Avenue and Belknap Place, having 130' on Belknap and 197.8' on Woodlawn Avenue.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER, TORRES; NAYS: NONE; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,396

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 23, BLK. 1, NCB 1858 FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "0-1" OFFICE DISTRICT.

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The next case heard was case 3262 to rezone Lots 19 and 20, Blk. 1, NCB 8673 from "B-2" Business District and "0-1" Office District to "I-1" Light Industry District, located northeast of the intersection of Jones-Maltsberger Road and Parkridge Drive, having 402.70' on Jones-Maltsberger Road and 300' on Parkridge Drive.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

Mr. Louis LeLaurin, an attorney representing the applicant, explained that his client's present building would be taken by the State in order to build the Interchange on Loop 410. His client was anxious to remain in the same

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area, and the new building would resemble the present building in all details. He explained that his client handles builders' hardware and all warehousing would be inside the building.

After discussion by the Council, on motion made by Mr. Torres, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER, TORRES; NAYS: NONE; Absent: GATTI.

AN ORDINANCE 36,397

AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 19 AND 20, BLK. 1, NCB 8673 FROM "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT AND "O-1" OFFICE DISTRICT TO "I-1" LIGHT INDUSTRY DISTRICT.

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68-271 The next case heard was case 3267 to rezone Lots 28 and 29, Blk. 2, NCB 8858 from "C" Apartment District to "B-2" Business District, located on the west side of N. San Felipe, 225' north of Ruiz Avenue, having 50' on N. San Felipe and a depth of 114.5'.

Mr. Burt Lawrence, Assistant Planning Director, explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be denied by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition.

Mr. Benigno C. Huerta, the applicant, explained that he requested the rezoning in order to construct a malt shop on the subject property. He stated there was a grocery store adjacent to his property that was owned by his sister and felt that a malt shop would be a success since it was across from Holy Cross High School and H. K. Williams Elementary School.

After discussion, it was determined that the grocery store did not have a non-conforming use, but had an illegal use; however, they have been paying personal property taxes to the City since 1947.

In answer to a question from the Mayor, Mr. Walker, the City Attorney, stated that even if they had been paying taxes to the City, it would not make it legal.

Mr. Trevino then made a motion to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the rezoning, seconded by Mr. Gatti.

The motion to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the rezoning was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: CALDERON, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER, AND TORRES; NAYS: McALLISTER, JONES; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 36,398

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 DES-
CRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 28 and 29, BLK.
2, NCB 8858 FROM "C" APARTMENT DISTRICT
TO "B-2" BUSINESS DISTRICT.

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68-259 The last case to be heard was case 3273 to rezone the East 50' of Lot 33, NCB 11253 from "B" Residence District to "B-3" Business District, located northwest of the intersection of Briggs Avenue and 435.6' on Luna Court.

Mr. Max Fuentes, attorney representing the applicant, stated that his client had been repairing automobiles on a part-time basis on the subject property and now wished to convert his garage into a commercial garage and operate an auto repair shop on the property.

After discussion by the Council, Mr. Jones made a motion to uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the request for rezoning. Seconded by Mr. James, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL; NAYS: GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER, AND TORRES; Absent: None.

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68-92

The Clerk read the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 36,399

AMENDING SECTION 38-114, SCHEDULE H OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO PERTAINING TO PARKING REGULATIONS ON CERTAIN STREETS, AND PROVIDING FOR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$1.00 NOR MORE THAN \$200.00 FOR VIOLATIONS.

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Mr. Stewart Fischer explained that this was a new type of traffic regulation and felt it was necessary to ease the parking problem caused by the students of St. Mary's University who use the streets to park their cars during classes rather than using the St. Mary's University student parking lot.

After discussion by the Council, on motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the captioned ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER; NAYS: NONE; ABSENT: JONES, JAMES; ABSTAINED: TORRES.

66-657 Members of the Administrative Staff briefed the Council on the following ordinances and resolution, and on motion made by Mr. Torres, seconded by Dr. Calderon, each were passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, AND TORRES; NAYS: NONE; ABSENT: JONES, PARKER.

AN ORDINANCE 36,400

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT TO AMEND THE PRESENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND PARKING, INC. TO AUTHORIZE PARKING, INC. TO PROVIDE FREE BUS SERVICE AT SUCH TIMES AND IN SUCH MANNER AS INSTRUCTED BY THE CITY MANAGER AND TO INCLUDE THE COST OF SUCH BUS SERVICE IN THE STATEMENT DUE THE CITY.

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AN ORDINANCE 36,401

66-992

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF CERTAIN TRANSFORMERS, CONTROL CENTERS AND FITTINGS FROM ALLEN ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$5,552.09 OUT OF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION FUND 806, UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS, IN PAYMENT THEREFOR.

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A RESOLUTION

68-92

RELATING TO THE FIRING OF GUN SALUTES ON THE OPENING OF HEMISFAIR 1968 AND ON CERTAIN OTHER OCCASIONS DURING THE EXPOSITION.

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AN ORDINANCE 36,403

68-272

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF WAYNE TIPPIT CO. FOR U.S. HIGHWAY 281 SANITARY SEWER RELOCATIONS AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT THEREFORE; APPROPRIATING \$126,597.70 OUT OF THE NORTH EXPRESSWAY BOND FUND PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR, APPROPRIATING \$5,000.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND AS A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT AND \$1,000.00 AS A MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

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AN ORDINANCE 36,404

65-1218

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT AMENDING THE PRESENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND CASA RIO FOODS FOR RENTAL OF CITY-OWNED LAND ON THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER, TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL 139 SQUARE FEET IN SUCH LEASE CONTRACT, AT A RENTAL PRICE OF \$.50 PER SQUARE FOOT.

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67-734 The Mayor declared a hearing open on the petition of D. McCurdy, T. Jungman, and B. Roberts for a permit for Temporary Housing during HemisFair '68.

The Clerk read the following petition:

Petition of D. McCurdy, T. Jungman, and B. Roberts requesting a variance for the construction and operation of a camper park during HemisFair on property located on Lot 1, Blk. 3, NCB 13822; Lot 4, Blk. 2, NCB 13736; and Lot 5, Blk. 1, NCB 13735, between I. H. 10 on the north, Upland Road on the east, and St. Hedwig Road on the south and consisting of 14½ acres and being zoned "J" Commercial.

Mr. Steve Taylor, Planning Director, stated that all City Departments, as well as Visitor Services, Inc. have been contacted, and all recommend approval of the petitioner's request. He stated that the petitioner has agreed to comply with the provisions of the temporary housing resolution.

After discussion, Dr. Calderon made a motion to approve the request and grant the permit for temporary housing. Seconded by Mr. Gatti, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, AND TORRES; NAYS: NONE; Absent: JONES, PARKER.

67-734 The Mayor declared a hearing open on the petition of Camp O-Tel, Inc. for a permit for Temporary Housing during HemisFair '68.

The Clerk read the following petition:

Petition of Camp O-Tel, Inc., requesting a permit for temporary housing during the period of HemisFair located on property adjacent to the San Antonio Inn on U.S. 81 North, known as Lots I and J, NCB 13804, consisting of 10.03 acres.

Mr. Steve Taylor, Planning Director, stated that all City Departments, as well as Visitor Services, Inc. have been contacted; however, due to the drainage problem at this particular location, he recommended either denying this petition or that they postpone it until such time as the applicant presented his plans for correcting the drainage.

Mr. H. T. Baylor, applicant, stated that he had corrected the drainage problem and would be glad to submit plans for approval; however, since time is of the essence,

he requested the Council approve the permit for temporary housing since he could not receive a permit unless the drainage problem had been corrected.

After discussion by the Council, Mr. Gatti made a motion to approve the request for temporary housing subject to correction of the drainage, seconded by Councilman Trevino, the motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Jones, Parker; ABSTAINED: Torres.

The Mayor was obliged to leave the meeting, and Mayor Pro-tem Gatti presided.

67-734 The Mayor Pro-tem declared a hearing open on the petition of Terry Anderson requesting a permit for temporary housing during HemisFair.

The Clerk read the following petition:

Petition of Terry Anderson requesting a permit for temporary housing during HemisFair located on Lot 30, Blk. G, NCB 8394, located in the 1500 block of Bandera Rd.

Mr. Steve Taylor, Planning Director, stated that all the Departments had been contacted and all recommend approval of the petitioner's request. He added that the petitioner has agreed to comply with the provisions of the temporary housing resolution.

Mr. Terry Anderson, applicant, explained that the drainage problem had been corrected and that he was installing fire extinguishers as recommended by the Fire Chief.

After discussion by the Council, on motion made by Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. James, a temporary housing permit was approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSTAINED: Jones, Torres; ABSENT: McAllister, Parker.

67-734 Mayor Pro-tem Gatti declared a hearing open on the petition of Terry Anderson requesting a permit for Temporary Housing during HemisFair.

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The Clerk read the following Petition:

Petition of Terry Anderson requesting a permit for temporary housing during HemisFair on a tract of land out of the Ella Meador Tract, said tract being on the west side of Blanco Road and a part of a 20 acre tract of land out of the north part of the Alvina Poss 50 acre tract out of the north part of O.C.L. 20, Range 5, Dist. 3, of the city tract in Bexar County, Texas.

Mr. Steve Taylor, Planning Director, explained that the Public Works Department recommended that this request for a temporary housing permit be denied because of the drainage problem.

Mr. Terry Anderson, the applicant, stated that it had been corrected, and since he owned the adjoining land, there was plenty of parking for visitors.

Mr. Joe Frazer, 1024 Arroya Vista, although not within the 200 feet of the subject property, stated that neighbors on his block were very concerned regarding the traffic problem that would be created. He also stated that this type of operation would not fit into the neighborhood and felt that it would lower the value of their property.

Mr. Charles Branch, Jr. and Mrs. Joe Faulkner, all living in this area, opposed the request for temporary housing.

Mrs. Cockrell stated that she felt that this type of operation would not be compatible to the area.

The Mayor returned and took the chair.

After discussion by the Council, Dr. Calderon made a motion to deny the request for a temporary housing permit. Seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the motion failed by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, James, Cockrell, Trevino; NAYS: Jones, Gatti, Parker; ABSTAINED: McAllister; ABSENT: Torres.

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Mr. Steve Taylor, Planning Director, explained that the petition request of Mr. Terry Anderson for a Temporary Housing Permit had been withdrawn at the request of the applicant located in Urban Renewal Project No. 1.

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66-1175 The Council then continued its consideration of the Minimum Wage Ordinance.

Dr. Calderon, before continuing with the the remaining items, stated that he would like to refer to the work draft made up by the City Attorney, on page 2, Section (D) which refers to "Employer." He said that it should really spell out a little more exactly what he had in mind when he recommended certain exemptions as to the number of employees. He suggested that the definition of "Employer", where it reads "who employs fewer than six people" to insert in place of this language, the following: "excluding retail and service establishments having fewer than six employees."

Dr. Calderon stated that it was not his idea to exclude every employer who has less than six employees because many people who have fewer than six employees can pay the minimum wage. He was merely concerned with the small business operator. The Federal Fair Labor Standards Act uses the term "Retail and Service Establishments", but he was not familiar as to whether it is defined as to the types of businesses. He felt that it would be beneficial if a determination was made as to which businesses should fall within this terminology. The purpose is to leave in those employers who have fewer than six employees and who can afford to pay the minimum wage. He had in mind doctors, dentists, attorneys, architects and engineers.

A lengthy discussion then took place as to exempting some service businesses and not others and where they should draw the line in defining them.

It was the sense of the Council that the following be added to the definition: "as defined by the Fair Labor Standards Act", that the definition of "Employer" be tentatively accepted to read as follows: Section (D) Employer "includes any individual, partnership, association, corporation, business trust, legal representative or any organized group of persons acting as employer, excluding retail and service establishments having fewer than six employees as defined by the Fair Labor Standards Act."

The City Attorney was asked to furnish the Council with a definition of retail and service establishments, and the Council will take final action on this section at the next Council meeting.

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Dr. Calderon stated that there was one minor correction to be made in the working draft on (C) "Employees." He recommended that "Employees" include any individual 18 years of age or over rather than 17.

This was agreeable to the Council.

The definition of "Wage" was considered at length, and the Council decided that it should read as follows:

(H) "Wage" means the payment of monetary remuneration by an employer to an employee for labor and services performed. "Wage" paid to any employee includes the reasonable cost, as determined by the Director to the employer of furnishing such employee with board, lodging, or other facilities, if such board, lodging or other facilities are customarily furnished by such employer to his employees: Provided, That the cost of board, lodging, or other facilities shall not be included as part of the wages paid to any employee to the extent it is excluded therefrom under the terms of a bona fide collective-bargaining agreement applicable to the particular employee: Provided further, That the Director is authorized to determine the fair value of such board, lodging, or other facilities for defined classes of employees and in defined areas, based on average cost to the employer or group of employers similarly situated, or average value to groups of employees, or other appropriate measures of fair value. Such evaluations, where applicable and pertinent, shall be used in lieu of actual measure of cost in determining the wage paid to any employee. In determining the wage of a tipped employee, the amount paid such employee by his employer shall be deemed to be increased on account of tips.

Section 3 "Setting the Minimum Wage at \$1.25" was approved.

Section 4 "Duties of Director", Paragraph (A) "Investigations" and Paragraph (B) "Studies and Reports" were approved.

Section 4 "Duties of Director", Paragraph (C) "Regulations" and Paragraph (D) were deleted.

Section 5 "Records and Posting Requirements" Paragraph (A) was approved as written, with the addition of the following language: "in the event of a complaint." Paragraph (B) was approved as written with the addition of the following language: "as furnished by the City."

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Section 6 "Discrimination Against Employees" was approved as written.

Section 7 "Referrals by Employment Agencies" was approved as written.

Section 8 " Penalty Provisions" Paragraphs (A) and (B) were approved as written. Paragraph (C) pertaining to penalty for separate offenses was deleted.

Section 9 "Civil Actions" was approved as written.

Section 10 pertaining to repeal of prior ordinances that are inconsistent or in conflict with provisions of the ordinance was approved.

Section 11 "Conflict with State or Federal Law" and Section 12 "Severability" were approved as written.

Alternative Section 13 providing that the effective date of the ordinance be 30 days after passage was approved.

The City Attorney was asked to put the ordinance into final form for passage at the next Council meeting.

68-259 Mayor McAllister advised the Council that Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson would be in the City a short time, bringing with her 70 press men from foreign countries and the United States. He felt it would be a significant opportunity for them to be informed of Texas and San Antonio and then introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
TO
MRS. LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON

EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL CITY THAT RECOGNIZES THE GENEROUS ASSISTANCE WHICH SHE HAS GIVEN IN PROMOTING SAN ANTONIO IN ALL OF ITS WORTHWHILE ENDEAVORS, AND THE INTEREST SHE HAS TAKEN IN PRESERVING THE HISTORY, THE CULTURE AND THE BEAUTY THAT IS THE INHERENT BIRTHRIGHT OF ALL SAN ANTONIANS AND TEXANS NOW AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

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On motion of Mr. Gatti, seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the Resolution was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Parker, and Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

66-1216 The following discussion took place concerning the Food Stamp Program:

City Manager Henckel: "Upon the request of Congressman Gonzalez, in recommendations to the U.S. Department of Agriculture and State Welfare Department, the City discontinued the Surplus Commodity Program and entered into an agreement to participate in the Federal and State Food Stamp Program. The above agencies assured us that more of our needy citizens would receive benefit than under our present system. The City passed an ordinance transferring the balance of funds from the Surplus Commodity Program to the Food Stamp Program. To date, the City has expended \$34,500.00 in preparation for the Food Stamp Program. We have now been notified by the Federal and State Agencies that the program will be postponed until July because the federal funds have been depleted. I am gravely concerned over the fact that the City has discontinued the Surplus Commodity Program and there is now no program available for the needy of our community. It has taken approximately three months to phase out the Surplus Commodity Program for the initiation of the Food Stamp Program. It is impossible for the City to get back into a full-scale Surplus Commodity program on a temporary basis. I strongly urge those advocates of the Food Stamp Program to contact the appropriate Federal agencies and officials and request emergency action for the funds so that the needy of our community will not be without help. I pledge the City will do everything they can to cooperate to take care of these people. I just wanted to bring this matter to the Council's attention because it is an emergency."

Mr. Gatti: "I spoke with Congressman Gonzalez's office yesterday, and he assured me he was doing everything possible to work this thing out. I also had a call early this morning from Judge Reeves, and my recommendation is that we reconvene the committee we had that looked into this Stamp Program in the beginning and have us meet with Judge Reeves and the people from the various agencies to see if we can get this thing worked out. I realize this is going to be a tough problem, but I am sure, with all the resources of the City and County, we can work it out and no one be deprived of any of their needs. I would make that recommendation."

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Dr. Calderon: "Are we still distributing in the City at this time?"

Mr. Henckel: "Yes, we are still distributing surplus commodities at this time. However, we had cleared our warehouse, and we have to draw commodities from the central warehouse. We have refurbished our warehouse into offices for the Food Stamp Program. Its all cut up and ready to go. Also we have advanced \$20,000.00 to the State Agency for our participation in the first quarter. When it comes to the budget, it will be a problem, because if the program is not activated before July, our commitment would then be only for one month because it was through this fiscal year. So I am making a request immediately for a return of the advancement of the \$20,000.00 so that we can use it for a temporary issuance of food under the Surplus Commodities Program. Of course, we dismissed eight employees, and it will be necessary to get help from the federal and state people in order to get back the qualified people. It is a very difficult situation."

Mr. Joe Lopez: "I am the Food Stamp Chairman of the Greater San Antonio Federation of Neighborhood Councils-- one of the groups that promoted this program here in our City and County. In that connection we already are taking steps on the recommendation made to this Council by our City Manager. We have been in contact by letter and telephone with federal and state officials. I was in contact with Congressman Gonzalez and he is doing everything he can on this matter. I was also in contact with the Office of Agriculture. I spoke with them at some length, and we have been in contact with the office of Senator Yarbrough and in that connection, I would like to read a telegram that the Federation just received from him.

I am advised that versatile funds are of necessity being cut on a nation-wide basis. Food Stamp Program not abandoned. Only being deferred until July 1, 1968. Will send confirmation.

This morning, I had an opportunity to meet with County Judge Blair Reeves, and he requested I read this telegram. It is a copy of one sent to someone else with a copy to the Judge. The telegram was directed to Mr. Barton G. Peckney, Commissioner, State Department of Public Welfare in Austin, Texas.

Confirming telephone conversation with William Heardon March 21, 1968. Food Stamp Program project scheduled for opening during May and June, 1968, must be delayed until July, 1968. This includes Bexar County and San Antonio, Texas. Reason for delay is that participation in operating projects has unforeseeably decreased due to outreached

efforts and lowering the purchase requirements and an inauguration of one-half price purchase during the first month, using currently available funds. We will cooperate with the State Department of Public Welfare, Bexar County and San Antonio in any way possible to assure that commodities will be available during May and June so there will be no lack of food assistance to needy families.

Signed: John J. Slaughter
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

This telegram is to you from Judge Blair Reeves. So, Gentlemen, by way of the necessary employees on this, we have been discussing this in the Federation, and we had an Executive Meeting last night of fifty persons from throughout San Antonio and Bexar County. We can assure you that we will be able to furnish you personnel to assist you in any way possible during this time or the next month. We are at your service and we want this. This is a step forward for our community. But by July, funding will definitely be available for this, according to this information."

Mayor McAllister: "That still leaves Mr. Gatti's suggestion that the committee, the functioning committee representing the Council, be recalled."

Mr. Lopez: "In that connection, our committee of the Federation is also available at the call of the Council committee."

The Mayor then reappointed the Stamp Food Committee. Members are Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti; Councilmen James, Trevino and Torres, and City Manager Henckel.

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68-259 City Manager Henckel announced that the pay plan for the coming fiscal year is about complete and will be presented to the Council early next week. He would make a final recommendation at next Thursday's meeting.

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68-259 Mrs. Cockrell stated that a few weeks ago, the Council was asked to consider the matter of rental rates for the Boliver Hall Museum to be rented by the Conservation Society. She asked that the Council tour the facility, after which they will be better able to consider the matter.

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The Mayor suggested that, if all could not go, he would appoint a committee to represent the Council on this matter.

67-644 Dr. Calderon, a member of the Council Committee to meet with the trustees of the City Public Service Board, advised that it does not have a report at this time. The Committee is waiting for their report on the 10 points, submitted by the Community Relations Commission in its report.

68-259 Mr. Eddie Montez made the following statement to the Council concerning improvements on the west side:

"I am from the Edgewood area. As you recall, a few years ago, I introduced a plan for a park, along with a golf course for our area. We received the park, and we are very grateful for it. That's Monterrey Park. We have never heard anything more about our golf course. I just thought I would come up here and remind you that we are interested in golf in our area. I think we are the only area that hasn't had a golf course installed. We have two on the north side, one or two on the east side, and then Riverside. Another project that we have and hope that you will give serious consideration to is the beautification of McMullen Drive. I think that this would really add a lot, not only to our area, but also to the City of San Antonio. We feel that this drive, with the planting of trees and shrubs, would upgrade our area considerably. Along with that, we would encourage the City Council to take under consideration the building of sidewalks from our Kennedy High School down to Ceralvo Street. I can assure you that you will get our full cooperation in anything we can do to help you do the job that is needed. Another thing that we need is a traffic light at McMullen and Ceralvo Street. This is a very busy intersection, and we have had a number of deaths there in the past. Another problem is the signal light that is already in effect on Cupples Road and Ceralvo. It is for school crossing--there is a school there. It is a regular light during the day. It turns into the blinking status after school, or after five o'clock. We would like this light to be a permanent type of light because we have a heavy concentration of traffic there at night, and some of the people that use this daily realize this. So, I will put this in writing so that you all will have all these things that are needed out in our area. As you know, I have

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have always supported bond issues, and we will continue to support bond issues in our area. Another problem is drainage in Loma Park. This has been brought to the attention of the City Council in past years, and this has not been accomplished yet. When flood conditions exist, the people in Loma Park cannot use 36th Street. So, we hope you will give consideration to this request, and I will introduce some plans for the beautification of McMullen Drive at a later date. Thank you."

Mr. Rudy Maldonado also spoke on improvements for the west side as follows:

"This is a follow through of the John F. Kennedy Town Hall Meeting. I have mentioned a number of problems, not necessarily in the Edgewood area, but in west San Antonio. I am a member of the Edgewood area though. We spoke to you on a great number of areas. We spoke about sidewalks, traffic lights, traffic improvements, cross overs on McMullen and Cupples Road, and you invited me to see Mr. Stewart Fischer, Mr. Mayor. That was back in November of last year. I met with Mr. Fischer, and in a while I will tell you what our discussion was about. First, I want to congratulate you on your endeavor in as far or as far as HemisFair is concerned. It only proves to us that when you set your mind to do something, you can do it. In a few short months you have come from nothing into the actuality of HemisFair. We are proud of you, and we want to congratulate you. Now we would like to invite your attention to our problems. You have been in office a number of years, and we would like to ask you to concentrate your attention in your capacity, as far as management is concerned, to our area. Mr. Eddie Montez mentioned a few of the problems. There are a great number of problems. We want you to start working on these, and we want you to use the aggressive action that you took on HemisFair. He promised me a traffic light at Cook and Cupples Road. He actually put up some stop signs in the Gardendale Village Area, which I was happy about. He also mentioned to me that there was some diversion in funds in road improvements due to HemisFair, and that after HemisFair we would be paid attention to. I would like now to ask you if this money is coming back and what the diversion was, and when we can expect these improvements? I also warned Mr. Stewart Fischer that I would mention this in public and he said that he couldn't help it. This is the way it is. Money has been diverted, and you must suffer the consequences. Just last night, there was another accident at Cupples and Ceralvo. Two Sundays ago there was a two year old child killed on Weir Avenue. There have been a number of deaths on McMullen. That is a death trap. I am not worried about

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beautification at the moment. I am worried about traffic situations. Our children need this. Our Families need this. Also, I want to invite your attention to the policemen's pay and to the firemen's pay. We are not receiving adequate police protection, and I feel this could be a cause of it. We have very poor fire protection also. The only fire station from which we can get a fire engine is the one located on Nogalitos Street. It takes quite a while for a Nogalitos Fire Station to respond to a call on the west side of McMullen Street, and there have been a great number of fires. So, in all due respect to your management ability, I invite you to pay some attention to our area. Also, I am available at any time. I want to work with you. I want to contribute something on this. I am not a one man show. I am the chairman of a committee from west San Antonio on traffic improvements and safety."

68-131 Mr. Les Mendolson, a local attorney, spoke to the Council concerning Ordinance 36,322 which prohibits parades, demonstrations, and public assemblages in the HemisFair area and on the perimeter of that area. He questioned its constitutionality and asked the Council to reconsider and pass a reasonable ordinance which would protect the City and the right of free speech.

The Mayor suggested to Mr. Mendelson that he put his recommendation for amending the ordinance in writing for consideration by the Council.

66-1175 Mr. Steven Harvesty, representing the United Councils for Civic Action, spoke in favor of a minimum wage ordinance, but objected to the exemptions being made in the ordinance under consideration by the Council.

67-361 The following discussion took place concerning pay raises for policemen:

Mr. John Charles Cameron: "I am an attorney. An article came out in the San Antonio Light dated Wednesday, April 3, 1968. Headline--SAN ANTONIO POLICE THREATEN STRIKE UNLESS PAY ACTION TAKEN. San Antonio policemen did not

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threaten any strike at any time. I was there at the entire meeting. The article states that the attorney was employed by the police group. The attorney was not employed by the police group. He was asked to be there, and then to bring their thoughts to the City Council. The Attorney Spokesman said serious steps could include a sick-in strike, similar to action taken last year by the City Garbage workers. This is an out and out lie. I am going to tell you what happened at that meeting and just exactly what the policemen who were there at the meeting told me to tell you. And something else I want to get cleared up. There is a matter that has been brought before the Chief of Police and the City Manager. A roster was taken out there that all of these people whose names are attached to this roster are in complete agreement with what went on in that meeting. Let's clear that up. That's not so. Some of these gentlemen had already left the meeting. The meeting went on until one o'clock in the morning. I think you know and I know we have talked about police pay increases. These men want a raise. And they are going to take some type of action to get a raise. Now, I have discussed this with Dr. Parker a week ago. I told him I had been in touch with the policemen, that I would be meeting with them. I talked with the City Manager this morning. They have heard part of this already. Quite late in the evening while Billy's Restaurant was full, a motion was made that I come before the City Council on behalf of the policemen present--there were over a 100--and tell the City Council they want a 25% pay increase. Alright, they didn't say a complete monetary pay increase of 25%, but they want some fringe benefits. They want in the neighborhood of 25%. I was to tell the Council, and these are their words, and after I get through telling you their words I want to tell you what Mr. Mendoza said and what I said. But I want to tell you what they said first. They want their raise. If they don't get their raise, the tickets are going to slow to a stop. That's No. 1."

Mayor: "Who made that statement?"

Mr. Cameron: "I have been asked to relay this statement to the Council. This was passed by a show of hands."

Mayor: "But the police officers there made the statement that in the event they did not get the raise they will slow down on the tickets?"

Mr. Cameron: "Yes."

Mayor: "Alright. Go ahead."

Mr. Cameron: "No. 2. If this didn't work,"

Mr. Torres: "The roster of policement present. You are not releasing this, Mr. Cameron?"

Mr. Cameron: "Absolutely not, Mr. Torres."

Mr. Torres: "Well, I just wanted to be sure."

Mr. Cameron: "These people whose names are on this roster do not necessarily back what I am saying, or this statement."

Mr. Torres: "I think I know you well enough, but I don't want to see any of the policement jeopardized."

Mr. Cameron: "Listen, these policemen got up and made this and they know darn well where it was going when they sent me down here to say it. If they raised their right hand, they said, 'Mr. Cameron, you go tell them.'"

Mr. Torres: "I don't want you to raise the name of a particular police officer."

Mr. Cameron: "I haven't raised the name of a particular police officer."

Mr. Torres: "You raised the name of Officer Mendoza."

Mr. Cameron: "I will clarify Officer Mendoza's position very shortly. No. 2. If ticket stoppage doesn't work, billboards. No. 3. If billboards doesn't work, they will slow down, take as much time as possible on calls, any disturbance, and stay out of the car as long as they can. No. 4. and the last thing, an epidemic of the Blue Flu, and you know what I mean. Now these, Gentlemen, on No. 1, they voted on almost unanimously. I advised against it myself. I am not in favor of the billboards. I told them that the citizens I had talked to or contacted are not in favor of the billboards. I told them I am not in favor of sick-ins. It's a strike. It's illegal. I read them the law and told them it's illegal. All right, that was my position at the meeting. I was sent down here to relay these words and these messages that that's what I have done. Another thing which I want to make absolutely clear, which the press did not make absolutely clear, that this was not a function of the San Antonio Police Officers Association. Mr. Joe Mendoza was there. Mr. Mendoza does not go along with any of these recommendations. His hand did not go up on a single one of

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them so let's not make an example out of Mr. Mendoza just because he is President of the Police Officers Association.

Personally, just between you and me, these men deserve a raise. They need it now, they don't need it six weeks from now, don't need it six months from now, they need a raise. Their job is difficult, it is getting more difficult day in and day out. They are not working under ideal conditions on that police force. I think everybody knows they need money.

Now, you know there is one truth in this article in the paper. You know the revenue is going down and this doesn't help anybody."

Mayor: "What is going down?"

Mr. Cameron: "The revenue from traffic tickets. Do you have the article Mr. Mayor?"

Mayor: "Oh yes, I have it."

Mr. Cameron: "I will agree with the last part of that article and it is going to get worse. Now these people simply are stating their position. I don't want to be in the position that I am here threatening the Council. I told you before my position on this matter. I don't agree with a lot of it, I consider it to be illegal. I was out there for the purpose of advising them of what was legal and what was not legal. But by the same token these men asked me to come down here, by a vote, and tell you these things. That is why I am here. I would like to see this Council take some action. I understand the citizens committee you have appointed is meeting in full today and they have certain recommendations. I do not think the recommendations that they will make will be sufficient. They will go a long way to getting this situation under control, but we need some immediate action and some immediate help because I watch these men. A lot of them are my friends. These people aren't rabble rousers and they are not trying to cause trouble. They are just trying to feed their families and not have to work day and night to do it. They can't be 100% Policemen, 100% School Teachers, 100% armed guards for Handy Andy. They should be 100% policemen for the City of San Antonio and the City of San Antonio needs them from the day after tomorrow until October. That's all I have to say and I hope to set the record straight, but that is what went on.

Mr. Jones: "I am just a little confused I guess. You said you didn't represent the Police Association. Who are you working for?"

Mr. Cameron: "I come here at the request of over 100 policemen who attended the meeting the day before yesterday.

Mayor: "What kind of a meeting was that Mr. Cameron?"

Mr. Cameron: "It was a meeting of City Policemen.

Mr. James: "When was it held? Day before yesterday?"

Mr. Cameron: "The meeting was held on April 2, 1968."

Mayor: "In other words it was not a meeting of the Police Association?"

Mr. Cameron: "No sir, it was not."

Mayor: "How long have you been an attorney?"

Mr. Cameron: "I have been practicing five years. I was licensed with Mr. Torres. We took the Bar Exam together, at the same time.

Mayor: "Do you like your job, your profession?"

Mr. Cameron: "Yes I do. Very much so."

Mayor: "That's good. All I am going to say is this. This Council has expressed itself as being very muchly concerned about the question of pay, not only of the police, but the firemen and other City employees as well. We are sincerely endeavoring to take care of the situation. But, when a group of people come to us with a threat that we have to increase their wages 25% or something of that sort, they alienate my support. I can tell you that. I am speaking as an individual member of the City Council. I would say to them as I would say to you. If you don't like your job, get out, quit. There isn't a sorrier thing for a man to do, so far as character is concerned, so far as happiness is concerned, than to be engaged in a job he doesn't like. When members of the Police force come up and threaten things that these people have threatened, supposedly, they, according to this article and according to your statement, that is absolutely against the welfare of San Antonio, and as far as I am concerned, they are no longer fit to be on the police force."

Mr. Cameron: "Your honor, you are talking about some of your best policemen."

Mayor: "That may be."

Mr. Cameron: "You are talking about some of the men who have gone above and beyond the call of duty in defense of your property and my property and the property of the citizens of this town."

Mayor: "Then they are ill advised."

Mr. Cameron: "I told you the advice I gave them, Mr. Mayor. I want to go on record right now that I have supported this Council from the time it took office. I have worked for this Council during elections and I think you all well know that and I respect every member on this Council and I respect your viewpoint. But I am just merely telling you what went on. I was asked to tell you what went on. Nobody wearing a blue uniform would get up here and tell you what went on, so I am here to tell you what went on."

Mrs. Cockrell: "I would like to make two comments. Earlier in the meeting the City Manager stated that he had his proposed pay plan for all employees and was prepared and would submit it to the Council early next week. Number two, the committee to which he referred is meeting today. I would not wish to prejudge what their recommendations would be. I think we should wait until the committee makes its recommendation. Assuming that the work of these citizens who have been appointed will prove fruitful, it will bring a recommendation that will be helpful to all of us. So I would say that both of the efforts are moving in the right direction."

Mr. Cameron: That is why I am here this Thursday morning and not next Thursday morning. I wanted the Council to hear me and hear what the police officers have to say prior to when the Council hears the Committee's recommendations. They simply want some action. They have seen nothing. Everytime, they say committee, this committee will act on it. This has been going on and on and on and still no money. But I noticed the Secretary in City Hall got more money. "

Dr. Parker: "This is the first time we have appointed a committee."

Mr. Cameron: "Yes sir, and it has stalled considerably in my opinion. That is my own personal opinion. I think there are several members on this Council that are in favor of an immediate pay increase. I don't want to alienate the Mayor, the City Council, or anybody. I am just here to tell you what went on. I just want to say this. These policemen are asking for what they consider are their basic needs. They have no other way of demonstrating the fact that they are unified in getting these needs. I do not think they will go by step No. 1. But I think step No. 1 has already been in effect for some time as you well know. I hope that by the time anything else is done, this Committee will make recommendations and this Council will act quickly. But this thing, lumping it into a general pay increase for all City employees just isn't going to get the job done because these men are going to want more than the average to City employees."

Mr. Torres: "You actually favor a pay raise for the policemen?"

Mr. Cameron: "Why absolutely, Mr. Torres. As a private citizen, I really do."

Mr. Torres: "I can tell you this, with a little bit of expertise, if you are going to stand up for something, and you are going to have the courage of your convictions, sometimes you are going to alienate some people, but I wouldn't apologize even if you do alienate some people."

Mr. Cameron: "I am not apologizing for being here. Don't get me wrong. I am not apologizing. I was asked to come here and the people that asked me to come here are my friends and I am with them 100% and if I step on somebody's toes, that's too bad."

68-173 Rev. R. A. Callies, Sr., Chairman of the Community Project Committee for James Whitcomb Riley PTA, spoke to the Council concerning a petition previously submitted for improvements on the east side of the City. The following report has been made concerning the requested improvements:

The intersection of Spriggsdale with East Commerce and Nebraska has been studied, and it was found that the installation of the traffic signals would be beneficial at these two intersections. It is recommended that consideration be given to including the funds for their installation in the 1968-69 budget.

No study has been made of the intersection of Nebraska and Gevers. This will be done in the near future.

Traffic signals will be installed at the Artesia-Nebraska Interchange with I.H. 10 by the Texas Highway Department.

A part of the petition deals with the providing of a new street northward from the 3500 block of Nebraska. This would provide more accessibility to this area, but it would have to be done by inducing through traffic into a residential area located south of East Houston Street. The opening of I.H. 10 Expressway will provide an excellent connection from Nebraska to E. Commerce from about the 3000 block of Nebraska. It is recommended that no action be taken on this request until the benefit of having the expressway can be appraised.

Rice Road Bridge at Salado Creek

This structure would require roadway width of 42 feet, bridge width 54 feet, 6 foot sidewalks on each side, bridge length of 600 feet. The total estimated cost of this project would be \$415,000.00. This includes \$324,000.00 for bridge construction; \$11,000.00 for drainage; \$33,500.00 for approaches, channel work, etc; \$22,110.00 for engineering fee; \$24,390.00 for right of way.

This project would be an item for consideration by a citizens committee in connection with a future bond issue.

Sidewalks on Nebraska

The school that sidewalks on Nebraska serve is the James Whitcomb Riley Junior School located at 3501 Nebraska Street. No limits were specified on the petition as to the area to be considered for sidewalks; therefore, this report will be

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from Clark Avenue east to Brooksdale, a distance of about ten blocks. A field inspection has been made and the following exists now on the south side of Nebraska from Clark Avenue to Brooksdale:

Clark to Rio Grande	None
Rio Grande to Lacey	None
Lacey to Robeson	All of 2.5'
Robeson to Aurelia	None
Aurelia to Amanda	None (Except Bridge)
Amanda to I.H. 10	None (Except under I.H. 10-4')
Lone Oak to Wheatley	All of 2.5'
Wheatley to Bookertee	All of 2.5'
Bookertee to Brooksdale	All of 2.5'

The existing 2.5' sidewalks are a result of past Summer School Sidewalk Programs.

Two alternatives exist--relocate the utility poles, remove existing 2.5' sidewalk and replace with 4' sidewalks plus installation of new 4' sidewalks where none presently exist. The estimated cost would be \$9,200.00 plus utility pole relocation. The second alternative would be to relocate the utility poles, match the existing sidewalks where none exist now. The estimated cost would be \$6,400.00 plus utility pole relocation.

New Street from 3500 Block of Nebraska to Commerce Street

Because of I.H. 10, it is impossible to extend all the way to Commerce Street. Therefore, this report will be for a new street from Nebraska to Houston Street. This project would be 2,950 feet in length, 50' of right of way, 30' street with a bridge structure across the Salado Creek. The estimated cost for the street work is \$73,750.00; new bridge is \$252,000.00; for drainage work, channel work, engineering fee and contingencies \$48,863.00; right of way \$3,387.00; for a grand total of \$378,000.00.

This proposal is not a part of the master thoroughfare plan; therefore, the Traffic and Transportation Department should present their comments and recommendations.

You will note that the estimated cost of the new street is \$378,000.00. At a later date, should this part of the project be made a part of the Master Plan, it will still have to be funded by a future bond issue.

Please be assured of the City's interest in your area and that we will cooperate with you in these improvements as funds become available.

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Rev. Callies stated that some items in the report won't be considered until the 1968-69 budget is reviewed and asked that the Council advise them within 30 days of what improvements can be expected in the near future.

68-259 Mr. Pat L. Holmes, representing the East Central School District, stated that they have a serious problem which originates with the City of San Antonio and the City Public Service Board because of their purchase of approximately 12,000 acres of land for a sewage disposal plant and two cooling lakes. He said that it is estimated by their tax collector that they will have \$12,000.00 less to spend on education this year and around \$37,000.00 less next year. He stated that he had met with representatives of the City Public Service Board, but because of the legal make up, they could not offer redress, compensation or further reduced electric rates. He suggested that a park and resort area be developed at the lakes. This would bring up the value of the surrounding land, which would increase valuations and thereby encourage development of property in the district.

Mr. Holmes asked that the City meet with some representatives of the School District so that they could pursue this matter further.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned.

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