

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1965, 8:30 AM.

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The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by the Presiding Officer, Mayor W. W. McAllister, with the following members present: MC ALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER and BREMER; ABSENT: None.

65-1205 The invocation was given by the Very Reverend Joseph P. Sammon, OMI, Pastor of Saint Mary's Catholic Church.

The minutes of the meeting of November 18, 1965, were approved.

65-1205 Mayor McAllister recognized Mr. Jack Kaufman, former City Councilman.

Mr. Kaufman, on behalf of the Southwest Region of the Zionist Organization of America, presented a plaque to Mayor McAllister for work that he and the City Council has done in recognition of their outstanding leadership and friendship for just causes and forthright principles in San Antonio. He said the Zionist of America is dedicated for providing a homeland for homeless people. They have been responsible, together with other like-minded and fair-minded people, for the establishment of a homeland in the state of Israel for a people who otherwise would not have a home.

Mayor McAllister accepted the plaque on behalf of the City Council and said that Mr, Kaufman, as a former member of the Council, knew they had to work together and to have the same thoughts. Otherwise, they don't accomplish things. Such little<sup>er</sup> has been done to make San Antonio a tolerant city, a city of intergration and recognition of people's rights, is a result of the combined action of the Council.

The following ordinances were explained by members of the Administrative Staff, and on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER and BREMER; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

65-1206 AN ORDINANCE 33879

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BID OF NUCLEAR-CHICAGO CORPORATION TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH ONE DENSITY-MOISTURE CONTENT MEASURING SYSTEM FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$3,747.95.

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65-1207 AN ORDINANCE 33880

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BIDS AS LISTED BELOW TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION WITH CERTAIN ELECTRICAL WIRE AND SUPPLIES AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$2,767.16 FROM 1961 PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND #479-18 FOR PAYMENT OF SAME.

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65-1208

AN ORDINANCE 33881

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF ECONOLITE AND SIGNAL SALES & MAINTENANCE CORPORATION TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION WITH CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL EQUIPMENT FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$36,941.35.

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65-1209

AN ORDINANCE 33882

AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT TO HONEYWELL, INC., FOR TEMPERATURE CONTROLS MAINTENANCE FOR CERTAIN BUILDINGS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,383.00.

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65-1210

AN ORDINANCE 33883

AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT TO THE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION FOR MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE FOR CERTAIN ELECTRIC TYPEWRITERS FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,626.08.

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65-1211

AN ORDINANCE 33884

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BID OF ALAMO CARPET SHOWROOM FOR THE LABOR AND MATERIALS TO INSTALL MATTING IN THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM, CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$9,500.00 AND TRANSFERRING \$8,764.66 FROM 30-C1-01 TO SPECIAL PROJECTS 11-03-17.

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65-1212

AN ORDINANCE 33885

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF JOE RIVERO FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION NO. 4; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SAID WORK; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$105,000.00 OUT OF FIRE STATION BOND FUND NO. 489-04 PAYABLE TO JOE RIVERO; APPROPRIATING \$2,000.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND AS A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; \$1,000.00 AS A MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT; \$368.00 PAYABLE TO CLARENCE RINARD FOR BALANCE OF ARCHITECTURAL FEES.

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65-1213

AN ORDINANCE 33886

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF P. S. & F. CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STORM DRAINAGE PROJECTS 74-D AND 75-E IN THE AMOUNT OF \$362,962.40; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SAID WORK; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$163,529.40 OUT OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS AND \$199,433.00 OUT OF STORM DRAINAGE BONDS PAYABLE TO P. S. & F. CONSTRUCTION CO.; APPROPRIATING \$12,000.00 OUT OF STORM DRAINAGE BONDS AS A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; \$2,000.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND AS A MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT AND \$772.82 PAYABLE TO W. H. MULLINS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.

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65-1214

## AN ORDINANCE 33887

REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 33062 PASSED AND APPROVED FEBRUARY 11, 1965, ACCEPTING DEDICATIONS FROM H. L. DAVIS, JR. AND PAUL S. CROSS OF CERTAIN LAND REQUIRED IN THE WIDENING AND IMPROVEMENT OF SAN PEDRO AVENUE FROM WARREN STREET TO ELMIRA STREET.

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## AN ORDINANCE 33888

AUTHORIZING A QUITCLAIM DEED TO THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY OF A PORTION OF THE ABANDONED RIVER CHANNEL.

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## AN ORDINANCE 33889

ACCEPTING A RAILROAD CROSSING LICENSE FROM THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY AND APPROPRIATING \$3.00 OUT OF THE 1964 SEWER REVENUE BOND FUND IN PAYMENT THEREFOR; ALSO ACCEPTING A RIGHT OF WAY DEDICATION PERTAINING TO THE OBLATE DRIVE AND GROTTO BOULEVARD PROJECT.

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65-1217

## AN ORDINANCE 33890

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$8,000.00 OUT OF POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING BOND FUND NO. 479-15 FOR PURCHASE OF LANDSCAPING MATERIALS TO BE USED IN BEAUTIFYING CITY PARKING LOTS TO SERVE THE POLICE AND CORPORATION COURT BUILDINGS AND THE NEW WELFARE BUILDING AND AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

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65-1218

## AN ORDINANCE 33891

MANIFESTING A ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OF THE EXISTING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND A. F. BEYER, D/B/A CASA RIO MEXICAN FOODS, FOR USE OF A PORTION OF CITY-OWNED LAND ON THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER IN CONJUNCTION WITH A RESTAURANT OPERATION.

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65-1219

## AN ORDINANCE 33892

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND THE CITY CLERK TO AFFIX THE CORPORATE SEAL AND ATTEST THE SAME, A CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE STATE OF TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE STREET ILLUMINATION SYSTEM ON THE SAN ANTONIO URBAN EXPRESSWAY: FROM SOUTH HACKBERRY STREET TO EAST HOUSTON STREET (ST. HEDWIG ROAD) THE ROUTE OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10.

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65-1220

AN ORDINANCE 33,893

EXTENDING THE TERM OF A LEASE OF SPACE AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO EASTERN AIRLINES, INC.

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65-1220 After passage of the foregoing ordinance, Mayor McAllister asked City Manager Shelley to report on plans for expansion of International Airport.

Mr. Shelley explained the staff is working on this and will be coming to the City Council very shortly with certain projects. These projects will include remodeling of the present International Room which is to be modified for offices to be occupied by those presently in the Ticket Counter Corridor; additional area for the Dobbs House; a new baggage wing; a parking lot to accommodate approximately 1,000 cars; a new satellite wing, which will house the new International Room and will be able to handle 4 flights on the ground at the same time.

In addition, a portion of the second satellite, which is in the final program, will be ready if needed in 1968. Also there will be the ramp area and terminal building work, and expansion of the second jet runway.

As to a coordinated design plan, Mr. Shelley reported that for the exterior of the building, there will be only one architect and one design involved. The design is already established and it is proposed to renovate the exterior of the building along the front. On the interior, however, there will be differences. However, it will be tastefully colored and no problem is anticipated in this respect.

The following ordinance was explained by City Attorney Sam Wolf, and on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Dr. Parker, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER and BREMER; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

65-1221

AN ORDINANCE 33,894

AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO MAKE A REFUND OF \$328.29 TO CHARLES G. DAVIS, BEXAR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR.

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65-1205 An ordinance defining and limiting the authority of the Fiesta San Antonio Commission, Inc., as official coordinating agency for the City of San Antonio in connection with the Fiesta Week celebrations, was withheld from consideration.

The following ordinances were explained by members of the Administrative Staff, and on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McALLISTER, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, PARKER and BREMER; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

65-1222

AN ORDINANCE 33895

AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO THE INTERIM INTERNATIONAL BUILDING BY CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD AND APPROPRIATING \$5,300.00 OUT OF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REVENUE BOND CONSTRUCTION FUND 803-13 IN PAYMENT THEREOF.

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AN ORDINANCE 33896

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE OF SPACE AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO ALL AMERICAN MAINTENANCE, INC.

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AN ORDINANCE 33897

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT TO AMEND A CERTAIN LEASE OF SPACE AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO SOUTHWEST AIRLINES, INC.

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AN ORDINANCE 33898

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT AMENDING A LEASE OF SPACE AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, INC.

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AN ORDINANCE 33899

GRANTING PERMISSION OF RADIO STATION KTSA TO HAVE A PEP RALLY AND BON FIRE AT THE STUDIOS OF KTSA ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 AND THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1965.

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65-1227

AN ORDINANCE 33900

CHANGING THE NAME OF SOUTHEAST BRANCH LIBRARY TO McCRELESS LIBRARY.

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65-1205 Mr. Clayton Russell, Volunteer Literacy Council Instructor, presented pictures of a recent graduating class in Urban Renewal Areas. He reported that when persons enroll in this class, some do not know a single word of English. However, when they graduate, they continue to learn English until they pass their citizenship examinations. He said that many think that upon completing a literacy course, that this automatically entitles them to vote and he has been bringing this to their attention and advising them that this cannot be done until they become citizens.

He felt that he should report to the Council from time to time, since it is interested in the work of the Literacy Council and Mr. James is an executive member of the Council.

Mrs. Cockrell, on behalf of the Council Members, expressed appreciation for the work that Mr. Russell and other Volunteer Instructors are doing and

to which they devote many hours of their time to help the Literacy Program.

65-1228 The following reports by the City Manager on petitions received, were presented to the City Council, who, after consideration, concurred with the City Manager's recommendations.

- 1) Petition of Jose M. Mireles and others in the vicinity of West Commerce and Belcross Streets requesting the City to provide sidewalks along the route to the school in this area, a school crossing with a traffic control signal or Mama Patrol and pedestrian walkway along the narrow bridge so children may walk in safety.

Our investigation reveals that there is a school sidewalk along the south side of Commerce to Acme Road. The Public Works Department has just finished a new footbridge across the creek just west of Belcross Street. The school zone is clearly marked with permanent and portable signs and there is a painted crosswalk across Commerce in front of the school. At the time the Traffic Department observed the problem there were no adult guards nor school patrols. Many children were walking in the street instead of using the sidewalk or crossings. A school patrol, as well as instructions from the school itself, would greatly relieve the situation.

We, therefore, recommend no further action is necessary.

- 2) 65-1228 Petition of Rev. Erwin A. Juraschek, Saint Thomas More Church, amending the previous request to change the name of Molokai Street to Thomas More Street instead of Saint Thomas More Street as previously requested.

This is a second petition as the request last month was to change Molokai Street to Saint Thomas More Street. The Manager recommended denial of the first petition for two reasons: There were objections by some of the property owners, and the Planning Commission recommended against a three-word name.

We, therefore, cannot recommend granting of this second request because of the objections of the residents.

- 3) 65-1228 Petition of Mr. Abe San Miguel and Mr. Eli Bergmann, Consuls of Costa Rica and El Salvador respectively for reserved parking spaces, on the east side of the 300 block of South Saint Marys St. and west side of the 200 block of North Flores Street.

It has been a long standing policy of the Council to deny all requests of reserved spaces. The State Statutes do not provide this privilege.

We, therefore, cannot recommend the granting of these requests.

- 4) 65-1228 Petition of Howard Goldman opposing construction of La Fonda Restaurant Oak Hills Addition.

The property in question is a legal use in an "F" Zone. The Planning Commission on November 10, 1965 considered the possible up-grading of this area but decided that they would not initiate such zoning.

We, therefore, recommend that no further action is necessary.

- 5) Petition of Mr. George J. Cowley requesting the City to deny  
65-1228 issuance of a permit to keep horses on the premises at 229 and 201 Rayburn Drive, and to take action to have this horse removed from said premises.

The investigation by the Health Department reveals that the horse had been removed but the Department will follow-up in case it is returned. The permit has not been issued for the keeping of a horse at either 229 or 301 Rayburn Drive.

We, therefore, recommend that no further action is necessary.

- 6) Petition of Mr. William E. Wallace, concerning the relocation of  
65-1228 the Riebe Funeral Home and making application for a permit to install an electrical service under the alley in NCB 820, to service the parking lot lights.

Our investigation reveals that this is a private line across a public alley. All agencies of the City were notified, and the City Public Service Board advised that this was contrary to their policy of allowing private lines across public right-of-way. It will be necessary for the applicant to have a separate service for this parking lot.

We, therefore, recommend denial of this petition.

65-1229 Councilman Calderon asked the Council if it would review the holiday schedule for City Employees. He felt that since Thanksgiving always falls on a Thursday of each year, and is set on a certain date, that the Council might consider adding one day, so that employees may enjoy themselves for a full four day period. The City Manager was asked to look into the matter and give the Council his opinion at a later date.

City Manager Shelley reported that the holiday schedule is acted on each year during August, and is usually 6 1/2 to 7 days, varying each year. He said last year the Friday after Thanksgiving was added. This year the Friday was deleted and they were given 1/2 day on Christmas and on New Years Eve.

The Clerk then read the following letter:

November 24, 1965

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

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

65-1230  
11/17/65

Petition of Mr. C. N. Strong and others protesting the relocation of a house at 2106 Lennon Avenue, which they state devalues the surrounding property and has been left in a condition which does not meet minimum standards, and requesting the City to take action to alleviate this situation.

65-1230  
11/18/65

Petition of Telectric Construction Corporation, contractor for the Government and Fort Sam Houston, requesting a permit to place four 3 1/2 inch conduits encased in concrete across Grayson Street on the east side of Spofford and continue approximately 25' between the sidewalk and curb, then to a government building located off the Post.

Sincerely,

/s/J. H. Inselmann  
J. H. INSELMANN,  
City Clerk

65-1230 Asst. City Manager Gerald Henckel reported on the above petition of C. N. Strong and others.

He reported that a permit was issued in February of 1965, and work was to have been completed by August 25, 1965. The \$1,000.00 bond has been turned over to the City Attorney for action on the matter. He said this permit was issued prior to the time that the ordinance was changed making it a prerequisite that they appear before the Board of Adjustment to get approval to move a house.

65-1230 Mr. W. S. Clark reported on the petition of the Telectric Construction Corporation above. He stated that actually Fort Sam Houston already has an easement to cross Grayson Street for all utilities but the contractor did not know this, and all that they need to do is apply for a trench permit and no action is necessary on the part of the Council.

65-1231 Councilman Jones reported for the City Committee which has had conferences with the mobile home operators concerning a charge or fee on mobile homes and trailers in the City of San Antonio.

He said that it is proposed that a flat fee or charge of \$1.50 per month for each mobile home located within the City of San Antonio be collected, and \$1.00 on each vacation trailer. These charges have the approbation and approval of the mobile home operators of the city, and, in all probability, will replace the personal property tax which has not proved practical as far as collection is concerned. He felt this will be a solution and a step in the right direction until the State provides municipalities with a provision requiring owners of vehicles pay their taxes before a license is issued.

He said this charge will be against the individual trailer, but it will be the responsibility of the individual trailer park operator to collect the fee and will be a violation for the trailer owner to fail to pay the said fee. He stated the charge or fee will be for the various inspection services and extra expenses incurred by trailer parks.

After consideration of the matter, the City Manager was instructed to prepare an ordinance for consideration of the City Council.

65-1232 The City Clerk read an ordinance declaring the crossings of Brady Boulevard and Ceralvo Street at the railway tracks of the Southern Pacific Company, as being more than ordinarily hazardous, and directing said company to maintain a flagman at such crossings until proper gates have been installed by the Company within 90 days.

City Manager Shelley explained the proposed action to Mr. Ramsey, representative of the Railroad, who had been invited to appear before the Council on the matter.

Mr. Ramsey felt the ordinance was stringent. He said that when this matter came up the last time, they met with the West Side Civic Action Group and went over in depth the Interstate Commerce Commission finding. He felt that an educational program is important to helping this problem and offered the facilities of their safety officials. The offer has been accepted but not requested.

He stated in the past it has been the responsibility of the Railroad to maintain safety, but conditions have changed and it is not the train but motor vehicles which cause the problem and grade crossings should now be financed with public funds. In meeting with the group he offered to recommend to management that if one of these crossings was closed he would ask that the company install gates at the other. He also offered to participate in cost of the crossing, 10% by the Railroad and 90% by the City. However, he said participation varies with other cities.

Mr. Ramsey reported there are 14 trains a day spread out over a 24 hour period which cross these intersections.

After discussion with the Council, Mr. Ramsey stated he would certainly recommend a 50-50 cost participation to his company.

City Manager Shelley informed the Council that in street work and in improvement work it has been understood that the Railroad would relocate their signals and the Railroad has done this until recently. The fact of who is crossing who's right-of-way has always been a determining factor in arriving at responsibility and the records indicate that the Railroad is crossing City property.

Mr. Shelley further stated, while there was no commitment on the part of either, when the Cupples Road matter came up, he asked the Railroad that if it was in a position to make the installations on Brady and Ceralvo, then the City may be in a position to participate in the Cupples Road work.

Since Mr. Ramsey had not heard from his Houston office, the Mayor asked that action be withheld on the ordinance today. Mr. Ramsey was given a copy of the proposed ordinance, and was notified that the Council wants action on the matter next Thursday, December 2, 1965.

Dr. Calderon asked that flagmen be placed at the crossing during the time trains cross them.

Mr. Ramsey stated he could not commit the Company of the matter and suggested stop signs be placed at the crossings during the interim.

Traffic and Transportation Director Stewart Fischer stated he would emphatically not recommend stop signs, but would not object to Yield Right-of-Way signs.

Mr. Remigio Valdez, spokesman for the West Side Civic Action Group, informed the Council it had not requested the Railroad's Safety people to meet with the organizations in the area because they felt action should be

taken by the Railroad first to install safety devices. He concluded by saying he felt placing of stop signs was not a sufficient safety measure.

65-1232 City Manager Shelley reported that some time ago a request was made by another citizens group with reference to having someone from the Police Department that they could have contact with on problems in their area. He said the matter had been discussed with Chief Bichsel and will notify the group that Sergeant Max Garcia, in the Chief's Office, has been designated to serve in this capacity. A study of trouble areas in the community is continuing and he will have a more formal report later on.

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

A P P R O V E D :

*M. Maunster*  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

*J. H. Invelva*  
City Clerk

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