

## MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

MONDAY FEBRUARY 12TH, A.D. 1917 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Clinton G. Brown, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

## ----MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS----

Petition of Sloan and Hagy, for permit to conduct an Undertaking establishment at 421-425 Pecan Street was granted on motion of Commissioner Lambert, duly seconded and carried.

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Communication from the Lone Star Brewing Co. relating to the improvement of Grand and Jones Avenues, was read and referred to Commissioner Kearny with instructions to prepare call for bids.

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Petition of John B. Holt, for quit claim deed to Lot No. 9, C.B. 1130, was read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation.

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The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police: Western Union Telegraph Co., for permit to hang electric sign, 425 Navarro St. International Rubber Sales Company, for permit to erect gasoline station at 528 Main Avenue.

Sunset System, for permit to erect electric sign for Kepleys, 215 Alamo Plaza.

Sunset System, for permit to erect electric sign for Mayos Money Exchange at 323 E. Houston Street.

Sunset System, for permit to erect electric sign at 506 E. Houston St.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

## AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Finance Ordinances of the City by providing that City Bonds and Coupons when paid and cancelled shall be pasted and preserved in books kept in the office of the City Auditor.

(For full text of this ordinance see Ordinance Book "F" page 169 )

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The following communications was read and ordered entered upon the minutes:  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BEXAR

We, Charles F. A. Hummel, City Auditor, and Fred Fries, City Clerk, of the City of San Antonio in the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that we have compared the signatures of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer affixed to the Public Improvement Bonds issued by said City on July 1st, 1889, with the signatures of said officials of record in our respective offices, and hereby declare that the signatures of Bryan Callaghan, Mayor, E.P. Claudon, City Clerk, and Ferd Herff Jr. City Treasurer, are the genuine autographic signatures of said City officials as they appear upon the bonds hereinbefore mentioned and numbered from one (1) to one hundred (100) inclusive, which bonds have been redeemed and paid off by said City of San Antonio on January 1st, A. D.

1917.

Witness our hands and the seal of the City of San Antonio this 12th day of  
February A. D. 1917

Charles F.A.Hummel,  
City Auditor

Fred Fries,  
City Clerk.

Whereupon the Commissioners after satisfying themselves as to the identity of the bonds enumerated in the foregoing certificate, cancelled said bonds by stencilling the word "PAID" not less than twice upon each bond and once upon each interest coupon attached thereto.

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The following affidavit was read and ordered entered upon the minutes:

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BEXAR.

We, Charles F.A.Hummel, City Auditor and Fred Fries, City Clerk, of the City of San Antonio, in the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that we have compared the signatures of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer affixed to the sidewalk bonds issued by said City on July 1st, 1889 with the signatures of said officiald of record in our respective offices and hereby declare that the signatures of Bryan Callaghan, Mayor, E.P.Claudon, City Clerk, and Ferd Herff, Jr. City Treasurer are the genuine autographic signatures of said City officials as they appear upon the bonds hereinbefore mentioned and numbered one (1) two (2) three (3) four (4) six (6) seven (7), eight (8) nine (9) and ten (10) which bonds have been redeemed and paid off by said City of San Antonio on January 1st, A.D.1917.

Witness our hands and the seal of the City of San Antonio, this 12th day of  
February, A.D. 1917.

Chas. F.A.Hummel,  
City Auditor

Fred Fries,  
City Clerk.

Whereupon the Commissioners after satisfying themselves as to the identity of the bonds enumerated in the foregoing certificate, cancelled said bonds by stencilling the word "PAID" not less than twice upon each bond and once upon each interest coupon attached thereto.

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ordered

The following affidavit was read and entered upon the minutes of the meeting:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BEXAR.

We, Charles F.A.Hummel, City Auditor and Fred Fries, City Clerk of the City of San Antonio, in the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that we have compared the signatures of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Auditor affixed to the street improvement bonds issued by said City on July 1st, 1889, with the signature of said officials of record in our respective offices and hereby declare that the ~~XXXXXXXX~~ signatures of Bryan Callaghan, Mayor, E.P.Claudon, City Clerk, and Ferd Herff Jr., City Treasurer are the genuine autographic signatures of said officials as they appear upon the bonds hereinbefore mentioned and numbered from one(1) to thirty two (32) inclusive, thirty six (36) to ninety four (94) inclusive, ninety six (96) to one hundred (100) inclusive, and one hundred and twenty six (126) to two hundred and fifty (250) inclusive, which bonds have been redeemed and paid off by said City of San

Antonio on January 1st, A.D. 1917.

Witness our hands and the seal of the City of San Antonio, this 12th day of February A.D. 1917.

Chas F. A. Hummel,  
City Auditor

Fred Fries,  
City Clerk.

Whereupon the Commissioners after satisfying themselves as to the identity of the bonds enumerated in the following certificates, cancelled said bonds by stencilling the word "PAID" not less than twice upon each bond and once upon each interest coupon attached thereto.

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Commissioner Kearny introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

**MB-424** AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Mayor of the City of San Antonio, Texas, to execute a quit claim deed conveying to the United States of America, its successors and assigns, the streets, roads, alleys and other public places, ceded and closed by an ordinance entitled "Providing for the closing of certain streets within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, Texas, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America", enacted by the Mayor and City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, Texas, at their regular meeting on February 5th, A.D. 1917, and affirming said ordinance and providing for the ceding and closing of all streets, roads, alleys and other public places within the boundaries described in said ordinance and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America, its successors and assigns.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, Texas, that

Section 1. That an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for the closing of certain streets, within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, Texas, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America," enacted by the Mayor and City Commissioners at their regular meeting on February 5th, A.D. 1917, be and the same is hereby affirmed in all things and the Mayor of the City of San Antonio, Texas, is hereby authorized, instructed and empowered to execute a quit claim deed conveying to the United States of America, its successors and assigns, any and all right, title, interest or claim which said City of San Antonio, Texas, may have or be entitled to in and to the said streets, roads, alleys and other public places embraced within the boundaries set forth in said ordinance, "Providing for the closing of certain streets within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, Texas, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America," enacted on the 5th day of February A.D. 1917.

Section 11. That all the streets, roads, alleys and other public places within the boundaries described in said ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for the closing of certain streets within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, Texas, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America," be and the same are hereby closed forever and for all purposes and the jurisdiction over said streets, roads, alleys and other public places heretofore vested in the City of San Antonio, Texas, be and the same is hereby ceded by the said City of San Antonio, Texas, to the United States of America, its successors and assigns, and the Mayor is hereby authorized, instructed and empowered to execute a quit claim deed conveying to the United States of America, its successors and assigns, any and all interest, right, title or claim which said City of San Antonio, Texas, may have in and to the said streets, roads, alleys, and other public places described by an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for the closing of certain streets within the corporate limits of the City of San Antonio, Texas, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States of America".

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent therefrom and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

**- 425** AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that,

WHEREAS the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio on October 30, 1916, passed and approved an ordinance calling in for redemption bonds of the City of San Antonio, and whereas pursuant to said ordinance, the following bonds included in said ordinance of

October 30th, 1916, were on January 1st, 1917, redeemed, and paid off with interest coupons attached by said City, to-wit:

Public Improvement Bonds dated July 1st, 1889, denominations \$500.00 each, numbered from 1 to 100.

Street Improvements bonds dated July 1st, 1889, denominations \$1000.00 each, numbered from 1 to 32 inclusive, 36 to 94 inclusive, 97 to 100 inclusive and 126 to 250. inclusive.

Sidewalk bonds dated July 1st, 1889, denominations \$1,000.00 each, numbered 1-2-3-4-6-7-8-9-10, and whereas it is desired to make the redemption and payment of the bonds above enumerated a matter of record;

Therefore be it ordained by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio that each and all of said bonds enumerated above together with all coupons attached thereto, having this day been cancelled as provided in paragraph C of Section 18 of the Finance Ordinance of the City, be and they are hereby ordered delivered to the City Auditor to be by him pasted in the books kept for that purpose, and safely kept by him as records of his office.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Kearny introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

**MB-426** AN ORDINANCE

Granting permit to United States Army, Quartermasters Department, to construct sanitary sewer in Appler Street.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that,

Section 1. That permission is hereby granted the United States Army Quartermaster, Ft. Sam Houston, to construct a twelve (12) inch sanitary sewer, beginning at City manhole in River Avenue at Appler Street, and extending to Fort Sam Houston sewer manhole Number Four (4) according to plat, line and grade made by the City Engineer hereto attached; the cost of said sewer being estimated about eight hundred, twenty five and 72/100 dollars (\$825.72)

Section 2. Said sewer, when completed to become the property of the United States Army and part of its private sewer system of Fort Sam Houston, for its sole use and benefit.

The City of San Antonio is not to issue any permits for house or lateral sewers to be made at any time, except to the United States Army Quartermaster.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Kearny introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

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**-427** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$79.06 to pay Wooley Construction Company.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that the sum of seventy Nine and 06/100 (\$79.06) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary be, and the

same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay Wooley Construction Company for repairing cuts in pavements made by public service corporations.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be of urgent importance for reasons of public welfare apparent herefrom, and the same shall take effect at once.

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Commissioner Kearny, reporting on the petition of the Western Union Tel. Co. for permit to lay certain underground conduits, recommended that same be not granted as the Company was notified to put in all its underground work before these streets they now want to cut into were paved. Most of the paving has been done in the past two years and at the time most of the property was of a business nature as much as it is now, and the necessity for this work should have been foreseen then. Adopted.

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Commissioner Garland recommended that petition of Semp Russ et al, for correction of assessment, be granted. Adopted.

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Commissioner Garland submitted the following statement, which was read and adopted by unanimous vote of the Commissioners, and ordered entered upon the minutes:

San Antonio, Texas, February 8th, 1917.

Hon. Mayor and Commissioners,  
City of San Antonio.  
Gentlemen:

I herewith hand you total valuation for 1916; also improvement districts, subject to minor changes:

Total Valuation 1916	\$109,243,730
I.D.No. 1	3,345.720
I.D.No. 2	3,244,990
I.D.No. 3	3,204,750
I.D.No. 4	8,215.307
I.D.No. 5	1,023.450
I.D.No. 7	3,041,880
I.D.No. 8	7,238,920
I.D.No. 9	4,604.670
I.D.No.10	3,130,210
I.D.No.11	23,133.383
I.D.No.12	418.100
L.D. No.13	1,249,680

Yours truly,  
J.F.Garland  
Commissioner of Taxation.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

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No. 264

*MB-428* AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That there be and there is hereby appropriated out of the Judgement Fund of this City the sum of Sixty-one Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$61.80), warrant for which shall be made payable to the order of J.T.Smith, on account of official stenographic work done by him for the City in transcribing the evidence in cause No. B-8431, Frank Newman versus City.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

- 429 AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That there be and there is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund of this City, the sum of Two Hundred Nineteen and 50/100 (\$219.50) Dollars warrant for which shall be made payable to Ed. H.Reagan, the amount agreed on by the Commissioners at the

meeting held February 5th, 1917, as a basis of settling claim growing out of an accident sustained by reason of a collision between Officer Harris and Reagan at the corner of South Presa and Alamo Streets, for which release will be delivered when warrant is prepared.

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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

No. 266                    **MB-430**                    AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the payment of wages to City laborers for the week ending February 8, 1917 and making an appropriation therefor.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to issue warrants for the payment of wages to City Day Laborers for the week ending February 8, 1917, and that the following sums be and are hereby appropriated out of the several special funds for that purpose, to-wit:

General Fund of 1916	\$2407.70
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Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

No. 267                    **- 431**                    AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That there be and there is hereby transferred from the Back Tax General Fund to the Judgement Fund of this City the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)

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The City Auditor presented an audit of the receipts and expenditures of the various funds for the month of January 1917, which was received and ordered filed.

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Commissioner Lambert recommended that the petition of Alberto Garza for permit to open meat market be granted. Adopted.

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Commissioner Uhr recommended that the petition of San Antonio Gas & Electric Company for permit to set poles and string wires on certain streets, Concepcion Road and Mitchell Street, be granted. Adopted.

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Commissioner of Fire and Police, Uhr, made the following recommendations:

That petition of H & G. Bull, for permit to install gasoline tank and pump at 310 W. Travis Street, be granted. Adopted.

That petition of J.G. Denis, for permit to install gasoline tank at 127 W. Commerce Street be granted. Adopted.

That petition of A.S. Milstead for permit to install gasoline tank at 309 N. Flores Street be granted. Adopted.

That petition of Jules De Winne, for permit to erect electric sign at 223 Main Avenue be granted. Adopted.

That petition of T. Bryant, for permit to install gasoline tank at 2026 South Alamo Street be granted. Adopted.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wot: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

MB-432 An ordinance granting permit to Abner Smith to operate Car No. 12124 in Local Street Transportation.

-433 An ordinance granting permit to L.G.Reams to operate Car No. 12194 in Local Street Transportation.

-434 An ordinance granting permit to A.E.Joseph to operate Car No. 8524 in Local Street Transportation.

-435 An ordinance granting permit to A.Kieffer to operate Car No. 12137 in Local Street Transportation.

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Petitions of W.F.Iwan for change in Jitney Route was granted; and petitions of H.C. Prior and C.L.Uzzell for change in Jitney Route were not granted on recommendation of Commissioner Uhr.

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Upon recommendation of the Chief of the Fire Department Commissioner Uhr placed in nomination for members of the Fire Department the following:

F.J.Stanley, B.F.Haigler, F.A.Dawson, A.C.De La Pena and V.A.Gonzales.

The nominations were confirmed by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

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Commissioner Uhr submitted the following appointments to the Police Department:

Extra Policeman: K.C.Feinler, Louis Ousset, A.D.Irvin, Geo. Keys.

Policemen: Ed. Stiehl, Emil Dau.

The appointments were confirmed by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

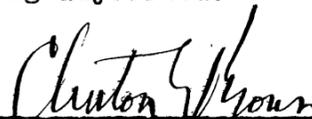
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On motion, duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED

  
MAYOR