

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1964, 8:30 A.M.

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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: McALLISTER, DE LA GARZA, JONES, KAUFMAN, COCKRELL, GATTI, PADILLA and PARKER; ABSENT: BREMER.

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Invocation was given by Councilman Robert C. Jones.

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Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

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Planning Director Steve Taylor informed the Council that Mrs. Frances Levinson, representing the applicant, Gibraltar Construction Company, has requested a postponement, due to illness of the owner who could not be present, of Zoning Case No. 2117 to rezone Lot 16-C, NCB 8407, located on the north side of DeChantele Road, 374' southwest of the cut-off to Fredericksburg Road, from "B" Residence District to "C" Residence District.

After consideration and discussion of the request, it was agreeable to the opponents and proponents to postpone the hearing until May 7, 1964, and it was so ordered.

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Next taken up was Zoning Case No. 2108, to rezone Lot 1, NCB 12117, located northeast of the intersection of N. E. Loop 410 and Perrin Beitel Road from "A" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District.

Planning Director Steve Taylor briefed the Council on the proposed change which carried the recommendation of the Planning Commission. No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. de la Garza, seconded by Mrs Cockrell, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,203<sup>2</sup>

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 12, NCB 12163, FROM "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO "JJ" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

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Next heard was Case No. 2073, to rezone Lot 14, NCB 10949, located on the west side of Clark Avenue 256.8' south of Dauchy Road, from "B" Residence District to "J" Commercial District.

Planning Director Taylor briefed the Council on the proposed change, which was recommended by the Planning Commission. No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Kaufman, seconded by Mr. Gatti, the recommendation of the planning Commission was upheld by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti and Padilla; ABSTAINING: Jones and Parker;

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ABSENT: Bremer; NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE 32,204

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 14, NCB 10949, FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "J" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

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Next heard was Case No. 2036, to rezone Lots 9 and 10, NCB 10930, located southwest of the intersection of S. E. Military Drive and Old Corpus Christi Road, from "B" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District.

The Planning Director briefed the Council on the proposed change which was recommended by the Planning Commission. No one spoke in opposition.

On motion of Mr. de la Garza, seconded by Dr. Parker, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was upheld by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,205

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 9 AND 10, NCB 10930, FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT.

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Next heard was Case No. 2103, to rezone Lot 21, Blk 139, NCB 8814, located southeast of the intersection of Gardina Street and West Avenue, from "F" Local Retail District to "JJ" Commercial District.

The Planning Director explained the proposed change which carried the recommendation of the Planning Commission. No one spoke in opposition to the change.

On motion of Mr. Gatti, seconded by Mr. Padilla, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was upheld by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,206

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOT 21, BLK 139, NCB 8814 FROM "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO "JJ" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

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Next case heard was Case No. 2110, to rezone Lots 203, 204, 204A, and 205, NCB 8399, located on the north side of Sunshine Dive between Overbrook Drive and Erskine Place, from

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"B" Residence District to "D" Residence District.

Planning Director Taylor briefed the Council on the proposed change, which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

Mr. Wilbur Fite, Jr., Member of the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A., the applicant in this case, requested the change be granted in order to have the zoning conform to its actual use. He stated the property was given to the Y.M.C.A. by Mr. Morris McLean for recreational purposes and assured the Council and anyone in opposition that no apartment buildings would be built on the property.

After this explanation and assurance, a resident in the area stated the change was agreeable to him and withdrew any objections which he may have had.

On motion of Mr. de la Garza, seconded by Mr. Jones, the recommendation of the Planning Commission was approved by passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,207

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ETC.," PASSED AND APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 3, 1938, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION AND REZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AS LOTS 203, 204, 204A, AND 205, NCB 8399 FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "D" RESIDENCE DISTRICT.

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Last zoning case heard was Case No. 2100, to rezone Lots 43, 44, 45 and 46, NCB 1597, located between Aransas Avenue and Vine Street, 150' west of S. Gevers Street, from "B" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District.

The Planning Director explained the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be denied by the City Council.

Mr. W. H. Suden, one of the applicants and owners of the property, said they were requesting that this small piece of property, adjacent to the existing trailer court, be rezoned. Because of the shape and size of the property it was not suitable for a residence. The property would be used for the extension of the trailer court operation, and they would place probably not over four trailers on it. He stated they had operated this trailer court for thirteen years and do not intend to use it for any other purpose.

Mr. R. L. Lester, the other applicant and owner, explained that they were not deriving enough revenue with the present eight trailers. He said that this whole block is owned by Mr. Suden, Mr. Lester and Mrs. Finegan, who is in favor of the change, and no other persons were directly affected. He added that Aransas Avenue was an alley at this point, as the houses on Preston Street back up on Aransas Avenue. He denied allegations made that the premises were not kept neat and clean, and that it attracted undesirable characters.

Speaking in favor of the change were Captain Evans, Manager of the trailer court, Mrs. Finegan, Mr. Wesley Van Cleve, 134 Vine Street, Mr. Storman, 320 Preston Street, Mr. M. Vallegos, 1022 S. Gevers, and Mrs. R. L. Lester.

Speaking against the change and spokesman for the people in opposition to the rezoning was

Mr. Albert A. Stahl, who stated they had presented the Planning Commission with a petition bearing the signatures of twenty-two people against this change. He emphatically protested the change for many reasons, and asked the Council to deny the request.

After consideration of the evidence presented, Mr. Gatti, made a motion that the recommendation of the planning Commission be overruled and the property rezoned from "B" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District. The Motion was seconded by Dr. Parker.

The Mayor announced that it would require seven affirmative votes for the motion to carry. On roll call, the motion failed and the rezoning was denied by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: McAllister, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell; ABSENT: Bremer.

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The Mayor recognized Mr. Mike Connally, Government Instructor and Football Coach for Blessed Sacrament School, who was present with a group of his students.

Mr. Connally extended greetings to the Mayor and City Council from the school authorities, and stated that the Civics Class was making a study of local government. He asked the Council if the City had a film available on the functions of city government.

City Manager Shelley stated there was no film specifically on that operation but the City had available two pamphlets that explains the functions of the Council and procedures, which would be given to each student.

Mr. Connally concluded by stating that 'they were resting easy in their beds' because they know they have an excellent City Government.

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The following ordinances were explained by the City Manager, and on motion made and duly seconded were passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti and Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,208

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BENJAMIN KENNETH WYATT AND PHILIP CARRINGTON FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED NEW LIBRARY.

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AN ORDINANCE 32,209

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ARTHUR MATHIS, JR., FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED PASEO DEL RIO PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 32,210

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CLARENCE RINARD FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED NEW FIRE STATION NO. 4 TO BE LOCATED NORTH OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

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The following ordinance was explained by the City Manager, and on motion of Mrs. Cockrell, seconded by Mr. Kaufman, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,211

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ORLANDO VOLPE TO MAKE A STUDY OF THE IMMEDIATE CHANGES NECESSARY TO MODIFY THE CITY HALL ANNEX.

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Mr. Shelley explained the following ordinance terminating a month to month lease with the Adult Education Center in the Martin Wright Building owned by the City. He stated the Civil Defense Office has moved into the building and an adjustment of the space is necessary. This lease is to be terminated on May 15 and during this time the Manager will try to negotiate a new lease.

AN ORDINANCE 32,212

EXERCISING AN OPTION TO CANCEL AND TERMINATE A LEASE AGREEMENT.

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On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. de la Garza, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

The following ordinance was explained by Purchasing Agent Al Tripp, and on motion of Mr. Gatti, seconded by Dr. Parker, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,213

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF C. K. MORRIS, KELLY SALVAGE COMPANY AND ELMER C. HAAG FOR THE COMPLETE DEMOLITION OF CERTAIN PARCELS LOCATED IN SAN ANTONIO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY'S CENTRAL WEST AREA PROJECT I, TEX R-39 FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$3,948.00.

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Mayor McAllister appointed a committee of the Council composed of Mr. Gatti, Mr. Bremer and Mr. Padilla to study the suggestion by Mr. Padilla that the Council consider an additional increase in wages for laborers and other city employees not benefitting from the recent adjustment in the Pay Plan.

Mr. G. J. Sutton, and Rev. C. William Black, representing the Congress on Racial Equality, spoke to the Council on how police dogs are to be used.

City Manager Shelley gave the following report.

The Police Canine Corps was implemented on November 20, 1963, after three patrolmen had received ten days' concentrated training at the National Police Dog Academy at

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Eldorado, Kansas. Each dog had received approximately six months training before being assigned to a master, and would be approximately one and one-half years old at the time the training was completed. The National Police Dog Academy was selected in order to gain a high level of obedience training which would permit the dog to be safely utilized off leash, although they are seldom used off leash. All three police dogs will respond to command explicitly and will attack only when ordered to do so by their handler. The only exception being when the handler is attacked. The "Standard Operating Procedure for Dog Handlers" is as follows:

There are, in general, three areas where the dogs may be properly used.

1. To provide protection for the officer assigned as the handler.
2. To use in arresting known dangerous criminals who will, or might offer physical resistance to the arresting officer, or who might attempt to flee or escape custody.
3. To use in search work for intruders, prowlers, escapees, burglars, window peepers, etc. To use in trail work to locate missing persons.

We would not plan to use the dogs in dealing with incidents involving the following types of people:

1. Demonstrations.
2. Ordinary drunks, where no serious physical resistance is offered.
3. Mentally ill people.
4. Pregnant women.

Reverend Black asked how many police dogs the City has, and if it intends to utilize more dogs.

The Mayor explained the City has three dogs under the control of men trained to handle them, and the statement of policy made by the City Manager Shelley is acceptable to the City Council. If it is found that the use of dogs is advantageous, the City will get more dogs. If it is not found that it is desirable, the City will discontinue the use. The Mayor further informed Rev. Black that anytime that he felt that discrimination has been made in the use of dogs because a person is a Negro, the Council will be glad to have the information.

After a short recess, the meeting reconvened.

The Mayor explained the following ordinance and on motion of Mr. Gatti, seconded by Mr. Jones, it was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 32,214

ESTABLISHING INTERIM PRACTICES AND POLICIES AND DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AS TO FUTURE ACTIONS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CIVIC CENTER PROJECT AND THE USE BY SAN ANTONIO FAIR, INC., FOR ALL OR PART OF THE LAND AREA FOR THE EXPOSITION KNOWN AS HEMISFAIR.

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The Clerk read the following letter:

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

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

- 3-24-64 Petition of the faculty and parents of St. Frances Academy, 403 Centennial, requesting installation of street lights in the 200, 300 and 400 blocks of Centennial.
- 3-27-64 Petition of Mr. John Seagle, 507 Hathaway Drive East, and Mr. William C. Wilford, 511 Hathaway Drive East, requesting permission to erect an 8 foot fence between their properties.

Sincerely,

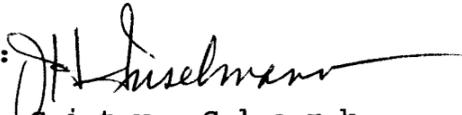
/s/ J. H. Inselmann  
City Clerk

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk