

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1966, 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, CALDERON, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, TREVINO, PARKER and BREMER; ABSENT: GATTI.

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66-644 The invocation was given by Reverend Earl Eliason, House of Prayer Lutheran Church.

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Action of the minutes of May 19, 1966, was postponed, pending corrections.

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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, Trevino, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

66-645 AN ORDINANCE 34389

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BID OF THE TORGERSON COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL TRACTORS FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$17,746.30.

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66-646 AN ORDINANCE 34390

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF ACME IRON WORKS, INC. AND PEARCE EQUIPMENT COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH TWO ROLLERS FOR A TOTAL OF \$20,915.00.

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66-647 AN ORDINANCE 34391

AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE CERTAIN ENGLISH EARTHENWARE COMMEMORATIVE PLATES, CUPS AND SAUCERS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION (LA VILLITA) FROM JOHN H. ROTH & COMPANY FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,134.50.

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AN ORDINANCE 34392

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BID OF R. W. JONES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND PARKING AT SOUTHSIDE LIONS PARK TENNIS CENTER FOR A TOTAL OF \$7,672.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 34393

APPROPRIATING \$1,070.00 OUT OF 1964 STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR PURCHASE OF LAND IN CONNECTION WITH THE HILLCREST DRIVE PAVING PROJECT; ACCEPTING EASEMENTS AND DEDICATIONS PERTAINING TO THE NACOG-DOCHES ROAD PAVING PROJECT, MEDICAL CENTER SANITARY SEWER OUTFALL LINE, HILLCREST DRIVE PAVING PROJECT, THE LAREDO-CEVALLOS CONNECTION PROJECT AND THE I.H. 37 SANITARY SEWER RELOCATION PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 34394

EXTENDING FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD CERTAIN PROVISIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE MISSION PARKWAY PROJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 34395

CLOSING AND ABANDONING THAT PORTION OF EMELIE AVENUE LOCATED BETWEEN NORMA STREET AND BRIAR PLACE AND AUTHORIZING QUITCLAIM DEEDS TO ABUTTING OWNERS FOR A TOTAL CONSIDERATION OF \$5,480.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 34396

ACCEPTING THE BID OF C. K. MORRIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A CERTAIN CITY OWNED BUILDING TO BE WRECKED ON SITE AND MAKING AND MANIFESTING A BILL OF SALE THERETO.

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AN ORDINANCE 34397

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$62,075.00 FROM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT UNAPPROPRIATED REVENUE FUNDS 8-01 AND TRANSFERRING SAID AMOUNT TO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BOND CONSTRUCTION FUND 8-03, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$62,075.00 OUT OF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BOND CONSTRUCTION FUND 8-03 PAYABLE TO CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD IN REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF RELOCATION OF TRANSMISSION LINE REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH EXTENSION OF RUNWAY 3-21.

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AN ORDINANCE 34398

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF P. S. & F. CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 466 CAR EMPLOYEE PARKING LOT AT THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,677.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SAID WORK; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$33,677.00 OUT OF UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS OF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REVENUE FUND NO. 801 PAYABLE TO P. S. & F. CONSTRUCTION COMPANY; APPROPRIATING \$1,000.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND AS A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; \$500.00 AS A MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT AND \$3,367.70 PAYABLE TO LODAL & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.

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66-644 The City Clerk read an ordinance terminating the franchise of the American Legion of Bexar County, Texas, Inc., to place and maintain advertising benches on public property at certain locations; such termination to become effective upon the giving of ninety (90) days written notice thereof.

Mr. Walter Wolf, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the American Legion, called on Mr. Charles W. Duke to speak on the matter.

Mr. Duke stated he was appearing on behalf of the Legion as well as Bench Ads Company, the operator of the franchise. He was the attorney when the franchise was granted and when it was renewed. He felt the second franchise was much more restrictive. He then reviewed the regulations placed in the ordinance to provide an orderly operation and for protection of the public.

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Mr. Duke stated there are 1000 unauthorized benches on the streets of the city and felt this was what started the action by the city. Pictures of unauthorized benches as well as those of the American Legion were presented to the Council for study.

They felt that it was inequitable to cancel the contract on 90 days notice as they have just spent \$6,000.00 renewing benches and buying new ones. He added that the benches at the end of the contract revert back to the City and urged the Council to continue the franchise and suggested that the City take action against the unauthorized benches.

Mr. James J. Gilkison, owner of Bench Ads, and operator of the franchise since 1953, stated they have 600 benches and planned to bring the number up to 1,000 by the end of the contract. He also reviewed their operation and added they are limited to placing benches at bus stops only with the approval of each location by the City and adjacent property owners. He asked the Council to continue the franchise and when it is up to also consider renewing it as it was performing a service to the bus riding public.

City Manager Shelley reported that this subject did not come up as a matter of legal or illegal bus benches, but came up with discussion of blind corners and the beautification program, and not as being critical of Mr. Gilkison's operation.

Mr. Walter Wolf stated this matter came up at a most inopportune time as they have just bought the Kit Kat Club for the Legion home and spent \$110,000 on it. He said they were depending on the franchise to help keep it up. He felt that the matter of blind corners can be corrected and the city has authority to take action on the unauthorized benches.

Mr. Al Brown, also representing the American Legion, also asked the Council not to take action on the ordinance.

Mr. Shelley reported that where there are unauthorized benches on public property, the City picks them up from time to time. Where the benches are on private property and not properly zoned was a problem.

After further discussion, action was postponed until the evidence presented can be studied. The City Attorney was asked to prepare a brief and summerized statement of the laws involved concerning the matter at hand as well as to unauthorized benches on public or private property, so the Council can consider the action it desires to take.

66-644 Mr. John Esquivel, Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the San Antonio Transit System, presented to the Mayor and City Council and the people of San Antonio, a symbolic dreamliner bus, one of 50 buses that will be put into service next Monday, May 30th. He added that these new buses will be able to make it possible to provide air conditioning on all lines at peak and basic hours at all times.

Mr. Al Gross, representing the Downtowners Association, complimented the City and the Transit System for providing this type of transportation to the bus-riding public.

The Mayor accepted the symbolic bus and emphasized that the Transit System has been able to accomplish this without subsidy and are in fact making payments to the City in lieu of taxes. He congratulated the members of the Board of Trustees and Mr. Norman Hill, General Manager, as well as the employees, for the fine work done and for the safety award they win each year.

Councilwoman Cockrell also congratulated the Transit System. She stated that at the Conference of the National League of Cities, one of the major topics of discussion is the national problem faced in maintaining transit systems without subsidy and San Antonio should be proud of these accomplishments.

66-655 Councilman Jones introduced the following ordinance for consideration by the City Council.

AN ORDINANCE 34399

PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUNK OR SALVAGE YARDS WITHIN THE CITY WITHOUT OBTAINING PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FOR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$200.00 FOR VIOLATIONS.

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Mr. Jones explained that there are some loopholes in the Zoning Ordinance and that Junk Yards can presently be established under some of the old zones and should not be permitted except with Council approval, as with the new zones.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Bremer, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

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66-656 The following ordinance was explained by Asst. City Manager Henckel and on motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. Trevino, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti; ABSTAINED: Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 34400

AUTHORIZING A LEASE CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERTAINING TO THE STORAGE OF CIVIL DEFENSE SUPPLIES WITHIN FORT SAM HOUSTON.

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66-657 The following ordinance was explained by City Manager Shelley and on motion of Mrs. Cockrell, seconded by Dr. Parker, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, and Parker; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti and Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 34401

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH PARKING, INC., TO MANAGE AND OPERATE THE CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT LOCATED SOUTH OF NUEVA STREET.

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66-658 The following ordinance was read by the Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 34402

CLOSING WEST HOUSTON STREET BETWEEN SAN SABA AND SANTA ROSA STREETS TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 1966, FROM 5:15 P. M. TO 6:15 P. M. FOR DEDICATION CEREMONIES OF THE SANTA ROSA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

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Mayor McAllister explained the hospital had asked for more time. However, this being during the week at a peak traffic period, he had advised Sister Mary Vincent that they could only allow this one hour and advised the Council that it was agreeable to her.

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

The following resolutions and ordinance 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, Trevino, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

66-659

A RESOLUTION

CONSENTING TO THE PROVISION OF WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO A SCHOOL SITE OF NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BY BEXAR COUNTY WATER CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 16.

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AN ORDINANCE 34403

AMENDING SECTION 6-16.3 OF THE CITY CODE LIMITING THE NUMBER OF POULTRY THAT MAY BE KEPT ON ANY PREMISES WITHIN THE CITY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200.00 FOR ANY VIOLATION HEREOF.

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66-661

A RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING THE SAN ANTONIO GOLF ASSOCIATION AND THE CITY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AS CO-SPONSORS OF THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENTS.

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66-662 The Clerk read the following ordinance for the second and final time.

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AN ORDINANCE 34305

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 0.175 SQUARE MILES OF LAND, WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO. (BEACON CIRCLE WEST INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT I. H. 410 AND GEVERS ROAD)

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Planning Director Steve Taylor explained the annexation, which action is being taken at the request of the subdivider.

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

66-663 The Clerk read the following ordinance for the second and final time.

AN ORDINANCE 34306

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 100.562 ACRES OF LAND, WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO. (MARKET PLACE UNIT 3 AND TICONDEROGA COLONIES 1 and 2 OF COLONIES NORTH SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT WURZBACH ROAD AND VANCE JACKSON ROAD)

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Planning Director Steve Taylor explained the annexation which action was being taken at the request of the subdivider.

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

66-664 The Clerk read the following ordinance for the second and final time.

AN ORDINANCE 34307

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 111.797 ACRES OF LAND, WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO. (BEACON CIRCLE INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION, LOCATED SOUTH OF NORTH LOOP ROAD BETWEEN WEST AVENUE AND SAN PEDRO.)

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Planning Director Steve Taylor explained the annexation which action was being taken at the request of the subdivider.

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

Councilman Bremer explained that these are three individual ordinances taking land into the City, in which the subdividers have made a large investment in developing the property and have asked to come into the City. He added that much work has to be done, but a ninety day period will have to lapse before the property can be zoned and there can always be someone who can come in and protest the individual zoning. He felt that in cases where the owners of the development request annexation the zoning process should be expedited.

Mr. Jim Uptmore, representing H. B. Zachry Properties, who made the request for annexation of the three areas, asked the Council's help to get the property rezoned as soon as possible, especially on a 15 acre commercial center in Colonies North Subdivision.

Councilman Jones added that he felt that in cases such as this the Planning Commission on its own motion should initiate action for rezoning and expedite the matter.

66-640 Councilman Bremer, as a member of the City Council Committee composed of Councilmen Bremer, Jones and Gatti, to study the hotel proposal, made the following report.

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TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: COUNCIL COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: HOTEL PROPOSAL
DATE: MAY 26, 1966

The hotel proposal submitted last week by the Western Hemispherical Development Corporation does not meet the specifications of the City. The City specs were for a hotel, while the proposal submitted included a large retail store and office building. The committee recommends consideration of hotel and/or motor hotel proposal.

Mr. Joe Rainey Manion, local businessman, addressed the Council on the matter and stated that while he did not want to say anything that would injure the HemisFair, he opposed a hotel in the Urban Renewal Area and he felt it was not a public use.

66-501 City Manager Shelley discussed with the City Council, the proposals submitted by the Aerial Transportation Company of San Antonio and George Payne of Ft. Worth for construction of a Sky Ride for HemisFair.

After consideration of the matter, Mrs. Cockrell, Dr. Calderon and Dr. Parker were appointed as a Council Committee to study the matter with the City Manager and make a recommendation to the City Council on what action should be taken.

66-597 Councilwoman Cockrell advised the Council she would like to ask for a stepped-up program of enforcement concerning garbage cans. She felt this could be done with a notice from the Public Information Office notifying property owners that cans should be taken off the curb after each pick up and not be left over night. She also asked that the Health Department be advised to step-up the program of notifying property owners to cut the weeds on vacant lots.

City Manager Shelley reported that the staff has some additional information on this matter which will be brought up next week.

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66-644 Mrs. Albert Townsend, Jr., 215 Shasta Avenue, requested that the weeds in the drainage ditch off Military Drive and Pleasanton Road be cut and the area sprayed to eliminate the mesquito problem. She stated that she understood that nothing can be done until the ground dries and that the Health Department had agreed to spray the area twice a week, but has not done so.

After discussion, the City Manager was instructed to look into the matter to see what can be done to alleviate the problem.

66-640 Mr. Melvin Sisk, Executive Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce, stated he did not hear all of Mr. Rainey Manion's address to the Council but, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, endorsed a hotel and a new store in the ~~Elm~~ ~~St.~~ ~~area.~~

66-644 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 City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

5/20/66 Petition of Mr. Jose Calderon, et al, requesting installation of a street light in the 5700 block of West Durango Street.

5/23/66 Petition of Carlos A. Benavides, 3207 La Rosa Street, complaining of the practice of washing trucks used for collecting waste grease at 3203 La Rosa Street which is a residential area, thereby creating a health hazard and a nuisance because of the odor. He also asks that the street be maintained to keep the water used in washing the trucks from standing in low places.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. H. Inselmann
City Clerk

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

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W. W. McMaster
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ATTEST:

J. H. Inselmann
City Clerk

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