

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON  
THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1965, 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, TREVINO, JAMES and COCKRELL; ABSENT: PARKER and BREMER; ARRIVING LATE: GATTI.

65-730 The invocation was given by Reverend John DeForest, Saint David's Episcopal Church.

Minutes of the meeting held July 8th were approved.

65-730 The Mayor welcomed Mrs. Catherine Moore, Instructor in Government at Jefferson High School, who was present with 31 students to observe Municipal Government in action.

65-730 Mayor McAllister informed those present that the Tax Payer's League is the watchdog of the treasury and it always expresses itself in regard to the budget of various political entities, and has asked to be heard today rather than at the scheduled public hearing on the budget on July 22nd.

Mr. Henry Christopher, representing the Tax Payer's League, expressed appreciation for the fine job the City is doing. When complaints come in, the Council is the first to hear about them, but when things are going smoothly, they seldom hear of it.

He stated the Tax Payer's League has received many protests from its members as well as other citizens in regard to the proposed increase in City taxes. Much of it will go for increased salaries and they are for that, but in the future felt that increases should be on a merit basis. He asked that the City utilize the professional services of the Staff to maintain efficiency and try to keep taxes down and hoped that taxes won't need to be increased unless absolutely necessary.

He stated that contributions by the City Public Service Board have helped to keep taxes lower, but asked that it consider what the tax rate would actually be if these contributions were not taken into consideration. He concluded by saying that there is lots of new construction which adds to the City revenue and urged that the tax rate be held as low as humanly possible.

Mayor McAllister informed the group that an increase in taxes is something that the City Council resists as much as the Tax Payer's League. On the other hand, the City was derelict during the last 30 - 40 years and many services must be extended and public improvements made, and it can't be all done at one time.

When the 30-million dollar bond issue was passed, the Council stated to the people that they would not increase the tax rate beyond \$2.00 per \$100.00 valuation. He assured the League that the City government is operating just about as carefully and prudently as it can if it is going to give the services that the public demands.

65-730 The Mayor then recognized a Catholic-action group present, which are known as "Cursillistas", persons who have taken a short course in Christianity, a movement which started in Spain and is growing rapidly in this country. Introduced were Lic. Jorge Velasquez, who will be designated to promote the

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HemisFair in Quernavaca, and Rev. Vicente Guerrero, who is associated with the Bellas Artes (Fine Arts Association) in Mexico City.

65-731 First zoning case heard was Case No. 2459, to rezone Lot 63, Blk 6, NCB 8673, located between I. H. 410 and Halm Boulevard, 542.52' west of Western Boulevard, from "A" Residence District to "JJ" Commercial District.

Assistant Planning Director Burt Lawrence briefed the Council on the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

No one spoke in opposition to the proposed change.

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: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell and Trevino; ABSENT: Gatti, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE 33,500

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 63, BLK 6, NCB 8673 FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "JJ" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

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65-732 Next heard was Case No. 2346, to rezone Lot 23, NCB 12180, located on the south side of Austin Highway, 1629.43' southwest of Bobby Lou Drive, from "A" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District.

Assistant Planning Director Burt Lawrence briefed the Council on the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be approved by the City Council.

In answer to questions from the Council, Mr. Bernard Kost, applicant, said it would be agreeable with him to provide an additional 46-foot buffer along the western part of the rear of the lot.

No one spoke in opposition to the proposed change.

Mrs. Cockrell made a motion to amend the recommendation of the Planning Commission so as to include the additional 46-foot buffer, and grant the rezoning as amended. Seconded by Dr. Calderon, the motion passed, carrying with it passage of the following ordinance by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, and Trevino; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti, Parker and Bremer.

AN ORDINANCE 33,501

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, NCB 12180 FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "F" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT.

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65-733 Last zoning case heard was Case No. 2482, to rezone Lot 6, NCB 13705, located northwest of the intersection of Rock Creek Run and Kenny Road, from "A" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District; Lots 3, 4 and 5, NCB 13705, located on the north side of Rock Creek Run, 149.06' northwest of Kenny Road from "A" Residence District to "B" Residence District; and Lots 1 and 2, NCB 13705, located on the north side of Rock Creek Run 399.03' northwest of Kenny Road from "A" Residence District to "D" Apartment District.

Assistant Planning Director Burt Lawrence briefed the Council on the proposed change which the Planning Commission recommended be denied by the City Council.

Mayor McAllister informed Mr. Ralph Bender, representative for the applicant, that seven affirmative votes were needed to overrule the recommendation of the Planning Commission, and at the present time only six members of the Council are present. He asked Mr. Bender if he wished to wait for a brief period until the seventh Council member arrived.

Due to pressing business, the proponents for the applicant had to leave and the Council agreed to continue the hearing on Case No. 2482 until August 5, 1965.

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

65-734

A RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING FIESTA SAN ANTONIO COMMISSION TO BE THE OFFICIAL AGENCY TO COORDINATE FIESTA WEEK ACTIVITIES.

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AN ORDINANCE 33,502

APPROVING PAYMENT OF THE SUM OF \$350.00 TO WILLIE F. WILSON, SR., IN SETTLEMENT OF A DISPUTED PERSONAL INJURY AND DAMAGE CLAIM AND THE DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE OF CAUSE NO. F-161,032, STYLED WILLIE F. WILSON, V. CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, PENDING IN THE 150TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS.

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65-736

AN ORDINANCE 33,503

AMENDING THE CURRENT CITY CONCESSION CONTRACTS HELD BY MRS. VELMA AWALT TO PERMIT A 5¢ PER PACKAGE INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF CIGARETTES SOLD THROUGH MACHINES AND PROVIDING THAT 2¢ PER PACKAGE BE RETURNED TO THE CITY, EFFECTIVE JULY 15, 1965.

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65-737

AN ORDINANCE 33,504

PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF \$15,000,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO. (Bid opening set for August 26, 1965, 10:00 A.M.)

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AN ORDINANCE 33,505

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH WILLIAM L. KENNEDY FOR SPECIAL SERVICES TO THE CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION.

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65-739

AN ORDINANCE 33,506

ACCEPTING THE ATTACHED LOW QUALIFIED BID OF WRIGHT SPORTS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO WITH CERTAIN PHYSICAL EXERCISE EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$3,240.96.

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65-740 The City Clerk presented a request from Mr. A. R. Perez, asking the City Council to delay hearing Zoning Case No. 2415 until October 7, 1965, in order that he may complete the architectural work to better satisfy any opponents in this case.

The Council was agreeable and granted Mr. Perez a delay in the hearing of Case No. 2415 until October 7, 1965.

65-730 Mr. Romulio A. Munguia, Director of Las Palmas Town Council, presented a blueprint for improvement in that area, to the Council.

Mayor McAllister thanked him for his presentation and stated the Council would give consideration to the proposed plan.

The Clerk read the following letter:

July 15, 1965

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

The following petition was received and forwarded to the Office of the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

65-730 7-13-65 Petition of Hugh Dickey, 916 North New Braunfels (Rear) appealing the disapproval of the Chief of Police of Mr. Dickey's application to operate two (2) billiard tables at the Sunset Spot, located at 916 North New Braunfels (Rear) and requesting a hearing before the City Council on the matter in accordance with Section 8a-7 of the City Code.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. H. Inselmann  
City Clerk

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

A P P R O V E D:

  
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ATTEST:

  
City Clerk

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