

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

MONDAY, JUNE 11TH, A. D. 1917, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Sam C. Bell, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Garland, Lambert, Heuermann and Lowther.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

----MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS----

Petition of Matias Medina for permit to open meat market was read and referred to Board of Health.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation:

Jno. T. Brady, for refund of taxes.

Ed. ^{Rand} Raus & J.H.Frost, for refund of taxes.

T.W.Campbell, for refund of taxes paid in error.

Henry Oppenheimer, for refund of taxes.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police:

Seventh Day Adventists, for permit to pitch camp in old Ball Park.

Citizens, complaining of noises made by G.H. & S.A.R'y Co.

For arc light at Woodlawn Ave. and Capitol Street.

E.A.Leighton et al, complaining of Smoke nuisance.

Petition for watermains along Zarzamoras Street, was read and referred to Commissioner of Sanitation, Parks and Public Property.

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

No. 9 **MB-643** AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$245,218.52 to pay certain notes of the City.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$245,218.52 be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay off the following notes with interest to June 11, 1917, to-wit:

Note No,5, dated September 1, 1916, due June 1, 1917, in favor	
Alamo National Bank	\$50,000.00
Interest on same	2,138.89
Note No. 6, dated September 1, 1916, due June 1, 1917, in favor	
State National Bank	50,000.00
Interest on same	2,138.89
Note No. 8 dated October 2, 1916, due May 15, 1917, in favor	
State National Bank	50,000.00
Interest on same	1,902.08
Note No. 9, dated Nov. 9, 1916, due May 15, 1917, in favor	
State National Bank	43,000.00
Interest on same	1,519.33
Note No. 10. dated Nov. 9, 1916, due May 15, 1917, in favor	
Alamo National Bank	43,000.00
Interest on same	1,519.33

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.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted

by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Garland, Lambert, Heuermann and Lowther.

No. 10 *MB-644* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating Twenty Six and 20/100 (\$26.20) Dollars to pay court costs.

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

The sum of Twenty Six and 20/100 (\$26.20) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the judgement fund to pay costs for the following cases:

No.-B-8596, 73rd District Court, Mrs. L.M.Adams vs, City	\$15.60
No. B- 8031, 37th District Court, City vs. Rescue Home	10.60
The warrant to be drawn in favor of Osceola Archer, Clerk of the	

Districts Courts of Bexar County, Texas.

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

No. 11 *-645* 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, the following sums of moneys for the hereinafter designated purposes:

Six and 52/100 Dollars (\$6.52) (the school portion being \$1.60) warrant for which is to be made payable to Charles Forestello on account of erroneous assessment and collection of taxes for the fiscal year 1916 on lot Number Eight (8) in N.C.B No. 2443 on valuation of \$400.00.

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

No. 12 *-646* AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the payment of wages to City Laborers for the week ending June 9, 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 June 9, 1917, and that the following sums be and are hereby appropriated out of the several special funds for that purpose, to-wit:

General Fund 1917 \$748.95

Commissioner Garland submitted the following list of appointments in his department, the same being unconfirmed by the Commissioners:

- ✓ A.B.Stephens, Chief Dep. Coll.
- ✓ Dave P.Gallagher, License and Dues Insp.
- ✓ Ed. M.Rivas, City License Insp.
- ✓ W.M.Simpson, Book-keeper
- ✓ Thad W.Smith, Back Tax Adj.
- ✓ J.W.Maddox, Dep. Tax Assessor.
- ✓ P.O'Shaughnessy, Separation Clerk
- ✓ Frank Benavides, Dep. Tax Assessor.
- ✓ Fred Huntress, Clerk Back Tax Dept.
- ✓ H.G.Williams, Dep. Tax Assessor.
- ✓ Geo. Flannery, Clerk Tax Dept.
- ✓ C.F.Russi Jr. Chief Clerk Back Tax Coll.
- ✓ John L. Richter, Building Insp.
- ✓ John F.Attfield, Deputy Tax Assessor.
- ✓ A.J.Veltmann Chief Dep. Assessor.
- ✓ Richard Buckley, Clerk & Deputy Tax Assessor.
- ✓ J.E.Dwyer Dep. Tax Assessor.
- ✓ F.Brockmann Separation Clerk.
- ✓ Chas Callaghan, Dep. License Coll.
- ✓ A.D.Heye, Chief Dep. City Treasurer.

Commissioner Garland submitted a bond of the American Surety Company covering the office of Commissioner of Taxation, and of all employes in his department required to give bond under ordinances of the City, and the same was approved by unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Heuermann submitted a communication from R.C. Watkins, Supt. G.H. & S.A. Railway Company, relating to crossing gates, which was read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements.

Commissioner Heuermann submitted the recommendation of the City Engineer relating to a sewer on Iowa Street, between Mesquite and Cherry Streets, was read and adopted.

Commissioner Heuermann introduced an ordinance appropriating \$70.00 to pay Albert Weyel, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Garland, Lambert, Heuermann and Lowther.

No. 13 *MB-647* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$70.00 to pay Albert Weyel for connections with private sewer.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Seventy (\$70.00) Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay Albert Weyel for sewer connections of O.T. Tucker and A. Blocker, C.B. 584, Hackberry Street, these connections with the private sewer of A. Weyel having been ordered by the City previous to paving Hackberry Street.

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

AN ORDINANCE

Requiring the grubbing and removal of weeds, brush, rubbish and any and all other objectionable, unsightly and unsanitary matter from any lot or lots or parcel of real estate within the City, and the levelling, filling in, draining and regulating of the surface of said lots or premises so as to prevent stagnant water standing therein, declaring the same a public nuisance and fixing penalties for violation thereof; also providing that such work and improvements may be made by the City at the cost of the owners of said lots or premises, fixing a lien therefor and providing for foreclosure of such liens; repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

(For full text of this ordinance see Ordinance Book "F", pages to *252*)

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

No. 14 *-649* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating Seventy (\$70.00) Dollars for Brackenridge Park.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Seventy (\$70.00) out of Zoo Fund be and is hereby appropriated to be paid to Robinson Bros. of San Francisco, Cal, for the following:

One Black Swan	\$50.00
One Zelice Finches	1.50
One Chestnut Finches	4.00
One Black Nuns	6.00
One Blue Bunting	4.00
One Owl Finches	4.50
	<u>\$70.00</u>

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

No. 15 *MB 650* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$5.00 for plants for Brackenridge Park.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars be and is hereby appropriated, to be paid to Mr. Herman Laux, of San Antonio, Texas, for the following:

Twenty Six Morning Glory Plants in pots for Brackenridge Park \$5.00

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

No. 16 *-651* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$6,900.00 account of purchase of land for Park purposes.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1917 General Fund for the following purposes:

1st. The sum of Six Thousand Dollars to be paid the San Antonio Water Supply Company, upon delivery of proper deed to the second one-fifth part of what is known as Section 3, having a frontage of 250 feet on the west side of River Avenue.

2nd. The sum of Nine Hundred Dollars as an option on the remainder of said Section 3, all as provided by an ordinance passed and approved on the 10th day of July, 1916.

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,

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

No. 17 *-652* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$3061.21 to pay City's portion of maintenance of Robert B. Green Memorial Hospital.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$3061.21 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay the City's portion (36%) for the maintenance of the Robert B. Green Memorial Hospital for the month of May 1917, warrant to be made payable to County Judge of Bexar County.

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

No. 18 *-653* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating the sum of Ninety Six (\$96.00) Dollars for music Brackenridge Park.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Ninety Six (\$96.00) Dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay Wm. H. Smith of San Antonio, Texas, for the following:

June 10, To music furnished Brackenridge Park, 23 musicians \$96.00

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted

by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Garland, Lambert, Heuermann and Lowther.

No. 19 **MB-654** AN ORDINANCE

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

That the sum of \$61.25 be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of 1917, to reimburse Fred Fries for advances made on bedding destroyed by order of the Health Department as follows, to-wit:

M. Martinez,	\$8.50
Josefa Iranez	12.00
R. Williams	17.50
J. Karotkin	16.00
Dolores Sambey	7.25

Commissioner Lambert submitted specifications and form of call for bids for improvement of the San Antonio River, between Romana Street and Houston Street, which was read and adopted. (see resolution below)

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that,
WHEREAS, a resolution has been this day passed providing for calling for bids for leveeing the San Antonio River, and said resolution contains a blank date as to when said work should be completed.

Be It Resolved that the Commissioner of Parks & Sanitation be and is hereby authorized to insert said date when same has been by him determined upon.

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

RESOLUTION
Calling for bids on retaining walls.

SPECIFICATIONS

The structure mentioned in these specifications consist of two retaining walls constructed of piling and lumber, and is to be located on the San Antonio River lines between Houston Street and Romana Street in the City of San Antonio, State of Texas.

Said retaining walls are for the purpose of preventing the water of said San Antonio River from leaving the channel of the stream, in time of high water.

The walls will be approximately 22 feet in height and 2750 feet in length. One wall to be constructed on the east river line and one wall on the west river line making a total of 5500 lin. feet of retaining wall 22 feet in height.

The City reserves the right to shorten the total length of these walls, if the engineer finds that embankments of earth now existing, or embankments of earth can be constructed so as to take the place of the timbered walls.

The City also reserves the right to reduce the height of said walls at such points where the engineer finds that it is not necessary to excavate down to the low water level.

The piling must be of 12"x12" timber 27 feet in length and driven or otherwise placed in the ground not less than five feet deep measured below the low water level, where the engineer directs that a 22 ft. wall is necessary.

If round piling is furnished, same must measure 14" at the head and not less than 10" at the toe. At such points as the Engineer shall decide that a wall less than 22 ft. in height will be sufficient.

The piling shall be of the same dimensions as specified above and shall be driven or placed in the ground five feet below the natural ground line, where same intersects the river line, selected for the retaining wall, by the engineer provided however that said piling shall be cut so as not to cause any loss timber.

It is the purpose of the contract to pay for actual lengths of timbers placed in the walls, it is to be understood however that should the engineer order a piece of timber reduced in length in order to save excavations, then in such cases the total length of timber will be either used or paid for.

The piling are to be placed five feet from center to center of piling and driven on a batter, inclining from river, and to the bank, as shown by the plans and cross-sections, which are made a part of these specifications.

The lumber for the walls are to be 10 ft. in length and twelve inches wide and three inches thick.

This lumber or planks must be placed so as to rest one on the other, forming practically a water tight joint, and nailed securely to place against the bank side of the piling.

In order that the wall planks shall be brought to an exact level a trench must be excavated varying in depth from one ft. to 22 ft, a back pressure may still be placed in trench, as shown on plans, if directed by engineer..

The width of this trench will vary in proportion to the depth so as to make possible the nailing of the planks to the piling, when the engineer that said planks should be nailed. The excavation and back filling to be paid for at a price per cubic yard for excavation, also per cubic yard for back filling.

The whole ~~xxxxxxx~~ structure shall be framed and erected in a workmanlike manner to the full satisfaction of the Engineer. Errors of omission shall not entitle the contractor to any claim for extras on the above structure.

Work to begin within 30 days from date of contract and completed on or before the 1st day of _____ 1917.

Bids are requested on the following material to be used in the construction of retaining wall along the San Antonio River, in the City of San Antonio.

The City reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept one and reject the other. 27000 li feet cypress piling 12x12-10 ft. in place according to specifications and plans.

Excavations for 5500 ft. of trench per cubic yard back filling for 5500 ft. of trench per cubic yard, according to plans and specifications.

Bids are requested on the following material to be used in the construction of retaining wall along the San Antonio River in the City of San Antonio.

The City reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept one and reject the other. 27000 lineal feet creosoted piling 12x12-27 ft. in place according to specifications and plans.

121,000 lin feet creosoted lumber 3x12-10 ft. in place according to specifications and plans.

Bids are requested on the following material to be used in the construction of the retaining wall along the San Antonio River in the City of San Antonio.

The City reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept one and to reject the other.

27000 lin ft. creosoted piling 12x12-27 delivered on the work.

27000 lin ft. cypress lumber 3x12-10 ft. delivered on the work.

121,000 lin ft. cypress lumber 3x12-10 delivered on the work.

27,000 lin ft. heart pine 12x12-27 ft. delivered on work.

121,000 ft. heart pine 3x12-10 ft. delivered on work.

Bids are requested on the following material to be used in the retaining wall along the San Antonio River in the City of San Antonio.

The City reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept one and reject the other.

27000 lin ft. sap pine piling seasoned 14" head 10" toe 27 ft. long F.O.B. San Antonio, Texas.

121 lin. ft. sap pine Kiln dried 3x12-10 ft., F.O.B. cars San Antonio, Texas.

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

No. 20

MB-655 AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$228.05 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1917 General Fund to pay employes of Fire Department whose names appear on the pay roll attached hereto for the services set out therein.

Commissioner Lowther submitted the appointment of T.G. Sammons as regular policeman, in place of ___McGee, resigned, which appointment was confirmed by unanimous vote of Commissioners:

The hearing of property owners interested in the improvement of McCullough Ave, between Summit Avenue and Bushnell ~~XXXXXX~~ Street, and on Jones Avenue between San Antonio River and Camden Street, were held pursuant to the motion for postponement on June 7, the objection to the improvement of McCullough Avenue offered by the Summit Place Co., and the Oblate Fathers were received and ordered filed.

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

ATTEST:

[Signature]
CITY CLERK.

APPROVED

[Signature]
MAYOR.