

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH, A.D.1918, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Sam C. Bell, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Coy, Lambert, Heuermann, Wright.

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved.

---MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS---

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements:

Insurance Agents for re-numbering of houses in City.

M.J.Kaine, requesting a hearing and reinstatement of his license as a sidewalk contractor.

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

W.A.Silveus and R.A.Cobb, for correction of assessment.

Miss Louise Taylor, " " " "

H.Wagner, " " " "

H.C.King Jr. et al " " " "

E.Miller, for remission of taxes.

J.E.Dwyer, for cancellation of taxes.

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

For arc lamp at Yale Ave and Trinity Streets.

Stires Out Door Adv. Co. for billboard Romana and Soledad Sts.

A.D.Grier, for refund on sale of mule.

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

MC-596

AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company to extend its tracks across and over the southern and northern alleys in City Block 602, in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.

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

Section 1: That the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company be and it is hereby granted a franchise to lay and extend a spur and switch track across and over two alleys in City Block Six Hundred and Two (602), designated as the North and South alleys respectively in said block and between the following points, to-wit:

Beginning at the end of present spur in Block 602. Thence in a Northeasterly direction, curving to the right at 9', enter the southern alley in said block No.602, about 76' east of the east line of South Walnut Street, at 30.5 across North line of said alley, at 114', across south line of Northern alley in said block 602, about 154', east of east line of South Walnut Street at 181', across northern line of said northern alley. Thence eastward parallel with and 6' from north line of said alley, 310' feet to end of track, which is 72' west of Cherry Street.

Section 2; Said track shall be laid under the direction of the Commissioner of the Department of Streets and Public Improvements and the City Engineer, and same shall be laid and constructed in accordance with the directions and in accordance with such plans and specifications as may or shall be furnished by said City Engineer, and the

construction and maintenance of same shall conform to the regulations so imposed and hereafter to be imposed by the City; and same shall conform to the grades and restrictions imposed by the City, and the operation and maintenance of said track shall be subject to all ordinances and regulations now in force or that may hereafter be enacted regulating such character of construction.

Section 3: In consideration of the granting of this permit the said Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company binds and obligates itself, its successors and assigns, to hold the City of San Antonio free and harmless from all damages to persons and property that may result by reason of the granting of this permit, or the exercise of any right thereunder, and to remove the track on demand from the City.

Section 4. The exercise of any privilege under this ordinance shall be an acceptance of all its terms and conditions by the said Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway Company, its successors and assigns.

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

MC-597 AN ORDINANCE

Acceptin offer of compromise in favor of the Western Paving Company, and making appropriation therefor.

WHEREAS, the Western Paving Company have offered to settle and liquidate all pending and outstanding claims in favor of said company against the City of San Antonio, as follows, to-wit:

1st. Claim for excavation of curb and gutter on various streets, a suit for which is now pending in the Seventy Third District Court of Bexar County, Texas, being cause No. B-14253;

2nd. The said claim, being for excess price claimed to have been paid for sand over and above the original contract price; and

3rd. The claim for solid rock excavation on Main Avenue and French Plae; all of which claims are more fully set out and described in a petition filed in the Commissioners' meeting of May 31st, 1918, which said offer of compromise and petition are hereto attached for more particular description of said claims; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be to the best interest of the City of San Antonio to accept said offer of compromise and settlement, and the same having been recommended by the City Attorney; Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:0

Section 1: That the offer of the Western Paving Company to settle and liquidate all pending and outstanding claims held by said company against the City of San Antonio for the sum of \$1441.11, as contained in their offer of compromise and settlement, dated October 11, 1918, and hereto attached, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2: That the sum of Fourteen Hundred, Forty One and 11/100 (\$1441.11) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1918 General Fund, in full payment of the claims in favor of the Western Paving Company described in their petition filed with the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio on May 31st, 1918, and in said offer of compromise dated October 11, 1918, hereto attached, warrant for which shall be drawn to the order of said Western Paving Company.

The following report of the City Engineer on the petition of Miss Mary Mueller et al. to close the Alamo Ditch, was read and adopted:

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 15, 1918.

Mr. Louis Heuermann,
Commissioner of Streets &c.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith petition from Miss Mary Mueller, et al, to close the Alamo Ditch between 6th st. and Commerce St.

The City was put to quite an expense two years ago to open up this ditch as it was badly needed for drainage in that section of the City. A concrete bottom was put in the ditch from E.Commerce to Fifth Street and from there to Sixth Street is a dirt bottom. the grade of the ditch is 0.25 per cent. The Ditch, as whole is in fair shape. a large portion of which is walled with stone and one block is lined with timber behind cedar posts, and therefore, if any obstruction occurs in the ditch, it may be from dirt falling from the banks, or from debris thrown into the ditch by abutting property owners.

I understand that the City, at the present time has no funds to construct a storm sewer for this distance. The proposed sewer would have to be of large dimensions to be able to carry the water which runs through the ditch and I would, therefore recommend if the banks or debris should fall into the ditch, that the matter be referred to the Commissioner of River & Ditches so that the same can be cleaned out. If this is done I fail to see that there should be any cause for complaint of unsanitary condition.

Yours truly,
Hans Helland,
City Engineer.

Commissioner Coy introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Lambert, Coy, Heuermann, Wright.

NO. 212 *MC-598* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$6024.69 for pay rolls for the week ending October 12, 1918.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$6024.69 or so much thereof as may be necessary be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1918 General Fund to meet the Special Payrolls for the week ending Oct. 12, 1918.

NO. 213 *-599* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$150.00 to pay for stamps and postal cards for official use of various departments.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$150.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is , hereby appropriated out of the 1918 General Fund to pay for stamps and postal cards for official use of the following departments;

Health Department, postage stamps	\$15.00
Health " 3500 U.S.Postal cards	70.00
Engineering " postage stamps	20.00
City Clerk " "	20.00
Purchasing Agent " "	25.00
	<u>\$150.00</u>

No. 214 *-600* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$2.84 to pay E.S.Bryan for taxes collected in error.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Two and 84/100 (\$2.84) Dollars (the portion due by School Board being .75) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1917 General Fund, to pay E.S.Bryan for taxes erroneously assessed and collected.

Commissioner Wright recommended that the following petitions be granted:
Magnolia Petro. Co. For electric sign, Flores and Arsenal Streets.

Do.	"	"	"	Van Ness & Hackberry Streets.
Do.	"	"	"	W.Commerce and Los Moras Streets
Do.	"	"	"	N.Flores and Laredo Streets.
Do.				For gasoline Equipment, Van Ness and Hackberry Streets.
Do	"	"	"	Flores and Arsenal Sts. Adopted.

Commissioner Coy made the following recommendations:

Petition J.B.Wilson, for correction of assessment, granted as per indorsement.

J.B.Taylor, for correction of assessment, granted.

F.M.Edwards, for correction of assessment, granted.

Diocesan School Western Texas, for remission of taxes, granted.

E.F.Gariel, for correction of assessment, granted. Adopted.

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

No. 215 *MC-601* AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$100.00 out of 1918 General Fund to pay W.D.Hussing.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1918 General Fund to pay W.D.Hussing, this \$100.00 is the first instalment on a contract made by W.D. Hussing and the City of San Antonio to clear the Market House of cockroaches, rats and mice, for the period for Five Years from Oct 8th, 1918 to Oct. 8, 1923.

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

ATTEST:

[Signature]
CITY CLERK.

APPROVED

[Signature]
MAYOR