

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

MONDAY, JULY 25th, A.D., 1921, 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT, Hon. O.B. Black, presiding, and Commissioners Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright. Minutes of the previous meeting were ordered approved.

MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS

The following petitions were read and referred to the Commissioner of Fire and Police; C.W. Fous for special building permit. Grayburg Oil Company, for permit to install gasoline tank at Main Ave. and Dewey Place.

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Petition of Juan Martinez for refund of taxes was read and referred to the Commissioner of Taxation.

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The City Attorney reporting on the petition of J.C. Penny, Inc. for remission of penalty on taxes, recommended that it be not granted, as it would be in violation of City's Charter. Adopted.

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The City Purchasing Agent recommended that the bid for glass tank in Brackenridge Park be awarded to the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company; and that the bid of Petrich-Saur Lumber Co. for two cars of lumber be accepted, which recommendations were adopted by the following vote on roll-call, to-wit: AYES: Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright.

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The following ordinances were introduced and laid over for further consideration.

AN ORDINANCE MD-1485

Authorizing the disclaimer and quitclaiming on part of the City of any interest in the underground conduits, manholes and other property heretofore owned by the San Antonio Telephone Company, and heretofore conveyed to or acquired by the Western Union Telegraph Company and granting privileges in connection therewith to said Telegraph Company and the City of San Antonio.

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

SECTION ONE: That the Mayor of the City of San Antonio is hereby authorized, directed and empowered in writing to disclaim and quitclaim to the Western Union Telegraph Company any right, title and interest ~~in all those underground conduits, manholes and other property of every description heretofore owned by the San Antonio Telephone Company, and heretofore conveyed to or acquired by the Western Union Telegraph Company, except as to the perpetual use of one duct hereinafter provided for, and granting to said Western Union Telegraph Company and its assigns the rights to improve and repair the same and make necessary connections and extensions thereto.~~

SECTION TWO The Western Union Telegraph Company shall, in writing, give and grant to the City of San Antonio, but only for the use of the City, the perpetual right to use for its Fire and Police Department (but in no event for the conducting of power or other uses that would interfere with telegraph communications) one duct in all that part of said underground lines of conduit wherever said lines of conduit contain two or more ducts. The Western Union Telegraph Company shall designate the duct to be used by the City, which shall be of equal serviceability as any other duct in said system, and shall be open and free from obstructions at the time designated, and the Western Union Telegraph Company shall keep the conduit line in which such duct is located, and the manholes connected therewith, in repair at its expense, during the life and practicable serviceability of said conduit.

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AN ORDINANCE - 1486

Authorizing the disclaimer and quitclaiming on the part of the City of any interest in the underground conduits, manholes and other property heretofore owned by the San Antonio Telephone Company, and heretofore conveyed to or acquired by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and granting privileges in connection therewith to said Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and the City of San Antonio.

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

SECTION ONE: That the Mayor of the City of San Antonio is hereby authorized, directed and empowered in writing to disclaim and quitclaim to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company any right, title and interest of the City of San Antonio in all those underground conduits, manholes and other property of every description heretofore owned by the San Antonio Telephone Company, and heretofore conveyed to or acquired by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, except such part of same as may have heretofore been sold by said Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to Western Union Telegraph Company and except as to the perpetual use of one duct hereinafter provided for, and granting to said Southwestern Bell Telephone Company the right to improve and repair the same and make necessary connections and extensions thereto.

SECTION TWO: Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall, in writing, give and grant to the City of San Antonio, but only for the use of the City, the perpetual right to use for its Fire and Police Department (but only for the use of the City and in no event for the use of power or high potential wires or any other purpose so as to interfere with telegraph or telephone communications) one duct in all that part of said underground lines of conduit, wherever said lines of conduit contain two or more ducts. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall designate the duct to be used by the City, ~~which~~ which shall be of equal serviceability to any other duct in said system and shall be open and free from obstructions at the time designated, and said Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall keep the conduits line in which such duct is located and the manholes connected therewith in repair at its expense, during the life and practicable serviceability of said conduit. (S)

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 The following ordinances were read and adopted by the following vote on roll-call, to-wit:
 AYES: Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright.

AN ORDINANCE *MD-1487*

Authorizing the Mayor of the City of San Antonio to accept a certain deed from Morris Jaffe, conveying to the City a part of Lot 8, in Block 111, required by the City of San Antonio in the widening of South Flores Street, said deed containing certain restrictions and conditions.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:
 SECTION ONE: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to accept a certain deed to be executed by Morris Jaffe, conveying to the City of San Antonio a tract of land out of Lot 8, City Block 111, abutting on the west side of South Flores Street, required by the City of San Antonio for street purposes in connection with its plan of improvement by widening said street between Dolorosa Street and West Nueva Street, the purchase of said property having been heretofore authorized by an Ordinance duly passed by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio said deed containing certain conditions and restrictions, and providing that said tract of land is conveyed to the City for the purpose of widening South Flores Street, and for street purposes, after same is widened, and containing other terms and conditions fully set out in said deed, copy of which said deed is hereto attached and made a part hereof, and here referred to for all of the terms and conditions of the same.

78. AN ORDINANCE *- 1488*

Appropriating the sum of Seventy-nine and 40/100 (\$79.40) Dollars out of the 1921 General Fund to pay the Clerk of the Supreme Court for costs in the suit styled "City of San Antonio vs. Carolina C. Garza et. al."

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
 THAT the sum of Seventy-Nine and 40/100 (\$79.40) Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1921 General Fund to pay F.T. Connerly, Clerk of the Supreme Court, for costs in tax suit No. 3409, styled "City of San Antonio vs. Carolina C. Garza et. al." which cause was reversed and remanded by the Supreme Court, taxing the costs against the City of San Antonio.

AN ORDINANCE *- 1489*

Fixing the salary of the Private Secretary of the Mayor.
 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the salary of the Private Secretary to the Mayor be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars per month, payable monthly.

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Sphinx Advertising System to install and maintain automatic trash cans in the City of San Antonio was read and laid over at the request of Commissioner Lambert.

The following ordinance was read and adopted by the following vote on roll-call, to-wit:
 AYES: Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright.

AN ORDINANCE *- 1490*

Fixing the salary of the Assistant Market Master. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the salary of the Assistant Market Master of the City of San Antonio, Texas, be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-Five (\$125.00) Dollars per month, payable monthly. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Commissioner Lambert recommended that the petition of Mrs. M.F. Boykin to rent a portion of the City Market House be granted. Adopted.

Commissioner Lambert introduced the following resolution, which was adopted.

A RESOLUTION

Authorizing Advertising for bids on new boiler for City Hall. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the Commissioner of Sanitation, Parks and Public Property be hereby authorized to have the City Purchasing Agent advertise for bids for a new boiler for the City Hall, the capacity of which is to be the same as the old one. It is to be understood that the bids will include installing the new boiler in the basement of the City Hall, and also that an allowance be made for the old boiler.

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Commissioner Wright made the following recommendations, which were adopted. Citizens, requesting the establishment of a Saunders Avenue-Laredo Street Jitney Line. Granted. The Line to be over the following route: Starting on Saunders and Pinto, east on Saunders to Las Moras, south on Las Moras to San Fernando, east on San Fernando to Brazos; south on Brazos to El Paso; east on El Paso to Laredo; north on Laredo to Commerce west on Commerce to Santa Rosa; South on Santa Rosa to Dolerosa; east on Dolerosa to South Laredo, and over same line to place of beginning.

Petition of Roth Brothers for permit to erect an aelectric sign at 311 N. Flores Street, granted.

Battery Service Company for permit to erect electric sign, 519 Main Avenue, granted.

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Commissioner Wright introduced an ordinance prohibiting the playing of mechanically operated musical instruments, in places of amusement etc. which was read and laid over at the request of Commissioner Pfeiffer.

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Commissioner Rieden introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted, on the following vote on roll-call, to-wit: AYES: Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright.

AN ORDINANCE MD-1491

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Appropriating funds to pay Bartlett and Ranney for plans of bridge. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the sum of \$1507.32 be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Bridge Fund of 1919 to pay Bartlett and Ranney for plans and specifications on Romana Street bridge, Mill Bridge, Navarro Street Bridge, Tecan Street Bridge, and Market Street Bridge, as per approved estimate of City Engineer hereto attached.

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AN ORDINANCE -1492

Appropriating \$269.75 to pay Herbert S. Green, architect. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the sum of \$269.75 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of Street Opening and Widening Fund to pay Herbert S. Green for architect fees on remodelling Graves Building on S. Alamo Street in connection with opening of East Market Street, as per agreement between City and Laura Wise Maverick.

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ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BEXAR
CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

-1493
DEPARTMENT OF STREETS

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSAL OF The Uvalde Company for paving of Brazos Street from South Laredo to El Paso Streets, and authorizing contract and appropriating money therefor.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Street Improvement Records, Vol. 8, page 516.)

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Commissioner Rieden introduced the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

RESOLUTION ORDERING STREETS IMPROVEMENTS:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO: 1. That a public necessity exists for the improvement of each street and public place in said City named hereunder, and that it be, and is hereby ordered that the same be improved in the manner hereinafter stated, and that special assessments and special taxes shall be made and levied as provided by law and ordinance on account of the cost of such improvements on each such streets or public places, to-wit:

Lakeview Avenue from Main Avenue to Soledad Street.

(For full text of this resolution, see Street Improvement Record, Vol. 8, page 517.)

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Commissioner Pfeiffer recommended that the petition of the City National Bank for correction of tax payment, be granted, and that a refund of \$996.95 be made. Adopted.

Commissioner Pfeiffer introduced the following ordinances, which were read and adopted on the following vote on roll-call, to-wit: AYES: Black, Pfeiffer, Lambert, Rieden and Wright.

79. AN ORDINANCE MD-1494

Appropriating funds to pay special weekly pay rolls. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the following sums of money be, and the same are hereby appropriated out of the hereinafter named funds to pay special weekly pay rolls for the week ending July 23, 1921, to-wit:

Park Improvement Fund of 1919	- - - - -	\$ 800.00
Sanitary Sewer Fund of 1919	- - - - -	300.00
St. Flaying & Storm Sewer Fund, 1918	- - - - -	2500.00
River Improvement Fund of 1919	- - - - -	100.00
		<u>\$3700.00</u>
Trench Fund	- - - - -	300.00
1921 General Fund	- - - - -	4500.00
Total	- - - - -	<u>\$8500.00</u>

81. AN ORDINANCE - 1495

Appropriating \$1.92 to pay Jas. F. Wolfe taxes paid in error. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, that the sum of \$1.92 (the San Antonio School Board's Proportion being 55 cents) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the 1920 General Fund, to pay Jas. F. Wolfe on account of double assessment of automobile #7364.

The matter of selecting city depositories from among the bids submitted Thursday, July 21, 1921, was now taken up.

Commissioner Pfeiffer moved the acceptance of the offer by the Houston National Exchange Bank to become the general depository of the City of San Antonio, conditioned upon the giving and approval of the required bond as by law provided. His motion was adopted by unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Pfeiffer moved the acceptance of the bid of the Texas State Bank and Trust Company, of the City of San Antonio, to become a general depository of the city of San Antonio, pursuant to its bid here on file, conditioned that upon the giving and approval of the required bond, as by law provided. This motion was duly seconded and carried by unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Pfeiffer placed in nomination, the name of William A. Trabue for the position of City Treasurer of the City of San Antonio, beginning on the first day of August, 1921, pursuant to the Charter and Ordinances of the city of San Antonio, creating such position. The nomination was confirmed by unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Pfeiffer moved that further action in the selection of City depositories be deferred, and that the other bids for city depositories and to loan the city money, remain in statue-que until the next meeting of the council, for further distribution of the same. The motion was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

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On motion duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED

O. B. Black

Mayor

ATTEST:

Ben A. Cordell
City Clerk.

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