

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

MONDAY, MARCH 12TH, A.D. 1917, 4 P.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Clinton G. Brown, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS WERE ORDERED APPROVED.

---MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS---

The Clerk read the following communication:

San Antonio, Texas, March 12, 1917.

To the Honorable Clinton G. Brown, Mayor,
and Honorable City Commissioners, of the City of San Antonio.

Gentlemen:

In behalf of the Italian Colony of this City, we desire to extend to you, and to each of you, our most profound and heart-felt thanks for the honor you have bestowed upon us by having the walls of your Council Chamber adorned with the large painting of the immortal, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, which was presented by this Colony to the City of San Antonio on the 21st day of October A.D. 1893.

Assuring you of our very high appreciation of your action in the matter,

We beg to remain,
With much respect,

Chas. A. Troilo,
President of the Italian Colony.

ATTEST:
Giovani Paletta,
Secretary.

The Clerk read the following, which was ordered entered upon the minutes:

San Antonio, Texas, March 1, 1917

To the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners of the City of San Antonio.
Gentlemen:

As per instructions from the San Antonio Trades Council, I am enclosing for your consideration copy of a resolution adopted at our last regular meeting concerning the proposed Auditorium for the City of San Antonio.

Hoping that when the occasion arises for your Honorable Body to enter into consideration of ways and means for the construction of the building referred to that our plans will be given your attention, and expressing the sincere hope that the proposed project will meet with ultimate success, I beg to remain,

Very truly,
Jno. W. Ellett, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

Adopted by S.A. Trades Council February 23, 1917.

Be it Resolved by San Antonio Trades Council, That a creditable Auditorium is of the greatest importance to the advancement of the civic interests of San Antonio, and for the entertainment of our people. We, therefore, heartily endorse the project for the building of such an auditorium and declare ourselves to be in full accord with the plans, which we believe will most quickly result in its construction, and which provide:

First. That the building be municipal, owned by the citizenship of San Antonio and managed by a non-partisan board of trustees, to be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Commissioners.

Second. That the funds for the construction of the building be secured by means of a bond issue, as most nearly equalizing the cost of the building on those to be benefited thereby.

Third. That the main hall of the Auditorium should have a seating capacity of at least 10,000 people, that we may successfully compete with other cities more centrally located, for the great National conventions; and, further, that several smaller halls should be provided.

Fourth. Reflecting the character of the municipality, the building should be a credit to San Antonio in design and construction. To this end that we may have a building both beautiful and capacious, we believe that at least \$500,000.00 should be provided for the construction thereof.

Fifth. That the building be centrally located.

Sixth. The enabling provisions of the City Charter must first be adopted for the success of the plan. We do, therefore, petition the Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners of San Antonio to submit such charter amendments as are necessary, at the coming special charter election, and as soon thereafter as possible to call for an election on the proposition of issuing City Bonds in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the purpose of constructing an Auditorium. And we further call upon the citizens of San Antonio to support this measure at the special charter election, that San Antonio may have a convention hall built by the citizenship and controlled by a board as directly as possible representing that citizenship.

San Antonio Trades Council.

Petition of Geo. Kottler, and H.J.Weinhauser, by Geo. Karges, Agent, for correction of assessment, was granted, on motion of Commissioner Garland, duly seconded and carried.

An invitation from the Ancient Order of Hibernians, to the Commissioners, to join in the parade on St. Patricks Day, was read and accepted.

Petition from Wm. Maurer, for permit to erect frame building on Madison St.
Petition of W.A.Sheets, for permit to install gasoline tank, 1302 E.Houston Street;
and petition of Chas F.Babera, for permit to do electric wiring, were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police.

Communication from F.H.Wash, asserting ownership ~~in~~ of the Judgement of R.S.Scott vs. City, was read and referred to City Attorney.

A communication from Louisa Bohnet and Bertha Stumberg in re to opening of old Alamo ditch, was read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police:
For arc lamp at Saunders Avenue and Zarzamora Street.
Southern Jewelry Co., for permit to erect electric sign.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation:
Ed. Tewes, for refund of taxes.
J.Courand, for correction of assess ment.

Petition requesting the laying of dust on Castro Street, was read and referred to Commissioner of Sanitation.

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

MB-476 AN ORDINANCE

No.273 Appropriating \$198.26 to pay the Woolley Construction Co.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of One Hundred and Ninety Eight and 26/100 (\$198.26) Dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund to pay Woolley Construction Company for repairs to Cincinnati Avenue, Feb. 24 to March 3, inclusive. This amount to be refunded to the City by the Texas Fidelity and Bonding Company.

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, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr.

No. 294 - 4 7 7 AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the payment of wages to City Laborers for the week ending March 8, 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 March 8, 1917, and that the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated out of the several special funds for that purpose, to-wit:

General Fund 1916.

The petition of Leon Tudzin, for refund of unearned portion of Jitney license, was read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation.

Petition of Lowry and Doolin for permit to erect an electric sign at 422 W. Houston Street, was granted on recommendation of Commissioner Uhrland.

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

APPROVED:

Anton J. Brown
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Ed Smith
CITY CLERK