

APRIL 13, 1944

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,  
AT 10:00 O'CLOCK, A. M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1944.

PRESENT: Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. ABSENT: Steffler.

The Clerk read the Minutes of the meeting of April 6th, 1944, and after a motion by Commissioner Callaghan, seconded by Commissioner Hein, said Minutes were approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent).

The following petitions were presented:

Petition filed by a group of residents in the vicinity of Hazel, Trinity and Ceralva Streets protesting the erection of an abattoir, slaughter house, packing house or any plant which might be a menace to their properties, which was referred to the Health Department for investigation.

Petition of the Tuesday Musical Club for exemption of City Taxes on their property at 515 West Euclid, being Lot 1, Block 2, C. B. 767, which was referred to the Commissioner of Taxation.

Petition of Tom Liberto et al asking the acceptance of the dedication of land for a street known as Gugert Street, which was referred to the Commissioner of Streets and the City Attorney.

Petition of Mrs. I. Flores and other residents of the 300 Block of Canada Street asking for a sewer line in said block, which petition was referred to the Commissioner of Streets.

Petition of Norman C. Scott for permission to vacate the plat of Block 208 and Block 213, Los Angeles Heights, which was referred to the Commissioner of Streets.

Two petitions of J. C. Rice to vacate Lots 9, 10, 21 and 22, CB 3687, and to resubdivide Block A-34, both of which were referred to the Commissioner of Streets.

The Clerk read the following letter: "April 12, 1944

Honorable Mayor  
City Commissioners  
City of San Antonio

Gentlemen:

Some time ago an agreement was made with the Alamo Cotton Oil Mill located at 438 Simpson Street in which the City agreed if the above named firm would cut the trench the City would do such other work as is necessary to lay a sanitary sewer from the present Lone Star Brewing Company's connection, a distance of approximately 703 feet westward, so as to allow this company a sanitary sewer connection.

In view of the fact that the City contemplates certain street improvements on Simpson Street within the next few weeks, together with the fact that the City's forces are busy on other work, I would recommend that the attached proposal of Geo. E. Brombaugh, who has the contract for cutting the trench, be accepted. The price proposed is less than the cost would be to the City if our forces did the work.

Please advise the wishes of the Council in this matter.

Respectfully,

Thos. H. Coghill  
City Engineer.

"HC."

The attached proposal is as follows:

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"April 11, 1944.

Mr. Paul Nauschutz  
City Sewer Engineer  
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Confirming our conversation and your request for prices on installing the City's portion of the 8" sanitary sewer on Simpson Street, extending west from Lone Star Brewing Company to Alamo Cotton Seed Oil Company, approximately 703 feet, with three manholes and necessary wyes. City is to furnish us with all material, with the exception of water for the purpose of flushing and construction.

We are to shore trenches where necessary, furnishing all labor and lumber, fine grade same, lay all pipes, build all manholes, flush and backfill, and place same in original condition, and remove all surplus material, for the cost of \$208.70, plus 15% for profit and overhead, \$31.31, total of \$240.01.

We agree to complete this work in seven days.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Geo. E. Brombaugh"

After hearing Mr. Coghill's letter, Mayor Mauermann said that since he knew nothing whatever about the matter, he would refer it to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

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Commissioner Callaghan introduced the following Ordinances, which were read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent).

APPRO. NO. 652

AN ORDINANCE (863)

APPROPRIATING \$175,096.95 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND TO PAY NOTES NOS. 60 TO 66 INCL. AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 422 ).

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APPRO. NO. 653

AN ORDINANCE (864)

APPROPRIATING \$83,229.49 OUT OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND, FOR SEMI-MONTHLY PAYROLLS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 422 ).

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APPRO. NO. 654

AN ORDINANCE (865)

APPROPRIATING \$41,027.06 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND TO PAY FOR MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 423 ).

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APPRO. NO. 655

AN ORDINANCE (866)

APPROPRIATING \$1,759.24 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - TO PAY TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1944.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 423 ).

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APPRO. NO. 656

AN ORDINANCE (867)

APPROPRIATING \$5,002.77 OUT OF POLICE & FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND TO PAY NOTES NOS. 2 TO 6 INCL. OF THE FIREMEN, POLICEMEN AND FIRE ALARM OPERATORS' PENSION FUND SERIES, AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 424 ).

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## AN ORDINANCE (868)

GRANTING THE PETITION OF DIVINO SALVADOR METHODIST CHURCH,  
FOR EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1944 AND YEARS  
SUBSEQUENT THERETO, ON LOT 7, BLOCK 21, NEW CITY BLOCK 2321,  
AT 2523 BUENA VISTA STREET, IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 424 ).

## AN ORDINANCE (869)

GRANTING THE PETITION OF JEFFERSON HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH,  
FOR EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1944 AND  
YEARS SUBSEQUENT THERETO, AND CANCELLATION OF CITY TAXES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1943, ON LOTS 11, 12, 13 and 14, BLOCK  
18, NEW CITY BLOCK 1950, AT 1841 WEST HUISACHE AVENUE, IN  
THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 425 ).

Commissioner Hein introduced the following ordinances, which were read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent)

APPRO. NO. 657

## AN ORDINANCE (870)

APPROPRIATING \$132.17 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND TO PAY  
GOVERNMENT TAX ON ADMISSIONS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 426 ).

APPRO. NO. 658

## AN ORDINANCE (871)

APPROPRIATING \$57.25 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - SEWAGE  
PLANT - PAYABLE TO R. A. FERGUSON, FOR BUILDING REPAIRS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 426 ).

APPRO. NO. 659

## AN ORDINANCE (872)

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING INTERDEPARTMENTAL BUDGET  
TRANSFERS OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 427 ).

APPRO. NO. 660

## AN ORDINANCE (873)

APPROPRIATING \$2,148.90 OUT OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND, FOR  
ZOO AND RECREATION PAYROLLS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 427 ).

Commissioner Anderson introduced the following ordinances, which were read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein, Callaghan and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent)

APPRO. NO. 661

## AN ORDINANCE (874)

ACCEPTING PROPOSAL, CREATING CONTRACT AND MAKING AN  
APPROPRIATION FOR MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES WITH FLEXIBLE  
SEWER ROD EQUIPMENT CO., 5059 VENICE BLVD., LOS ANGELES,  
CALIF.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 427 ).

APPRO. NO. 662

## AN ORDINANCE (875)

APPROPRIATING \$11.25 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - VARIOUS  
DEPARTMENTS - TO PAY FOR RECORDING FEES.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 429 ).

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## AN ORDINANCE (876)

APPOINTING J. V. IDAR TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE FIRE AND POLICE  
CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 429 ).

## AN ORDINANCE (877)

TO USE THE CITY SANITARY SEWERS FOR A CONNECTION OUTSIDE OF  
THE CITY LIMITS ON THE PETITION OF FRED LEONARD SERENE,  
108 PARDO CIRCLE, LOT 16, BLOCK 8, PARKVIEW ESTATES.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 429 ).

After the vote on this ordinance was taken, Mayor Mauermann said he wished to caution the City Sewer Engineer to be very certain that any connection for which a permit is granted is to be made directly to the City sanitary sewer system and not through any other service lines, before he recommends its be granted.

Commissioner Anderson stated that he desired a leave of absence from the 19th day of April to the 24th of April, 1944, inclusive, in order to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Police Advisory Council in New Orleans. A motion was made by Commissioner Hein, that such leave be granted, which was seconded by Commissioner Callaghan, and carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent)

The following Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Anderson, was read in full by the City Clerk:

## AN ORDINANCE (878)

AMENDING AN ORDINANCE REGULATING LOCAL STREET TRANSPORTATION  
PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 1st DAY OF DECEMBER, 1921.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 430 ).

Since it is declared that an emergency exists and that it is necessary that this ordinance become effective immediately, City Attorney Cobbs stated to the Council that it would be necessary to suspend the rules in order to take a vote on said ordinance; whereupon Commissioner Anderson moved that the rules be suspended and a vote taken, and after a second by Commissioner Hein, the motion carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent). The Clerk was then ordered to call the roll for a vote on the Ordinance, which was passed and approved by the following vote: on Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent).

Commissioner Anderson stated that he wished to say that the Transit Company buses are not entirely at fault in the causing of the congestion of traffic, although they are one of the major factors. Bread wagons, ice wagons, beer trucks and delivery trucks of all kinds are in the habit of stopping directly in front of the building where they wish to make deliveries, frequently even double parking, rather than carry their delivery a short distance. He further stated that he had tried to cooperate with the merchants when they had offered suggestions for the improvement of the traffic situation, such as designating one-way streets, and he asked that they now cooperate with the City by instructing their deliverymen to park their trucks when making deliveries in such a way that they would not obstruct the streets and cause a congestion of the traffic. Mayor Mauermann concurred in Commissioner Anderson's request, adding that he had seen buses compelled to stop as much as twenty feet from the curb because of parked trucks, and <sup>to</sup> pick up and discharge passengers in the middle of the street.

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Mayor Mauermann introduced the following Ordinances, which were read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent)

APPRO. NO. 663

AN ORDINANCE (879)

APPROPRIATING \$67.50 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - PAYABLE TO DR. BALLARD E. GALLOWAY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 433 ).

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APPRO. NO. 664

AN ORDINANCE (880)

APPROPRIATING \$2.25 OUT OF COMMERCE BUILDING FUND - PAYABLE TO MARTIN LINEN SUPPLY COMPANY, FOR TOWEL SERVICE.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 433 ).

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APPRO. NO. 665

AN ORDINANCE (881)

APPROPRIATING \$37.07 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - PAYABLE TO C. A. TIPS, C. E. ACTING HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION SECTION, TO REIMBURSE HIM FOR EXPENSES ON TRIP TO FT. WORTH ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 434).

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The Mayor introduced

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY ADJACENT TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY.

In the general discussion which followed, City Attorneys Cobbs stated that this was an amendment of the Ordinance of Annexation introduced and laid over on the 18th of March, 1944, as provided in Section 2, Paragraph 2 of the City Charter.

The City Clerk read the said Ordinance in full.

On roll call this Ordinance was ordered laid over for further consideration by the following vote: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent) and Callaghan.

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On motion by Commissioner Callaghan, seconded by Commissioner Hein, and carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein and Anderson; Nay, Steffler (Absent) the meeting of April 13th, 1944, recessed until Wednesday, April 19th, 1944 at 10:00 o'clock, A. M.

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PURSUANT TO THE RECESS of the meeting of April 13th, 1944, the Council reconvened at 10:00 o'clock, A. M., on Wednesday, April 19th, 1944, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall San Antonio, Texas.

PRESENT: Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. ABSENT: Callaghan and Steffler. Mayor Mauermann presiding.

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The following petitions were presented:

Petition of Texas Packing Plant for Construction of Killing and Packing Plant at corner of Hazel and South Trinity Streets, which was referred to the Health Department for investigation.

Petition of Christ Church, Inc., for exemption of City taxes on Lots 17, 18 and the West 25 feet of Lot 19, in Block 4, N. C. B. 1862, which was referred to the Commissioner of Taxation for action.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Hein, which was seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that Commissioner Callaghan be excused from attendance at the meeting, and the motion was carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent) and Callaghan (Absent).

Commissioner Hein introduced the following Ordinances, which were passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Steffler (Absent) and Callaghan (Absent).

APPRO. NO. 666 AN ORDINANCE (882)  
 AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING INTERDEPARTMENTAL BUDGET TRANSFERS  
 OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 434 ).

APPRO. NO. 667 AN ORDINANCE (883)  
 APPROPRIATING \$20,077.47 OUT OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND, FOR  
 PER DIEM PAYROLLS.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 434 ).

APPRO. NO. 668 AN ORDINANCE (884)  
 APPROPRIATING \$12,025.39 OUT OF U. S. GOVERNMENT TAX ACCOUNT  
 FOR INCOME TAXES WITHHELD DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1944.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 435 ).

Commissioner Anderson introduced the following Ordinances, which were read, passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Callaghan (Absent) and Steffler (Absent)

APPRO. NO. 669 AN ORDINANCE (885)  
 TRANSFERRING \$1,964.20 FROM PARKING METER ACCOUNT TO 1943  
 GENERAL FUND - FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PARKING METERS.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 435 ).

APPRO. NO. 670 AN ORDINANCE (886)  
 APPROPRIATING \$100.00 OUT OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO EXCAVATION  
 TRUST ACCOUNT FOR REFUNDS AND REPAIRS.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 435 ).

APPRO. NO. 671 AN ORDINANCE (887)  
 APPROPRIATING \$1.00 OUT OF 1943 GENERAL FUND - SEWER MAINTENANCE-  
 PAYABLE TO TEXAS & NEW ORLEANS RR CO. FOR RENTAL OF PROPERTY  
 FOR SEWER LINE CROSSING.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 436 ).

AN ORDINANCE (888)

TO USE THE CITY SANITARY SEWERS BY A CONNECTION OUTSIDE OF THE  
 CITY LIMITS ON THE PETITION OF RICHARD ADAMS, ET UX, 128 LOWREY  
 DRIVE, LOT 5, BLOCK 3, PARKVIEW ESTATES.

(For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 436 ).

Mayor Mauermann introduced the following Ordinance:

APPRO. NO. 672 AN ORDINANCE (889)  
 AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF ONE 1938 FORD 1½ TON  
 TRUCK WITH SPECIAL PANEL BODY FOR USE IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
 AND APPROPRIATING \$600.00 OUT OF THE 1943 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH  
 DEPARTMENT IN PAYMENT OF SAME TO W.W. AUTO SUPPLY CO., E.H. WHITIS, OWNER.  
 (For full text of this Ordinance, see Ordinance Book "L", p. 437)

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In reply to a request by the Mayor for an opinion from the City Attorney as to the emergency purchase of a truck from the W. W. Auto Supply Company, City Attorney Cobbs stated that a purchase without competitive bids was in violation of Section 127 of the City Charter of the City of San Antonio; but, in view of the statements made by the Purchasing Agent that due to the Federal regulations and market conditions it was impossible to buy this property on competitive bids, that if this matter were handled in open council so that every person interested would be fully aware of the facts, an emergency purchase under these conditions could be justified and that the Commissioners could feel that there was reasonable assurance that any court would uphold such action. The Mayor then called for a vote and the above Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Callaghan (Absent) and Steffler (Absent)

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Mayor Mauermann announced that the Mayor and Commissioners had been invited to attend a celebration on Thursday, April 20th, in Monterrey, Mexico, in commemoration of the meeting one year ago of President Roosevelt and President Manuel Avile Camacho, and suggested that Commissioner Anderson be authorized to use the leave of absence previously granted to him to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Police Advisory Council in New Orleans, to go instead to represent the City of San Antonio at the celebration in Monterrey. A motion was made by Commissioner Hein that Commissioner Anderson be so authorized, Commissioner Anderson seconded it and the motion was carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Callaghan (Absent) and Steffler (Absent).

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On motion by Commissioner Hein, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and carried by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein and Anderson. Nay, Callaghan, (Absent) and Steffler (Absent) the meeting adjourned April 19th, 1944.

APPROVED:

*Gust B. Mauermann*

MAYOR

ATTEST:

*Sam Bennett*  
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 City Clerk

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