

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

MONDAY, JULY 24TH, A. D. 1916 4 P. M.

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

Minutes of previous meeting were ordered approved. E

-----MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS-----

Petition of Ryan and Matlack, presenting claim of Geo. H. Heberer and wife for damages to lots on Carey Avenue, was read and referred to City Attorney.

Petition of Key Kash Grocery Co. for permit to install gasoline equipment at Commerce and Bowie Street, was read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police.

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

S. A. Loan and Trust Company, for street lines on Howard Street and Belknap Place.

Property owners on Warwick Avenue, requesting that present width of street be maintained in street paving.

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

Will Kelly, for refund of taxes.

H. Bohmfalk, for refund of building fee.

Trustees of Orthodox Jewish Congregation, for correction of assessment.

Commissioner of Taxation, Garland, made the following recommendations:

That petition of A. Schurig, for refund of taxes be granted:

That petition of R.E. McGown, for refund of taxes, be granted.

That petition of A. A. Thomas, for reduction of assessment, be not granted. Adopted.

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. Nays, none.

AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the collection of occupation taxes.

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

That the City fiscal year 1916 and for each city fiscal year thereafter there shall be included in the levy of taxes of the City of San Antonio for such year, a levy of occupation taxes in one half of the amount now or hereafter authorized to be collected by the State of Texas, on each and all persons pursuing the various occupations taxed by or under the laws of the State; and as provided by law all such occupation taxes shall be paid to the City, and license issued therefor, in advance and before any person, firm, association of persons or corporation shall be allowed to engage in any operation requiring a license under said law and the ordinances of the City. And this ordinance shall be and become a part of each ordinance of said City hereafter passed making tax levies. Such occupation taxes shall be paid to the City License and Dues Collector, who shall thereupon issue to each person making such payment a written license and receipt therefor.

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And it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association of persons or corporation to engage in any such occupation in this city, unless he, she or it shall first have obtained and shall hold a written city license authorizing the same; and each such person violating or causing the violation of this ordinance, whether as principal, agent or servant, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five (\$5.00) Dollars nor more than Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars; and each day during which such offense shall continue shall be a separate and distinct offense.

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. Nays, none.

No. 50

AN ORDINANCE

MB-21 Authorizing the payment of wages to City Laborers for the week ending July 22, 1916, 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 July 22, 1916, and that the following sums be and are hereby appropriated out of the several special funds for that purpose, to-wit:

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| General Fund 1916 | \$ 2153.40 |
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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. Nays, none.

No. 51

AN ORDINANCE

MB-22 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

That there be and thereis hereby appropriated out of the 1915 General Fund, the following sums of moneys for the hereinafter designated purposes:

Three and 73/100 (\$3.73) Dollars (the school portion being \$1.00) warrant for which is to be made payable to Ed. Steves Lumber Company on account of erroneous assessment and collection of taxes for the fiscal year 1915 Household and Kitchen furniture \$250.00

Commissioner Kearny submitted the following:

July 24, 1916.

Mr. Hans Helland, City Engineer,
City of San Antonio,

Dear Sir:

Beg to advise that we have completed pavin S. Presa Street from Mitchell Street to the City limits. This work was completed on the afternoon of July 23, 1916, and we ask you to please accept same as soon as possible.

We left out the pavement in front of the property of J.A. & Ada y. Bryant, lot No. 1 Block 3084 (Blk3) and have submitted a memorandum for investigation to the City Attorney.

Yours very truly,
Texas Granitoid Company
W.T.Montgomery, Pres.

July 24, 1916.

Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners,
City of San Antonio, Texas.
Gentlemen:

This is to certify that the pavement constructed on South Presa Street between Mitchell Street and the City limits by the Texas Granitoid Company, has been completed as per contract entered into, with the exception of Lot No. 1 N.C.B.3084, homestead of Mrs Ada Bryant, frontage 46 feet, and same has been accepted by me

for account of the City of San Antonio on this 24 th day of July 1916.

Yours truly,

Hans Helland, City Engineer.

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

RESOLUTION

Accepting the pavement constructed on South Presa Street between Mitchell Street and the City limits by the Texas Granitoid Company.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the City of San Antonio does hereby accept the pavement constructed by the Texas Granitoid Company on South Presa Street between Mitchell Street and the City limits, allowing and approving the homestead omission of Lot No. 1, N.C.B. 3084, frontage 46 feet, owned by Mrs. Ada Bryant; the date of acceptance being fixed on this 24 day of July, as per certificate of the City Engineer filed July 24, 1916.

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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. Nays, none,

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AN ORDINANCE

WHEREAS the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio desire to effect an adjustment of the assessments against the properties of certain owners hereinafter mentioned for the paving of Victoria Street, on account of the irregular shape and low values of the lots herein mentioned; therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that the following sums be and are hereby appropriated out of the Street Paving Funds, to be paid to said owners in the amounts herein set forth, for the purpose of reducing and adjusting said assessments as follows, to-wit:

- (1) The sum of \$138.40 to be paid to L. Frankenstein, being one third of the amount (\$415.20) assessed against him, as the owner of a triangular shaped lot of low value, bounded by Walnut Street, Iowa Street and Victoria Street, said assessment having been levied for the paving of Victoria Street, between Walnut Street and Iowa Street.
- (2) The sum of \$150.00 being one fourth of an assessment of \$601.60 levied against the estate of E.A.T. Wickes-Nease as the owner of irregular shaped lots of low value being Nos. 12 and 13 in N.C.B. 652, for the paving of Victoria Street.
- (3) The sum of \$57.60, as an allowance on an assessment of \$422.40, heretofore levied against Johanna D. Ackermann as the owner of lots 14 and 15 in N.C.B. 652, on account of the irregular shape and low value of said lot No. 15, for paving on Victoria Street.
- (4) The sum of \$100.00, as an allowance on assessment of \$208.99 heretofore levied against Frank J. Bosshardt as the owner of lot 16 C.B. 652, for the paving of Victoria Street, on account of the irregular shape of said lot No. 16, and on account of having paid a paving assessment on S. Hackberry Street on the same lot.
- (5) The sum of \$132.40, as an allowance on assessment of \$910.90 heretofore levied against Wm. Jonas as the owner of Nos. 1-18 and 17 in N.C.B. 636, for the paving of Victoria Street on account of the irregular shape and low value of said lots 1-17-18.
- (6) The sum of \$132.50 as an allowance on an assessment heretofore levied against Carl Runge as the owner of lot 16 in C.B. 636 for the paving of Victoria Street on account of the irregular shape and low value of said lot No. 16.

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The Commissioners now proceeded to canvass the returns of the Special Election held on July 17, 1916, and upon completion of said canvass made the following report:

RETURNS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD JULY 17, 1916.

FOR AND AGAINST ISSUANCE OF BONDS.

| Precinct No.- | For the issuance of bonds.-- | Against the issuance of bonds. |
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| 1 | 28 | 17 |
| 2 | 33 | 51 |
| 3 | 27 | 59 |
| 4 | 37 | 52 |
| 5 | 49 | 57 |
| 6 | 21 | 52 |
| 7 | 30 | 20 |
| 8 | 13 | 27 |
| 9 | 10 | 12 |
| 10 | 37 | 53 |
| 11 | 37 | 39 |
| 12 | 24 | 11 |
| 13 | 64 | 40 |
| 14 | 39 | 56 |
| 15 | 35 | 56 |
| 16 | 44 | 55 |
| 17 | 47 | 21 |
| 18 | 40 | 49 |
| 19 | 52 | 42 |
| 20 | 58 | 51 |
| 21 | 75 | 55 |
| 22 | 70 | 75 |
| 23 | 61 | 28 |
| 24 | 60 | 60 |
| 25 | 59 | 57 |
| 26 | 56 | 26 |
| 27 | 29 | 53 |
| 28 | 40 | 27 |
| 29 | 73 | 28 |
| 30 | 23 | 23 |
| 31 | 30 | 24 |
| 32 | 20 | 39 |
| 33 | 25 | 47 |
| 34 | 37 | 45 |
| 35 | 45 | 51 |
| 36 | 85 | 76 |
| 37 | 47 | 61 |
| 38 | 41 | 94 |
| 39 | 40 | 78 |
| 40 | 24 | 48 |
| 41 | 68 | 59 |
| 42 | 36 | 73 |
| 43 | 52 | 90 |
| 44 | 46 | 38 |
| 45 | 19 | 27 |
| 46 | 31 | 34 |
| 47 | 64 | 77 |
| 48 | 38 | 61 |
| 49 | 66 | 45 |
| Total | 2085 | 2319 |

We the undersigned do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct return of a Special Election held on July 17, 1916 for the purposes above set forth.

San Antonip, Texas, July 24, 1916

O.K.--- Clinton G. Brown
 J.F.Garland
 C. H. Kearny
 Robt. F. Uhr
 Ray Lambert

It was therefore declared that as a result of said election held on July 17, 1916, the proposition to issue bonds in the sum of \$1,000,000.00 for permanent public improvements was defeated, in accordance with the return of said election this day made by the Commissioners.

Commissioner Kearny introduced the following ordinance, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr. Excused, Garland. Nays, none.

AN ORDINANCE

Establishing the new South and North lines of Travis Street, from Main Avenue

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to Laredo Street.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the new South and North lines of Travis Street, between Main Avenue and Laredo Street are hereby established in accordance with field notes prepared by the City Engineer as follows, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE NEW NORTH AND SOUTH LINE OF
TRAVIS STREET.

From Main Avenue to Laredo Street.

A. South line.

Beginning at the Northeast corner of a building on City Block 9 Lot No. 11 in the intersection of the west line of Main Avenue and the present old south line of West Travis Street. Thence in a westerly direction with straight line to the Northeast corner of a building in City Block 119 Lot No. 4 in the intersection of the present West line of North Flores Street and the present South line of West Travis Street. Thence in a Westerly direction with a straight line to a point 8.6 feet South of the present Northwest corner of a brick building in the northeast corner of City Block 150.

B. North line.

The new established north line of West Travis Street runs parallel and 50 feet apart from the above described new south line of West Travis Street.

For further information see plat attached to these field notes and being a part hereof

All bids for constructing sidewalks in front of Carter & Mullaly property on Nacogdoches Street, and on North and South sides of Travis Street, from Main Avenue West, were opened and referred to the City Engineer.

Action upon bids received to act as City Depository, was postponed until 4 o'clock P.M. July 27, 1916.

The following ordinances granting permits to operate cars in Local Street Transportation, were read and adopted by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr. Nays, none.

^{MB-24.1} Wm. Fineman, Car No. 7031. ^{-24.2} Harris Blewett, Car No. 9865. ^{-24.3} G. Simon, Car No. 9863. ^{-24.4} Sam Nevelow, Car No. 4074. ^{-24.5} A.A. Walker (operating as City Bus Co.) Car No. 9874.

Commissioner Uhr 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. Nays, none.

No. 53

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AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating money to be paid to the widow of Gilbert L. Hovey, deceased.

WHEREAS heretofore, to-wit: on the _____ day of _____ A.D. 1915, while in the performance of duty as First Assistant Fire Chief of the City of San Antonio, Gilbert L. Hovey was killed in an accident to the automobile in which he was riding; and

WHEREAS it is proposed that the City without any admission of liability in the premises, shall pay to Mrs. Lula Hovey, widow of said Gilbert L. Hovey, for the present joint use and benefit of herself and _____ Hovey, their child, the sum of One Thousand and Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be received by the said Mrs. Lula Hovey as aforesaid in full satisfaction of any and all claims which might be or may hereafter be, asserted or prosecuted against the City on account of said death of

the said Gilbert L. Hovey; NOW THEREFORE

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

That the sum of One Thousand and Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the general fund of 1916 for which City warrant shall issue payable to the said Mrs. Lula Hovey upon delivery to the City Auditor of a proper receipt and guaranty to be executed by her in such form as may be approved by the City Attorney: provided however that neither said payment nor anything in this ordinance contained shall be deemed to constitute any admission on the part of said city, that said city was or is in any manner or to any degree liable to pay any damages to any person whomsoever on account of anything connected with the death of said Gilbert L. Hovey; and the City shall not be held to have waived any of its defences heretofore existing in the event any further claim or demand shall be made by any person whomsoever against said City.

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

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

APPROVED


MAYOR

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