

Meeting of the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio:

Thursday, August 10th, 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.

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

Petition of Bexar County Democratic Executive Committee for use of ballot boxes and certain City property, to be used as polling places in Primary Election August 26, 1916, was read and granted.

Petition of Labor Day Committee for permit to parade streets September 4th, was read and granted, on motion of Commissioner Uhr.

Report of Dr. King, Health Officer, on Ruiz Street Sanitary sewer, was read and referred to Commissioner of Streets and Bridges.

Petition of citizens for the opening of Edwards Street: also petition for the drainage of Dallas Street, were read and referred to Commissioner of Streets, Bridges, and Public Improvements.

Petition of Henry Ross, for correction of assessment, was read and referred to Commissioner of Taxation.

Petition of Sociedad Union, for permit to use San Pedro Springs Park for Mexican Independence celebration, was read and referred to Commissioner of Sanitation, Parks, and Public Buildings.

The following petitions were read and referred to Commissioner of Fire and Police:
Martin Wright, for permit to erect an electric sign.
Mrs. Maria Cohloh, for building permit at 116 King William Street.

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

No 66

MB-57

AN ORDINANCE

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

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

Twenty nine and 56/100 (\$29.56) Dollars, (the school portion being Four and 01/100(\$4.01) Dollars) warrant for which is to be made payable to Robert M. Richardson on account of erroneous assessment and collection of taxes for the fiscal years 1891 to 1915 inclusive on lots no four (4), five (5) and six (6) in N.C.B. No. 2788, on valuation of Seventy Five (\$75.00) Dollars in 1891 and 1892; Sixty Dollars from 1993 to 1907 inclusive; seventy five Dollars in 1908, 1909; One hundred and fifty Dollars from 1910 to 1913, inclusive and(140) One Hundred and Forty Dollars in 1914 and 1915.

Three and 73/100 (\$3.73) Dollars (the school portion being One \$1.00) Dollar),

warrant for which is to be made payable to R. A. Campbell; on account of erroneous assessment and collection of taxes for the fiscal year 1915, on automobile number 5851, on valuation of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

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. 67 **MB-58** AN ORDINANCE

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

That there be and there is hereby appropriated out of the 1915 General Fund, the following sums of money for the hereinafter designated purposes;

Three and 72/100 (\$3.72) (the school portion being One Dollar) warrant for which is to be made payable to Augusta Dietrich on account of erroneous assessment and collection of taxes for the fiscal year 1915 on lots number 5 to 8 in N.C.B No. 1041, on valuation of \$250.00

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

- 58.1 An Ordinance granting permit to Mrs. H.A. Underwood, (widow) permit to operate Car No. 2574 in Local Street Transportation.
- 58.2 An Ordinance granting permit to C. J. Peters permit to operate Car No. 10092 in Local Street Transportation.
- 58.3 An Ordinance granting permit to Paul Feille permit to operate Car No. 8044 in Local Street Transportation.
- 58.4 An ordinance granting permit to Joseph Pinal for permit to operate Car No. 10096 in Local Street Transportation.

Commissioner Garland introduced the following ordinance annulling certain taxes of the Agudas Achim Congregation, which was read and adopted by the following vote on roll call to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr. Nays, none. Absent, Brown.

- 59 An Ordinance

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

That it having been brought to the attention of the Commissioners that the property known and described as two and one quarter acres, comprising one tract of land and being the west one half of Block A New City Block number 1376, situated in East Crockett Street in the City of San Antonio, has for the fiscal years that the same has been assessed for taxes to the City of San Antonio, to-wit: for the fiscal years 1890 to 1915 both years inclusive, been owned, occupied and used as a crematory and burial ground; and this fact appearing to the Commissioners beyond all question and in accordance with the petition of the trustees of the Congregation Agudas Achim, it is ordered that the Commissioners of Taxation mark upon the assessment rolls for each of the aforesaid fiscal years the word void and that the tax receipts in book be by him marked cancelled; and that a notation be made upon the records of his office that this property is exempt from taxation because of the ownership and use of the same as aforesaid.

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.

MB-60 AN ORDINANCE

Declaring the inability of the City of San Antonio to agree with Mrs. Annie Lacey, a feme sole, as to the value of her interest in certain property located on the south side of West Travis Street in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, which property is necessary for the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, and directing that condemnation proceedings condemning said property to the use of the City for public purposes be instituted;

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

Section 1. That the City declines to pay the price set upon the property hereinafter described because same is unreasonable and exorbitant and in excess of the reasonable market value of the property.

Section 2. That the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, at the point where the property hereinafter described is located, is hereby declared ^{to be} a public necessity, and the property hereinafter described is hereby declared to be necessary for the widening and straightening of said street, and that for the purpose of so widening and straightening said street it is necessary for the City of San Antonio to appropriate, by condemnation proceedings, the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning at the present Northwest Corner of Lot No. 9 City Block 119:
Thence in a Southerly direction with the West line of said lot No. 9 a distance of 6.0 feet to the new established ^{line} of West Travis Street. South
Thence in an easterly direction along said new established line of West Travis Street as shown on accompanying plat a distance of 70.0 feet to the east line of said Lot No. 9
Thence in a Northerly direction with the East line of Lot No. 10 a distance of 5.0 feet to the present old North property line of said Lot No. 9
Thence in a Westerly direction along said old North property line of Lot No. 9 a distance of 70 feet to the point of beginning.
For further information see plat attached to these field notes and being a part thereof:

Recorded in City Engineers Record Book No. 6, page 29.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has been unable to agree with the said Mrs. Annie Lacey, who resides in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, who claims to own the fee simple title to this property, as to what her damages, if any, will be by reason of the taking of said property for this purpose:

IT IS THEREFORE NOW FURTHER ORDAINED:

That the City of San Antonio proceed without delay to condemn said property in the manner provided by law, and that the City Attorney be and is now hereby directed to institute the necessary proceedings and represent the City of San Antonio in the condemnation proceedings now here provided for, and that a plat of the property proposed to be condemned be filed with the City Clerk.

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.

-61 AN ORDINANCE

Declaring the inability of the City of San Antonio to agree with Mrs. Maggie Bihl, a feme sole, as to the value of her interest in certain property located on the north side of West Travis Street in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, which property is necessary for the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, and directing that condemnation proceedings condemning said property to the use of the City for public purposes be instituted:

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

Section 1. That the City decline to pay the price set upon the property

hereinafter described because same is unreasonable and exorbitant and in excess of the reasonable market value of the property.

Section 2. That the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, at the point where the property hereinafter described is located, is hereby declared to be a public necessity, and the property hereinafter described is hereby declared to be necessary for the widening and straightening of said street, and that for the purpose of so widening and straightening said street it is necessary for the City of San Antonio to appropriate, by condemnation proceedings the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning at the present Southwest corner of Lot No. 10, City Block 149:

Thence in a Northerly direction with the West line of said Lot No. 10 a distance of 13.7 feet to the new established North line of West Travis Street:

Thence in an Easterly direction along said new established North line of West Travis Street as shown on accompanying plat a distance of 29.7 feet to the East line of said lot No. 10:

Thence in a Southerly direction with the East line of lot No. 10 a distance of 14.2 feet to the present old South property line of said lot No. 10;

Thence in a Westerly direction along said old South property line of lot No. 10 a distance of 29.7 feet to the point of beginning;

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

Record
Recorded in City Engineer's Book No. 6, page 29.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has been unable to agree with said Mrs Maggie Bihl, who resides in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, who claims to own the fee simple title to this property, as to what her damage, if any, will be by reason of the taking of said property for this purpose:

Now
IT IS THEREFORE FURTHER ORDAINED:

That the City of San Antonio proceed without delay to condemn said property in the manner provided by law, and that the City Attorney be and is now hereby directed to institute the necessary proceedings and represent the City of San Antonio in the condemnation proceedings now here provided for, and that a plat of the property proposed to be condemned be filed with the City Clerk.

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

MB-62 AN ORDINANCE

Declaring the inability of the City of San Antonio to agree with Adella Chavez and Elea Chavez, as to the value of their interest in certain property located on the North side of West Travis Street in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, which property is necessary for the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, and directing that condemnation proceedings condemning said property to the use of the City for public purposes be instituted:

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

Section 1. That the City declines to pay the price set upon the property hereinafter described because same is unreasonable and exorbitant and in excess of the reasonable market value of the property.

Section 2. That the widening and straightening of West Travis Street, at the point where the property hereinafter described is located, is hereby declared to be a public necessity, and the property hereinafter described is hereby declared to be necessary for the widening and straightening of said street, and that for the purpose of so widening and straightening said street it is necessary for the City of San Antonio to appropriate, by condemnation proceedings, the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning at the present Southwest corner of Lot No. 14, City Block 149:

Thence in a Northerly direction with the West line of said Lot No. 14 a distance of 8.5 feet to the new established North line of West Travis Street:

Thence in an Easterly direction along said new established North line of West Travis Street as shown on accompanying plat a distance of 86.4 feet to the east line of said lot No. 14;

Thence in a Southerly direction with the East line of Lot No. 14 a distance of 10.6 feet to the present old South Property line of said lot No. 14;

Thence in a Westerly direction along said old South property line of lot No.14 a distance of 86.4 feet to the point of beginning.

For further information see plat attached to these field notes and being a part thereof. Recorded in City Engineer's Record Book No. 6, page 29.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has been unable to agree with the said Adela Chavez and Elea Chavez, who reside in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, who claim to own the fee simple title ^{to} ~~to~~ ^{this} property, as to what their damage, if any, will be by reason of the taking of said property for this purpose:

IT IS NOW THEREFORE FURTHER ORDAINED:

That the City of San Antonio proceed without delay to condemn said property in the manner provided by law, and that the City Attorney be and is now hereby directed to institute the necessary proceedings and represent the City of San Antonio in the condemnation proceedings now here provided for, and that a plat of the property proposed to be condemned be filed with the City Clerk.

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

RESOLUTION

Calling for bids for construction of sanitary sewer on Warwick Boulevard between South Presa and Hackberry Streets.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, The City Clerk Be Instructed, as hereby directed, to advertise for the construction of an eight inch sanitary sewer on Warwick Boulevard beginning at South Presa Street and running to Hackberry Street, same to be an eight inch sewer with necessary "Y", manholes, flush tanks, and appurtenances necessary thereto.

Bids to be received until 4 P.M. August 21, 1916.

Commissioner Kearny made the following recommendations:

That the petition of citizens requesting that the S.A. & A.P.R.'way be ordered to construct sidewalks and curbing on Eads Avenue be granted.

That petition of citizens for cross-walks on W.Cypress and Woodlief Streets be granted, repairs to street to be made when funds are available. Adopted.

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

No. 68 **MB-63** AN ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of \$15.50 be and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund, to pay Miss Gladys Evans amount due for services in the City Engineers office during the month of August 1916.

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 Lambert 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.

64 AN ORDINANCE

Appropriating \$1200.00 to be paid to the Commanding Officer of Battery "B", Texas State Militia.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the City of San Antonio, that, the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars be, and is hereby appropriated out of the 1916 General Fund, to be paid to Commanding Officer of Battery "B", Texas State Militia, upon warrants issued by the Mayor in the sum of One Hundred Dollars, to be drawn on or about the first of each month of the current fiscal year, excepting for the month of June 1916, for which month warrant has been issued under appropriation ordinance No. 36.

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 Uhr brought up the matter of accepting bids for Police Uniforms, and recommended that the contract be awarded to J.W.Darnell, at \$15.50 per suit. The recommendation was not adopted.

On motion of Commissioner Garland, duly seconded and carried by the following vote, to-wit: Brown, Garland, Lambert voting aye, and Kearny and Uhr Nay, the bid of J. R. Glore to furnish the uniforms at \$11.50 each was accepted.

Commissioner Kearny's motion that the entire police department be furnished with Caps of the same style and shape, and that the bid of Frank Bros at \$1.95 each be accepted was carried upon roll call by the following vote, viz, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny voting aye, Uhr not voting, and vote recorded as negative.

Commissioner Uhr nominated the following named men to fill vacancies in the Fire Department:

M. Sainz, G.E.Renken, G.A.Schmitt, W.W.Brown, W.R.Woodruff, A.Carnevale, J.H.Buckholdt, A.H.Seidenschnur, Pete Scrivano, E.L.Sarran, M.E.Collis, J.S.Charles, J.H.Weed, M.Seidenschnur, R.W.Warner, I.Perez, H.Cadena, A.L.Rathke, C.Hans, E.H.Hall, G.T.Tripp and C.Moser.

The nominations were confirmed by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Brown, Garland, Lambert, Kearny and Uhr. Nays, none.

Commissioner Uhr recommended that petition of citizens requesting that Traction Company be permitted to stop cars on Beacon Hill line going north on far corner of San Pedro Place, be granted. Adopted.

Commissioner Uhr recommended that petition of Fairmont Hotel for permit to erect electric sign be granted. Adopted.

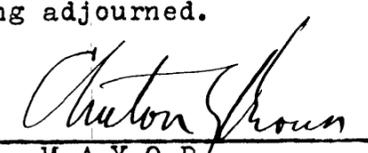
Commissioner Uhr submitted the following names for appointment on the Police force and asked for conformation of their appointment, to-wit: Robert Miske, W.B.Watkins, C.G. Hasenbeck, Eric Friese, M.Breit, W.H.Huston, Edw. Franger, L.T.Cisneros, L.M.Wurzbach, Q.H.Henderson, Chas L. Garvin; the appointments were not confirmed, the Mayor having expressed a desire to have the men appear before him in person at 10.30 A.M. on the 11th.

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

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK.

APPROVED


MAYOR