

JANUARY 30, 1947

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO,  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL, AT TEN O'CLOCK,  
A. M., ON THURSDAY, THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1947.

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

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The Clerk read the minutes of the Meetings of January 23 and January 27, 1947, which were approved, as read, on motion of Comm. Steffler, seconded by Comm. Hein and carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

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PETITIONS PRESENTED:

REFERRED to Comm. of Fire and Police:

Humble Oil & Ref. Co., for gasoline installation permit at 302 McCullough Ave.

Jack Neal, Inc., for gasoline installation permit at Medical Arts Garage.

The Texas Co., for gasoline installation permit at 1001 W. Ashby Pl.

Julian Torres, for permit to build barbecue pit at 313 San Gabriel St., re-submitted, with recommendation of City Health Officer.

M. L. Fisher, dba Airline Taxi Service, application for permits to operate 40 additional taxicabs.

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REFERRED to Comm. of Fire and Police and the Health Dept. (to Health Dept. first):

Geo. Cherry, for permit to erect barbecue pit at 1314 W. Navidad St.

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REFERRED to Comm. of Streets:

Reynolds Andricks, for approval of subdivision plat of Lincolnshire Subdivision.

Frank T. Drought, for approval of vacating plat of certain lots in C. B. 6724.

Thurman Barrett, Jr., 2 petitions, for approval of plats vacating and subdividing certain lots in Pleasanton Park Addn.

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A letter from Highland Park Lions Club withdrawing opposition to the location of a baseball park at Eagle Field was read and ordered filed.

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Mr. Oscar Holekamp presented a petition signed by himself and other residents and property owners in immediate vicinity of Eagle Field, expressing opposition to the building of a professional ball park at or adjacent to Eagle Field, and asking that the grounds be cleaned and improvements be made, including a swimming pool and the opening of Becker St. through to Drexel Ave.

Mr. Holekamp and Mrs. Charles A. Rambie spoke in support of the petition.

Mayor Mauermann explained that Comm. Hein had plans drawn at considerable expense to build the swimming pool requested, but had been unable to get approval of the federal government for the construction. He said he would refer the request for cleaning the grounds to Comm. Hein.

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A committee representing the electrical trade also appeared in behalf of the ordinance appointing the Electrical Examining and Supervising Board. The Mayor had the Clerk read the names of the members to be appointed to the Board and received assurance from the committee that these names were previously agreed to by all concerned, including the master electricians and union and non-union electricians. The Mayor also informed the committee that a proposed change in the Electrical Ordinance would be studied by the City Attorney and then by the

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Committee of the Whole, before being presented to the Council.

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Mr. Kennis Price appeared and requested the closing of a portion of Pullen St. in order to expedite the building of a proposed baseball park for colored children. Comm. Steffler suggested that Mr. Price meet with him and Comm. Hein on this matter.

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Comm. Callaghan introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 638 AN ORDINANCE (4526)  
 APPROPRIATING \$113,717.37 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND FOR SEMI-MONTHLY PAYROLLS.

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APPRO. NO. 639 AN ORDINANCE (4527)  
 APPROPRIATING \$1,908.67 OUT OF COMMERCE BLDG. FUND FOR PAYROLL.

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APPRO. NO. 640 AN ORDINANCE (4528)  
 APPROPRIATING \$243.11 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND TO PAY FOR TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR MONTH OF JANUARY, 1947.

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APPRO. NO. 641 AN ORDINANCE (4529)  
 APPROPRIATING \$25,025.27 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND TO PAY NOTE NO. 53 AND INTEREST.

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Comm. Hein introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 642 AN ORDINANCE (4530)  
 APPROPRIATING \$1,623.29 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, GARBAGE & SANITATION DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO JORDAN MOTOR CO. FOR TRUCK CHASSIS WITH CAB, PURCHASED UNDER CONTRACT DATED AUGUST 16, 1945.

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APPRO. NO. 643 AN ORDINANCE (4531)  
 APPROPRIATING \$6,105 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, LA VILLITA DEPT., TO PAY FROST NATIONAL BANK NOTE NO. 2 AND INTEREST.

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Comm. Steffler introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 644 AN ORDINANCE (4532)  
 APPROPRIATING \$300 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, EMERGENCY STREET AND BRIDGE DEPT., TO PAY J. W. BERETTA ENGINEERS, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

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APPRO. NO. 645 AN ORDINANCE (4533)  
 APPROPRIATING \$1,542 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ENGINEERING DEPT., TO PAY FRANK T. DROUGHT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

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APPRO. NO. 646 AN ORDINANCE (4534)  
 APPROPRIATING \$85 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, ENGINEERING DEPT. TO PAY ARNOLD L. FAVELA FOR COMPILING AND FURNISHING ON CELLULOID SECTION MAP NO. 34 OF CITY BLOCK BOOK.

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APPRO. NO. 647 AN ORDINANCE (4535)  
 APPROPRIATING \$61 OUT OF STREET EXCAVATION TRUST ACCOUNT FOR REFUNDS AND REPAIRS.

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APPRO. NO. 648

AN ORDINANCE (4536)

ACCEPTING PROPOSAL, CREATING CONTRACT AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR EQUIPMENT WITH BELFAST SUPPLY CO. TO FURNISH ST. MAINTENANCE DEPT. WITH PAVING MATERIALS SPREADER BOX AND APPROPRIATING \$240.

Pursuant to motion of Comm. Steffler, duly seconded and carried, the Council ordered a resolution prepared to advertise for bids to erect a bridge over the Alazan Creek on West Houston Street, as recommended by the City Engineer.

Pursuant to recommendation and motion of Comm. Anderson, duly seconded and carried, in each case, the Council granted the following petitions:

H. B. Kaulbach, for permit to build barbecue pit at 1425 S. Flores St.

The Texas Co., 2 petitions, for gasoline installation permits at 1815 Fredericksburg Rd. and at 229 McCullough Ave.

Comm. Anderson introduced "de novo" the Petition of Texas and New Orleans Railroad Co. for permit to construct, maintain and operate a spur track in, upon and across Granado St. and in, upon and across N. San Jacinto St., for Acme Wire & Iron Works. He stated this petition had been heretofore considered and denied by the Council on the recommendation of Mr. J. L. Dickson, Expressway Manager. He read a letter to the Council from Police Chief Bruce Weatherly stating that Mr. Dickson had withdrawn his previous objection, with the understanding by the T&NO Railroad that the permit was to be considered temporary in that the public interest may later require a rearrangement of said spur track so as to avoid its crossing of Culebra Ave., provided that such rearrangement can be made without detriment to the switching service required by Acme Wire and Iron Works.

Mayor Mauermann asked: "Don't you think Mr. Dickson should write the Mayor and Commissioners stating that his objection has been withdrawn?"

City Engineer Coghill explained Mr. Dickson had been present and had withdrawn his objection, as stated, in a meeting with the City Engineer, representatives of the Railroad and representatives of the Police Traffic Bureau.

Comm. Anderson moved that the petition be granted, subject to the necessary protection as provided in the Police Chief's letter, and the City Attorney be instructed to prepare the ordinance. After a second by Comm. Hein, the motion was carried by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

Comm. Anderson introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 649

AN ORDINANCE (4537)

APPROPRIATING \$13,191.77 OUT OF POLICE & FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND FOR PAYROLL.

APPRO. NO. 650

AN ORDINANCE (4538)

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ONE USED CRASH TRUCK FROM TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES AND APPROPRIATING \$1,695 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, FIRE DEPT., IN PAYMENT OF SAME.

APPRO. NO. 651

AN ORDINANCE (4539)

APPROPRIATING \$96 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, FIRE DEPT., TO PAY ROMAN GOMEZ FOR TWO DOZEN HEAVY HYDRANT WRENCHES.

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Mayor Mauermann introduced the following ordinance, which was passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Hein, Steffler and Anderson; Nay, Callaghan.

APPRO. NO. 654 AN ORDINANCE (4542)

APPROPRIATING \$425.28 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND PAYABLE TO C. W. TRUEHEART FOR EXPENSES AND SERVICE FEE ON TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Mayor Mauermann introduced the following ordinances, which were passed and approved by roll call vote, to-wit: Ayes, Mauermann, Callaghan, Hein, Steffler and Anderson.

APPRO. NO. 652 AN ORDINANCE (4540)

APPROPRIATING \$462 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, STINSON FIELD NOTES AND INTEREST DEPT., TO PAY NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LAND BOUGHT FOR STINSON FIELD.

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APPRO. NO. 653 AN ORDINANCE (4541)

APPROPRIATING \$374.44 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, STINSON FIELD NOTES AND INTEREST DEPT., TO PAY FROST NATIONAL BANK PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LAND BOUGHT FOR STINSON FIELD.

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APPRO. NO. 655 AN ORDINANCE (4543)

APPROPRIATING \$193.50 OUT OF COMMERCE BLDG. FUND TO PAY M. M. SMITH FOR PAINTING.

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APPRO. NO. 656 AN ORDINANCE (4544)

APPROPRIATING \$55.32 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., TO PAY SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT CO. FOR TWO URC-40 WATT SHIELDED FLUORESCENT FIXTURES.

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APPRO. NO. 657 AN ORDINANCE (4545)

APPROPRIATING \$60 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, VARIOUS DEPTS., FOR POSTAGE STAMPS.

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APPRO. NO. 658 AN ORDINANCE (4546)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$23.10 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO TREASURER OF THE U.S. FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY.

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APPRO. NO. 659 AN ORDINANCE (4547)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$5.40 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, HEALTH DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO TREASURER OF THE U.S. FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY.

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APPRO. NO. 660 AN ORDINANCE (4548)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$422.50 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, SAN PEDRO PLAYHOUSE DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO FORREST ROOFING AND SHEET METAL CO. FOR ROOF REPAIRS OF HAILSTORM DAMAGE.

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APPRO. NO. 661 AN ORDINANCE (4549)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$1,000 OUT OF 1946 GENERAL FUND, AUDITORIUM DEPT., IN PAYMENT TO WALSH SHEET METAL WORKS, AS FINAL PAYMENT COVERING HAILSTORM DAMAGE.

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AN ORDINANCE (4550)

APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ELECTRICAL EXAMINING AND SUPERVISING BOARD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 14-A OF AN ORDINANCE DATED OCTOBER 31, 1946, AMENDING THE ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE.

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AN ORDINANCE (4551)

ACCEPTING ATTACHED BID OF L. J. POWER FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY, STOVE WOOD AND KINDLING, AT S.A. MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

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## AN ORDINANCE (4552)

MAKING A LEASE BETWEEN CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND B. A. CLOUD, DOING BUSINESS AS CLOUD'S COFFEE SHOP.

Bids for construction of sanitary sewer on Tennessee Ave. were opened and publicly read. George E. Brombaugh, bidder, entered a protest against consideration of bids which did not follow the specifications.

Howard Stich, bidder, said he had been given permission to submit an alternate bid.

City Engineer Coghill said he had given such permission, but that he would follow whatever ruling might be made by the City Attorney in the matter.

Mayor Mauermann said he believed a bidder had the right to protest a bid that is not according to specifications. He asked that the bids be tabulated with a notation as to whether they were according to specifications.

Comm. Steffler emphasized that no one had talked to him about this and said he did not believe bids which are not according to and in conformity with specifications should be considered.

Pursuant to motion of Comm. Steffler, duly seconded and carried, the bids were referred to the City Engineer for tabulation.

Bids to furnish adding machines for Comm. Hein's dept. and one bid, only bid received, to paint the traffic control tower at the Municipal Airport were opened and publicly read and referred to the Purchasing Agent.

Pursuant to motion duly made and carried, the Council Meeting was recessed until 11:00 o'clock, A.M., Tuesday, February 4, 1947.

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PURSUANT TO THE RECESS of the Meeting of January 30, the Council reconvened in the Council Chamber at 11:00 o'clock, A.M., on Tuesday, February 4, 1947.

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

Capt. E. E. Kerr, director of the Texas-Oklahoma Naval Reserve District, appeared before the Council and requested a dollar-a-year lease for approximately 20 years of City property adjacent to Woodlawn Lake, which had been selected as a suitable site for a naval reserve armory for San Antonio. The armory buildings would be erected by the Navy Dept.

On motion of Comm. Anderson, duly seconded and carried by unanimous vote, the Council authorized the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Navy for lease of the site, as requested. The Mayor asked that details be worked out with the City Attorney.

Capt. Kerr was accompanied by Lt. Comdr. G. L. Rodier and Lt. Sam C. Bennett, Jr.

PETITIONS PRESENTED:

Forrest U. L. Mills, for permit for barbecue pit at 814 Dakota St., referred to Health Dept. and Comm. of Fire and Police.

Beacon Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church, for exemption from taxes on property at 1117 W. Hildebrand Ave., and Woodlawn Methodist Church, for exemption from taxes on property at 1819 W. Woodlawn Ave., both referred to Comm. of Taxation.