

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1971.

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The meeting was called to order by the presiding officer, Mayor W. W. McAllister, with the following members present: McALLISTER, CALDERON, BURKE, JAMES, HABERMAN, NIELSEN, TREVINO, HILL, TORRES; Absent: NONE.

71-4 The invocation was given by Reverend Vincent R. Castro, Jerusalem Presbyterian Church, U. S.

Consideration of the minutes of the meeting of January 21, 1971, was postponed one week at the request of Councilman Torres.

71-4 SAN ANTONIO POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
PRESENTATION OF PETITION IN SUPPORT OF PAY INCREASE

MAYOR McALLISTER: I see we have a number of our Police Officers present. Is any one of you the spokesman? I'll be glad to have him come forward. Mr. Hill, we'll be glad to hear from you.

DR. CALDERON: It looks like we kind of caught you in surprise.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: I was still conferring with my client, Dr. Calderon.

Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Haberman, Gentlemen, we appreciate you affording us the opportunity to come out of order and we will be as brief as possible.

I believe in the previous experiences or appearances before the court, we have stated our case fully respecting the pay raise, which has been requested. So, I'm not going to dwell at any length this morning on the reasons why we feel that the increase should be granted.

I will state to you that we have here the result of the petition drive, which was mounted some time ago and which has resulted now in the collection of some 18,473 signatures on the petition, a sample form of which was passed to all the Councilmen back last summer. One of the reasons that the number is not as high as we hoped it would be, was because of the fact that the officers felt that another petition drive, which came along during the middle of our efforts, which was a drive of much more importance and much more critical need, should have taken preference over this. Of course, this was the POW campaign and it was a resounding success, so far as the collection of signatures was concerned. We did not feel that it would be appropriate nor in the best interests of the citizens or of anyone to get into a competition match with these fine people, who mounted this campaign.

In any event, we do feel that the 18,000 plus signatures, which have been obtained, I will point out again, to you, that these are not just citizens, they are either registered voters or they are

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potential registered voters for the upcoming year. We don't, of course, feel that we have every husband and wife, so we feel that we have 18,000 in some cases, we're going to have a husband or a wife, also, actually, we feel like there's probably, accurately reflected from standpoint of sentiment, some, well, closer to 30,000 persons reflected by the signatures on these petitions that we have.

We recognize that the next meeting must determine whether or not it's going to increase the ad valorem tax rate. We are asking, as we have asked before, that the only sure and certain way that the City can expense a pay raise for any group of City employees, whether it's the police, or the fire, or whatever that the ad valorem tax, at this point, unless there's some assessment in the nature of a garbage assessment levied, in order to make other funds available, is the only certain way that this can be accomplished.

We are very pleased with the efforts of Representative Frank Lombardino, in cooperation with Mr. Ed Hill of the Council, and we have been kept advised of the efforts and the developments in that area, of which would give substantial relief to our problem, or to the Council's problem, in finding funds available for this increase or at least a portion of it. We would all be less than candid, however, not to recognize the fact that this is dependent upon the action of the Legislature and if the Legislature, in its wisdom, which I hope it does have, sees fit to increase the sales tax, and if we are able to get a one-fourth of one percent of the tax, so increased, devoted to the pension problem or to the pension fund for fire and police, here and statewide, this will be a very substantial step forward.

I don't want to speak for Mr. Hill. I would like to ask him, as a member of the Council, who has done a great deal of work in this area, possibly, if he wishes, he may not choose to do so, I don't want to put him on the spot, but if he would see fit to, in a moment, state to the Council, I'm sure they are aware of his progress and, to state, for the benefit of the officers here assembled, for our benefit, the success, which he hopes to have and, in general, outline the measures, which have been taken thus far to solve our situation. Notwithstanding our great hopes and expectations that his efforts will succeed, we would again remind the Council that the 21¢ that was reduced off of the ad valorem tax rate, some years ago, is still an area where we feel, sincerely, that the Council can go for the purpose of these very pressing needs. We do recognize that beginning next month, there will be the increase, which the budget presently provides for, beginning at five percent for patrolmen and graduated up with the higher ranks to an average, I think, of some seven and a half percent across the board for all of the ranks. This, of course, then reduces the request from 23 percent, about an average of seven and one-half percent, then about to 18 percent increase, that we're talking about at this point, and, as a matter of fact, have been talking about since the budget was set.

We frankly, as evidenced by the petitions here, and we don't feel sincerely, Mr. Mayor, Mrs. Haberman, Gentlemen, that the fact that we don't have 100,000, that we promised his Honor, we would have signatures, reflects any less interest in law enforcement in this community, than otherwise has existed, and we feel, still exist. We are satisfied that the citizens of San Antonio would be willing, and are ready, to accept an ad valorem tax increase at this time or next Thursday, when the Council sets the rate of sufficient funds to expense the pay raise - the balance of the pay raise - it is not otherwise already been

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secured down to 17 percent. We would hope that the citizens of San Antonio, who were not afforded the opportunity to sign the petitions, could in some way make their sentiments known through some device to the Council on this point. But, we feel like that the time is now.

I am glad that I'm reading this article, out of yesterday's newspaper, about another city, and I'm going to get on an unpleasant subject, but I feel obligated, we feel obligated, that is, the leadership of the Police Officers Association feel obligated, to bring the matter to your attention. I'm reading from yesterday's Express-News, the Evening News, whichever they call it, and I have never been able to determine which paper is which, but I tore the top off, I didn't bring it with me, so we'll have to give both of them credit. In any event, it's in reference to something that's been very pressing on the minds of many of the officers and it states this - it's by-lined Milwaukee - it states, "Police Settlements Stalls - Negotiators' efforts, to resolve a work stoppage by about 90 percent of Milwaukee's police force, were stalled early today over the issue of amnesty for patrolmen who have declined to work since February," excuse me, "since Friday." We don't have such a problem today, we're not here today asking that the Council relent, or that Mr. Henckel relent, or that the Chief relent, in connection with any disciplinary action that might have been taken against officers who, in good conscience, have decided not to work, but, gentlemen, this is happening over the country. And, I tell you this, when this drive began, or shortly thereafter, the membership, resolved by formal resolution, this fact was stated to the Council at our first appearance last year, that a strike, a work stoppage, slow-down or ticket strike would not be engaged in, as a pressure tactic to secure the pay raise. The resolution was passed unanimously. It's in our minutes. The leadership of the Association, the officers, the Board, are not going to take any steps to call a strike. They do not condone a strike and would regret such happening. You probably are aware that we almost had one last week and much to the fact that the President of the Association, Mr. Barnes, with the, of course, approval and encouragement of Chief Bichsel, went before each roll call and solicited the men. We would have had a strike. I'm not here to do anything or intending to do anything, except speak very bluntly and very candidly. This can happen. The situation can get to the point where the leadership does not have complete control of the Association, and we have explained this to the Chief. We've explained it to the City Manager. We feel obligated to do so and we're here this morning, in addition to still asking for the pay raise and suggesting that the citizens would prefer that the Council increase the ad valorem tax next Thursday, and assume the responsibility that it has. We would rather have that occur than to flirt with the possibility of men, finally in desperation or exasperation or whatever I don't think that there's a man on this force who is not conscientious in his devotion to the City I don't think there's a man on the force who doesn't take his views seriously this is a matter of a pay raise and other benefits, it's a serious factor to these men, day in and day out, and if they were to feel that if some of them - I'll remind you that the average age is some 24 or 25 years on the force at this time. This may make some difference in the viewpoint, but this could happen. We pray and hope that it does not, because we know, at least from the experience of some other cities, where this has occurred, there has been loss of property and probably loss of life, as a result of a breakdown in law enforcement. We do not want to see this happen, but at the same time, we feel that the Council must recognize the urgency of the situation with which we're confronted.

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We need your advice. We need your help. We need, most important, I think, to know that the Council, through its - the Council itself and through its friends, whoever they may be, are doing everything that is possible to remedy this situation. I think that this would be, at least it would, at least, be a thing of value for us to hear from Mr. Hill. He is, I'm personally aware of, intimately acquainted with Mr. or Representative Frank Lombardino's bill, which he's proposing to introduce in the Legislature - it has not yet been quite finished, as I understand it, there are some steps being taken, but somewhere we're going to have to reach a mutuality of understanding and open some communication that is lacking at this point. I want to point out one other point or make one other statement, and then I'm going to stop and hope that you all will say you've already had a session and you've already raised the ad valorem tax, but you just don't want anybody to know about it until next week. But, the point is, I forgot what I was going to say.

DR. CALDERON: I can see why.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: What was I talking about, Dr. Calderon?

DR. CALDERON: I don't know.

MR. TORRES: Frank Lombardino's bill.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Yes. Well, he wrote the bill, I didn't, and I guess that doesn't help me either, Mr. Torres. I was going to make, oh, yes - we had a long meeting yesterday afternoon. It may sound strange and I'm here telling you that we need some of this help on communications, but remember that there're three - that there're three tours or three duty shifts on the (thank you, Doctor) on the force, so when we have a meeting there's one group of men, as asleep, and one on duty and the other is off.

MR. TORRES: In court.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Or in court usually, so we have a difficult time really. We have a proxy system or a delegate system, so that the man, in the interim, can vote their vote through another man. But we have a very real difficulty in communicating with all of our troops. We have 950 men on the force. You can see how many are here this morning. This is the men who have been up all night primarily and those and some others. The problem that this creates is serious, because unless you're able to communicate with your men, which means that the Council could never meet together at one time, would be a similar problem, if you all would just never get together at this one meeting, it would be a very difficult job to carry on a City business. In order that the men understand what progress has been made and so that they do clearly understand the sentiments of the Council and what may be accomplished, it's my suggestion or it's the suggestion of the leadership of the Association, that the City Manager, and we've discussed this matter with him briefly, come to a meeting of the Association and let us sit down, as men of good will. We would invite members of the Council or the entire Council to come. This will be at our regular meeting place, Tuesday night at 7:30 at Billy Levine's facility at Billy Mitchell Village. Surely, there's no, there's no, there can be no ill will or should be no ill will between the Association and the Council on this issue. It's a problem, we recognize that the Council can't pull money off trees. It can't go out and pick some, it might like to.

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I've had that thought myself on many occasions, but you can't do that and there are real problems that could hurt the City in many areas. But, these have not been communicated to us. We have had difficulty in communicating some of the difficulties to these members. I think this might, at least, have a therapeutic effect on the attitude and the understanding of many of the men, and we would ask that, if there is some way that an adjustment could be made, and I hate to be stating this publicly, but if there's some way that the Chief could arrange a skeleton crew in the field, so that most of the men could be present - it may be an invitation to the underground to strike here and there - and maybe we shouldn't discuss that, but this is a real serious problem and we just say that we come to our - we've done everything that we can. We don't want to strike. It can happen. There's sometime the tail can wag the dog. This can occur. If it does, you, I hope, will understand that none of the leadership of the Association is condoning nor asking nor aiding nor abetting any such effort. It's happening other places - it can happen here. I don't think we can stick our head in the ground and say, well, it can't ever happen to us, because it can. It has in the past with other City employees and it can happen here.

DR. NIELSEN: Excuse me, did you say 7:30 next Tuesday at Billy Mitchell Village?

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Yes, sir.

DR. NIELSEN: Thank you.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: We can establish some rapport, some communication. We want the entire Council to be present, if it's at all possible. It may not be that all of you can be there. You may have prior commitments, but if it's possible, we would like to have Mr. Henckel. Mr. Henckel can't be there, that's right.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: I asked yesterday, if you checked the date with me, I'm due to be in a seminar in Austin next Thursday, and there's no way that I could be there Tuesday.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, it looks like the Council will have to come.

DR. NIELSEN: Well, let me say, Mr. Mayor, I think we're all aware that cities have been built, basically, or too many cities have been built on cheap labor in the last 40 or 50 years. That day has changed. The public can no longer accept it. The employees of good faith and years of service are simply not going to let inflation just eat up what they have. I think we've taken a good step, as far as the policemen's retirement benefits, but that still doesn't take care of the hundreds of young men who are far from retirement age, who are just caught in an inflationary squeeze. I would vigorously suggest that we look, between now and next week, at a ten percent raise. I think just roughly we off to somewhere between \$350-\$450,000. I think we have a responsibility to the City and to the Police Officers. We then have a larger responsibility to all municipal employees and we've got to address the fact that five percent, yes, it did help some. It was nowhere near enough. Now, there are priorities that are established, consciously or unconsciously, City budget. I'm not suggesting that we immediately look for ad valorem tax increase to meet some salary increases, but we've got to meet those salary increases across the board, Mr. Mayor, and I vigorously suggest that we start with ten percent, in this particular instance. I think it can be worked out. I'm very convinced. We may get a little bit of help from some sales tax money. It wouldn't be the full amount, apparently, but we'd get

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a little more. We're going to probably have a little more in sales tax than we projected - that will help some. We have some reserves, that I think we could, very responsively, draw from to meet this situation. It would be my suggestion.

COUNCILMAN HILL: Mr. Mayor, let me speak to this, if I may. First, on this pension and where we stand today, as far as the bill that Mr. Frank Lombardino is working on. The bill, as presented to him by the Association, he has split out into two parts. The first part is dealing with those who are retired, retired employees, where we recommend, when I say we, I'm talking about the City Council, because the City Council passed a resolution, unanimously, to support this pension bill that Frank Lombardino is working on, the first part is to raise the annuity monthly check to those who have already retired, where we have some 91 receiving \$105 to \$150 a month and then those over the \$150, ten percent. Now, the other part of the bill has to do with the one-fourth cent raise in the city sales tax, and the revenue off of this is estimated at approximately 2 and 1/4 million dollars, but would be designated specifically for Police and Fire Pensions and nothing else. This is to be voted on on an option basis by each municipality. The action, so far as of 1 February - the Council has not officially passed the ordinance. I would hope that it be ready by today. I was talking to Mr. Henckel before we came in here. It will be ready for next week. The pay period is on the fifth and the Council Meeting is on the fourth, so the Council has already expressed their approval on raising the base pay by which your pension is based from \$450 to \$550. This will go in effect in February. As far as the pay raise, I came up with a plan, after considerable study and research, and certainly it all goes back to dollars and we all know this. You can talk about any percent raise, but I think you have to first determine where you are going to get the money to pay for this pay raise. Secondly, I feel that the Council is certainly attuned to the problem very much, as far as Fire, and Police, and the rest of the City employees, and there is some action to be taken. In the 1970-71 Pay Plan, on 1 February there is a pay raise that goes from the policemen that have just come into the force, starting out with a five percent, on up to your inspectors to a ten percent and if you average this out among your force, the number of people and it escalates five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, you come up with right at a seven and a half percent increase across the board. Then, also, in the plan that I presented to the Council, 1 August, at that point in time and again, I'm still searching for dollars, I recommended the Council consider a 3.7, I'm in the process right now, I'm going back over the plan. I'm also in the process of reviewing the monthly financial report that we get. We just got the fifth month and I have some notations in there and I'm waiting on the sixth month, which is the half year, which will give us a little better feel, I think, as far as dollars and as a result of this and in looking and working with the City Manager and members of his staff on the upcoming budget, I feel that if we are real earnest and sincere in this endeavor, that we can, maybe not come up with the total percent, that the Fire and Police are asking for, at any one time, but I do feel that we can find, in the budget, and also in the present budget, and also in the upcoming budget, money by which we can up this 3.7 to, and I'm not going to give you any positive commitments, but anywhere from six to seven and a half and it could go as far as ten percent - I don't know. But, personally, I'm going to tell you my position and that is, that I don't feel that the increase of the ad valorem tax is the answer. I think that if we really look at the budget and consider a lot of the places where there is money projected or planned or

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programmed, that I feel that, in addition to the bill that Frank Lombardino is passing and, of course, I'm assuming that it's going to pass, and I feel that it will and so does Mr. Lombardino. . . . that the City today, in addition to the \$580,000 that they matched, which you gentlemen put into your retirement, put an additional \$580,000 and a 193 last year from parking meters, but maybe I'm off a little bit on my figures, but the total comes out to \$733,000 - I can tell you this 733,000 - so, here is \$733,000, plus other areas and potentials of revenue that I feel that this Council can address itself to a pay increase in addition to the one that is effective as of 1 February. This is my hope and desire and this is the area in which, or the roads in which I'm pursuing, and certainly other members of the Council looking in this area and of course, they might come up with other ideas and certainly I and the rest of them are open for any ideas, but this is the way that I feel, that this can go and I think that we can bear some results out of this effort.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Mr. Hill, let me just say that the Council will give serious consideration to the request. As far as I'm personally concerned, I would not be willing to increase the ad valorem tax rate, as substantially as you have suggested, but I'm only one member of the Council. I appreciate the fine police force that we have in San Antonio and I'm certainly agreeable to an increase in compensation, if it can be financed. Now, I think that the proper thing for us to do is to wait and see what happens to one fourth of one percent sales tax, because that will produce a very substantial increase itself. If that isn't included, then the only thing for the Council to do is to consider whether they can trim here and trim there to provide additional funds for the police raise.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, we, of course, would hope that the funds would not have to come from ad valorem tax increase. As a last resort, of course, this is in our petition and we - you do have an expression of some 18,000 plus citizens that are voters that they are willing to accept even the ad valorem tax increase. The point I was trying to make there, Mr. Mayor, was that this is something that is presently within the Council, the Council's power to do. There has been a substantial expression of sentiment in favor of it. If after all, would not be a 21¢, it would not be a restoration of the prior rate of \$2.10, it's now a \$1.89. It would take less than that - substantially less than that, and that if we feel, and I earnestly suggest that now, before there is any problem, before there has been any difficulty, or turmoil in our community, that the Council go ahead and increase the taxes through the ad valorem rate. These other funds, if they are available and we certainly hope they will be, but they are speculative and they may be used in other areas. The effect of Mr. Lombardino's bill will be to release funds presently being utilized in other areas of the City. Now, if the ad valorem tax increase, at this time, to take care of the pay increase, and if Mr. Lombardino's bill goes through, then that money can be used in other areas to maybe, at that time, to reduce the ad valorem tax, if it will do so, a certain number of cents on the dollar. But, I want to again impress on the Council, the urgency of the situation with which we're confronted. We're here today with a fully operating police and fire department. We don't want to see that stopped. It can happen unless some measures are taken. The Council does have, it may be that you will not agree, and I certainly respect Mayor McAllister, your feelings in the matter, you certainly are familiar with the problems of City management and government and I know that you speak from your heart when you express

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yourself about these matters. However, people can differ honestly in their opinions and I would think and I would suggest that this is something that we know we can do and we can do it now, which will avoid any probability or possibility of things getting out of hand. If the Legislature does increase the ceiling on the sales tax, which they've first got to do, then they got to pass Frank's bill. Then, that's got to release funds. This is going to take an unknown length of time. In the meantime, what will occur, I cannot guarantee you, but if the increase were - in the tax rate - were made next week, our present problem could be solved. If we're then able to get the bill through, these funds could be used for something else - either for a reduction, at that time, of the ad valorem tax or divert to some other very pressing need that the City may have. With that last thought in mind, I'll say, thank you, and I'd invite you again, all of you, and this is something that we hope each of you, that are here today, who can possibly make it, please come sit down with us, reason with us, let the men, who work for this City very diligently, under very difficult circumstances, and we think with little pay and with other problems, that we don't want to bring up at this point, can feel and understand and know that the individual members of this Council are really trying to do something about it and are willing to come to sit down and reason with them. We think that certainly our democratic process would almost require, under these circumstances, that the leadership of this City make itself available for this purpose, and discharge this act, which I consider to be a responsibility at this point.

MR. TORRES: When you initially appeared, Frank, you were talking about a 23 percent proposal and, as of February 1, I believe, a five percent or seven and one-half percent goes into effect, so we're talking about the difference then. Your request today, then, is for an additional 17 percent.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: This is something that probably, it's our policy, this is what it's been all along, you're right, Mr. Torres. In other words, and as Mr. Hill indicated, it's not a seven and a half percent across the board, but it's a seven and a half average. In other words, if a patrolman's salary will be increased, beginning next month, by five percent. This we have known, of course, since the budget went into effect. You go on up the ladder with the detective, the lieutenant, the captain, the inspector, each higher grade in the department gets a one percent higher increase, starting next month. So, it goes from five to ten. The Chief is not going to get a raise - I'm sorry to say. But, in any event, this is there, so we're talking about, even for the patrolmen, 23 minus five, and for the other ranks, it would be less than that. So, as far as the inspectors are concerned, we're asking for a 13 percent increase only, not a 23 percent.

MR. TORRES: Your statement, Ford, was that

DR. NIELSEN: If this graduated basis is, in fact, the most fair thing to do, I don't quarrel with that at all. I think that's an administrative kind of decision that they're closer to than I am. But, it seems to me that, not only do we have to start talking about responsibility, we often talk about control in City government. It seems more we ought to be talking about communication right now, Mr. Mayor. I'm serious. I don't see any way, but what we've got a responsibility and we ought to meet it.

MR. TORRES: If the Association has the meeting next Tuesday night, Mayor, and obviously, when we prepared the current budget, there were

some items, which amongst the members of the Council, were discussed, that could stand some trimming. I particularly felt that there were items particularly concerned with the development of a downtown area, on which we were spending quite a bit of money - like 1.7 million dollars. I would like to urge the Council, in view of the special meeting that the Police Officers Association is having, I would like us to look favorably upon Dr. Nielsen's recommendation of this morning and that we have a special meeting of the Council before next Tuesday evening, so that we can go to the Police Association meeting with the positive recommendation. I'd like to ask the Mayor, if we cannot meet, as a Council - if the Council cannot meet as a whole, that we establish a committee to bring recommendations before this Council before next Tuesday, so that we can meet formally with the Police Officers Association. I think we owe it to them to come up with a proposal one way or the other.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay, well, you had some information with regard to the sentiment of the Council, Mr. Hill. We'll give it consideration.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Okay, Mr. Mayor. I hope your cold gets better.

MRS. HABERMAN: Mr. Mayor, I'd like to ask Frank Hill one last statement about the inspectors' increase being approximately 13 percent - I didn't realize

DR. NIELSEN: No, no, ten percent.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: No, the difference would be 13. What he was talking about.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: He's talking about new increase for graduated scale, but I don't believe you really mean that. Because, if you did that you would reduce the differential between grades, which we're trying to increase. If you come with another increase, it should be blanket to everyone, so that the differential remains the same - I'd like to point that out to you.

DR. NIELSEN: Well, that's an administrative

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: This was one of the requests that we were handling in the budget to increase the differential between grades and we handled it in this pay increase by starting at five and going to ten. So, if you decrease the amount that you're going to give in any additional raises, your decreasing that differential again, which I don't think the Association or the officers want. You'd want to give the blanket raise to everyone the same.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, the way you're figuring, how much would we be asking for?

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: You'd ask for 15 and a half percent for everybody, which would be the difference between the 23 that you asked for and the average seven and one-half on the graduated basis.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: On the graduated basis.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: Right.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: It'd be 15 and a half percent.

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DR. NIELSEN: Mr. Mayor, could we get a response from each Council member, whether they can be there next Tuesday night or not? I am going to do everything I can to be there.

MAYOR McALLISTER: We'll take that up.

(GARBLED - ALL TALKING AT ONCE)

MR. TORRES: No, I think we owe these gentlemen a response, Mayor.

DR. NIELSEN: . . . know just how responsive we are . . .

MAYOR McALLISTER: Just a moment. One at a time.

DR. CALDERON: I would like to express myself. I think that the point that Dr. Nielsen raises is a proper one, that, at least I, for one, want to express myself on the points here.

I, of course, would not be in favor of a special meeting next Tuesday night. I think it would just become a circus. I also would not want to be present at that meeting Tuesday night, if Mr. Torres and Dr. Nielsen are going to be present, because you mentioned, Mr. Hill, that we need to sit out and reason together and you cannot reason in the presence of these two gentlemen. So, I personally would not be present for that reason.

Let me say further, that I would be against a garbage fee and that I would be against raising the ad valorem tax rate next Thursday. I would disagree with you, that you mentioned that you feel you're satisfied that the people of San Antonio will support an ad valorem tax rate increase - I am not satisfied that they would. This is just an honest difference of opinion - that you think that they would support a rate increase - I do not think that they would nor do I feel that they should. I feel that every citizen in this City, and in this country, is having a hard time making ends meet and I think that we, as public officials, need to be equally concerned about the citizens - those who are paying the bills for carrying out the operation of municipal government. I feel further that this Council has certainly shown its interest in this whole matter. The fact that we've granted the seven and one-half percent average pay raise increase, effective next month; the fact that we are improving the pension plan; the fact that we have gone on record as supporting a local option of one-fourth percent city sales tax; so, I think that we have very, very definitely, and in a positive way, demonstrated our interest in seeking to meet the needs of all our employees. I would also, at this time, would support the course of action that Mr. Ed Hill has suggested. I think he certainly has put in many, many hours of conscientious research in this whole matter and he has, you might say, has not only expressed an interest in trying to meet the interests of our officers, but he has been doing something about it. He has been spending many hours in trying to come up with revenues to be able to meet this need. So, I think that the work that Mr. Hill has been doing, all this time, is commendable. I, at this time, wish to express my appreciation for the hard work, which Mr. Hill has been doing and I want to say, at this time, that I will support his continuing efforts in seeking to again better address ourselves to the needs of our employees.

MAYOR McALLISTER: May I say, to the members of the Council, that, in my opinion, the proper steps for us to take is to appoint a committee

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to work with the City Manager to see whether any adjustments can be made in the present budget, in order to take care of some rate increase - of some pay increase. Failing in finding funds there, then the only other alternative is an increase in the ad valorem rate. I think that a small committee, working with the City Manager, will be able to produce results quicker.

MR. TORRES: I think that's a good suggestion, Mayor, and I would like to add, that we instruct the committee, whoever is appointed, that we instruct the committee to have their findings before the Council by either Monday evening or Tuesday morning and that we call a special meeting of the Council, as a whole, so that we can consider the committee's recommendations and be able to go to the Police Officers Association. I would not want to see us react to a crisis, such as Frank Hill, as the representative of the Police Officers Association, has intimated, and this has happened at least two situations, since I have been on the Council, and I would want us to see us take a positive approach, so that we can avert any of great employee dissatisfaction and avert a crisis within our community, so this is why I'm urging the Council and the Mayor, that we have the committee recommendation by next Tuesday, possibly by lunch, so that we can meet with the Police Officers Association in the evening, Mayor.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Thank you, gentlemen.

MR. TORRES: Is that the approach - what we are going to

MAYOR McALLISTER: I'll name the committee.

DR. NIELSEN: Yes, will you name that today?

MAYOR McALLISTER: Yes, I'll name them today.

DR. NIELSEN: Thank you, Mayor, thank you very much.

Well, these gentlemen came for some kind of responsiveness and action, on our part, besides a lot of platitudes.

MAYOR McALLISTER: I think Mr. Hill knows what I've said. He understands.

MR. TORRES: And do I understand, too, Mayor, that we will have a special Council Meeting by next Tuesday, so that we can meet with the Police Officers Association Tuesday night - is that correct?

DR. CALDERON: Well, I'm personally against that.

MR. TORRES: Well, I'd like to see us take a vote on it, Mayor. I'd like to move that the committee, to be formed by the Mayor, to look into this problem, have its recommendations ready for a special Council Meeting by next Tuesday, so that we can meet with the Police Officers Association. I would make that motion at this time.

DR. NIELSEN: Second.

MAYOR McALLISTER: No discussion?

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COUNCILMAN HILL: Mr. Mayor, let me just say that I don't feel that we want to just go into this thing just too fast and there are two phases of it, as I see it, and this is one of the reasons that I've been spending the time I have in reviewing the plan I've submitted and going back through the funds, and that is what can be done, subsequent to 1 February, for 1 August, and this is one I would term a short range and then, from that point on, what can be done again - it goes back to the dollars.

Frank, let me say that I feel, and I'm just speaking for myself, I feel that there are areas where additional revenue can be sought and the only thing that concerns me, a little bit, in this discussion, is that I don't want to go too fast to where we might hurt ourselves in the long run. You know what my target is, because we talked about this yesterday. I'm perfectly agreeable to meet and look at it and I'll furnish the members of the committee all the information I've got and what I've done and so forth and if we can arrive at something better than what I had in there, as 3.7, fine, I'm all for it. Otherwise, I wouldn't be working on it.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: Let me point out that we do not set the tax rate at next Thursday's meeting. We usually set it the third Thursday in February. We can set it anytime between now and then. So, there is not a crisis or an urgency that the Council has to act on the tax rate by next Thursday.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, I was under the impression it was next Thursday.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: I want to clarify this to the Council and the officers, because I believe the statement was made that we are going to act on the tax rate next Thursday.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Yes, I know, I made that statement and I was under that apprehensive, is that not the case?

MRS. HABERMAN: It will be the third Thursday of February.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: It will be the third Thursday in February. Well, this gives us a little bit more working room then.

COUNCILMAN HILL: In addition to everything I've said, let me state my position on the ad valorem. If in the final analysis, it comes back to that, then I would just address myself to it.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, I think the Mayor's suggestion or observation to the fact that, if the committee can do some cutting and paring here and there, along the lines of Dr. Nielsen's suggestion, to a ten percent increase, it's possible that certainly it should be looked into and we would wait very expectedly for the committee to report in that regard. Then, of course, as the Mayor said, if that can't be done, then the only alternative, at the present time, is to look at the ad valorem question and that is something that

MRS. HABERMAN: Frank, are you saying then, that you would be agreeable with the committee reports - findings - rather than having another Council Meeting on the matter?

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: No, I do feel and I'm glad to learn from Mr. Henckel, that the rate will not be set until the third Thursday of

February. This, I think, gives us some more lead time, which we desperately need and the Council needs. At the same time, we still have an urgent situation and another delay of a month is not going to help the situation, so I would hope that, if possible, I don't know how difficult it's going to be to get these figures together, but if it is possible to have some idea about the

This meeting next Tuesday is for the purpose of assembling initial information, which is being discussed here today and which has been gathered over the last week or so and before - by the officers and the Board and myself from some other people in the community and from the City Manager and from, I understand Hill, to disseminate this information to them, so that the purpose of the meeting next Tuesday to do simply more than that. It's a ways and means type thing, to disseminate information, so if we could get by that time, some idea from the committee, as to what success they've had, I think this would be helpful. If rates are not going to be set next Thursday, then I wouldn't think that the formal Council Meeting, in that regard, would necessarily have to be held prior to that time.

MR. TORRES: And yet, and yet

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: It would be therapeutic and helpful and

MR. TORRES: It would aid you in your efforts if you knew what reaction the Council was going to have to the committee recommendation, Frank, and that's why I still think the Council Meeting is important. Certainly a committee of the Council cannot act for the whole Council and I think that before the Council or members of the Council meet with your Association, that it would be presumptuous of a committee or of any one member of the committee to appear and suggest in an atmosphere (inaudible) and will want to come up with something possible and plausible and who want to come up with or avert the crisis, which you intimated is eminent. Then, I should think that the Council, as a whole, should be able to meet before then, this is why I have suggested what I have to the Council. I'd like to vote on the question, Mayor.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Excuse me, Mr. Mayor, if I might ask Mr. Torres a question. You're stating that you would not, in other words, if any member of the Council goes to the meeting, that they should go with the consensus of the Council...rather than the individual's expression?

MR. TORRES: Yes, I think we can understand each other better.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Well, we would certainly rather know what the Council itself, as a body, as a governing body, and not as individuals.

MR. TREVINO: If that's the case, you only need one Councilman there.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: If he's got the message, whether his name is Garcia or something else, we'll listen to him.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Well, let me just say this to you, expressing a personal opinion, if that committee has found out how to secure a raise by Tuesday, they will have performed a miracle.

DR. CALDERON: That's right.

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(GARBLED - ALL TALKING AT ONCE)

MRS. HABERMAN: Mr. Mayor, I just want it understood, that if, even the Council, even after a special meeting, cannot give the answer of this miracle, then I'm hoping that it will be understood that we are still working on the problem.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: We understand that. The question is whether or not that will be in time. We still think that with the prospects of Mr. Hill and Mr. Lombardino's efforts and we know there's been a great deal of work done. Don't misunderstand, we know that the Council is very seriously concerned and I'm personally aware of the work that Mr. Hill has done. We, and the Board, have met with Frank Lombardino. The Board has met with the whole - most of the Legislative Delegation from San Antonio - looking to the Legislature for possible solutions, in the sense of increasing the tax rate and on his bill. We know that these things are being done. But, I'm saying to you, that in spite of that, that we may still may have a crisis and this may be averted by

MAYOR McALLISTER: What do you mean by crisis?

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Mr. Mayor, it's possible that a substantial portion of the department could strike. I'd be less, I'm not stating that as a threat. I'm not stating it as anything, other than the fact that something that I know, I'm aware of. We've called one of them off that was planned. There was a ground-swell movement. Nothing on the leadership's part, the Board's part, something that just happened and it could have gotten out of hand. It almost did. We don't want that to happen and that's why we're here. We're asking for help and your advice. We don't know where else

MAYOR McALLISTER: Speaking for myself, I'm sympathetic to a raise, but absolutely not in the face of a threat.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: Mr. Mayor, there is no threat being made.

MAYOR McALLISTER: I misunderstood you then.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: The minutes of the first meeting, when I appeared before this Council, will reflect that I stated that we came here making no threats, I stated, at that time, that we had passed a resolution against a strike. I've reminded the Council this morning and that resolution is on the books, gentlemen. But, in spite of that, I think that history teaches that, in 1776 something happened. It happens in various times and places throughout the world and in spite of the intentions of various men of whether they are in a position of leadership or not, these things can happen and I don't want to see it in our City.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: That's the sense in which I'm merely bringing the information.

MR. TORRES: So, you did give us a threat.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: No, I'm pointing out that history teaches lessons about which we should be much concerned.

MR. TORRES: Courage, Frank.

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MAYOR McALLISTER: Members of the Council, the motion is that a committee be appointed and that a special meeting be held. I expressed the opinion, my personal feeling, about the matter, that I don't think that a special meeting, before Thursday, is desirable or necessary. I think it's going to take the committee and the City Manager quite a while to find the amount of money that's involved in this thing here, to determine whether or not the adjustments can be made, so as to provide a reasonable increase in pay or whether it has to go by means of an increase in ad valorem tax. I don't think this committee can work, today being Thursday, that they're going to be ready to make a report.

MR. TORRES: But, the only reason, Mayor, for suggesting a special meeting, is so that we can maintain, or, at least, correct the problems that I have seen, as these employee difficulties have occurred in the past, where the channels of communication have not remained open. I felt that in the garbage crisis, I felt that in the transit employees' crisis, when the transit workers appeared before the City Council. I should think that a committee could come up with some interim recommendations, some interim findings, and conclusions, based on information that Mr. Henckel has available to him right now. That these recommendations and conclusions, if of an interim nature, are, if only of an interim nature, could be brought before the entire Council and a course of action would be established, so the only thing that the committee would come up with, the only thing the Council would be approving at its special meeting, would be an interim approach and establish the guidelines, which the committee is to follow.

Secondly, and finally, the problem, too, that we have run into in designating committees and in directing committees action, that the Council, as a whole, has not laid these guidelines for the committees and frankly, when the committee comes in with a conclusion, the Council has never, from its inception, established a guideline, so that the committee is sometimes at a loss, having served on some of these committees, committees at a loss as to exactly what the Council wants or what guidelines to follow. So, this is why I say, I think succinctly that it would be a good-faith effort, on our part, to maintain the channels of communication open with the members of the Police Department. I do not want to see these break down.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay.

MRS. HABERMAN: Mr. Torres, our channels, I hope, are open with the Police Department. I always felt they were.

MR. TORRES: Well, Carol, I didn't say that they were closed. No, but I'm saying that, in view of Mr. Hill's statement, and in my experience in two previous situations, having had employees appear before the City Council with requests that they rapidly closed. I don't want to see this happen.

(GARBLED - ALL TALKING AT ONCE)

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: If the Mayor is disposed to appoint a committee, which I think is a good idea, in my personal judgment, it might be that the committee could meet to listen and ask questions and be informed, with the Association on Tuesday night, following which, a formal meeting could be held, of the Council, either at a regular meeting or at some other time, in anticipation of having to be faced and then, if nothing is come up with in the week or so following that,

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say sometime between now and when the tax rate is set, so that if we can exhaust that possibility - and then it's either an ad valorem increase or not. I think that would be a reasonable approach.

COUNCILMAN HILL: I appreciate your comments and I was considering a substitute motion and you just helped me.

Mr. Mayor, I'd like to enter a substitute motion and that is, that you appoint the committee and let them immediately go to work on the problem and then have the committee attend and meet with the Police Officers Association Tuesday night. Let's get some real understanding and communication and let's hear more input from them and be in a position to tell them more in detail, what we're doing and let's get this thing on a real understanding and progressive basis, like you have outlined, Frank, and then go ahead.

MR. TORRES: I think that's a real good idea and I withdraw my original motion, so that

MAYOR McALLISTER: Anything else you want to say?

All right. Okay. I'll appoint Mr. Hill, Chairman, Mr. Torres and Mrs. Haberman on this committee. I ask them to confer with the City Manager, who will, in turn, have to restudy his budget to see if a change can be made that would provide an increase for the Police Force.

ATTORNEY FRANK HILL: You mean Mr. Ed Hill? You're not appointing me on the committee, are you?

MAYOR McALLISTER: No. Ed Hill.

Well, I wouldn't want to stack the committee.

All right.

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Councilman Nielsen asked the Council for just a few minutes to hear from Mrs. Kathryn Morgan, Executive Director of the Walker-Ford Singers.

Mrs. Morgan spoke to the Council and said that the Walker-Ford Singers is a group of about 100 young people, who have been organized for two years. They are gospel singers and perform weekly somewhere in San Antonio. On February 7, 1971, the Singers will perform at the Theater for the Performing Arts and will celebrate their second birthday that day. She asked that that day be designated as "Walker-Ford Singers Day" in honor of the event. She also invited members of the Council to the performance.

Mayor McAllister thanked Mrs. Morgan for the invitation and said that he would issue a proclamation declaring February 7, 1971, to be "Walker-Ford Singers Day."

71-4 COUNCILMAN PHILIP J. DAUGHERTY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Councilman Ed Hill introduced Mr. Philip J. Daugherty, who is a member of the City Council in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Daugherty was greeted warmly by Mayor McAllister and welcomed to San Antonio.

Mr. Daugherty extended warm greetings from the City Council of Washington. He thanked members of the City Staff, particularly Councilman Hill, for their many courtesies in showing him San Antonio.

71-4 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Purchasing Agent, John Brooks, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, Haberman, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James, Nielsen, Torres.

AN ORDINANCE 39,200

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF SLIMP OIL COMPANY TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH RUBBER-ASPHALT SEALER FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$1,409.00.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,201

ACCEPTING THE LOW BIDS OF JACK HULETT SALES AND ECONOLITE TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$8,422.40.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,202

APPROVING AN ASSIGNMENT OF THE CURRENT CONTRACTS WITH HOWELL REFINING COMPANY FOR ANNUAL CONTRACTS TO FURNISH THE CITY WITH GASOLINE, DIESEL FUEL AND NAPHTHA TO THE MOBIL OIL CORPORATION EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1971.

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71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,203

EXTENDING THE PRESENT WRECKER SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ALVARADO BROS. GARAGE ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS NOT TO EXTEND BEYOND JULY 31, 1971.

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Mr. John Brooks, Purchasing Agent, explained that the present contract with Alvarado Bros. will expire February 11, 1971. The Police Department has requested that the contract be extended on a month-to-month basis until some changes in the contract requirements can be worked out. At that time, a two-year contract will be awarded on the basis of bids.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote:
 AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, Haberman, Trevino, Hill, Torres;
 NAYS: None; ABSENT: James, Nielsen.

71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,204

PROVIDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES EXCEPTING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY PURCHASES.

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Mr. John Brooks, Purchasing Agent, explained that the first ordinance, setting out rules and regulations for purchasing, was enacted in 1957. This ordinance supersedes that ordinance and makes two changes.

This ordinance will permit the City to compare low bid prices with General Services Administration prices for the same materials in those cases where materials are being purchased for Federal Government Grants sponsored by the City of San Antonio.

The ordinance also permits the purchase of items costing less than \$10 out of petty cash.

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After consideration, on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James.

71-4 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Land Division Chief, W. S. Clark, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James.

AN ORDINANCE 39,205

CLOSING CERTAIN UNDEVELOPED STREETS IN THE LINCOLN PARK AREA; PROVIDING FOR UTILITY EASEMENTS; DESIGNATING A PORTION OF THE CLOSED STREETS FOR USE BY THE NEW HEALTH CLINIC AND THE BALANCE TO BE UTILIZED FOR PARK PURPOSES.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,206

ACCEPTING DEDICATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALADO CREEK OUTFALL PROJECT AND THE TIMBER CREEK SEWER PROJECT; APPROPRIATING \$9,800.00 OUT OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FOR GITTINGER AVENUE PAVING AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$2,600.00 TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY FOR ROOSEVELT AVENUE AT McMULLEN STREET WIDENING, ALSO APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

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71-4 Mayor McAllister was obliged to leave the meeting and Mayor Pro-Tem Calderon presided.

71-4 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by Assistant Director of Public Works, Mel Sueltenfuss, and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

AN ORDINANCE 39,207

ADOPTING REVISED WAGE RATES FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ALL CITY PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS INVOLVING HEAVY CONSTRUCTION TRADES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 38372 PERTAINING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,208

TRANSFERRING THE TOWER ACTIVITY FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF CONVENTION FACILITIES;
AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE CURRENT
FISCAL YEAR; AND ABOLISHING ONE (1)
POSITION OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF
CONVENTION FACILITIES.

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71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,209

AMENDING THE CURRENT PAY PLAN BY
INCREASING THE SALARY RANGES OF
FIFTEEN (15) POSITIONS AND
ESTABLISHING THIRTEEN (13)
ADDITIONAL POSITIONS.

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Mr. Clyde C. McCollough, Personnel Director, explained this ordinance and reminded the Council that in the current budget there is provision for a five percent (5%) pay increase for some employees, effective February 1, 1971. This would create a problem in some cases by causing a supervisor to be paid less than his workers. This ordinance is meant to correct this inequity.

After consideration, on motion of Mrs. Haberman, seconded by Mr. Hill, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote:
AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres;
NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

71-4 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Aviation Director, Tom Raffety, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Hill, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

AN ORDINANCE 39,210

TERMINATING AN AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO
WITH ADAMS AVIATION, INC. FOR A FIVE-
YEAR LEASE OF CERTAIN SPACE AT
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,211

AMENDING THE CURRENT BUDGET BY AUTHORIZING
SIX (6) ADDITIONAL SECURITY GUARD
POSITIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT;

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APPROPRIATING \$40,730.00 OUT OF
UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS OF AIRPORT
REVENUE FUND AND APPROVING A TRANSFER
OF THE SAME TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS.

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Mr. Tom Raffety, Aviation Director, explained that the hiring of these additional guards will reduce the amount of overtime currently required.

In answer to a question by Dr. Nielsen, Mr. Raffety said that City employees are not paid time and one half for overtime, but are paid straight time for the overtime hours worked. This policy is actually in the Civil Service Rules.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote:
AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres;
NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

71-4 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Director of Parks and Recreation, Bob Frazer, and after consideration, on motion of Rev. James, seconded by Dr. Nielsen, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

AN ORDINANCE 39,212

ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF R. W. JONES
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BASIC DEVELOPMENT
OF "J" STREET PARK; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION
OF A CONTRACT THEREFOR AND APPROPRIATING
\$33,380.65 PAYABLE TO SAID CONTRACTOR
OUT OF PARK IMPROVEMENT BONDS AND
\$1,000.00 OUT OF THE SAME FUND TO BE
USED AS A CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

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71-4 The following Resolution was read by the Clerk and explained by Director of Parks and Recreation, Bob Frazer, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Mr. Hill, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister, Torres.

A RESOLUTION
NO. 71-4-71

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE
TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT
FOR A PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATION
FACILITY PROGRAM GRANT FOR DRESSING
ROOM FACILITIES AT SOUTHCROSS,
LINCOLN, SOUTHSIDE LIONS, MONTERREY
AND DELLVIEW SWIMMING POOLS.

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71-4 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by members of the Administrative Staff and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister, Torres.

AN ORDINANCE 39,213

TERMINATING BY MUTUAL CONSENT, THE OFFICE SPACE CONTRACT IN HEMISFAIR PLAZA HELD BY THE RAYWAY CORPORATION.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,214

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MARCY WAGNER AND MARY HINDELANG, D/B/A SABLE BRUSH ART GALLERY, FOR A ONE-YEAR LEASE OF BUILDING NO. 531 AT HEMISFAIR PLAZA, BEGINNING ON DATE OF OCCUPANCY, WITH A TWO-YEAR OPTION TO RENEW, TO BE USED FOR THE SALE OF ART WORK.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,215

AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH HOTEL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLICITING CONVENTION AND GROUP VISITATION BUSINESS FOR THE CITY FOR A FEE OF \$600.00 PER MONTH PLUS EXPENSES NOT TO EXCEED \$400.00 MONTHLY.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,216

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF COCA-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY TO PLACE IN EFFECT A CONCENTRATED PROMOTION FROM MARCH 8TH THROUGH MAY 9, 1971, PERTAINING TO FREE TOWER ELEVATOR RIDES.

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71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 39,217

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS IN THE AGGREGATE OF \$93,933.00 TO THE BRUSSELLS INSURANCE AGENCY, 408 GUNTER BUILDING, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, FOR FIRE AND EXTENDED COVERAGE INSURANCE,

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INCLUDING VANDALISM AND MALICIOUS MISCHIEF FOR CERTAIN SITES, PROVIDED BY THE AMERICAN AND FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANY, FROM THE GENERAL FUND 101 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,741.00; FROM THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION FUND 804 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,723.00; FROM THE STINSON AIRPORT FUND 805 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,848.00; AND, FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE FUND 601 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$621.00.

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Mr. Fred Cook, Property Records Supervisor, explained that this ordinance covers three policies; one covering the General Schedule of Facilities City-wide; one covering the International Airport and Stinson Field; and, the other covering vandalism and malicious mischief protection at such locations as libraries. The coverage is for three years, starting May 1, 1970. There has been a complete reappraisal of buildings, which has resulted in increased values of approximately 35%-40%. Coverage of certain facilities was increased.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Trevino, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

71-4 Item No. 20 of the agenda, being an Ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 22 of the City Code, pertaining to regulation of the sale of meat and meat products and providing for a fine not exceeding \$200.00 for violations, was withdrawn from consideration by the City Manager. This matter will be discussed in the "B" session and put back on the agenda for the meeting of February 4.

71-4 Mayor McAllister returned to the meeting and presided.

71-4 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Library Director, Mike Sexton, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Trevino.

AN ORDINANCE 39,218

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR ONE-YEAR EXTENSIONS OF EXISTING AGREEMENTS WITH THE VARIOUS MEMBER LIBRARIES OF THE COUNCIL OF RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC LIBRARIES ORGANIZATION, PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF APPROXIMATELY 4,000 SQUARE FEET OF FLOOR SPACE IN THE MAIN LIBRARY ANNEX FOR USE AS A CENTRAL STORAGE FACILITY FOR EXPENSIVE, LITTLE-USED VOLUMES IN HIGHLY SPECIALIZED SUBJECT AREAS, TO

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BE AVAILABLE FOR LOAN TO ANY MEMBER
LIBRARY.

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71-4 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Winston Martin, Executive Director of the Urban Renewal Agency, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Trevino.

AN ORDINANCE 39,219

APPROVING THE PRICE AND CONDITIONS OF
THE SALE BY THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OF PROPOSED
LOT 9, NEW CITY BLOCK 320, LOCATED
WITHIN THE ROSA VERDE URBAN RENEWAL
PROJECT, TEX. R-78, TO POLYCLINIC, INC.
FOR THE SUM OF \$49,825.60, BEING \$4.40
PER SQUARE FOOT.

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71-4 The following Ordinance was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Roy Montez, Director of Model Cities, and after consideration, on motion of Mr. Torres, seconded by Dr. Nielsen, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Trevino.

AN ORDINANCE 39,220

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH ROBERT
KUZELKA FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES
REGARDING CONDUCTING AN ENVIRONMENTAL
WORKSHOP, APPLICABLE TO THE PHYSICAL
COMPONENT OF THE MODEL CITIES PROGRAM,
FOR A TOTAL CONSIDERATION OF \$500.00.

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71-4 The Clerk read an Ordinance manifesting an agreement with SPA/REDCO, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois, for services in terms of developing a housing component for the Model Cities Program, for a consideration of \$4,500.00.

Mr. Roy Montez, Director of Model Cities, explained the ordinance and recalled, to the Council, that last fall HUD would not accept the Housing Task Force Report on Housing. HUD felt that the report was weak in certain areas and, as a result, has withheld two million dollars from the Second Year Program until an acceptable housing component is submitted.

Four proposals, from consultants, were received and reviewed by the Model Cities' staff. It was concluded that SPA/REDCO was best

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equipped for the project and was so recommended. Estimated time for completion would be thirty to sixty days. This firm would also be available later for technical assistance in implementation of the program.

Members of the Council said that they felt that they had not been given sufficient information on this item and would prefer to delay action on it for one week. Anyone interested in this project was invited to meet with the Council in "B" session to discuss it. The ordinance was ordered placed on the agenda for February 4, 1971.

71-4 The following Resolution was read by the Clerk and explained by Mr. Bob McDonald, Intergovernmental Coordinator, and after consideration, on motion of Dr. Nielsen, seconded by Mrs. Haberman, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

A RESOLUTION
NO. 71-4-72

ACCEPTING DESIGNATION OF THE CITY
OF SAN ANTONIO AS A SITE FOR AN
ALCOHOL SAFETY ACTION PROJECT BY
THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY
ADMINISTRATION, UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

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71-4 The following Ordinances were read by the Clerk and explained by members of the Administrative Staff and after consideration, on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 39,221

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE
APPLICATION TO THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY
SAFETY ADMINISTRATION FOR A SUM NOT
TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 FOR DEVELOPMENT
OF A FINAL ALCOHOL SAFETY ACTION
PROPOSAL.

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AN ORDINANCE 39,222

ESTABLISHING THE YOUTH SERVICES BOARD
(CONSISTING OF 19 MEMBERS, APPOINTED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL, TO ADVISE, THROUGH
THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, ON
YOUTH PROBLEMS, NEEDS, PROGRAM
PRIORITIES AND THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF PROGRAMS).

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71-4 The Clerk read the following Ordinance for the second and final time:

AN ORDINANCE 39,159

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LINES OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 21.1544 ACRES OF LAND, WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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Mr. J. H. Wilkerson, Acting Planning Director, explained that this ordinance annexes 20.3105 acres of land, known as Palo Alto Terrace, Unit No. 2, owned by Lad Building and Development Company. This was at the request of the owners of the property. The ordinance will also annex .8439 additional acres without the consent of the owners.

No one spoke in opposition.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Dr. Nielsen, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Burke, James, Haberman, Nielsen, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

71-4 DISCUSSION REGARDING EMPLOYMENT OF AIRPORT CONSULTANT

MR. HILL: Mr. Mayor, I just handed out copies to each of the Council Members of a statement pertaining to the airport and a copy of a letter from the Citizens for Responsive Government. (Mr. Hill read the statement, which follows):

STATEMENT CONCERNING HIRING OF

CONSULTANT FOR AIRPORT STUDY

It is recommended that this City Council instruct the City Manager to proceed with the hiring of a consultant, on or about March 1, 1971, to perform studies of the International Airport with the following conditions:

1. That the consultant perform all studies with an open mind and unbiased opinion.
2. That guidelines, outlining criteria to be followed in the studies, be written into the contract.
3. That the consultant be required to meet and coordinate with any interested individual or groups expressing such a desire.
4. That the runway issue proposed in connection with the acquisition of land, outlined in Proposition #4 of the Bond Issue of September 26, 1970, stands as a defeated issue, as a result of said bond election.

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MR. HILL (Continued): This is a statement I would like to have placed into the record. If the Council wants a motion, I will put it in the form of a motion.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Explain in detail what you mean by number four.

MR. HILL: Well, what I'm saying, Mr. Mayor, is that Proposition No. 4 in the bond election was defeated by the people. I have met with them, as I stated earlier, and I am sure other members have had conversations with them. Their position is that they would like to work with the consultant and with the City. They are not obstructionists or objectionists. They didn't particularly like the way the Proposition 4 was handled in the bond election and so they want to have their input and several of them have gone out on their own and done some research and come up with some facts and figures that they are willing to make available to the consultant. Basically, I think I can say this for the group that I met with and, as far as the City Manager and I, what they are saying, and what I'm saying, is, let's start out with the consultant on a free, fresh-start basis and let him make a complete study of the airport situation and come up with his recommendations. I mean, let's just start fresh and come up with a real good study on what should San Antonio do as far as the airport.

MR. TORRES: If I might, I'd just like to comment on that, Mayor, that on number four on Mr. Hill's proposal here this morning, I think all this is well and good, but I think we've got to understand that a vote by the public speaks for itself. I should not think that the Council should have to reaffirm a position on which the public has expressed a position at the polls. I should hope that, number one, that any consultant would come up with an unbiased opinion. That would be true in all cases. Of course, I've criticized that - it's not necessarily true. I do think that we should give the guidelines to the consultant, based on the vote of September 26, 1970. Based on the fact - well, on the letter submitted to us by Mr. Hill - or by the Citizens for Responsive Government, I thought we had decided before, had we not, that you would confer, or you would obtain input, from these people who work with this committee, Jerry? When is this consultant going to be hired?

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: Well, of course, I have a recommendation ready for the Council and all I need is for the Council to determine when they want a consultant to be hired to start this particular project. The question was raised prior and the reason that I asked that we postpone action was that I needed certain items clarified, insofar as to what the consultant was to do. The question was raised as to the instructions that I gave to the various consultants that I talked to verbally in making a proposal to us. Since that time, of course, other firms have been in contact with us and would like to submit proposals, so I would like to receive any additional proposals that anyone else wanted to submit before I make a final recommendation. In other words, not limit it, or narrow it down, to the four that I did receive. I have a recommendation on one of those four, but would like to hear from others.

DR. NIELSEN: Okay. With that in mind and also, Mr. Hill's remarks regarding a fresh start, I would still vigorously urge this Council to rescind its February, 1968, action accepting the Bovay Report as the Master Plan. The best I can find out, we are not in conflict with the bond issue of 1966. It refers specifically to the 1957 Master Plan

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and nowhere can I find any legal document that says we have ever substituted, as far as that bond indenture is concerned. I know that everybody assumes that we have, but we are still covered. I think that is the freshest kind of a start that we can offer this community. I think that's as valid a consideration, as you can give to a planner coming in, Jerry. He can still use that, but, at least, we are not still bound, in the meantime, with that as a Master Plan.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: The thing is, the Council can change the Master Plan anytime it so desires, or any portion of it, and I don't think that any of us have come to the conclusion that the entire Bovay Report should be thrown out. The only point that I'm aware of, that is in conflict, is the one of the additional runway and where it should go. So, I think that we should leave the Master Plan - we should have a Master Plan on the books and we've paid for this Master Plan. We adopted it. I think basically it is a good plan. Right now we will do what we should do with any master plan - have it reviewed - and we are having it reviewed by someone other than the firm that prepared it. I think this is as open as we can be about it.

DR. NIELSEN: But, you see, this is considered in two parts - land use and modified master plan of development. If we are sincere in upholding the voting and considerations of the citizens on the issue concerning the airport, then we are literally starting from scratch. That is an integral part - that whole plan revolves around that particular runway expansion effort. If we are straight and sincere, then we are really starting afresh.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: I would say that any consultant that is hired should have availability of the current Master Plan to review, but if we throw it out, then he is going to ignore it. I would certainly do that, if I was a consultant and a governmental body had taken this action and thrown out their Master Plan. I would think that my responsibility would be to prepare a new one and this is not what we are asking. We are asking that all the available airport information be reviewed and updated and recommended changes made.

DR. NIELSEN: Well, we are looking for an acceptable, comprehensive airport model for San Antonio and the surrounding area, right?

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: No, sir. I am certainly not under that impression. I am under the impression, and I think the minutes reflect, that this Council has instructed me to hire a consultant, as a result of the controversy over the Bovay Report.....to hire a consultant and to consider three major items: Number one, what is the role of International Airport - should San Antonio go to a regional airport? What would be the role of our present airport in the future and during the interim? Number two, if San Antonio should not go regional, but should go with another major facility, what would be the role of the International Airport, both during the interim time and at the time the other facility was completed? Number three, if San Antonio cannot go either regional or another major facility, should we go with another minor facility or no facility at all and what would be the role of the International Airport under this set of circumstances? This was the instructions that I proposed to the various consultant firms who made proposals and unless the Council instructs me otherwise, I would stick with this set of facts.

DR. NIELSEN: But we've intentionally delayed this until we got the ~~Bovay~~ Report. We now have that. We are going to have a presentation

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and that is why I am suggesting that what our responsibility is, really boiling down to, is a more comprehensive air transportation or, as soon as you say airport, we all just automatically think of International Airport, and we've just got to, it seems to me, broaden the scope of our planning to include other alternatives or finally exclude them. But if we are just going to instruct that new consultant that all he is to deal with is International Airport, I think we are remiss in our responsibilities to the citizens.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: His responsibility would be to give us recommendations on what we are to do with our present facility under these other circumstances. I don't believe there is any way we could determine now, without an extensive study, and we just completed one with the Planning and Research Council and Air Transportation Study, I don't believe we could determine, at this time, whether we are going to go with a regional airport or another major facility. The important thing is that we need to know, from someone now, what we are going to do with International in the meantime, because we either have to make certain improvements or we have to just sit and do nothing. If we sit and do nothing, waiting for a final decision on a regional airport, then we are going to be in big trouble as far as our air facility operation is concerned.

MR. TORRES: I think, when we are talking about the regional airport, I think that the study that we recently received from the Planning and Research Corporation minimizes that broad, regional goal or, at least, does not look very good. But as I understand it, Jerry, of course, I know that this is on the "B" session agenda, but Mr. Hill had placed this airport discussion for our meeting up here and I just like to think, Mr. Mayor and members of the Council, that we could proceed with proposal or proposition two and three, advanced by Ed, that we provide those guidelines. Now, I think those guidelines are available to us that we can propose. Number one, of course, we know that there was a defeat of that Proposition 4, because the residents of the area felt that it was a hazard to their homes, to the health and welfare of the people in the area. It has been stated also, that they are not absolutely opposed to, as I understand it, Ed, are not absolutely opposed to the expansion of the runway. Is that correct, that it would be provided that a new flight pattern - a different flight pattern - would not imperil their safety, could be developed? Secondly, as a second guideline, I think we could go back to February, 1968, and point out that in the Master Plan that was developed for the airport in February, 1968, that we understood there were limitations to the expansion of the present site and that we point out what these limitations are in those guidelines and, finally, that we point out the findings or the conclusions, although these two are very, very broad and general on this PRC report, but the finding that a broad regional goal, according to this PRC report, would not be a feasible type of thing. I think we have some very definite recommendations that we could give the consultant. I think that we ought to proceed with these recommendations, with these guidelines, and ask Mr. Henckel to appoint a consultant. Finally, include in those guidelines, that the consultant be required, as Ed has suggested, to meet with the individuals or groups who have taken a strong interest in this thing.

MR. HILL: Well, let me just elaborate a little bit on the reason for my number four comment. That is, what you say is true about the bond issue and this, that and the other. But these people, even after the bond election, had some reservations about the intent of the City or the Council, because of remarks that were in the newspaper, from time to time, and they felt that they wanted again some assurance, from this Council and from the City, that before anything is done at the airport,

that we will get this consultant and start him out on a clear, open, fresh start and that they, and other people, would be consulted and brought in on the discussions during the consultant developing his report or his recommendation. This is the reason number four is on the piece of paper.

(GARBLED - ALL TALKING AT ONCE)

DR. CALDERON: Let me say, Mr. Mayor, that Mr. Hill has been meeting, very diligently, with these people, the coordinating committee of the Citizens for Responsive Government, any number of times and the statement he has drafted here is the statement that citizens out there feel that they would want the Council to adopt as a policy, or as the Council's position, and, accordingly, knowing that Mr. Hill has been working with them and that they are familiar with this statement, I would, at this time, move that we adopt this statement of Mr. Hill's, as the statement of the Council.

MR. TORRES: Well, what are we adopting? I don't understand that. I thought we were going to adopt some guidelines. I don't understand anything

MR. HILL: All we are doing is saying, to those people out there, that this is our position and that we are assuring them that we are going on with the consultant and that there will be no plans or anything done, at International Airport, until they, and other people that are interested groups, are brought in on it and we come up with a final agreed plan, as a result of the consultant's study, as to which way we are going with International Airport.

REV. JAMES: I second Dr. Calderon's motion.

DR. CALDERON: I call for the question, Mr. Mayor.

MR. TORRES: To do what, Rev. James?

REV. JAMES: To do just what this report says here.

MR. TORRES: What does the report say?

REV. JAMES: You can read, can't you?

MR. TORRES: Well, I don't comprehend.

REV. JAMES: Well, if you can't comprehend, I'm sorry.

MR. TORRES: Well, I don't understand that it says anything.

REV. JAMES: You can read.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Order, please. The question has been called for. Call the roll.

DR. CALDERON: Aye.

MR. BURKE: Aye.

REV. JAMES: Aye.

MRS. HABERMAN: Aye.

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DR. NIELSEN: I think that the record should show that it was just several months back that, in terms of responsiveness to this same particular problem, the majority of this Council did not uphold the desires and the situation that the citizens saw and there is nothing binding on a future Council by this sort of proposition, until we, in fact, have an acceptable and comprehensive air transportation plan for this community. I'll vote aye. There is nothing wrong with the thing, but it doesn't go far enough.

MR. TREVINO: Simply - Aye.

MR. HILL: Aye.

MR. TORRES: I vote - Aye - and just would repeat Dr. Nielsen's comments, Mayor, I don't think this goes far enough. I don't think we are laying the guidelines that have to be laid for the appointment of a consultant and, secondly, Mr. Hill suggests that we start something new, that we make a fresh start. We can't have a fresh start. We've got a precedent. We have a number of studies that we could look at to guide us for our future development, sir.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Aye.

CITY MANAGER HENCKEL: I'd just like to point out, in connection with this matter, that an area systems' study for a regional airport, we would get help, of course, from the F.A.A. and it would involve other communities and would take considerable time. This is needed and is being initiated. It will be separate and apart from the present report.

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LIBRARY AUDITORIUM

Rev. James referred to a previous discussion concerning Carver Hall and its need for refurbishing. He said interest has developed in this matter, plus the development of a Negro Heritage Center. He introduced Mr. Raymond Appolan to discuss the matter.

Mr. Appolan said that his group is interested in developing a Black cultural center in San Antonio. Carver Hall would be a very suitable location. He described the preliminary concept of such a center and what it would mean to the Black community. He asked that the City consider this project.

Rev. James said that, at this point, he felt that the Council should give the project its blessing, so that plans could be formulated and brought back to the Council in the future. He further stated that he still feels that the point of beginning is the refurbishing of the auditorium.

Mayor McAllister said that the City Manager will be asked to look into the matter and see what is involved.

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LANDSCAPING OF POLICE HEADQUARTERS

Mrs. Haberman said that it has been brought to her attention that the Police Headquarters' building has never been landscaped, since

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it was built in 1961. She discussed the matter with the City Manager, who said that he will ask the Parks Department to work out a landscaping plan, for approval. It will be handled at once.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

ANNEXATION PETITION OF VILLA CORONADO

Mr. Clayton Russell introduced the following persons, who spoke in favor of the City annexing the area known as Villa Coronado.

Mr. Miguel N. Delgado, President of the Villa Coronado Community Council.

Mrs. Carvella Camarilla.

Mrs. Jovita Ruellas.

Mr. Russell spoke in favor of the annexation and urged the Council to act promptly.

Mr. Joe Olivares, Jr. spoke to the Council recalling past political developments in San Antonio and made reference to an announced candidate in the City Election.

Mayor McAllister ruled Mr. Olivares out of order in discussing individual candidates before the Council and instructed that only matters being of direct benefit to the City of San Antonio should be discussed.

Mr. Marvin Byrd, representing a group of senior citizens, stated there is a need for their group of people to have representation in the Human Resources Department. He asked that the City establish a Senior Citizens Resources Division to help them in areas of consumer fraud and fixed income and inflation problems, police protection and transportation for older people.

Mr. Byrd was advised that this matter was to be considered at the informal session after this meeting.

Mrs. J. F. Dutmer, 739 McKinley, said she is opposed to the tax increase recently approved by Bexar County, but would be in favor of increasing City taxes for the purpose of police pay increases.

Mr. John Kimbrough, representing Citizens for Responsive Government, made reference to recent meetings with City Manager Henckel and Councilman Ed Hill. He said that the points outlined in Mr. Hill's statement were agreed on by all. He urged that guidelines for the airport consultant be written to clearly give him leeway to determine which of the airport alternatives is best. He should also be instructed to consult with this or any other group interested in the airport development. He also insisted that the consultant be instructed that if any future expansion of International Airport is required, it is to be with the thought in mind that it will not be another NE-SW runway lying anywhere within the current geographical confines of the airport.

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The Clerk read the following letter:

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Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of San Antonio, Texas

Gentlemen and Madam:

The following petitions were received by my office and forwarded to the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

- 1/22/71 Petition of Mr. C. Hector Cervantez, 5533 Calistoga, requesting permission to construct an eight (8) foot fence on both sides of his house and at rear. The property is located at 5533 Calistoga, Lot 86, Blk. 4, NCB 13450, Culebra Park, Unit 8.
- 1/22/71 Petition of Mr. Robert E. Springer, 4834 Lambeth Dr., requesting permission to reopen a wrecking yard at 703 Somerset Road.

/s/ J. H. INSELMANN
City Clerk

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There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

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PETITION TO ANNEX VILLA CORONADO

MAYOR McALLISTER: Mr. Russell.

MR. CLAYTON RUSSELL: Everybody from Villa Coronado stand up.

Mr. Mayor and Council, I put some names down, some are here. I put it down as Mr. Russell and group. There is four people that want to talk and I'd like to call them, if you want to hear them all now. I will hold myself to last. Is that okay?

MAYOR McALLISTER: Yes.

MR. RUSSELL: (Mr. Russell was standing out in the audience, away from the microphone, and cannot be understood.)

MR. MIGUEL N. DELGADO: Mr. Mayor, ladies and gentlemen, I am Miguel N. Delgado. I am the President of the Villa Coronado Community Council. I live in the City that adjoins Villa Coronado.

The purpose that I'm here is to inform the request that has been put into this board for annexation of the community. Some members of the Ladies for the Betterment of Villa Coronado, and also Mr. Clayton Russell, that they are willing to be annexed by the City of San Antonio. I have been working in this community since 1963 and I am aware - I know what the people need and what the people want and when they want it. And now (inaudible)...to go to gatherings, meetings, conversations. I have never had a negative answer concerning the annexation. They are willing to be annexed by the City. They are aware of what the cost, you know, the yearly cost of the services and in case that the City takes over right now, we have water throughout the community from the water department, water fire hydrants, fairly good streets, and for police. So, I'll ask (inaudible)...Mr. Mayor. As I said, I live in the City, but I represent this community to consider this very seriously and act as soon as possible to this request and to also to each of the members of the Council.

MR. TORRES: What is your address, Mr. Delgado? Where do you live?

MR. DELGADO: 1611 Chavaneaux Road.

DR. NIELSEN: He lives on one of the two streets that are in the City, but in the same neighborhood.

DR. CALDERON: How many families live in Villa Coronado? Those that are outside the City Limits.

MR. DELGADO: Well, 500 families in the whole community.

DR. CALDERON: Is that 500 families or 500 people?

MR. DELGADO: No, 500 families. People is around 3,500, sir.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Well, didn't we ask Mr. Henckel to look into that and give us a report? Yes, all right.

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DR. NIELSEN: Yes, about a month or six weeks ago. Thank you very much.

(MR. RUSSELL WAS TALKING - INAUDIBLE)

MRS. CARVELLA CAMARILLA: My name is Mrs. Camarilla and I live at 1427 Estancia. Now, I am not talking only for myself and my three children, I am talking for the whole community. I wish you could go over and see the community the way it is right now. We are poor - we know we are poor, but we pay a lot of taxes on our food, on our clothing, children's shoes, on our gas, on everything. And, I think we can manage to pay taxes for the City to annex it over there. We been making meetings, we been making some cleanups ourselves, because we care for our community and we care for our children. I think we need our service for the policemen to be over there, because a lot of things happen around there and by the time we call the policemen, everybody is gone. Nobody knows what happens - they don't know where they went to, because the vacant lots are just awful over there. I think if we get the City over there, we are going to progress, because a lot of people, who like to help, who would like to clean the community, who like to have it beautified, like San Antonio here in the City. We need somebody to help us and we need you. We need your help. I think, with your help, I know that our children will be out at ten o'clock at night. We can't go out to the stores. We can't trust ourselves to be out in the dark. Two people have been killed on 281, because we don't have any lights. We need your help and I hope that, not only for my kids, for the whole community. I think that is all I have to say right now.

(MR. RUSSELL WAS TALKING - INAUDIBLE)

MRS. JOVITA RUELLAS: My name is Mrs. Jovita Ruellas. I live at 1530 Socorro Street. It is very important that the City Council to consider this and give us the facilities you can. It is a little convenience that we need. Lots of things happen in Villa Coronado. We try to help the people there. We can help them, like Mrs. Camarilla said, with trash cleanup, but then we do need the lights and I think you all know where this is located and I think we have lots of air pollution. Everybody say - air pollution, air pollution. Well, we have plenty of it there and I think that if the City would help us going in there, putting some sewers for us. This would help the air pollution and this would help us with medical bills, because our children get sick. By saving on medical bills, I think it would be easier for us to pay the taxes. We know that we are going to be charged more, yes. But we are willing for the service that you can give us.

DR. NIELSEN: You presently do not have City Police or garbage?

MRS. RUELLAS: No.

DR. NIELSEN: Okay. You do have water, but there is no major, central sewage system - is that correct? Okay.

DR. CALDERON: Let me ask you this. How long have you lived there in Villa Coronado?

MRS. RUELLAS: I, myself, have lived there for approximately ten years.

DR. CALDERON: Before that, where did you live?

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MRS. RUELLAS: Down in Chalmers Street, close by Nogalitos, but since my family is grown, I felt that we needed a lot for ourselves, because we rented. And, this is a place that you can buy cheap, but, of course, you have to have some more facilities. And, since we have been living there, it seems that we have bettered some, yes, but we need the facilities of the sewers. Our children go out at night. They catch cold. We have to pay the medical bill. Now, we think that we will be saving by having the City come in and even if we have to pay our taxes, we'll still be ahead, because there will be lots of things that will save us.

DR. NIELSEN: Now, of course, Federal grants are available, in terms of the sewer extension, so, you know, it wouldn't be a total City cost, in that particular instance. It could be shared by the citizens, through the taxes and the Federal Government, as far as the sewer extension is concerned.

MR. TORRES: I think they have already looked into that.

MR. TREVINO: They have to be taken into the City before they can apply for it.

DR. NIELSEN: Well, yes, it has to be a clear relationship with the City.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay. Thank you.

MR. RUSSELL: Mr. Mayor and Council, as Mr. Delgado has said, they have voted several times in his organization and they have never had a negative vote. One time, one man got up and he questioned us. We thought he had just moved into the community and we thought that he was going to go against us, but there has not been one negative vote.

George Allejos, unfortunately, couldn't be here. I say that for a specific reason. Some of these people behind me are engaged in something that the Allejos family is against. But my point is, that whatever the community might feel on any other question, we are united out there and George Allejos is 21 years old this year. I put his name down.

When a young lady brought me in this morning, she is keeping books here and she failed a City examination to work for you. She passed a written examination. It had been a long time since she had touched a typewriter. I understand your rules require 68 words per minute. She typed 58. She was educated in the high school. She used to be an assistant teacher to the adults out there.

We had some other women that are teaching school inside San Antonio. They were raised out there. Mr. Delgado, himself, he is in San Antonio, but some more people work at the defense plant. One of my wife's daughters has been running a laundry and a restaurant and an ice house, along with her husband. She lives on Thompson. She is in the middle class economic market. I guess they had some kind of a breakdown at the beer company. Mr. Hernandez was going to speak.

I think, probably, I studied a little, I'm not positive, but I think, although there are some people in the poverty bracket there, I think we would probably average out with those that are more fortunate and those that are poor, about \$3,150 per year - annual salary - and I am sure that these people can contribute.

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And, these ladies, for some time, have been making garbage and trash collections out there, on their own. They have contributed that, but before George Allejos graduated from high school, he did it. That was one of the things that got him the most outstanding citizen. We make a number of things.

Now, your City Election is coming up. Mr. Delgado and another man I wanted to be here, because he had two pieces of business property, that lives in San Antonio, Garcia, a barber. They can vote for or against everyone of you in a City Election. I can't. I am outside the City Limits. That's another reason we would like to be in. We don't like to be a divided community by geography. Those two streets were taken in September 25, 1952. This is 18 years and about four months. It's almost 19 years. Now, there weren't very many people. My wife said she didn't walk around, but from where our house is, she could only see four other houses on San Rafael and this is the 18th year she has been there. It is my fourth year. We do have some migrant laborers there, but we are not a migrant camp. Fenstermaster owns a lot of that property and he gets the payments. Very few people rent out there - either their house or individually. We paid our own gas, as far as you extended it, but there is four streets that are not. I also feel like that you are in better position, when streets need repair and one thing to take them up or if you need to adjust the streets a little bit. Also, there is a softball park out there on Rada Street. Be sure and extend far enough, because there is a house back there. It is owned by an individual and they rent it. When you want to play softball, they might continue renting it or if the City saw fit to buy it, that would be a recreation area in that place and we've done this formally and there is a Methodist group that paid for the printing of the petitions. They are in the City Limits here and they sent people out there to get the petitions signed and the man that is most active in it - some of you know him - I'm not going to call his name right now. He's got a wife and two children and, like I said once before, he is making a living for them today, is the reason he couldn't be here, but I am sure that while there will be some problems, I am sure that we can be of substantial help to the City, if we are in it. Now, we won't be the richest, but when you take in the UTSA, that is and will be and it is, on the drawing area right now. Lackland is a rich group. And you do have to balance. You are your brother's keeper - not according to man's word, but according to God's word. I thank you.

MAYOR McALLISTER: This covers the group that wanted to talk about that annexation?

MR. RUSSELL: Does anybody else want to talk about annexation? No, I guess not, Mayor.

MAYOR McALLISTER: Okay.

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