

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1968 AT 8:30 A.M.

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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, JONES, JAMES, COCKRELL, GATTI, TREVINO, HILL, TORRES; Absent: NONE.

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68-410 The invocation was given by Reverend Murrill J. Carlson, Zion Lutheran Church.

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The minutes of November 7, 1968 City Council Meeting were approved.

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68-410 Mayor McAllister stated that this is "Youth In Government Day" and the Council was delighted to have students from the various schools acting as counterparts to City officials. He then read the following proclamation.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the future of America lies in the moral fiber of its youth, and

WHEREAS, the hope of this nation rests upon the active good citizenship instilled in the young people of today, who tomorrow will guide the affairs of our nation, state and city, and

WHEREAS, to encourage civic responsibility students representing high schools throughout the city will visit the City Council on Thursday, November 14, 1968,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. W. McALLISTER, Mayor of the City of San Antonio, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 14, 1968, to be

"YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT DAY"

in San Antonio, Texas and by so doing entrust the responsibility for our municipal government to representatives of local schools who will serve as counterparts of City officials on this day.

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The following students participated as counterparts at the City Council Meeting:

Ronald Beck - MAYOR
Edison

Gregg Alvord - PLACE 4
John Marshall

Brian Haas - CITY MANAGER
Jefferson

Janie Cowan - PLACE 5
Judson

Maria Leticia Espinoza - CITY ATTORNEY
Fox Vocational & Technical

Gary Goforth - PLACE 6
Churchill

Barbara Winters - CITY CLERK
Harlandale

Humberto Martinez - PLACE 7
Burbank

Ernestine Zepeda - PLACE 2
Memorial

Gary Ingle - PLACE 8
McCollum

Gloria Alderete - PLACE 3
John F. Kenedy

Margaret Ledesma - PLACE 9
Brackenridge

Others participating in "Youth In Government Day" were as follows:

Raymond Angelina
Robert E. Lee High

Bruce Friesenhahn
Judson High

Teresa Ann Austin
Theodore Roosevelt High

Teresa Gonzales
McCollum High

Jesse Barajas
Southside Independent
School District

Leonard Herrera
South San Antonio High

Alfonso Beza
Louis W. Fox Vocational
& Technical

Henry T. Hollin
Central Catholic High

Susan Mary Booth
Robert G. Cole High

Karen Ann Koltermann
Sam Houston High

Rene Cardenas
Central Catholic High

Kara Sue Leinweber
Sam Houston High

Kathy Fahrenthold
Southside Independent
School District

Jesus Marquez
Luther Burbank
Vocational

Allen Ford
Edison High

David Medina
Harlandale High

Mary Anne Franza
Incarnate Word High

Leonard Morales
Memorial High

Ken Pearce
MacArthur High

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Jim Pillsbury
Robert G. Cole High

Joe Tobares
Brackenridge High

Daniel Rosen
Thomas Jefferson High

Ronnie Travis
Churchill High

Gerardo Sanchez
John F. Kennedy High

Anna M. Viesca
South San Antonio High

John T. Slattery
Theodore Roosevelt High

Janice Waneck
Incarnate Word

Robert W. Smith
East Central High

Barbara Weyel
MacArthur High

Rebecca Stoutamire
Southwest High

Carol Wright
Robert E. Lee High

Ernest Reed
Phyllis Wheatley High

William Gamble
Phyllis Wheatley High

Councilwoman Mrs. Cockrell advised the Council that another event merits recognition. She said that last Monday morning the Association of City Clerks and Secretaries of Texas made their outstanding Secretary of the Year Award and that the Council would be delighted to know that San Antonio's City Clerk was selected as the outstanding City Clerk in Texas for last year and that she felt this ought to be "Jake Inselmann Day" at City Hall.

She also recognized that other City employees of San Antonio have gone into positions of leadership in the professional associations of the Texas Municipal League. Mr. Bennett Bolen, Finance Director, is the new President of the Finance Officers Association of Texas; Mr. Nicolas P. Cosgrove, Assistant City Attorney, is the Director of the City Attorney's Association of Texas; and Mr. Sam Granata, Director of Public Works, continues as the Texas Municipal League representative from the Public Works Association.

Mayor McAllister then congratulated the City Clerk and presented a plaque which reads as follows: "This is to certify that J. H. Inselmann has been selected as City Secretary of the Year 1968 for outstanding contributions in the field of City Clerks and Secretaries and to the Association."

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Mr. Carlos Flores, operator of the Alaskan Palace, 102 Navarro, requested that the orange curb around the down town area which was removed during HemisFair, namely around St. Mary's, Navarro and Nueva Streets, be restored. He stated his business has dropped off since the imposition of the No Parking restrictions and is creating a hardship. He added that there is no traffic at all in the area after 6:00 P.M.

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Mayor McAllister advised that his request will be investigated by the staff and a report made to the Council for consideration.

Mr. Torres stated that they already had a report on this.

City Manager Henckel advised they had a preliminary report on traffic flow after the Fair which indicated that they would not restore much of the parking that was removed during the Fair. They would, however, make another study and report on this specific section.

Mr. Torres stated he had complained about it in the past and felt the staff should take a look at it again with the view of restoring the parking that was eliminated. He further stated that a number of down town merchants have complained to him about it.

Mr. Gatti stated that the Council had a report from the Downtowners Association on this particular problem and as he remembered it, the Board of Directors requested that parking not be restored. This should be checked out. If Mr. Torres has a number of down town people who are against it, the staff should find out exactly what they do want.

City Manager Henckel stated that they will give the Council a new report along with copies of the memorandums from the various organizations.

Mayor McAllister asked that the Manager re-contact the various businesses to see if they still felt the same about the parking.

Dr. O. N. Winniford of the Harlandale Evening Lion's Club stated that two months ago they asked the City Council to take some remedial action concerning Six-Mile Creek where three lives have been lost. On behalf of the Harlandale Evening Lion's Club and the Harlandale Community, he thanked the Council for taking prompt action and presented a plaque to the Mayor and Council in appreciation of this. He added that because of the action taken, they felt the creek is now much safer.

Mr. Raul Rodriguez, 719 Delgado, television service man, again protested about the Minimum Housing Ordinance and the way it is enforced. He said Mr. Vann, Director of Housing & Inspections, goes into great detail about the fact that homes are abandoned. Old people die and leave no heirs and the houses are abandoned. This is alright he said, however, many are not and many people go through life not owning a home.

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On the other hand, people who buy a home do not abandon it. He said homes are abandoned because inspectors persecute the tenants. As a result, they abandon their homes and go live with some one else.

He said one of his customers is an old lady and he went to her house and it was vacant. The inspector had informed her the house was not fit to live in and she had to leave. She went to live with her daughter. He said this lady is 90 years old. After some time, she moved back into her home. The inspector went there and ordered her to move out. She could not come to the Council Meeting as she would have needed a wheel chair and is ill. He said he could not disclose her name or address but asked Councilwoman Mrs. Cockrell or Mr. Torres to go with him to this ladies' home and find out if the action of the inspector to order the home abandoned is justified.

He added that many times the forcing of people from their homes is for the benefit of rich people. In one case people were evicted to make room for a parking lot for a wholesale grocery company and there are many cases like this.

City Manager Henckel stated that it is obvious that under the law none of the inspectors have the authority to order any one from their home. Action can be taken only after the matter is presented to the Council. He said they would follow up on the case Mr. Rodriguez brought up this morning and get the true facts and present them publically to the Council.

Mayor McAllister stated that Mr. Rodriguez has appeared before the City Council on many occasions and has been a valiant defender of the rights of people who present their stories to him about having been abused, this, that and the other. He said Mr. Vann, who has charge of the inspectors, has a force under him that are very diligent in their work and pointed out that the progress San Antonio has made in requiring that sub-standard houses be brought up to minimum standard and is one of the finest things that this administration has done. Since 1961 28,000 dwellings have been brought up to minimum standards which means that many dwelling units have been improved so that they are satisfactory for human habitation. Then again there are homes or houses that are not fit to be brought up to minimum standards. They just don't justify the expenditure of money or people have abandoned them. In those instances those houses have been destroyed. Hundreds of homes of this type have been removed in that space of time.

He said there was no objection to Mr. Rodriguez presenting his case. It will be looked into but he would be very, very, surprised indeed if the facts were as he presented them. If City finds that a residence is owned by an individual who has no income or has income so low that he cannot afford to borrow the money to bring the house up to minimum standard, if they cannot find some one to do it without charge, that individual is not disturbed and he remains in the premises because it is his home. What Mr. Rodriguez said about the home, the Mayor shared his sentiments entirely.

Mr. Torres asked what is done in cases where a person owns a home and can't afford to do the work or does not have cash on hand. For an example, is a recommendation made that they go out and borrow the money from a savings and loan association.

City Manager Henckel stated the City tries to assist these people in any way it can to secure funds, whether it be through a loaning agency or through some federal program. They are not referred to any specific agency, but are given a list of the available agencies so they can make a selection. He pointed out that the City does not enforce the removal or updating where they are owner-occupied. A majority of the houses that are presented to the Council as being sub-standard for demolition is because they have been abandoned or they are houses that are rented where the owner refuses to make the improvements.

Mr. Torres asked what percentage of these people have to go out and borrow money from a savings and loan association.

Mr. Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated that whenever they find a person that is on a fixed income, such as a retired person with social security, welfare or pension and cannot afford to bring the house up to standard, they are automatically classified as a hardship case. Many times people will not give the information to classify them as a hardship case. This happens often because they are proud and in such cases the City has no way of judging whether they have resources. All the buildings brought to the City Council under the Dangerous Premises Ordinance have been abandoned. This is the reason they are careful in photographing the buildings submitted to the Council for action which truly reflects that they are not fit for human habitation.

Mr. Vann then stated there is no way to tell how many people go out and borrow money. He judged a great number of people would have to borrow money, because regardless of income bracket, to remodel a house, there are people making \$12,000 to \$14,000 a year who still have to borrow money to bring the housing up to standard. These people just let the houses run down beyond the point where they are becoming sub-standard. Most of these items can be taken care of early. They are merely maintenance items that should have been taken care of many years ago.

Mr. Rodriguez stated there are a lot of pieces of property that he could bring to the City's attention and that he would do so, which are not molested, they have outside toilets and the buildings are in a state of disrepair. These are owned by people who have a lot of money and accused the inspectors of being some what blinded.

Mayor McAllister invited him to submit any such cases and they would be promptly investigated.

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68-410 Mayor McAllister presented a citation to Mr. Murray Brooks, Manager of the Brackenridge Golf Course, who is retiring after 45 years of service. The citation is as follows:

"IN GRATEFUL RECOGNITION OF 45 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE FAITHFULLY RENDERED AS MANAGER OF BRACKENRIDGE GOLF COURSE. THIS LONG AND LOYAL SERVICE REFLECTS GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF AND MERITS THE THANKS OF THE ENTIRE GOLFING WORLD, FOR UPON HIS GOLF COURSE, SOME OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING GOLF PLAYERS IN THE NATION WERE DEVELOPED."

Mr. Brooks thanked the Mayor and City Council for the honor which he appreciated very, very much. He said that he had enjoyed the 45 years in the service of the City of San Antonio and its different administrations.

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Mr. Tom Raffety, Director of Aviation, briefed the Council on the following ordinances and on motion made and duly seconded were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James.

AN ORDINANCE 37,043

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND AMERICAN LOCKER COMPANY TO EXTEND THE LATTER'S CONTRACT TO FURNISH AND MAINTAIN RENTAL LOCKERS AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 1968.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,044

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A THREE YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND CONTINENTAL AIRLINES OF CERTAIN BUILDING SPACE AT THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR USE BY CONTINENTAL AIRLINES IN CONNECTION WITH ITS CERTIFICATED PASSENGER AIRLINE ACTIVITIES.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,045

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF A LEASE OF SPACE AT STINSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO McDONALD AIRCRAFT ENGINES, INC. FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,046

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE LEASE AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR SALE OF PACKAGE LIQUOR BY JAS. K. DOBBS COMPANY OF DALLAS, INC., AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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68-410 Mr. Tom Raffety, Director of Aviation, briefed the Council on the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 37,047

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH LODAL AND ASSOCIATES, INC. TO AMEND THE PRESENT CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, TO CONFORM WITH PROGRAM CHANGES INVOLVING STRENGTHENING AND INSTALLATION OF IN-PAVEMENT LIGHTING ON RUNWAY 12R-30L AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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In answer to questions from the Council, Mr. Raffety explained the strengthening would consist of a new runway on top of the present surface consisting of base materials and asphalt amounting to a depth of seventeen inches.

The Phase 2 in-pavement lighting consisted of a new type of lighting on the runway itself rather than on the sides or edge of the runway.

Councilman Gatti stated that he saw no improvement on the parking lot tie-up at International Airport.

Mr. Raffety stated that he had delivered a report from the parking lot operator to the City Manager which stated that the operator would try to remedy this parking situation by painting no parking signs on the ground and if this didn't work, by making minor construction alterations which would prevent cars from entering the particular area.

After further discussion on motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. Jones, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James.

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68-410 Mr. W. S. Clark, Land Division Chief, briefed the Council on the following ordinance and on motion of Mr. Trevino, seconded by Dr. Calderon, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: James.

AN ORDINANCE 37,048

APPROPRIATING \$35,595.00 OUT OF VARIOUS FUNDS FOR ACQUISITION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS PERTAINING TO THE SALADO CREEK OUTFALL SEWER PROJECT, U. S. 281 NORTH EXPRESSWAY PROJECT AND THE PECAN VALLEY PAVING PROJECT.

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68-410 The Clerk read the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE 37,049

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN EASEMENT TOGETHER WITH A QUITCLAIM DEED TO THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH PROPERTIES TO BE USED IN UNIT III-B, MARTINEZ CREEK CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

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Mr. W. S. Clark: I believe Mr. Fischer has furnished you with certain information and I believe I explained this project as best I could two weeks ago at the meeting. If you have any questions this morning, we have the people from the River Authority, Mr. Fred Pfeiffer and his staff with us and Mr. Fischer and Mr. Granata are here to answer any other questions.

Mr. Torres: I've got a question. I believe the statement was made that the Federal standards, it was made at the Council meeting last time by the way, dictated the need to eliminate the low water crossing that we are going to eliminate and I would like to know if there is a Federal criteria that dictates this necessity.

Mr. W. S. Clark: I made the statement that so far as I knew, the Federal Board of Engineers would not approve a project for low water crossings. This statement was made in one or more conferences by our River Authority officials that the design could not include low water crossings because the Federal Government would not agree.

Mr. Torres: Did we try to push through a design that would include or permit us to leave those streets open by leaving low water crossings?

Mr. W. S. Clark: That question I couldn't answer because I had nothing to do with the design.

Mr. Henckel: I think the design is based primarily on the amount of right of way for the channel and where the channel must be deepened to the point where the design would make it possible to have low water crossings. Mr. Pfeiffer from the River Authority can either add to or correct my statement. The design of course is entirely up to the corps of engineers and once the design is made it is based primarily on the amount of right of way that is available for the particular flow.

Mr. Fred Pfeiffer, General Manager of the River Authority: There are three basic points that should be taken into consideration, not only by the corps of engineers but also by the River Authority and the City staff. That is, number one, the channel at each of these crossings you would have to have additional right of way to get the proper grade to go in and out of the new channel. Number two, the channel would have to be widened all the way through, which would also need more right of way and the cost would almost put the project out of the benefit cost ratio, which all Federal projects are feasible under. The reason for this is the hydraulic characteristics of the smooth channel are one thing whereas if you have depressions at every street at every water crossing, you would have eddy effects, you would have erosion problems, and have massive amounts of riff raff at every corner. So this would make the design financially not feasible. The third thing is the loss of life. We know now that we have a real problem, a real danger at every water crossing and this does not effect any type of people, it effects everyone and we have people everytime it rains to get caught in these low water crossings. It is just a matter of safety to do away with them.

Mr. Torres: You have a certain amount of money allotted for the construction of the bridges. Have you, in any event sought a supplemental appropriation if you are going to eliminate the low water crossings? Have you tried or considered the possibility of providing us with some bridges at those locations?

Mr. Pfeiffer: The whole project was conceived with so many new bridges being established or reestablished. This was in the overall San Antonio Channel Improvement Project which is a 31 mile project which was designed by the U. S. Army Engineers but the local interest projects which are accompanying this project, which is sewer relocation and bridge relocation or reconstruction, was actually conceived and designed in the planning phase by the San Antonio River Authority, its consulting engineers, this was back in the early and mid fifties, and the City of San Antonio.

Mr. Trevino: Is the San Antonio River Authority financing the bridges or the Federal Government?

Mr. Pfeiffer: Local interest finance all bridge construction, utility relocation, and right of way acquisition.

Mr. Trevino: I am talking about this particular project. I think you have about four bridges, now who is going to finance these four?

Mr. Pfeiffer: The San Antonio River Authority will finance these four bridges.

Mr. Trevino: In other words that's all the money you have in the budget?

Mr. Pfeiffer: For this particular project.

Mr. Henckel: In other words, none of the money comes from the Federal Government for any bridge construction. Any additional bridges will have to come from the fund of the River Authority or the City of San Antonio. I might add that the same criteria that is used here on traffic counts for bridges is the same that's used all over the City and applies to all sections of town. Although a certain inconvenience is made for people because there is not a bridge at every crossing, it is just not economically feasible to place a bridge at every street.

Mr. Trevino: As I understand it, we are trying to get out of creating some problems later on for the City. Of course, I am not an engineer but we had a project going on Alazan and all of a sudden it stopped and it created sort of a bottle neck. Wouldn't widening the Martinez Creek and make it come into the channel, would that not make it back up still some more on the Alazan Creek?

Mr. Pfeiffer: Alazan Creek is a completed channel all the way. You are talking about Apache?

Mr. Trevino: That's right.

Mr. Pfeiffer: But it doesn't have anything to do with this network. This is a completely different tributary. Martinez Creek runs into Alazan and Alazan is clear all the way to San Pedro and San Pedro is clear all the way in to the San Antonio River.

Mr. Trevino: Why then didn't we finish up in that area and start at a different end of the City?

Mr. Pfeiffer: The whole project started at the bottom at Bergs Mill. That was the first project. It came up to approximately Concepcion Park, I believe. Then from there on we went up the four tributaries and the San Antonio River, that's five different routes. Instead of going up one and completing one and leaving the others undone, we went up the San Antonio River, to Johnson Street now, we went up San Pedro Creek to Durango, we did go up Alazan Creek to Woodlawn Lake and will now go up Martinez Creek to the expressway, the Fredericksburg Road area. We have gone up Apache Creek to North Trinity Street, but there are uncompleted sections on Apache Creek from N. Trinity up to and Past Elmendorf Lake to Martin Street and there are incomplete sections and will be incomplete sections on the North and East part of Martinez Creek.

There is an incomplete section on San Pedro Creek which goes to City Hall, and then there is an incomplete section on the San Antonio River from Johnson Street up to Hildebrand.

Dr. Calderon: I think that is the other flood control bond issue of some years ago that was defeated. This is why we lack completion of the Apache Creek.

Mr. Pfeiffer: Yes, in 1965.

Mr. Trevino: Well some Federal funds are used.

Dr. Calderon: Yes, but local participation is required.

Mr. Pfeiffer: This is the local participation requirement. The Federal Government, the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers will construct the project according to the contract as long as the local interest, which happens to be the River Authority here, provides the rights of way for the project.

Dr. Calderon: The thing that concerns me, and in talking to Mr. Fischer, the thing that also concerns him, is the closing out of the Delgado Bridge which is presently serving Bowie Elementary School. There are about 217 pedestrians crossing at that location and I think last year the city spent \$100,000.00 to build the bridge on the same street over the Alazan Creek. In talking to Mr. Fischer, he is concerned that the school children will find it difficult to cross the creek by the closure of that particular bridge and it seems to me that a lot of effort should be exerted to try to restore that bridge at that location because of the critical need for a crossing.

Mr. Pfeiffer: I would agree with you 100%, except, I will go back to the original basic plan of this project under which there were so many bridges set forth that would be done under the financing between the County of Bexar and the San Antonio River Authority who is actually constructing this project. Now since that time, not only have we had to build these bridges, but at that time in 1955, it was not anticipated that we would have to rebuild the South Alamo Street Bridge South of town which we had to do and this was over \$100,000.00 additional money. We did not anticipate and the engineering report did not show that we would have to extend the Culebra Road Bridge which will cost in the neighborhood of \$60,000.00 to \$100,000.00 additional money. We did not anticipate and the engineering report did not show that we would have to extend the Culebra Road bridge which will cost in the neighborhood of \$60,000.00 to \$100,000.00 because traffic must be maintained during construction and we have to have a whole bypass with enough capacity for traffic to move at all times and storm flow to go under. This is very, very expensive temporary situation which was not anticipated.

Another similar situation was the Waverly Street Bridge. Also not anticipated and I imagine will come up is the damage that was done to the Espada Dam down on the original first unit of the project. All of these were not anticipated and it is eating into

funds and as a matter of fact, we are right at the twelve million dollar limitation. There are just no other funds available to build additional bridges from the River Authority.

Mr. Henckel: Actually, the problem is basically a simple one and that is selection of priorities with the money that is available to do the flood control which is the primary purpose of the project. All of you are very aware of the trouble we have had with flood control on the various creeks around town. So we are merely following the priorities of trying to put the money where it will do the most good and by doing that, flood control is the primary interest and the convenience of the bridges is the secondary interest. Maybe at some later date, additional bridges could be constructed. However, if by adding additional bridges to one project as mentioned, it means we are going to run out of money sooner to do the flood control that's necessary in other projects.

Mr. Torres: For the sake of flood control, you can't destroy the effectiveness of your neighborhoods. That is what you are doing here, you are creating dead end streets, you are creating some blighted areas, you are necessarily creating some problems that will result in devaluation in homes and residences in the area. Your concern is flood control, but my concern would be something far more than that, in the interest of the people who live in these neighborhoods, I am as concerned about flood control as you are, but I would consider a lot of other problems. When you go to figuring and determining your criteria in a project like this and you decide that you are going to close a number of streets which will cause dead end streets, and you say this goes back to the original planning, there must be a flaw in the original planning. We don't consider the fact that we are going to run into problems like we have before us today.

Dr. Calderon: I think a compromise has to be reached here as to the number of bridges that can reasonable be retained and Mr. Torres made the statement that sometimes flood control disregards the integrity of the community, but a flood can likewise destroy a community itself and so it therefore becomes a necessity to think in terms of the very existence of the community first and then wherever possible try to overcome the inconveniences that result from our primary objectives.

Mr. Pfeiffer: I would like to point out that if anyone went along Alazan Creek or Martinez Creek in 1965 when the flooding occurred in that area, there were blocks of houses that had water two, three and four feet deep in them because of these creeks. Now to talk about the destruction of the integrity of the community, we are trying to save the integrity of the community, not destroy it.

Dr. Calderon: I recall going into some homes that the water line was six feet up in the house and all the furniture was utterly destroyed, the mattresses, beds, everything was totally destroyed. Some families spent the night on the top of the roof. I think that flood control is vital and very important to these people.

Mr. Torres: I wasn't begrudging the efforts of the San Antonio River Authority and I am certainly not oblivious to the problems that are created when you have a major flood. I am merely saying that we have to use a systems approach in these kind of things. If we today approve a project considering the cost of the bridges and considering the cost of the overall project, we must use a systems approach to the value of the homes, the flood project in question and what it is that we want to do there. There are a number of things that I feel, before we approve the easements that you are asking for today, and before we give you the quitclaim deed, in my opinion, I want to know what streets and how we are going to go about building the bridges. Too often, because there is Federal money involved, I think the position has been taken by the local community, that we want this Federal money and come Hell or high water, we are going to get it. That is not my attitude. I feel the local community has a sovereignty of its own and we dictate to the Federal people what we want, they don't dictate to us what they want. This is my attitude.

Mr. Henckel: I would like to recommend that we go ahead and approve the project and that the City make a new traffic count including a pedestrian count at this particular crossing and that a compromise might be that if there is enough pedestrian crossing of school children that we could put a bridge there. However, I don't feel it is too much of an inconvenience to people who are going to school in cars to go a few blocks out of their way in order to have the safety of the flood control. That would be my recommendation to the Council.

Mr. Torres: Well I would go along with that and certainly would like to see those pedestrian walks put in there if we can get the San Antonio River Authority to finance part of that.

Mr. Pfeiffer: It all boils down to a matter of dollars and cents and we have a twelve million dollar limitation and we are at it now and we are not finished. We are making a complete report and we are bringing it to, first the Manager, then to the County, to let them know the situation and what the project is and hopefully we can find a method to finance the remaining portions of this project. We have to. It's something that has to be completed and of course if the election in 1965 was defeated, that was an attempt, but we must find a way to be able to complete the original project.

Mr. Jones: If we take this action this morning, do you have the money to have someone do the work you are contemplating?

Mr. Pfeiffer: Oh yes. We will complete Martinez Creek. That unit will be complete. What will not be done, and what we aren't asking for now, is the remaining part of Apache Creek; the remaining part of San Pedro Creek; the remaining part of the San Antonio River; and the north and east part of Martinez Creek.

Mr. Henckel: In other words this is the last project that can be done with the available funds. Correct?

Mr. Pfeiffer: This is correct in the original project. Now in the Bergs Mill project, it will continue because it is in the amended contract which we signed with the County last year.

Mayor McAllister: Am I correct in understanding that the access Road on the west side of Martinez will be maintained open, the one that is there now?

Mr. Pfeiffer: Yes sir, on the West side.

Mr. Hill: Is it not true, that in your planning as additional funds become available there will be considerations for additional bridges? Vehicle or pedestrian?

Mr. Pfeiffer: No sir.

Mr. Hill: You don't propose this. This is all?

Mr. Pfeiffer: The flood control in the original plan is the most important. Actually under the contract this is basically what we are following.

Mr. Gatti: If we go ahead with this contract now and get flood control job done and if we find later on that there are needs for additional bridges, either pedestrian or traffic, that we can go ahead, if we can find the money and fund them. We have done this before. I mean the important thing now is to get this flood control job on the way. Last year we appropriated money for additional bridges on one of the flood control projects.

Mr. Henckel: I think you are very correct Mr. Gatti, but the money comes from the City for these additional bridges.

Mr. Hill: Let me add this one thing if I may. In reference to what Mr. Torres said on dead end streets. I am sure that there is more than one train of thought on this and I can speak from my own experience. I welcomed the dead end on my street because it used to be a raceway and we don't have the speeders going by that we used to and it's a dead end because of the expressway. You have access roads to get to and from your house and a lot of people welcome a dead end street because it quietens the neighborhood.

Mr. Gatti: I make a motion we adopt the ordinance.

Mr. Torres: How many streets are you going to close?

Mr. Pfeiffer: I haven't counted them, approximately twenty-five. I don't know off hand.

Mr. Torres: I certainly don't welcome a dead end street and people I have spoken with don't welcome a dead end street. But he is entitled to his opinion.

Mr. Jones seconded the motion. On roll call the motion prevailed and the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote:

AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: Torres; ABSENT: None.

68-410 Mr. Clayton Fowler, Utility Supervisor, briefed the Council on the following ordinance and on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Torres, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

AN ORDINANCE 37,050

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO KELLY AIR FORCE BASE TO PROVIDE THAT IT SHALL APPLY TO BILLY MITCHELL VILLAGE UNITS II AND III.

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68-410 Mr. Robert Frazer, Director of Parks and Recreation, briefed the Council on the following ordinances which had been postponed from November 7, 1968 meeting, in order to allow the golf pros to resign City employment in order to accept the management contracts. On motion made and duly seconded were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Torres; ABSENT: Gatti.

AN ORDINANCE 37,051

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH MR. WILLIAM BOUBLE TO EXTEND FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD THE PRESENT CONTRACT FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY-OWNED WILLOW SPRINGS GOLF COURSE.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,052

MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH MR. JACK CARNEY TO EXTEND AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD, THE CONTRACT FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY OWNED OLMOS BASIN GOLF COURSE.

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68-410 Mr. Robert Frazer, Director of Parks and Recreation, briefed the Council on the following ordinances and on motion made and duly seconded were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

AN ORDINANCE 37,053

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MR. GRANVILLE B. HUMPHRIES FOR MANAGEMENT OF THE RIVERSIDE GOLF COURSE.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,054

MAKING AND MANIFESTING AN AGREEMENT WITH F. L. VAN BUREN TO TERMINATE HIS CURRENT CONTRACT TO OPERATE A BAR-B-QUE RESTAURANT IN THE LA VILLITA AREA.

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68-410 At this time Mr. Gerald C. Henckel, Jr., City Manager presented the Councilmembers with a comprehensive report on the golf courses with an explanation of the Financial Operating Statement of Golf Courses from 1955 to 1967. He pointed out that for the first eight years, golf courses showed a deficit of \$29,369.00. However, from 1963 to the present, golf courses showed a profit of \$161,331.00. A copy of the report is on file with the original of these minutes.

68-410 The public hearing was held on the following ordinance which was read by the City Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 37,055

DETERMINING THAT THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 1147 WESTFALL CONTAINS OR CONSTITUTES A CONDITION WHICH IS DEEMED A NUISANCE, A FIRE, HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE SUIT IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE THE NUISANCE ON SAID PREMISES ABATED AND TO HAVE THE COST OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS AND ABATEMENT ASSESSED AGAINST THE OWNERS OF SAID PREMISES.

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Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated the property is owned by Mr. Ette E. Autrey, who was notified of the hearing this morning by certified mail. Mr. Vann stated this is a vacant one-story wooden residence structure in a run-down, damaged and decayed condition. He presented pictures of the structure for the Council's consideration and reviewed the efforts to have the hazard alleviated. He recommended the Council find the property to be a nuisance, a fire hazard and a hazard to the public health and safety in accordance with the Dangerous Premises Ordinance.

Neither the owner or a representative were present.

After consideration, on motion of Dr. Calderon, seconded by Mr. Hill, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti, Torres.

68-410 The public hearing was held on the following ordinance which was read by the City Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 37,056

DETERMINING THAT THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 2329 VIRGINIA STREET CONTAINS OR CONSTITUTES A CONDITION WHICH IS DEEMED A NUISANCE, A FIRE, HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE SUIT IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE THE NUISANCE ON SAID PREMISES ABATED AND TO HAVE THE COST OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS AND ABATEMENT ASSESSED AGAINST THE OWNERS OF SAID PREMISES.

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Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated the property is owned by the Estate of Sally Mae Hamilton, who was notified of the hearing this morning by certified mail. Mr. Vann stated this is a vacant one-story wooden residence structure in a run-down, damaged and decayed condition and is deteriorated more than fifty percent (50%) of its value by reason of its condition. He presented pictures of the structure for the Council's consideration and reviewed the efforts to have the hazard alleviated. He recommended the Council find the property to be a nuisance, a fire hazard and a hazard to the public health and safety in accordance with the Dangerous Premises Ordinance.

The representative of the estate was not present.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Jones, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Cockrell, Gatti, Torres.

68-410 For the benefit of representatives for Youth in Government, the Mayor explained the procedure that is followed in determining whether a structure should be considered a dangerous premises.

68-410 The public hearing was held on the following ordinance which was read by the City Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 37,057

DETERMINING THAT THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 822 LOVETT STREET CONTAINS OR CONSTITUTES A CONDITION WHICH IS DEEMED A NUISANCE, A FIRE, HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE SUIT IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE THE NUISANCE ON SAID PREMISES ABATED AND TO HAVE THE COST OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS AND ABATEMENT ASSESSED AGAINST THE OWNERS OF SAID PREMISES.

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Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated the property is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Dix who were notified of the hearing this morning by certified mail. Mr. Vann stated this is a vacant one-story residence structure in a run-down, damaged and decayed condition. He presented pictures of the structure for the Council's consideration and reviewed the efforts to have the hazard alleviated. He recommended the Council find the property to be a nuisance, a fire hazard and a hazard to the public health and safety in accordance with the Dangerous Premises Ordinance.

Neither the owners or their representative were present.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Dr. Calderon, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Cockrell, Torres; ABSENT: Gatti.

68-410 The public hearing was held on the following ordinance which was read by the City Clerk.

AN ORDINANCE 37,058

DETERMINING THAT THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 844 GREEN STREET CONTAINS OR CONSTITUTES A CONDITION WHICH IS DEEMED A NUISANCE, A FIRE, HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY

TO FILE SUIT IN COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE THE NUISANCE ON SAID PREMISES ABATED AND TO HAVE THE COST OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS AND ABATEMENT ASSESSED AGAINST THE OWNERS OF SAID PREMISES.

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Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated the property is owned by Mrs. Petra C. Gamez who was notified of the hearing this morning by certified mail. Mr. Vann stated this is a vacant one-story wooden residence structure in a run-down, damaged and decayed condition. He presented pictures of the structure for the Council's consideration and reviewed the efforts to have the hazard alleviated. He recommended the Council find the property to be a nuisance, a fire hazard and a hazard to the public health and safety in accordance with the Dangerous Premises Ordinance.

Neither the owner or a representative were present.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Hill, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Gatti.

68-410 The public hearing was held on the following ordinance which was read by the City Clerk:

AN ORDINANCE 37,059

DETERMINING THAT THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 2222 MENCHACA STREET CONTAINS OR CONSTITUTES A CONDITION WHICH IS DEEMED A NUISANCE, A FIRE, HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD, AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE SUIT IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE THE NUISANCE ON SAID PREMISES ABATED AND TO HAVE THE COST OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS AND ABATEMENT ASSESSED AGAINST THE OWNERS OF SAID PREMISES.

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Mr. George Vann, Director of Housing and Inspections, stated the property is owned by Mrs. Sandra Ann Cruz, who was notified of the hearing this morning by Certified mail. Mr. Vann stated this is a vacant one-story wooden residence structure in a run-down, damaged and decayed condition. He presented pictures of the structure for the Council's consideration and reviewed the efforts to have the hazard alleviated. He recommended the Council find the property to be a nuisance, a fire hazard and a hazard to the public health and safety in accordance with the Dangerous Premises Ordinance.

Neither the owner or a representative were present.

After consideration, on motion of Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Jones, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Gatti; ABSENT: None.

Mr. Torres asked Mr. Vann what the status was of the abandoned structure at Elmira and San Pedro Avenues.

Mr. Vann stated it had been abandoned for some time, however, he doesn't know whether a sale is in progress and he will investigate further.

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68-410 Mr. Ancil Douthit, Assistant City Manager, briefed the Council on the following ordinance and on motion of Mrs. Cockrell, seconded by Dr. Calderon, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

AN ORDINANCE 37,060

AMENDING SECTION 36-7.1 OF THE CITY CODE
BY CHANGING THE MEETING PLACE OF THE PLAN-
NING AND ZONING COMMISSION FROM THE CITY
HALL TO 421 SOUTH ALAMO STREET.

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68-410 The Clerk read the following ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE 37,061

GRANTING TAX EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
OWNED BY MORNINGSIDE MANOR, INC. FOR THE
1967 TAX YEAR. (BLK. 28, NCB 12220)

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Assistant City Manager Douthit explained that the Council last week voted to grant the exemption and this ordinance formalizes the action.

Mr. Gatti made a motion the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones.

Councilwoman Mrs. Cockrell commented that at the TML meeting in Dallas she had occasion to discuss the basic principles of this matter with several other City Attorneys from other cities. They all referred to the same case which Mr. Walker has referred to. She felt that it is very important that the City review very carefully all of the properties in this category. She stated that she was going to vote for exemption for this particular year on the grounds that Morningside Manor was discriminated against in that they were the only ones who were on the tax rolls in their category. She understood the facts as presented by the City Attorney that this category of property does belong on the tax rolls and thought the City needed to review all of these properties.

Dr. Calderon commented that last week the Council asked the City Manager to proceed with this study.

Mayor McAllister stated this will also include all types of presently exempt property.

Mr. Gatti added that the Council should take cognizance of what the County did yesterday in relation to Trinity University and recommended the City Attorney be instructed to consult with the County people in relation to this matter. He understood that Trinity University, among other people, will file a suit to settle once and for all whether this type of housing is exempt. He asked that the City Attorney and City Manager be instructed to make a report to the Council on this action.

Mr. Torres stated that the opinion of the City Attorney is that the tax exempt status of Trinity University is questionable and is in favor of taking the same action the Commissioner's Court took. He agreed the matter should be looked into again and that the Council ought to set aside the ordinance that was passed two weeks ago giving Trinity University tax exemption status.

Mr. Gatti asked if this is the way to do it.

Since the ordinance under consideration was of a different category than that of Trinity University it was the sentiment of the Council that it should be acted on at this time.

The question was called and on roll call, Ordinance No. 37061 was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill; NAYS: Torres; ABSENT: None.

Councilman Torres stated that Trinity University now has a tax exempt status and asked the City Attorney what position this would place the City in the event of a law suit.

City Attorney Walker stated that originally they recommended to Trinity University that a friendly law suit be filed and that the City would stipulate to all the facts and that the matter be submitted judicially for determination. They did not want to file a friendly law suit and it now appears the County is going to force them to do it. If the City becomes involved in this law suit and he didn't see how it could keep from it, and the suit is filed, the City is going to become a party to the suit, or if it is going to ask for amicus curiae briefing, then the City would be in a better position if the tax exemption was negated than if they went to court with the tax exemption ordinance on the books.

Mr. Luther Coulter, attorney for Trinity University, advised the Council that by its action on October 24 Trinity was put only in the same position as other universities and colleges in Bexar County. The Council exempted only property where the staff lives. He stated that as attorney for Trinity University, they are willing for this matter to be settled by a judicial court but felt when they go into any law suit, the plaintiffs and defendents should go in with the same status as other universities and colleges in the county.

Mr. Coulter stated that the County's action on February 23 and again on July 3 exempted the same property that the City Council exempted on October 24. He explained that the Commissioner's Court action yesterday was to express their intent to place back on the tax rolls all of the buildings owned by colleges and univeristies in the County, on which there are resident instructors. They instructed the Chief Clerk of the Board of Equalization to give them a legal description of all property in the County belonging to universities and colleges which are staff occupied.

He concluded by stating that Trinity University stands ready to have this matter resolved but Trinity should not share the whole burden of the matter and should go into a suit on a similar basis as other universities and colleges since the Supreme Court has never ruled on the matter.

Mr. Gatti then asked that the City Attorney give the Council a report concerning the approach the County is taking on the matter and what the City should do. He thought the County is taking an approach to the effect that they want to look at the whole community of instructor-occupied buildings in so far as taxes are concerned. The Council needs to know whether it should do it on that basis or exclusively with Trinity University.

Councilman Torres asked that the report also include that if the law suit is filed the question of whether the City would be in a position to enter the law suit in view of the ordinance granting tax exemption on October 24.

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68-410 Members of the Administrative Staff briefed the Council on the following resolution and ordinance and on motion made and duly seconded were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

A RESOLUTION

CHANGING THE DATE OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULARLY SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1968, TO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1968.

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AN ORDINANCE 37,062

AUTHORIZING NORTHEAST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO CONDUCT A FIREWORKS DISPLAY IN CONNECTION WITH A PATRIOTIC HALF-TIME PERFORMANCE AT THE ROOSEVELT VS. CHURCHILL FOOTBALL GAME ON SATURDAY NIGHT, NOV. 16, 1968 IN THE NORTHEAST STADIUM.

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The Clerk read the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE EXISTING ROUTING OF THE PROPOSED MISSION PARKWAY PROJECT (TEX OSC-12) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A PROJECT AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

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Mr. Brooks Barker, Chief Administrative Assistant to the City Manager, explained that the present Mission Parkway Project is being amended in order to change the original route which would have passed through those properties known as Padre Park, the Graham Property, the Charro Association Property and the Mission County Park.

The new route will start at the intersection of White Avenue and the proposed Mission Parkway, then west on White Avenue to the intersection of Padre Drive, then southwesterly along Padre Drive to the intersection of Pyron Road, then return to the original route of the proposed Mission Parkway.

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Mr. Barker, by means of a map, showed the Council this new route which would not take away from the aesthetic values of Mission Parkway. He stated that this new route would cost \$37,000.00 less than the original route.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Cockrell, the resolution was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: McAllister, Calderon, Jones, James, Cockrell, Gatti, Trevino, Hill, Torres; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

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HEMISFAIR PLAYGROUND

Councilwoman Mrs. Cockrell advised the Council that at the TML meeting they had a number of exhibits and she brought back literature from two giving details of the newest type of playground equipment which she felt could be the basis of making up a playground area at HemisFair Plaza. With the Council's approval she stated she would turn the material over to the Staff and ask for a recommendation on the possibility of having bids for a playground on the basis of this imaginative playground equipment. She felt it was the type of equipment that would bring many children and parents to the area and the more people you get to visit the area the more valuable it will be.

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HEMISFAIR PLAZA WINTER CLOSING

Mr. Gatti stated that the dedication of HemisFair Plaza was held last week and he has talked to a number of people who have various interests there. He asked the City Manager if any consideration had been given to perhaps closing HemisFair Plaza during the period of Monday through Thursday.

City Manager Henckel stated that consideration had been given to this matter. One of the considerations will be whether it will be financially advantageous operating during the winter months or have a complete closure. Every other similar facility closes completely during the winter months, so the City is bucking all odds and percentages in trying to stay open. He said the reason they stayed open during the interim period was to allow the concessionaires that were there during HemisFair to liquidate some of their articles. Some are liquidating articles and some are not able to stay open. He explained it is a question of economics; whether the labor cost is worth staying open. He believed very definitely there is no way the City can make money or that the concessionaries will make money during the winter period. They will need to take into consideration the cost of staying open versus the cost of closing the area down and whether security and maintenance costs will be less. Of course the restaurant and the Tower will be open the year 'round. If the area is closed another entrance will need to be provided for the Tower. He said some concessionaires desire to stay open every day and an analysis is being made now and it will be brought to the Council in very near future with a recommendation.

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Mr. Gatti stated that he would like to include in the report the practicability of the 25¢ entrance charge during the limited operation.

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PETITION OF CHRISTINA R. SAMPAYO & OTHER CITIZENS

Mr. Raul Rodriguez, on behalf of Mrs. Christina R. Sampayo and other citizens presented a petition requesting correction of the drainage problem near the intersection of South Laredo and San Jacinto Streets.

The Mayor advised that the matter will be investigated and a report made to the Council and Mrs. Sampayo.

The Mayor then stated that Mr. Rodriguez, as always, is careless in his comments in that he stated more money is spent in other areas, such as the airport and other sections of the city, than is spent on the west and south sides, or that those areas are not taken care of. For Mr. Rodriguez's benefit and information, he asked the City Manager to prepare a statement of bond expenditures on the southwest section of the city, as compared to other sections.

The Mayor felt that when Mr. Rodriguez sees the report, he will correct his opinion as to where the money is being spent.

City Manager Henckel pointed out that the airport is operated strictly on revenue received and that no tax funds go into the operation of the airport.

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PRESENTATION

Mr. Reynolds Andricks stated the City is privileged to have a musical giant in the person of Guy Lombardo visiting for a concert performance on Sunday night.

Mr. Guy Lombardo stated that he was delighted to be in San Antonio and that it is always a pleasure to come to this City. He said the Royal Canadians will perform on Sunday night along with other artists and hoped all the Council members could attend.

Mayor McAllister then presented Mr. Lombardo with a Proclamation designating him an honorary Mayor of LaVillita.

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