

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1964, 8:30 A.M.

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The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by the Presiding Officer, Mayor Pro-Tem John Gatti, with the following members present: DE LA GARZA, JONES, KAUFMAN, COCKRELL, GATTI, PADILLA, PARKER and BREMER; ABSENT: McALLISTER.

64-462 Invocation was given by Councilman Roland Bremer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The following ordinances were explained by members of the Administrative Staff, and on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Parker and Bremer; ABSENT: McAllister and Padilla.

64-463 AN ORDINANCE 32,955
ACCEPTING A TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR SOUTH MILITARY DRIVE PROJECT AND A LICENSE AGREEMENT AND A DEED FOR THE EISENHAUER ROAD PROJECT.

64-464 AN ORDINANCE 32,956
EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF ORDINANCES, NOS. 32015, 32017 AND 32018, WHICH ESTABLISH THE RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARIES FOR THE NORTH EXPRESSWAY AND FOR THE SOUTHEAST EXPRESSWAY, AND PROVIDE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS IN SUCH AREAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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64-465 AN ORDINANCE 32,957
CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF WATERWAY DRIVE AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A QUITCLAIM OF SUCH AREA TO TERRY A. ANDERSON UPON CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

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64-466 AN ORDINANCE 32,958
CLOSING PART OF A 15-FOOT ALLEY LYING BETWEEN LOT 25, NCB 11911, AND TRACT "B", NCB 11911, TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND RETAINING AND RESERVING SAME AS A DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND UTILITY RIGHT-OF-WAY.

The following ordinance was explained by Purchasing Agent Al Tripp, and on motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kaufman, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Cockrell, Gatti, Kaufman, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister; ABSTAINING: Padilla.

64-467 AN ORDINANCE 32,959
ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BID OF ITEK BUSINESS PRODUCTS TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FINANCE DEPARTMENT-PURCHASING DIVISION, WITH ONE PLATEMASTER PHOTO MACHINE FOR A TOTAL OF \$4,095.00.

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The following ordinances were explained by members of the Administrative Staff, and on motion made and duly seconded, were each passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

64-468

AN ORDINANCE 32,960

AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF A LEASE OF SPACE AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO ALL AMERICAN MAINTENANCE.

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64-469

AN ORDINANCE 32,961

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF C. P. BONER TO PERFORM CERTAIN ACOUSTICAL STUDIES RELATING TO THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM SOUND SYSTEM.

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The following ordinance was explained by Purchasing Agent Al Tripp.

64-470

AN ORDINANCE 32,962

ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF AND MANIFESTING A CONTRACT WITH CECIL S. PROCTOR FOR THE GOLF DRIVING RANGE CONCESSION AT OLMOS BASIN FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 1965 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 1967.

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Mr. Cecil S. Proctor, the high-bidder, gave his qualifications for operating a golf driving range and expressed the intention to become a golf professional.

On motion of Dr. Parker, seconded by Mr. de la Garza, the ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Cockrell, Kaufman, Gatti, Padilla, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

The following ordinance was explained by Purchasing Agent Al Tripp, and on motion of Mr. de la Garza, seconded by Mr. Bremer, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

64-471

AN ORDINANCE 32,963

ACCEPTING THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDS OF B. L. HENDERSON & SONS, INC., AND WATSON DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, INC., TO FURNISH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, WITH CERTAIN FERTILIZER FOR A NET TOTAL OF \$19,386.80.

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Next taken up was the continued hearing on Zoning Case No. 2285, to rezone the east 212' of Lot 17, NCB 10949, located on the west side of Clark Avenue, 309.2' south of Dauchy Road, from "B" Residence District to "F" Local Retail District.

Mr. Burt Lawrence explained that this case had been continued from December 17th in order for the City Attorney to study the matter as there was a dispute over ownership of a strip of property previously used as a street which includes the property in question.

City Attorney Sam Wolf reported he had reviewed the matter and this being a zoning case, the Council has no authority to decide ownership of the property. The Council can decide what zoning use this property should have and the Council can proceed to make its determination as to whether this change is appropriate. As an alternative, the Council could require the parties involved to make determination of ownership prior to taking action on this zoning change. In conclusion, he stated any change in zone by the Council will have no effect on ownership of the property.

Mr. Jimmie G. Colebank, the applicant, who proposes to construct a barber shop on the property stated he has a guarantee title policy on the property and felt secure in its ownership.

Mr. Alex Frazier, attorney representing opponents of the proposed rezoning, gave a history of the property and of the partition suit in which he claimed the strip of land was dedicated to the public. He said neither the City or the County has refused this dedication. He asked the Council not to make a change in zone as he felt that such a change would prejudice their proposed lawsuit on the matter which is to be filed in January.

City Manager Shelley, concerning street development of this property, stated that somewhere there will have to be a street to serve the property in the middle of the block.

After further discussion by the Council, on motion of Mrs. Cockrell, seconded by Mr. Padilla, Case No. 2285 was continued for 30 days to permit the Department of Traffic and Transportation and the Department of Planning to make a complete study of the matter. The motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister.

64-415 Next heard was Case No. 2294, to rezone Lot 34, NCB 8679, located on the south side of Loop 410, approximately 535.5' west of Skyway Boulevard from "A" Residence District to "JJ" Commercial District.

Mr. Burt Lawrence explained the proposed change which was recommended by the Planning Commission, and which had been postponed from December 17th in order to obtain additional information regarding an easement for the airport.

City Manager Shelley reported they had not been able to obtain the necessary data from the Federal Aviation Agency in order to determine the height restrictions, etc. and recommended continuance of the hearing for another two weeks.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. de la Garza, seconded by Mr. Bremer, Case No. 2294 was continued for two weeks to January 14, 1965. The motion prevailed by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Kaufman, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister and Parker.

64-430 Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti opened the scheduled hearing on the proposed annexation of .57 square miles of land located south of Stonegate Subdivision and north of Windcrest.

Planning Director Steve Taylor explained the proposed annexation on a map.

City Manager Shelley stated this area could not be taken in with the Stonegate annexation due to overlapping jurisdiction. This has now been

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settled with the Town of Windcrest.

Mr. Robert D. Maddox, owner of property at the most southern part being annexed, stated that he had made known that he wanted to be a part of San Antonio. He said that Bueche Road, an access road to this property, is not dedicated, and which abutts his property, is not being annexed. He asked that this road be taken by San Antonio so that in the event it is not a public road and the right of way reverts back to adjoining property owners, he would be entitled to one-half of the right of way. Doing it this way all his property would be in San Antonio.

After discussion of the matter, City Manager Shelley was asked to investigate the request further and keep Mr. Maddox informed on its progress.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti then declared the meeting closed.

64-458 Next taken up was the hearing on the appeal of Mrs. Beatrice De La Garza, from the decision of the Chief of Police to refuse a license to operate billiard tables at 515 West Houston Street.

Police Chief Bichsel reviewed the ordinance regulating the licensing of pool halls and stated that he would approve a license for this club which is located on the second floor, if the doors on the ground floor are kept unlocked at all times and all other requirements are met.

Mr. Reynaldo De La Garza, representing the applicant, stated this was agreeable and would comply with the Police Chief's requirements.

No action being necessary on the part of the Council, Mr. De La Garza was asked to reapply for the license and the hearing was declared closed.

64-472 Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti presented a Citation to the San Antonio Junior League in recognition of outstanding and meritorious volunteer service to the San Antonio Public Library Hertzberg Circus Collection in which initiative, ambition and imagination were combined with organization, planning and action to renovate completely every facet of the Hertzberg Circus Collection.

The citation was graciously accepted by Mrs. Ann Hebdon and Mrs. Sally Thomas.

Mr. Gatti then recognized Dr. Leo Galindo, Chairman of the Public Library Board and Mrs. Atlee B. Ayres and Mrs. L. Bonham Jones, members who were also present, and thanked them for their devotion and service to San Antonio.

64-473 Mr. Juan F. Vasquez, 2044 Buffalo, representing the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, A.F.L.-C.I.O. Local No. 780, read the following petition to the City Council.

"The 560 members of Local 780 IUE-AFL-CIO, representing the entire production and maintenance force of Friedrich Refrigeration respectfully petition your help in obtaining an agreement with the company which will allow us to return to our jobs. We have been out on strike since the termination of our contract on December 18. After many weeks of negotiations with the company we failed to reach an agreement that would provide just and decent conditions for the employees. We are only asking for wages that would bring us up to the industrial wages level in San Antonio which is far below that of other cities in the state. For many years San Antonio has been a depressed area, suffering from poverty and its

resulting evils of a high crime rate, disease and despair. We ask the city government to use its good offices to aid us, your citizens and tax payers, in obtaining a reasonable wage level. Friedrich Refrigeration is now owned by an out of town holding company, American Investors in Houston, which has demonstrated a total lack of concern for both the future of the company and the employees, carefully milking the profits of an established concern for the benefit of a few stockholders. This is an intolerable condition which will work to the detriment of the entire community. Contrary to certain newspaper reports, we are not interested in indulging in any local political battles. We are fighting for our living and that of every working person in San Antonio. We ask your help, your support, your prayers, not as politicians but as fellow human beings and our elected city leaders."

64-473 Mr. Paul Javier, 232 Pamela, also spoke on the matter and asked the support of City officials.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti thanked the delegation for coming and stated the City Council has always shown a great concern for the citizens of San Antonio. He said the Council always acts and steps in where it has the prerogative to do so, and when it has had an opportunity, it has taken action such as setting a prevailing wage scale for this area for public works contracts entered into by the City.

The matter was discussed by the Council and various members expressed interest and concern in the matter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti then informed the petitioners that if there is an opportunity and a desire by management and labor for the City to serve in any capacity, the Council will be glad to help in any way possible.

64-474 Mayor Pro-Tem Gatti then recognized Miss Sally Jones, daughter of Councilman Robert C. Jones, who recently represented the City of San Antonio as a Princess at the International Ambassadors Ball.

The following resolution was read, and on motion of Mr. Bremer, seconded by Mr. Jones, was passed and approved by the following vote: AYES: de la Garza, Jones, Cockrell, Gatti, Padilla, Parker and Bremer; NAYS: None; ABSENT: McAllister and Kaufman.

64-475

A RESOLUTION

CREATING A COMMISSION ON MENTAL RETARDATION PLANNING AND APPOINTING MEMBERS THEREOF. (Term of two years beginning January 1, 1965).

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Mrs. David Brune
Mr. Paul Herder
Mr. Frank Jasso
Mr. Sam Jorrie
Mr. Sam Martin
Dr. Lucile Sexton
Mrs. Brad Oxford
Mr. Robert A. Rast

Mrs. Rix Rutland
Judge Charles Grace
Mr. James Lewis
Miss Mary Louise de Leon
Dr. Howard Britton
Dr. Wayne Gill
Dr. Kenneth Kramer
Sister Mary Immaculate

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The Clerk read the following letter:

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

The following petition was received and forwarded to the Office of the City Manager for investigation and report to the City Council.

64-476 12-23-64 Petition of Rips Pipe and Supply Company, requesting the City Council to grant a variance or permit for a 2700' chain link fence seven feet in height, which was built on their property on Rittiman Road and known as part of Tract "O", NCB 12174.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. H. Inselmann
City Clerk

Report on petitions:

64-433 1) Appearance of Mrs. Manuel Vela at Council meeting.

Mrs. Manuel Vela, 320 North San Jacinto Street, appeared before the City Council Thursday, December 17, 1964, complaining about the bad drainage condition at the intersection of San Luis and Las Moras Streets in the vicinity of Sidney Lanier High School.

Upon investigation of this condition, it has been determined that a major portion of the drainage problem can be eliminated by doing some overlay street work in this area.

The Director of Public Works has contacted Mrs. Manuel Vela and advised her that the Zarzamora Area street crews were commencing work on this correction on Monday, December 28, 1964, in order to take advantage of the children being away from school during the Christmas holidays.

It is believed that this will remedy this condition.

64-411 2) Petition of Mr. and Mrs. Armando Delgado, et al, in the area of 2100 Bronte Street, requesting the City to install a street light at the bus stop located at 2111 Bronte Street.

This request has been investigated and a light has been ordered to be installed by the City Public Service Board.

64-411 3) Petition of John H. Traweek, 111 Southill, regarding walk and driveway adjustment.

The request made by Mr. John H. Traweek of 111 Southill, for the City to adjust a driveway and sidewalk at this same address, states that he had recently purchased the property and found that some late model automobiles cannot enter or leave the driveway without dragging.

This problem is the responsibility of the property owner as set-forth in the City Code under Chapter 35. It is suggested that Mr. Traweek select a contractor of his own choice and obtain the necessary permits for adjustments of the driveway from the Housing and Inspections Department to correct both the sidewalk and driveway to prevent damage to the vehicles when entering or leaving his property.

64-4774) Petition of Mr. Remigio Valdez, et al, requesting a railroad crossing signal.

The Director of Traffic and Transportation has contacted the Southern Pacific Railroad concerning the request for a railroad crossing signal at the Ceralvo and Brady Street crossings. The local office of the railroad has already surveyed these crossings and recommended the installation of the signals to their management. They expect to receive approval and to proceed with the installation shortly.

- There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned. -

A P P R O V E D :

John Katts
MAYOR *Pro Tem*

ATTEST:

JH Luschman
City Clerk

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