

Austin City Council MINUTES

For MAY 16, 1989 - SPECIAL CALLED MEETING - 4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, 307 West Second Street, Austin, Texas

Mayor Cooke called to order the special called meeting of the Council at 4:52 P.M., noting the absence of Councilmembers Nofziger and Urdy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Cooke announced, during the regular meeting which began at 3:00 P.M., that Council would enter into executive session pursuant to Article 6252-17, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated, and discuss executive session matters listed on the regular agenda and this meeting agenda, matters of land acquisition, litigation and for personnel matters. No final action or decision or vote by the City Council will be taken on any subject or matter unless specifically listed on the agenda for the meeting.

Regular Meeting

Pending Litigation - Section 2, Paragraph e

(a) City of Austin v. Houston Lighting and Power

This Special Called Meeting

Land Acquisition - Section 2, Paragraph f

(a) Status of Convention Center Property Acquistion

RECESS

Council recessed for executive session from 4:52 to 6:50 P.M. Mayor Cooke announced no action would be taken as a result of discussion during executive session.

STATUS REPORT ON CONVENTION CENTER PROJECT

Jim Smith, Special Projects Coordinator, and David Armbrust presented the status report on the convention center project.

No action was taken on a resolution authorizing the City Manager to take appropriate action to acquire the property needed for the convention center.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Gwen Webb, Acting Director, Intergovernmental Affairs, reported

on House Bills 316, 913 and 3187. She also discussed SB 1707 which concerns the airport and HB 1546 which is Texas Water Commission review.

CITY DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION

City Manager Barnett presented a reorganization and service levels summit with a discussion of City department reorganization by reducing the number of departments from 26 to 20. She said she wants to review her proposals with the members of the City Council and boards and commissions and bring them back to Council for approval.

BRACKENRIDGE TRACT

The Council, on Mayor Pro Tem Shipman's motion, Councilmember Barnstone's second, adopted a resolution approving the Brackenridge Tract proposal. (4-0 Vote, Councilmember Humphrey out of the room, Councilmembers Urdy and Nofziger absent)

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned its meeting at 7:50 P.M.