

Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas, August 17th 1911.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor : Roll called:

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell. 5

Absent none.

The minutes of the last and subsequent recessed meetings were read & Approved.

The regular order of business was suspended, and the matter of hearing protests from Citizens on 4th street and the alleys from 5th to seventh streets on Brazos and Colorado streets as to paving the same, taken up.

Several citizens appeared, but made no objections to said contract, and no further action was taken in the matter.

The regular order of business was then resumed.

Petitions, etc:

Councilman Bartholomew presented a petition from Citizens on East 6th street, asking that the Light service be continued on that street until day light.

The petition was read and on motion laid on the table subject to call.

Councilman Powell presented a petition from Citizens & business men, doing business on Congress Avenue between 3rd & 4th streets, asking to have the alley between 4th & 5th streets and between Congress Avenue & Colorado streets paved, which was read and laid on the table subject to call.

Councilman Hart presented a petition from Rescue Hose Co, a company proposed to be organized in East Austin, for admission into the Austin Fire Dept, with a report of the Fire Commissioners of this City, recommending that the petition be granted. The petition was read and laid on the table subject to call.

Councilman Bartholomew presented the report of the Supt of the Water, Light & Power Plant presented his report for the month of July 1911, which was read and ordered filed.

New business.

Councilman Hart presented the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the application of Louis Sacker for the remission of the fine and costs entered against him in the Corporation Court on Aug 11th 1911, for assault, be and the same is hereby refused. It appearing that the defendant has appealed from the judgement in this cause, and perfected his appeal to the County Court, which leaves the Council without jurisdiction in this matter.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell. 5

Nays none.

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the fines and cost entered against John Huddle in the Corporation Court on the 12th day of August 1911, for intoxication, amounting to \$ 14.80, be and the same is hereby remitted.

It appearing to the Council that the defendant is a very old man, an inmate of the Confederate Home, without means, and promises in the future to abstain from the use of intoxicants.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell. 5

Nays none. Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the fine and cost amounting to \$ 14.80, entered against C G Wagner, in the Corporation Court, on the 8th day of Aug 1911, be and the same is hereby remitted, for the reason set out in the accompanying application.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell. 5

*Protest Citizens
Paving Brazos &
Colorado st.*

*Petition Citizens
Light in 6th st.*

*Petition Citizens
To pave alleys
between 4th & 5th
streets on Congress
& Colorado st.*

*Rescue Hose Co
for admission into
Fire Dept.*

*Louis Sacker's
remitted fine
Refused*

*John Huddle
remitted*

*C G Wagner
fine remitted*

B Gates
Damages. ✓
Allowed
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Mayor Wooldridge moved that the claim of B Gates, for damages from overflow of water, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5
Nays none.

The Council then recessed until 2,30 P M thisday.

Thursday Aug 17th 1911 P M

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution appropriating the sum of \$ 738.14, for paying certain fees due Geo S Mathews, Sheriff of Travis County, for official services rendered in connection with certain tax suits, wherein the City of Austin was plaintiff. in the Dist Court of Travis County.

The resolution was passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance making an appropriation to settle the judgement claim of R V Dixon against the City of Austin:

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5
Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the appropriation of twenty five hundred (\$ 2,500.00) dollars to East Avenue Park in the budget of 1911, which appropriation is contingent upon the citizens of Austin contributing an additional one thousand (\$ 1,000.00) dollars to the parking of East Avenue, be so amended as that such proportional part of said twenty five hundred (\$ 2,500.00) dollars shall be appropriated to the East Avenue Park as will correspond to the proportional part of the one thousand (\$ 1,000.00) dollars contributed by the Citizens of Austin to said East Avenue Park.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

A resolution declaring and fixing the amount per front foot and total amount of the cost of improvement on fifth street between Colorado and Trinity streets to be paid by each owner of property abutting thereon who has agreed with the City Council concerning the same.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the hearing to property owners concerning an assessment to be made against them and their property for the improvement of fifth street between Colorado and Trinity streets, having been closed and the said property owners having been fully heard as to the assessment, the benefits thereon and all matters connected with the proceedings with reference and the property owners whose names are given below having in writing consented with the City and agreed to the amount of the proportion of said cost to be assessed against them respectively and their property.

1st. That the said Council does declare and fix the total amount of the cost of said improvement to be paid by each of the said owners who have agreed with the City Council concerning the same and the amount per front foot as herein below set forth opposite the name of the said property owners and the description of their property, the names of the said owners, the description of their

Appropriation to
pay claim of
Travis Co. for official
services ✓

Claim of
R V Dixon ✓
paid

Budget amended
East Ave Park

Resolution fixing
cost for parking
on 5th street
between Colorado
& Trinity ✓

- property, the amount to be assessed against each of them and the amounts per front foot to be assessed being as follows, to-wit:

Name,	Lot No,	Blk No,	No front feet,	Amount per front foot,	Total Cost
Herman Becker ,	7,	43,	160,	\$ 7.59 1/3	\$ 1,214.93.
J H Frenzel center	53 1/3 12,	.55,	. 53 1/3	. 7.59 1/3	404.93
R C Lambie East	53 1/3 12	55,	. 53 1/3	7.59 1/3	404.93
Est M A Taylor decd					
F L Cochran &					
E P Wilmot, Exts 6,	6,	42,	160,	7.59 1/3	1,214 .93
Chas Wolf	. 1,	56,	160,	7.59 1/3	1,214.93
H A Wace West 80 ft	7,	42,	80,	7.59 1/3	607.47
F Heierman & Bro (John) East 80 ft	7,	42,	80 ft	7.59 1/3	607.47
T C Thomason W 38 ft	9,	41,	38,	7.59 1/3	288.55
Amelia Brass ,					
Wife G M Brass	7,	41,	46,	7.59 1/3,	349.29
W B Walker	3,	57,	46,	7.59 1/3	349.29
Mrs Jennie Hirschfeld	4,	57,	46,	7.59 1/3	349.29
T B Walling	5 & 6	57,	92,	7.59 1/3	698.59
Emma Bell Barron,					
a femme sole ,	10, 11 & 12,	40,	138,	7.59 1/3	1,047.88
Alfred Smith ,	9,	40,	46,	7.59 1/3	349.29
Herman Becker	7 & 8,	40,	92,	7.59 1/3	698.59
W N McElroy	1, 2, & 3	58,	138,	7.59 1/3 ,	1,047.88
Chas Wolf	4, 5 & 6,	58,	138,	7.59 1/3	1,047.88.

- 2nd . That this resolution take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, J Bouldin Rector, City Attorney.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4
Absent Councilman Lockridge 1

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance levying an assessment for the payment of part of the cost of improving fifth street in the City of Austin from its intersection with Colorado street to its intersection with Trinity street and to fix a charge and lien against the owners of property and their property abutting said street and providing for the collection and enforcement thereof.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4
Absent Councilman Lockridge 1

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Friday August 18th 1911.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

Councilman Barthomew presented bids for Turbines for the Water & Light Plant, as follows, to-wit:

Allas Chalmers Co,

Bid No 1. \$ 14,832. 39. Bid No 2 \$ 14,237.50.

General Electric Co ,

Bid No 1 \$ 15,284.00 Bid No 2 15,284.00

Westinghouse Co ,

Bid No 1 15,759.00 Bid No 2

Also bids for Condensers, as follows:

Reeves & Skinner condenser \$ 5,000.00

Circulating Pump 1,374.00

Smith & Whitney ,

Condenser 5,489.00

Circulating Pump 1,276.00

A M Lockett & Co

Condenser Bid No 1 \$ 5,354.00

Bid No 2 4,869.00.

Circulating Pump 933.00

Wheeler Condenser & Eng Co

Condenser 5,050.50

Circulating Pump 981.00

Councilman Bartholomew moved that the contract for Turbine be awarded to the Allas Chambers Co, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Bartholomew moved that the contract for Condenser and Pump, be awarded to the Worthington Co, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Saturday August 19th 1911.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present:

Councilman Hart laid before the Council bids for constructing Curbs and Gutters on East Avenue, East Avenue Park, as follows, to-wit:

J Brueggermann 66cents per lineal foot.

Knox T Johnson 67 cents per lineal foot.

On motion these bids were laid over for consideration by the Park Committee and Councilman Hart.

On motion of Councilman Hart the fine and cost assessed against one Sowder in the Records Court, amounting to \$ 13.80 was suspended until further orders of the Council by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Bids for
Turbines at
Water & Light
Plant

Contract awarded
Allas Chambers Co

Bids for work
East Ave Park

Fine of Sowder
suspended

Saturday August 19th 1911. P M

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from G Flury, asking permission to erect a shed, ^{temporary} within the fire limits, which was recommended by the Chief of the Fire Dept. On motion the petition was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5

Nays none.

On motion Councilman Hart was granted leave of absence for two weeks by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Lockridge & Powell 4

Not voting Councilman Hart 1

On motion Mr Milton Morris was granted leave of absence for 7 days by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5-

Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Bristow Gates (Colored), in the flood of April 30th 1911, was seriously damaged in the overflow of waters at his house 1109 East seventh Street, and for repairs to the same has made an expenditure of \$ 17.50, and,

Whereas, said Gates is a very poor colored man, and, as such, worthy of compassionate consideration, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the sum of \$ 17.50 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the general contingent fund of this City, to be paid to said Gates, as an act of public compassion to cover the damages sustained by him in said flood, but it is distinctly understood upon the part of the Officials of this City and upon the part of said Gates, and so publicly stated by him to this Council, that said appropriation constitutes no precedent either in his favor or in favor of any other citizen for payment or acknowledgement of liability for damages upon the part of this City for floods arising from any cause in or about the premises of said Gates or any where on east seventh street between Comal and Concho streets.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell 5

Nays none.

Note: This resolution should have been recorded in the minutes of Aug 17th but was not furnished the Clerk until after the minutes of that date had been recorded.

The Council then adjourned.

J. W. Johnson
City Clerk.

G. Flury
Building Permit

B. Gates
Damages