

Regular meeting of the City Council ;Austin,Texas, April 23rd 1914:

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

Present Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none.

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adpoted:

Reperts of City Off cers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following reports of City Officers:

The Sexton, the Sanitary Inspector and the Cashier Sanitary Sewers, which were read and ordered filed:

Unfinished business :

The Mayor laed before the Council An ordinance accepting the dedication of a public street out of a certain parcel of land conveyed by W A Harper to the City of Austin and agreeing to keep open and perpetually maintain said street and vacate Leander street , all in the City of Austin,Texas.

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution ordering the improvement of a certain part of East 6th street ,in the City of Austin,and approving specifications , proposal ,contract and bond therefor.,which had been introduced and read at the Stated meeting held April 16th ,and laid over until this meeting.

The resolution was read and passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Petitions:

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from Citizens ,asking to have the Pound Ordinance amended, which was read and ordered filed:

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Resolved that the sum of \$ 1100.00 ,or so much thereof as may be necessary,be appropriated out of the Ernings fund of the Water, Light and Power Dept,to purchase 1000 feet of 14 " Ca Cast Iron Pipe to extend Water mains on Duval street from 41st to 43rd streets

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

That the certain resolutions entitled " Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvements on 8th street ,in the City of Austin, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for a part of the costof such improve-ments against them and thteir property,fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing " : passed by the City Council April 16, 1914,be and the same are hereby repealed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony,Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

*Change of
Alto. request
Wooldrige ✓*

*Improvements
8 6th St ✓*

*appro for
water pipe ✓*

*approval City Eng
repeal special ✓*

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

That the certain resolution entitled " Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvementd on Lavacca street ,in the Cityof Austin, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for a part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property, fixing a time for said hearingand directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing" passed by the City Council April 16, 1914, be and the same is hereby repealed.

The Resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayer Wooldrid ge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Hayne and Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following ordinance:

An ordinance amending existing ordinances of the City of Austin ,regulating the installation ,repair, operation, and maintenance of all electric wiring, and provi- ding for the licensing and bonding of electrical contractors ,and providing penalties

The ordinance was read the 1st time and referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvements on East 6 6th street ,in the City of Austin, and directing a hearing to property owners concern- ing the assessment for a part of the cost of such improvement against them and their property ,fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing.:

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin has heretofore determined to improve East 6th street from the East line of Waller street to the West curb line of Chicon street by paving the same with the Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb lines and necessary excavation, and has adopted specifications for said work, and has entered into contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company ,a corporation; and

Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin has this day Filed his report in writing with the City Council, showing the total amount of the said improvements upon the said street, the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by owners thereof and also the names of persons ,esttates or corporations owning property and a statement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improve- ments; and

Whereas, the City Council has examined the said report and finds the same correct ; and

Whereas, the necessity exaists that a portion of the cost of said improvements should be assessed against said property owners and their property, subject to the terms of the Charter of the City and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice is(as) herein provided by such Charter and ordinance,

Now, Therefore,

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

1. That the said report of the City Engineer be and the same is hereby adopt ed.

2. That a portion of the cost of paving the said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on East 6th street in the City of Austin, betw between Waller street and Chicon street and against the said property ; that the said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 3.1645 per front foot for paving and 40 cents

Approval City Eng report repealed

Ordinance regulating electric wiring

Resolution to improve to 6th st

per front foot for curbing in accordance with the " Front Foot " rule or plan ,in proportion to the frontage in that block to be improved; provided, that if said rule of apportionment shall appear to the Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case ,or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said improvement by any owner or his property , the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between said property owners , considering benefits received by and burdens imposed upon said owners ,and that in no event shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the owners of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvements.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to said property owners on the 26th day of May 1914, at 10 O'clock A M in the City Hall in the City of Austin ,Texas, at which hearing said property owners ,their agents or attorneys, shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto, or as to the benefits thereof, if any, to their property, and as to the assessment proposed to be made against them and their property, and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony ,and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are heard ,and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessments fully ascertained ; that after the said hearing shall be closed , said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property who shall agree with said Council upon the said assessments, such sums as may be so agreed upon and determined as provide by the Charter and said ordinance; that as to any other such property owners who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing ,have appointed a Commission to determine said assessments ,and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of Austin is hereby directed to give notice hereof to the said property owners ,their agents or attorneys, by publication of a copy of this resolution not less than twice in the Austin Tribune, a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin, the first publication to be not less than five days prior to the date of said hearing.

5. That this resolution shall 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 Anthony, Bartholomew ,Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvements on Lavacca street, in the City of Austin, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for a part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property, fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing:

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin has heretofore determined to improve Lavacca street from the north property line of 6th street to the south property line of 7th street by paving the same with the Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb lines and necessary excavation, and has adopted specifications for said work ,and has entered into a contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company, a corporation; and

Resolution to improve Lavacca St.

Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin has this day filed his report in writing with the City Council, showing the total cost of the said improvements upon the said street, the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by owners thereof and also the names of persons, estates or corporations owning property and a statement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improvements; and

Whereas, the City Council has examined the said report and finds the same correct; and

Whereas, the necessity exists that a portion of the cost of said improvement shall be assessed against said property owners and their property, subject to the terms of the Charter of the City and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice and hearing provided by said Charter and ordinance.,

Now, therefore:

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

1st. That the said report of the City Engineer ~~be and the~~ same is hereby approved and adopted :

2 . That a portion of the cost of paving the said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on Lavacca street and against the said property; that the said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 3.8364 per front foot for paving and 40 cents per front foot for curbing in accordance with the " Front Foot rule" or plan , in proportion to the frontage in that block to be improved; provided, that if said rule of apportionment shall appear to the Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case, or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said assessment by any owner or his property , the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between property owners , considering benefits received and burdens imposed upon said owners , and that in no event shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the owners of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvements.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to the said property owners on the 7th day of May 1914, at 10 O'clock A M , at the Council chamber in the City Hall in the City of Austin, Texas, at which hearing said property owners, their agents or attorneys, shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto , or as to the benefits thereof, if any, to their property, and as to the assessments proposed to be made against them and their property , and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony , and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are heard , and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessments fully ascertained ; that after the said hearing shall be closed, said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property who shall agree with said Council upon the said assessments , such sums as may be so agreed upon and determined as provided by the Charter of the City and the said ordinance; that as to any such property owners who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing , have appointed a Commission to determine said assessments , and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Su pt of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of Austin is hereby directed to give notice hereof to the said property owners ,their agents or attorneys, by publication of a copy of this resolution not less than twice in the Austin Tribune a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin ,the first publication to be not less than five days prior to the date of said hearing.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvements on 8th street in the City of Austin ,and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for a part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property ,fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing:

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin has heretofore determined to improve ~~the~~ 8th street from the West property line of Congress Avenue to the East property line of Colorado street by paving the same with the Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb lines and necessary excavation, and has adopted specifications for said work ,and has entered into a contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company, a corporation; and

Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin has this day filed his report in writing with the City Council ,showing the total amount of the said improvements upon the said street ,the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by owners thereof and also the names of persons, estates or corporations owning property and a statement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improvements; and

Whereas, the City Council has examined the said report and finds the same correct; and

Whereas, the necessity exists that a portion of the cost of said improvements should be assessed against said property owners and their property, subject to the terms of the Charter of the City and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice is (of) hearing provided by said Charter and ordinance ,

Now, Therefore :

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

1. That the said report of the City Engineer be and the same is hereby approved and adopted .

2. That a portion of the cost of paving said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on 8th street in the City of Austin ,between Congress Avenue and Colorado street. ~~in the City of Austin~~, and against the said property that the said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 3.8364 per front foot for paving and 40 cents per front foot for curbing in accordance with the " Front Foot" rule or plan, in proportion to the frontage in that block to be improved; provided, that if the said rule of apportionment shall appear to the Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case , or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said improvement by any owner or his property ,the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between said property owners considering benefits received by and burdens imposed upon said owners , and that in no event shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the

Resolution to improve 8th st

owners of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvements.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to said property owners on the 7th day of May 1914, at 10 O'clock A.M., at the Council chamber in the City Hall in the City of Austin, Texas, at which hearing said property owners, their agents or attorneys, shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto, if any, to their property, and as to the assessments proposed to be made against them and their property, and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony, and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are heard, and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessments fully ascertained; that after the said hearing shall be closed, said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property who shall agree with said Council upon the said assessments, such sums as may be so agreed upon and determined as provided by the Charter of the City and the said ordinance; that as to any such property owners who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing, have appointed a Commission to determine said assessments, and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of Austin is hereby directed to give notice hereof to said property owners, their agents or attorneys, by publication of a copy of this resolution not less than twice in the Austin Tribune, a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin, the first publication to be not less than five days prior to the date of said hearing.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineers report concerning improvements on 8th street, in the City of Austin, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for a part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property, fixing a time for said hearing and directing that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing.:

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin has heretofore determined to improve 8th street from the west property line of Colorado street to the east property line of Lavaca street by paving the same with the Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb line with necessary excavation, and has adopted specifications for said work, and has entered into contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company, a corporation; and

Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin has this day filed his report in writing with the City Council, showing the total cost of the said improvements upon the said street, the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by owners thereof and also the names of persons, estates or corporations owning property and a statement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improvement; and

Whereas, the City Council has examined the said report and finds the same correct; and

*8th St
Col - Lavaca*

Whereas, the necessity exists that a portion of the cost of said improvements should be assessed against said property owners and their property, subject to the terms of the Charter of the City and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice and hearing provided by said Charter and ordinance,

Now, Therefore:

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

1. That the said report of the City Engineer be and the same is hereby approved and adopted.

2. That a portion of the cost of paving said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on 8th street in the City of Austin, between Colorado street and Lavacca street and against the said property; that said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 3.8364 per front foot for paving and 40 cents per front foot for curbing in accordance with the " Front foot " rule or plan, in proportion to the frontage in that block to be improved; provided, that if said rule of apportionment shall appear to the Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case, or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said improvement by any owner or his property, the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between said property owners, considering benefits received by and burdens imposed upon said owners, and that in no event shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the owners of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvements.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to said property owners on the 7th day of May 1914, at 10 O'clock A M at the Council chamber in the City Hall, of Austin, Texas, at which hearing said property owners, their agents or attorneys, shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto, or as to the benefits thereof, if any, to their property, and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are heard, and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessment fully ascertained; that after the said hearing shall be closed, said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property who shall agree with the said Council upon the said assessments such sums as may be so agreed upon and determined as proved by the Charter and the said ordinance; that as to any such property owner who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing, have appointed a Commission to determine said assessments, and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements of the City of Austin is hereby directed to give notice hereof to the said property owners, their agents or attorneys by publication of a copy of this resolution not less than twice in the Austin Tribune, a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin, the first publication to be not less than five days prior to the date of the said hearing.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Myer Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes and Powell 5.

Nays none.

*curb sidewalk
West 10th St.*

April 25th 1913:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the bid of Wallace R Miller to pave the sidewalk and curb same on the south side of West 10th street between San Antonio and Nueces streets ,at 10 cents per square foot for sidewalking and 10 cents per linear foot for curbing, be and the same is hereby accepted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached sworn statement of E D Junken, an Officer of the Highland Presbyterian Church of this City, that lot no 29 in block no 35, Div "D" of the City of Austin, Texas, was on the 1st day of January 1913, the property of said Highland Presbyterian Church and was conveyed to said Church on the 15th day of August ,1912, to be used and occupied by said Church solely for religious purposes, and has continued to be owned , held and used for purpose\$ from that date until now.

Now, Therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That inasmuch as said property is under the law exempt from taxation, the assess-
-ment against the same for taxation by the Assessor & collector of this City is ordered to be stricken off the rolls, and said property declared exempt.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4
Absent Councilman Anthony 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

April 28th 1914:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the road-way upon 5th street from the east property line of Trinity street to a point 80 feet beyond the West property line of Nueces street be and is hereby closed to public traffic for April 28th , April 29th , April 30th , May 1st and May 2nd , and the use , occupancy and enjoyment of same for said above named days of April 28th, April 29th, April 30th, May 1st and May 2nd, be and is turned over to the Loyal Order of Moose, with the express stipualtion that under no circumstances are spikes to be driven by said Order of Moose into the paved streets or sidewalks on 5th stre and all litter of every character and description is to be promptly removed from said 5th street at the termination of the Carnival hereinabove authorized to be held on 5th street on the above days of April and May.

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

That the use, occupancy and enjoyment of the above named premises by said Loyal Order of Moose, so far as the street and sidewalk are concerned , is to be under

*Roadway 5th St.
to be used by Moose.*

*Highland Presbyterian
Church, taxes from
taxes & dues cancelled*

the supervision of the Department of Streets and Public Improvements.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of sidewalks and curbing upon the south side of 22nd street from Guadalupe street to the alley west of David street, and on the north side of 22nd street, from Guadalupe street to San Gabriel street ; said bids to be received and filed with the City Clerk until ten (10) o'clock, Monday, May 11th, 1914.

That the resolution passed March 26th, 1914, referring to sidewalks and curbs on 22nd street be and the same is hereby repealed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Anthony 1

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, Walter L Eyres, Sign Inspector, has approved the petition of the Austin Electrical Supply & Plumbing Company to erect and maintain an Electric Light Sign in front of the Maverick Cafe at 611 Congress Avenue in this City.

Now, therefore ,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the petition of the Austin Electrical Supply & Plumbing Company to erect and maintain an Electric Light Sign in front of the Maverick Cafe at 611 Congress Avenue be and the same is hereby granted .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Anthony 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. Johnson
City Clerk

*Curbs sidewalk
7th & 8th-11th
asked for.*

*Austin Electrical Supply
& Plumbing Co
Electric sign*