

Austin City Council MINUTES

For

SEPTEMBER 13, 1990

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - 1:00 P.M.

1. Approved Minutes for Regular Meeting of September 6, 1990.

On Councilmember Epstein's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 5-0 Vote, Councilmember Carl-Mitchell and Mayor Pro Tem Urdy out of the room.

1:00 P.M. - CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

- 2. Mrs. Susan Schorer discussed current City issues.
- 3. Mr. David N. Elliott discussed current City issues.

ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Debt Service Management (Items 4-6)

4. Amended FY 1989-90 Water and Wastewater Utility Operating Budget and C.I.P. Program to reduce authorized expenditures and expend \$20 million to an escrow for debt service on Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds for the Water and Wastewater Utility. Approve C.I.P. program deferrals and associated \$9.7 million C.I.P. transfer reduction.

On Councilmember Barnstone's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 7-0 Vote.

- 5. Appropriated \$9 million from the Brown & Root Settlement Fund for debt service on Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds for the purpose of meeting the Debt Management Plan of the Electric Utility.
- 6. Authorized the execution of an Escrow Agreement with Ameritrust for debt service on certain outstanding Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds.

\$5 and 6 on Councilmember Carl-Mitchell's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 7-0 Vote.

ORDINANCES

Operating and Capital Budget (Items 7-13)

7. Approved third reading of an Ordinance fixing and levying Municipal Ad Valorem taxes for the City of Austin, Texas, for the fiscal year 1990-91 at 56.95 cents; and for each year thereafter until otherwise provided; approval of property tax exemptions

for historic property, disabled persons and elderly persons; directing the assessment and collecting thereof; validating all prior Ad Valorem taxes.

On Councilmember Epstein's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 4-3 Vote, Councilmembers Carl-Hitchell and Nofziger and Mayor Pro Tem Urdy voted No.

8. Approved third reading of an Ordinance adopting and approving the Operating Budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1990 and terminating September 30, 1991, and making appropriations for each department, project and account with amendments adopted during first and second readings and amendments made as follows:

Motion - FAILED

Councilmember Nofziger made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Carl-Mitchell, "to add investment to the public safety, would add EMS telecommunications at a cost of \$100,000; additional Police officers, \$475,000; U.T. walking area beat, \$50,000.00; investment in public health and welfare, increased funding for AIDS, \$150,000; Brackenridge Capital \$324,000; North Austin MAP Clinic, \$395,000; social service contract increase, \$250,000; expanded youth-at-risk program in our parks department, \$100,000; investment in quality of life, the PARD Aquatics Program, \$383,000; library hour restoration including Bistory Center hours, \$488,000; Senior Activity Center supplement, \$29,000; Manchaca Youth Little League, \$13,000; summer playground equipment, \$10,000; Montopolis gym floor, \$19,000; investment in the work force, 1.5% pay increase which with the City Manager's recommendation would make a 4% pay Increase for \$2,250,000; investment in streets and bridges, additional street maintenance, \$500,000, for a total of \$5,536,000; in addition I would like to recommend Project Hope and Project Courage for a total of \$63,000, for a total of \$5,599,000 to be funded by a property tax increase to 59 cents".

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell offered a friendly amendment to "replace \$550,000 of vehicle acquisition fund in the General Fund with \$550,000 unallocated interest earned, so that would be \$550,000 of additional revenue, moving \$300,000 from the General Services Department reserved for vehicle acquisition to the General Fund, that's \$300,000 and \$80,000 from the Economic Development Trust Fund. Those dollars are \$930,000." The friendly amendment was accepted by Councilmember Nofziger.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Epstein offered a friendly amendment for expense reduction in departments at the City Manager's discretion. The amendment was accepted.

Roll Call on Motion - FAILED

3-4 Vote, Councilmember Larson, Mayor Cooke, Councilmembers Barnstone and Epstein voted No.

Motion

Councilmember Barnstone made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Larson, as follows: "I would like to make a motion, and it picks up the 1.696 million dollars in savings and additional revenue savings that Councilmember Epstein has spoken about earlier. I would like to add the following: Parks Aquatic Program, \$252,000; Youth-At-Risk, \$100,000; Brackenridge Capital, \$324,000; AIDS funding, \$150,000; library hours restoration, including History Center, \$488,000; Senior Activity Center, \$29,000; Manchaca Little League Youth Program, \$13,000; Summer Playground equipment, \$10,000; gym floor in Montopolis, \$19,000; Community Education, \$50,000; school crossing guards, \$83,000; and Project Hope and Project Courage, \$63,000; Umlauf Gardens \$31,690; recreation centers additional hours, \$250,000."

Motion to Amend Main Motion

Councilmember Epstein offered an amendment to the main motion to delete one business counselor in the Financial Services Office, \$26,000. The amendment was accepted.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Epstein offered a friendly amendment to include \$1.13 million in cuts, which are \$550,000 in vehicle acquisition fund, \$300,000 from General Services Reserve for Vehicle Acquisition, and \$80,000 from tax abatement fund. This was accepted.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Nofziger offered a friendly amendment to delete the Trail of Lights Program in the Parks Department and fund with that \$31,000 the tree planting position which was deleted. Councilmember Barnstone accepted.

Friendly Amendment

Mayor Cooke offered a friendly amendment to fund \$475,000 for additional Police Officers. Councilmember Barnstone accepted the amendment.

Friendly Amendment

Mayor Cooke offered a friendly amendment to add \$100,000 for Police Telecommunications. The amendment was accepted.

Friendly Amendment

Mayor Pro Tem Urdy offered a friendly amendment to increase funding for North Austin MAP Clinic to \$395,000.

Motion Withdrawn

Councilmember Barnstone withdrew his motion. Councilmember Larson withdrew his second.

Motion

Councilmember Epstein moved approval of the budget (on Third Reading) "with suggested cuts that have just been outlined and that are on the board right now, with no additions at this point".

Second to the Motion

Mayor Cooke re-stated the amendments of proposed reductions as presented in the previous motion: one business counselor, \$26,000; Trail of Lights, \$31,000; CIP interest to fund vehicle acquisition for \$550,000; reduce vehicle acquisition fund by \$300,000; reduce Economic Development transfer of trust fund by \$80,000; request the City Manager to make \$200,000 in additional discretionary expense reductions for a total of \$1,187,00 of reductions; and then seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made an amendment to the motion to add the North Austin MAP Clinic for \$395,000. Councilmember Urdy seconded the motion.

Motion Withdrawn

Councilmember Epstein withdrew her motion, Mayor Cooke withdrew his second.

Motion

Mayor Pro Tem Urdy made a motion "to put the budget on the floor for third reading as presented by the City Hanager (with no amendments)". Councilmember Barnstone seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made a motion to amend by reducing \$550,000 from CIP Interest to Fund Vehicle Acquisition and \$300,00 from Vehicle Acquisition Fund, \$80,000 Transfer from Economic Development Trust Fund, \$200,000 in discretionary cuts and \$31,000 from Trail of Lights funding. Councilmember Nofziger seconded the motion. Motion Passed by a vote of 5-1-1, Councilmember Nofziger voted No, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy abstained.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Larson, to amend the motion by adding North Austin MAP Clinic for \$395,000. Motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1, Councilmember Barnstone abstained.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Barnstone made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Epstein, to amend the motion "by taking the items listed all the way through Project Hope and eliminate one business counselor".

Friendly Amendment to Motion to Amend

Mayor Cooke offered a friendly amendment to add \$400,000 for seventeen Police Officers and \$75,000 for the OMBA study. The friendly amendment was accepted.

Roll Call on Motion to Amend with Friendly Amendment

5-2 Vote, Councilmembers Carl-Mitchell and Nofziger voted No.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Nofziger made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Barnstone, to amend by reinstating the \$31,000 tree planting position. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Motion to Amend - FAILED

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Nofziger, to add \$250,000 for social services. Motion Failed by a vote of 3-4 with Councilmembers Barnstone, Epstein and Larson, and Mayor Cooke voting No.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Nofziger, to amend to add \$100,000 for EMS Telecommunications. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Roll Call on Main Motion to Pass Ordinance on Third Reading as Amended

- 4-3 Vote, Councilmembers Carl-Mitchell and Nofziger and Mayor Pro Tem Urdy voted No.
- 9. Approved third reading of an Ordinance adopting and approving the Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1990 and terminating September 30, 1991, and making appropriations for each department, project and account, with motions and amendments as follows:

Motion

Councilmember Epstein made a motion to approve through third reading, seconded by Mayor Cooke.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Nofziger offered a friendly amendment to delete the South Austin Outfall Project and the Banes Creek Interceptor. Amendment was accepted.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Nofziger offered a friendly amendment to delete \$282,000 from miscellaneous drainage improvements and \$117,000 from transportation management systems improvements and add \$400,000 for bikeway improvements around Town Lake. The amendment was accepted.

Motion Withdrawn

Councilmember Epstein withdrew her motion.

Motion

Councilmember Nofziger made a motion to "adopt the CIP on third reading with these changes: delete the South Austin Outfall Project Phase II, delete Eanes Creek Interceptor, delete miscellaneous drainage improvements for \$283,000 and delete transportation management system improvements at \$117,000; and to add to the CIP the Town Lake bikeway at \$400,000".

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell offered a friendly amendment that South Austin Outfall Phase II Project be retained in CIP budget and pipe sizing downsized from 48" to 42".

Motion Died for Lack of Second

There was no second to the main motion, so motion and friendly amendment died for lack of second.

Motion

Councilmember Larson made a motion to adopt the Capital Budget as recommended by staff. Mayor Pro Tem Urdy seconded the motion.

Friendly Amendment

Councilmember Nofziger offered a friendly amendment to "delete from the CIP miscellaneous drainage improvements totaling \$283,000, also Transportation Management System improvements totaling \$117,000; with that \$400,000 to add to the CIP bikeway improvements around Town Lake". The amendment was accepted.

Motion to Amend Died for Lack of Second

Councilmember Nofziger made a motion to amend the motion by deleting the South Austin Outfall Phase II and the Eanes Creek Interceptor. Motion to Amend died for lack of second.

Friendly Amendment - Not Accepted

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell offered a friendly amendment "to size Eanes Creek Interceptor for our service area and also to downsize the capacity of the South Austin Outfall Phase II from a 48" line to a 42" line. Friendly Amendment was not accepted.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Carl-Mitchell made a motion to amend, seconded by Councilmember Nofziger to downsize the capacity of the South Austin Outfall Phase II from a 48" line to a 42" line. 5-2 Vote, Councilmember Larson and Mayor Pro Tem Urdy voted No.

Motion to Amend

Councilmember Barnstone made a motion to amend, seconded by Councilmember Nofziger to subtract \$50,000 from Transportation System Management and put it in Palmer Auditorium velodrome fund. Motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Councilmember Larson abstaining.

Roll Call on Main Motion with Amendments

6-1 Vote, Councilmember Larson voted No

- 10. Approved third reading of certain ordinances authorizing fees, rates and charges for City services and use of City facilities.
- 11. Approved third reading of Ordinances adopting Water and Wastewater rates.
- 12. Approved third reading of an Ordinance providing for the number and rank of positions in the classified Civil Service of the Police Department and Fire Department.

13. Approved third reading of an Ordinance amending Section 121 of Chapter 12-2 of the Austin City Code relating to the Drainage Fee and designating a Drainage Fund.

\$10-13 on Councilmember Carl-Mitchell's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy's second, 7-0 Vote.

14. Approved amending the Food Establishment Code requirements regarding rest rooms for employees and the public in food service establishments.

On Councilmember Barnstone's motion, Councilmember Carl-Mitchell's second, 7-0 Vote.

RESOLUTIONS

15. Authorized release of a portion of the open or enclosed Drainage Easement recorded in Volume 1423, page 504 and release of the enclosed Storm Sewer Easement recorded in Volume 2476, Page 511 of the Travis County Deed Records. (407 Ridgewood Road) (Request submitted by Garron S. and Jessie Otto Hite on behalf of William E. Sims and Janie M. Sims - \$250.00 application fee has been paid.)

On Councilmember Epstein's motion, Councilmember Nofziger's second, 7-0 Vote.

16. Approve execution of a contract with CONTINENTAL TEXTILE CORPORATION, P.O. Box 2853, St. Louis, Missouri, for a garment and linen supply and management agreement, at a cost not to exceed \$280,615.00, with one (1) twelve (12) month extension option at a cost not to exceed \$280,615.00, for a total cost not to exceed \$561,230.00 (Funding for these items was included in the 1989-90 Operating Budget for Brackenridge Hospital). Low bid of three (3) bids. 0% M/WBE Subcontractor participation. The prime did not identify any subcontracting opportunities. Reference File No. BCO-150

Postponed two or three weeks.

4:00 P.M. - ZONING BEARINGS AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES

ZONING DISTRICTS

17. C14-90-0050 - NCNB OF TEXAS, by Brock Consulting Group, 11675-11691 Jollyville Road, from "SF-3", "MF-2", & "LO" to "LI-PDA".

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS - ORDINANCE APPROVED

On Councilmember Carl-Mitchell's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy's second 6-0 Vote, Councilmember Larson out of the room.

ADJOURN

Council adjourned its meeting at 4:07 P.M.