It was the sense of the meeting that, Christmas Day falling on Thursday, the next regular meeting be held on Wednesday preceding.

Upon motion, seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 11:20 A. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, December 19, 1941

The City Council convened in special session in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building on Friday, December 19, 1941, at 7:30 F. M., with the following members present: Councilmen Bartholomew, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; absent, Councilman Alford.

The meeting was called for the purpose of hearing the appeals of taxpayers from the action of the Board of Equalization for the year 1941.

The following appeals were then heard and considered as follows:

Affie Guinn asked that her property at 1102 Blanco Street, known as Lot 4, Block 1, Outlot 4, Division "2", be resurveyed for the year 1942 to show a frontage of 51 feet instead of 61 feet, occasioned by a change in the property line. The matter was referred to the Tax Department for investigation and correction on the assessment rolls for 1942.

H. J. H. Melin protested the valuation placed on his homestead, consisting of 1.48 acres of land in the unplatted part of Hill Survey, being \$670 for the land and \$3170 for the improvements; and also 104x136 feet of the northeast corner of Outlot 18, Division "E", corner of 19th Street and West Avenue, being \$4465 for the land. The matter was taken under advisement for an inspection on the ground by the City Council.

J. C. Barnes and wife protested the valuation of \$4300 placed on the improvements at 500 East Tenth Street. It was the sense of the Council that the action of the Board of Equalization be sustained and that no reduction be made.

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W. W. Coates, representing S. S. McCall, protested the valuation on the property at 1601 Exposition Boulevard, located on the South One-half of Lot 13, Block 18, Westfield A, on the ground that the tax ratio is higher for this type of construction than for other construction. The Council agreed to make an inspection of the property and to go into the matter further with relation to building costs incurred by this new type of construction.

Geo. E. Shelley, Attorney for Alfred C. Carr, Jr., protested the valuation placed on Lot 6, and part of Lot 5, Block 56, Original City, located at the southeast corner of Sixth Street and Congress Avenue, requesting that the valuation on the land be reduced to \$95,000, and the valuation on the improvements, to \$5000.00. It was the sense of the Council that the valuation as placed by the Board of Equalization be sustained and no change be made.

The written appeal of Geo. S. Nalle from the raise in valuation to \$4480 on the improvements on the North One-half of Lot 2, Block 110, Original City, was considered. It was the sense of the Council that the raise in valuation was justifiable on the basis of a building permit issued to appellant for alterations to the building, in the amount of \$3000; and that the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization should be sustained.

The written appeal of J. B. Robertson from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the properties assessed in the name of J. B. Robertson, et al., was considered. It was the sense of the Council that the valuations placed by the Board of Equalisation be sustained.

There being no further appeals for consideration, the meeting was recessed at 9:25 P. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

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