Minutes of a regular Meeting of the City Council.
Austin, Texas. December 15th 1899.

Hon: Jno: Q. McCall, Mayor presiding.

Roll Called.

Present; Aldermen, Dunham, Glass, Morris, Mortimer, Nolan & Clarkson 6
Absent: Aldermen, Fischer.

On motion the minutes of the last meeting were approved, as recorded by the Clerk, without reading.

Petitions, Memorials, etc.

By Alderman: Dunham - Petition of J. A. Robertson regarding taxes. Read and referred to the Claims and Accounts Committee.

By Alderman: Dunham - Petition of Mrs. Virginia Clark to have found fees remitted.

On motion the petition was granted.

Unfinished Business.

Legislation on Corporation Court Ordinance

The Mayor laid before the Council the Corporation Court Ordinance - Alderman Dunham stated that the case before the Court of Criminal Appeals has not as yet been decided and Moved that the Ordinance lie over until the next regular meeting of the Council, which motion prevailed.

New Business.

Calls for Street Improvements

Alderman: Mortimer suggested that Col: W. W. Stiles was present and desired to address the Council on the subject of the improvement of Lamprasas Street north of 19th Street. On motion Col: Stiles was invited to address the Council, which he did - stating, that the amount appropriated at the last meeting of the Council for the purpose of expense of the good roads and street convention, had not been used; and asked that the amount be set aside for the improvement of Lamprasas Street, north of 19th Street.

Petition of Rosa Roland for Relief from Taxes.

Alderman: Morris asked permission to present a petition, which was granted. He then presented a petition of Rosa Roland asking for relief from taxes. Read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolution Concerning Public Library

Alderman: Dunham presented the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

"Whereas: the Governor of Texas has given assurance of his co-operation to secure for the City of Austin the Block of ground belonging to the State at the head of Congress Avenue, on which now stand the walls of the burned Temporary Capitol, in order that the City may establish and maintain thereon a public library; and

Whereas: it is proper that some assurance should be given to the Legislature that the City of Austin will make proper provision for the maintenance and support of such public library;

Therefore be it resolved;

That the Mayor of the City of Austin be and he is hereby encouraged and requested to address the next Legislature, to assemble in January, 1900, that the City of Austin will appropriate annually the sum of $ 3000, for the maintenance and support of said library.

Resolved further That the Mayor be requested to take such steps

as may be proper to supplement the efforts of the City by procuring private donations to erect a granite building for such public library."
By Alderman Dunham, An ordinance to carry into effect the provisions of Section 39 of the Charter of the City of Austin in so far as same relate to the giving of testimony before the Board of Equalization of said City; and provide penalties against persons who fail or refuse to testify before said Board when properly requested so to do.
The Ordinance was passed under a suspension of the rules by the following; Vote.
Yeas. Aldermen. Dunham, Glass, Morris, Mortimer, Nolan & Stumpf. 6.
Nays- None.
By Alderman Stumpf: An Ordinance appropriating the sum of $20,000. to pay for water and Light furnished the City.
The Ordinance was read the first time, and on motion was referred to the Finance Committee.
By Alderman Stumpf: An Ordinance appropriating, the sum of $22,187.50 to pay interest due January 1st. 1900. on Water and Light bonds of the City. The Ordinance was read the first time and on motion was referred to the Finance Committee. by the following, Vote:
Yeas. Aldermen, Dunham, Glass, Mortimer, and Nolan. 4.
Nays. Aldermen. Morris, and Stumpf. 2.
Alderman. Stumpf for the Finance Committee to whom was referred an Ordinance directing the City Treasurer to turn over to the Treasurer of the School Board the money realized from certain High School bonds of the City, presented a report recommending the passage of the Ordinance.
The Ordinance was read a second time. Alderman Dunham offered the following, Amendment, which was adopted. Provided that before said cement or any part thereof shall be drawn from the City treasury under this Ordinance, the Treasurer of the Board of School Trustees shall give a bond in the sum of Thirty five thousand dollars payable to the City of Austin, with three good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Board of School Trustees, conditioned that the said Treasurer shall faithfully keep and legally pay out the said money. On motion the rule was suspended and the Ordinance read a third time and passed by the following Vote.
Yeas: Aldermen. Dunham, Glass, Morris, Mortimer, Nolan & Stumpf. 6.
Nays: None.
Alderman. Fischer entered the Council Chamber.
By Alderman. Mortimer, An Ordinance appropriating the sum of $450.00 to improve Lampasas St. The Ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following, Vote.
Yeas. Aldermen. Dunham, Fischer, Glass, Morris, Mortimer, Nolan & Stumpf. 7.
Nays. None.
By Alderman. Dunham, An Ordinance to prescribe rules to govern the Board of Equalization and the trial of appeals, therefrom.
The Ordinance was read the first time and on motion of Alderman Fischer was referred to the Ordinance Committee.

By Alderman Mortimer. Invitation of East Austin Hose Co. No 4. to the City Officials and their families to attend their "Annual New Years Ball" to be given on Monday January 1st. 1900.
On Motion the invitation was accepted and the Clerk directed to return the thanks of the Council.
By Alderman Fischer. Petition of Citizens to extend and increase the the width of the side walk on each side of East 12th Street, between Lavaca and Rio Grande Streets.
Read and referred to the Street Committee.
On Motion the Council adjourned.

Jno. O. Johnson
City Clerk.

Called Meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas. Dec: 20th 1899.

Hon: Jno: D. McCall, Mayor presiding.

Roll Call

Roll Called

Present, Aldermen. Morris and Stumpf. .2.
Absent, Aldermen, Dunham, Fischer, Glass, Mortimer & Nolan. .5.
No quorum being present, Alderman Morris moved to adjourn untill 7.30. O'Clock P.M. Dec: 21st. 1899.
Which motion prevailed.

Jno. O. Johnson
City Clerk.

Adjourned Called Meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas Dec: 21st. 1899.

Hon: Jno: D. McCall. Mayor presiding.

Roll Called

Present, Aldermen. Fischer, Morris and Stumpf. .3.
Absent, Aldermen. Dunham, Glass, Mortimer and Nolan. .4.
Alderman Fischer moved Call of the Council. Carried.
and the Marshal directed to bring in the absentees.

Twenty fifteen minutes.

Called to order.
The Marshal reported he was unable to find absentees.

Roll Called

Present: Aldermen. Fischer Morris, and Stumpf. .3.
Absent: Aldermen. Dunham Glass, Mortimer and Nolan. .4.
Alderman, Fischer moved to adjourn. Carried

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