

Regular Meeting of the City Council  
Austin Texas Feb'y 19<sup>th</sup> 1900

Hon Geo. D. Weale Mayor presiding  
Roll Called

Present Aldermen Fischer & Stumpf 2

Absent Aldermen Dunham Glass Morris

Martinez and Nolan 5

On Motion of Alderman Fischer the Council  
adjourned. until 8 o'clock P.M. Friday Feb'y 23<sup>rd</sup> 1900

Geo. O. Johnson  
City Clerk.

Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council  
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Roll Called

Present Alderman Dunham Glass, <sup>Morris</sup> Mortimer Stumpf 5  
Absent Aldermen Fischer & Nolen 2

On Motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the clerk without reading

Petitions memorials etc

Pet Buchanan Foundry lot put in wagon scale By Alderman Morris - Petition of the Buchanan Foundry Co for permission to put in a wagon scale on Guadalupe and between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> streets. On motion the petition was granted the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer.

Pet Williams & Redd to put in wagon scale By Alderman Stumpf - Petition of Williams & Redd for permission to put in a wagon scale corner Guadalupe & 7<sup>th</sup> streets. On motion the petition was granted the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer.

Pet Wymetry dam across Bull Creek The Mayor laid before the Council the petition of W J Mabry et al regarding a dam which is being erected across Bull Creek by W L Champion and protesting against same. On Motion the petition & protest was referred to the Water Light Committee and the City Attorney.

A.C. Ellis for building permit Fire limits By Alderman Morris. Application of A.C. Ellis for permission to erect a shed within the fire limits - Read and referred to the Fire Commissioners

Unfinished business

Expatriation Court The Mayor laid before the Council the Expatriation Court ordinance which was laid on the table subject to call

Ord appor \$10,000. St work read 2<sup>nd</sup> time The Mayor then laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$10,000. for street work. The ordinance was read the second time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place it upon its third reading which motion was lost by the following vote

Yeas Alderman Dunham Glass & Mortimer 3  
Nays Alderman Morris & Stumpf 2

Alderman Nolen entered the Council Chamber

Annual Message The Mayor laid before the Council the following Message which was ordered printed in the minutes without reading

Mayors Office Austin Texas Feb 19, 1900

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the reports of the various City Officers for the fiscal year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1899. Owing to the fact that the new Charter changed the fiscal year to end with the Calendar Year, the period embraced in these reports covers thirteen months instead of twelve, including December 1898. Every citizen of Austin is entitled to full information

concerning the affairs of the City, and it is his duty to fully inform himself that he may the better aid in promoting the public welfare. To this end it is proper that he should discuss public policies, and no one can object to his so doing, so long as he is fair in his statements and accords to every other citizen the privilege he claims for himself. When he finds that he has been misled or misinformed it is his duty to himself and to the public to hasten to correct the error.

All men may join in sincere veneration for the great principle of justice, and no true citizen will ever attempt to thwart her will. And while fair and rational criticism promotes truth, yet bickering and petty fault-finding can have but one result: the wheels of progress are clogged, and the respect which should mark our estimate of our fellow man is turned into suspicion, fear and contempt. When wrong creeps into public policy, as it will, then let the public rise in their sovereign right and correct it! All of which may be done without reviling, petty accusation and personal affronts.

Austin should be abreast if not in advance of every city in Texas. Endowed by nature with advantages and beauties not possessed by any city in this peerless state, and enjoying the distinction of being the Capital City of the state, we might all feel that her opportunities are second to none.

Here reside the Governor, the heads of the various departments of state, the Justices of the Supreme Court, here are the public buildings. Here assemble both branches of the law-making power, and here is the objective point of our own states distinguished citizens as well as of strangers from every clime and land.

Here is the great granite dam, one of the engineering feats of the world, with its consequent incomparable water and light-system. Here is one of the most magnificent public school systems to be found anywhere, and the cap-stone of all, our grand state university. Where do you find another city so richly favored, and strange though it be, where is there another citizenship so lethargic, so dead to its blessings and opportunities.

If we would but awaken from our Rip Van Winkle sleep, grasp the situation as one man, we would in my judgment be absolutely astonished at the result.

Our people should work in harmony not only with themselves, but with the powers that be, which surround them.

Be genial with the state officers, with the members of the legislature, with the strangers within our gates.

There is but one way to make people friendly, and that is to obey the injunction of scripture and "show yourself friendly."

Friendliness and politeness pay better than any investment we can make. Most people like a little attention, in fact I am not averse to some of it myself.

The City of Austin is not in a bad Condition, notwithstanding the sensational rumors which are industriously kept in circulation. She has a large debt to be done, but proportionately no greater than many other cities; and when we come to consider what we have to show for this debt, I can but feel that the City did a wise thing when she incurred the debt which gave to her the splendid system of water works and electric lights. To be sure it has increased the taxes of our large property holders, but the universal benefit which has accrued to the people at large is more than an offset, while the increased taxation is but temporary and the investment will soon begin to return with liberal dividends.

For 1889 I paid City Taxes \$712<sup>50</sup>; for 1898 I paid \$138.25, an increase by reason of the dam of \$67.66. This at a glance looks as though it works a hardship, but when you consider the great benefit derived by myself and others from the dam on account of the cheapness of water and light rates, I feel that I am more than compensated for the increase. Soon the dam will be self supporting and then we will all be glad that we suffered this temporary hardship that we might enjoy this lasting blessing and have something to benefit our children, which will stand an eternal monument to our wisdom and providence. No great undertaking was ever accomplished without vexation and delay, but great undertakings ever justify all the sacrifice claimed by them, and I feel entirely confident that no man of sound business judgment can feel otherwise than I do on this subject after he has carefully investigated and considered all the facts connected therewith.

The bonded debt on November 30<sup>th</sup> 1897 on account of the dam was \$200,000 6% bonds, and \$1,305,000 of 5% bonds, total water and light bonds outstanding \$1,505,000. Since that time there has been purchased and cancelled by the City \$13,000 5% bonds for the sinking fund, water and light bonds; \$9,000 5% bonds have been purchased by the City as an investment for sinking fund of old bonds issued prior to May 1<sup>st</sup> 1890. There has also been purchased by the City as an investment for the sinking fund \$10,000 5% high school bonds making a total of \$32,000 5% bonds purchased by the City. There has also been paid a judgement due the Austin Water, Light and Power Co, for water and light actually furnished the City for the years 1893, 1894 and 1895, amounting to \$30,544 with interest at 6%. This indebtedness was paid as follows: March 8<sup>th</sup> 1898 \$11,449.38, August 17<sup>th</sup> 1898, \$11,700.52, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1899 \$11,948.25, total \$35,098.15. There was also due by the City to her Water, Light and Power Plant for water light furnished to Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 1897, \$13,636.00, on which a payment of \$6,038.44 was made Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1899, leaving a balance due of \$7,597.56. The balance in the hands of the City Treasurer on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1900, subject to appropriation out of which this claim had to be paid was \$39,935.37. When this debt is paid it will show

that the City's indebtedness has been decreased since 1897 as follows: bonds purchased and cancelled \$13,000, bonds purchased as an investment for the sinking fund \$10,000; amount of judgment due Austin Water, Light and Power Co \$35,098.15; amount due the City Plant for water & light furnished prior to Nov 30 1897 \$13,636.00 Total \$80,734.15. I think the City of Austin is to be congratulated that she has been enabled to reduce her debt during the two years \$80,734.15, and at the same time been enabled to pay the current expenses of the City government. The total amount in the hands of the City Treasurer, represented by the balance of the various funds is \$66,805.11. In view of the fact that not one dollar of the 1898 taxes have been collected, this is indeed a splendid showing.

#### Report of the Assessor and Collector

Amounts collected on account of general revenue, Taxes of 1898 and previous years. \$87,518.82; license tax \$11,202.55; fines in Recorder's and Mayor's Court \$249.25; Receipts from found fees and sales \$457.90; receipts from penalties, interest and costs on taxes \$2192.1; dog tax \$635.00; sale of mules \$800.00; amount paid by private patients at City Hospital \$163.00; receipts from County for Hospital \$2000.00 Total.

Amounts collected on account of general revenue from December 1st 1898 to December 31st 1899, \$106,718.83 Collections on account of interest and sinking fund on Water Light bonds \$61,337.32. Amount of collections for interest on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890 \$6325.26; Total amounts collected by the Assessor and Collector from all sources, including \$33,365.46 School Tax \$207,746.87

#### Report of the City Treasurer

Balance on hand December 1st 1898, \$11,537.52 of the General fund, Amount received during the year from the Assessor and Collector \$106,718.83; amount received from sale of High School bonds \$45,600.00; Total amount of cash passing through the hands of the City Treasurer on account of the general fund during the year \$163,856.35; disposed of as follows: Turned over to the Treasurer of the School board, proceeds of High School bonds \$45,600.00; amount paid Austin Water, Light and Power Company for third installment of judgment \$11,948.25; amount paid Water and Light Commission for water and light furnished \$6038.44; amount paid for the ordinary expenses of the City government including salaries, Sanitary department, Fire department, Street department, Hospital, Meals for City prisoners \$60,334.29; balance on hand January 1st 1899 \$39,935.37. Total \$163,856.35.

Interest and sinking fund Water, and Light bonds, balance on hand December 1st 1898, \$18,157.18. Receipts from Assessor & Collector during the year \$61,337.32; receipts from the Water Light Commission on account of earnings fund \$14,038.44; Total amount passing through the hands of the Treasurer during the year \$93,532.94, disposed of as follows: paid interest on bonds \$76,750.00, purchase of \$10,000 High School bonds \$10,100.00, balance on hand January 1st 1899 \$6,682.94 Total \$93,532.94

Interest on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890 Balance on hand December 1st 1898 \$7,298.42 Receipts during the year from the Assessor and Collector on account of taxes \$6,325.26; Receipts interest on \$6,000. 5% bonds \$300. Total amount in the hands of the Treasurer during the year \$13,923.68, disposed of as follows: paid interest on bonds \$4350. expenses and interest on bonds purchased \$620, balance on hand January 1st 1900 \$3,567.48, in cash, and \$6,000 5% bonds, Total \$13,923.68

Earnings fund, Water Works and electric light system. Balance on hand December 1st 1898, \$9,127.43 Receipts during the year from the Superintendent of the plant \$79,609.31: Total amount in the hands of the City Treasurer during the year \$88,736.74, disposed of as follows: Amount paid interest on bonds, cost of third filtering Trench, Meters, payments on new pump and Motor, electrical extensions, Water extensions, Salaries, and maintenance of plant \$86,119.42; balance on hand January 1st 1900, \$2,617.32, Total \$88,736.74

The balances of the various funds in the hands of the City Treasurer on January 1st 1900 were as follows: General fund \$39,935.37 Interest on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890, Cash \$3,567.48 and 5% bonds \$6,000. Interest fund Water and Light bonds \$2,750.30 Sinking fund Water and Light bonds \$3,934.64 Cash and \$10,000. 5% bonds; Earnings fund Water and Light Plant \$2,617.32 Total amount in the hands of Treasurer \$68,805.11

#### Report of the Chief of the Fire Department

This report shows there are seven Companies with a membership of 325 men They have five horse wagons, one horse carriage, one horse and ladder truck, one Solby engine in reserve, each apparatus being drawn by two horses except horse and ladder truck which is drawn by three horses The horses and the harness are the property of the five Companies The total value of the property of the Companies is \$40,521.53 Of this amount the City owns \$27,541.05, and the Companies own the balance, \$12,980.50 The Department has on hand 7250 feet of hose. The number of fires attended during the year 51; Number of false alarms 32; Number of runs during the year 83 Value of property involved by fire \$144,615. Loss of property \$42,113.50 Amount saved property holders, \$99,492.50. Insurance on property \$37,325. Insurance paid \$17,557.85. Amount saved Insurance Companies \$19,773.15 The 325 members of the Company are volunteer firemen with the exception of the seven drivers and one Tillamaw, who are paid regular salaries by the City

#### Report of the City Physician

Total patients admitted to the Hospital during the year 227 Total dismissed 189. Deaths during the year 26. Visits to paupers 1664 Number of prescriptions given 3616. Cases of diphtheria 13. Cases of scarlet fever 5. Cases of smallpox 5. No epidemics

#### Report of the City Doctor

This report shows our interments: by death 221, still born 11, premature 5, White 201 Colored 2. Mexican 14; Males 140 females 107; deaths to the age of 5 years 82; from 5 years to 20-20 twenty to forty 40; forty to six 4-48;

July to eighty - 8, eighty to one hundred 11. Remains shipped for burial 8.

#### City Clerk's report

This report shows the total amount of warrants drawn for all purposes to be \$230,097.50, as follows. Ordinary expenses of the <sup>city</sup> government \$65,310.81; Amount paid the old Water Company for water and light \$11,948.25; Amount paid the water and Light Commission for water and light \$6,038.44; Amount paid City School Treasurer, proceeds of sale of High School bonds \$45,600.00; Amount paid interest on water and Light bonds \$76,750.00; Amount paid for purchase of 5% High School bonds \$10,100.00; Amount paid interest on bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890 \$4,950.00;

There have been 395 "Building Permits" issued amounting to \$194,286.50.

There have been 21 regular meetings, and 17 called meetings of the City Council

There have been presented 78 Petitions and Memorials  
There have been 140 ordinances presented, and 118 ordinances passed.

There have been 1007 accounts audited

#### Report of the Recorder and Mayor's Court

This report shows 846 cases filed, 669 convictions 125 acquittals, 39 dismissed, and 18 not tried, two appeals pending  
Fines imposed \$4155.

#### Report of the City Marshal

This report shows fines collected on account of Recorder and Mayor's Court \$2461.75 Amounts worked out on the street and in prison \$1562, and due to escapes and appeals \$181.25  
Amount received from the City pound \$825.30. Of this amount \$428.60 was deposited in the City Treasury and \$396.70 paid to the keeper of the pound. There were 212 cattle impounded during the year, 200 horses, 30 mules, 6 donkeys, 18 hogs and 3 dogs.

In conclusion, I beg to say that all these reports give valuable information. I also take this occasion to thank the Aldermen, the officers and employees of the City for their assistance and the uniform courtesy they have shown me; All of which is sincerely appreciated

Respectfully submitted

J. W. D. McCall Mayor.

Ord. disposition  
Increased dead  
Animals

By Alderman Glass An ordinance to regulate the disposition of the dead bodies and carcasses of certain animals within the corporate limits of the city, or within one thousand yards thereof. The ordinance was read the first time and was on motion referred to the Sanitary Committee

Alderman Fischen entered the Council Chamber  
Alderman Glass offered the following resolution

Whereas suit has been brought by the Water and Light Commission of the City of Austin in the District Court of Travis County

As to employ  
Council in the  
suit but by  
with Commission  
Now, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin;  
that the Water and Light Committee be and it is hereby  
instructed to negotiate for the employment of such Counsel  
to act in connection with the City Attorney as may be deemed  
sufficient to properly represent the City in above mentioned  
suit, and with as little cost as possible, and to report to the  
Council the result of its action at the next meeting.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Mortimer & Nolan 4  
Nays Aldermen Fischer Morris & Stumpf 3

On granting  
H. M. Aubrey &  
P. E. Smith  
Telephone franchise.  
By Alderman Dunham An Ordinance granting to H. M. Aubrey  
and P. E. Smith their associates and assigns the right to build,  
maintain and operate a system of telephones, or telephone exchange  
in the City of Austin etc

On Motion the ordinance was referred to the ordinance  
Committee and the City Attorney without reading

On to permit  
owners of Real  
Estate to redeem  
property sold  
for taxes  
By Alderman Dunham An ordinance to permit owners  
of property purchased by the City at foreclosure sale for taxes to  
redeem the same within sixty days by paying the amount  
of such taxes as well as all other taxes due the City, on such property  
together with six per cent interest thereon from date of sale

The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the  
rule was suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by  
the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer Nolan  
& Stumpf 7  
Nays None.

The ordinance was then read the second time.

Amended  
Alderman Fischer moved to amend the caption and the body of the  
ordinance by inserting the words "Costs and penalties" after word "taxes"

The Amendment was adopted and the ordinance as amended was  
then passed under a suspension of the rule by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer Nolan  
& Stumpf 7  
Nays None.

By Board of Equalization  
for new City  
map  
By Alderman Morris. A communication from the Board of Equalization  
submitting a proposition from the Austin Real Estate and Abstract Co to  
publish a new and correct map of the City of Austin

The communication and proposition were read and on motion  
Ed Tracy of the Board of Equalization was invited to address the Council  
on the matter which he did - After which the whole matter was  
on motion referred to the Finance Committee

By Alderman Mortimer. An Ordinance appropriating the sum of  
\$50.00 for the purpose of improving certain streets in the City

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

\$712000 Appropriation  
 Bd Equalization

By Alderman Fischer An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$712000 to pay the Per diem of the Board of Equalization. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Blunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer  
 (Nolen & Stumpff) 7  
 Nays None

Annual Report  
 W. H. Patterson

The Mayor laid before the Council the annual report of the Water & Light Commission, which was on motion ordered printed in the minutes of the Council, and the reading of same dispensed with

The following is the report

Austin Texas December 31st 1899

To the Honorable City Council:  
 City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Complying with Section 105 of the Charter of the City of Austin, we herewith submit a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Water, Light and Power Plants for the thirteen months ending December 31st, 1899; and as the report of this Commission, we herewith transmit the report made to us by Wm. H. Patterson, Superintendent, for this period.

Herein, also, is a statement of the amount due by the City to this department for water and light to this date; and of the amount due by consumers that have been garnished

Austin Texas December 31st 1899

How Water Light Commission

Present

Gentlemen:

Herewith I beg to hand you my report of the operations, receipts, disbursements and earnings of the Water and Light Plant for the thirteen months ending December 31st 1899, which is as follows: The new six Million, with 300 H.P. synchronous motor was received on August 22nd, and erected and started for regular work on November 20th 1899. The amount of this contract is \$29,380.

Filtering Branch No 3. was completed and accepted by the Commission on April 29th 1899, the contract price being \$7199.00

The following pipe has been bought and run during the year

Size	No of feet	
1/2 inch	38	Wrought Iron
3/8 "	30	" "
3/4 "	9071	" "
1 "	3496	" "
1 1/2 "	19	" "
2 "	3280	" "
2 1/2 "	20	" "
3 "		" "
Total feet	15896	" "

The following wire has been bought and run during the year

Size	No of Miles
No. 1	7.15
" 4	.25
" 8	.44
" 10	.22
" 00	.10

Making a total of 8.16 miles

During this period the water was over the crest of the dam 172 days, and below the crest 198 days. The maximum height over was 9.8 feet on June 7<sup>th</sup> 1899; and the maximum below was 10.68 feet on March 29<sup>th</sup> 1899

Statement of Consumers of Water, Light and Power, Gained and Lost for 13 months ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1899

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Light Consumers.

Inandescent Light Consumers to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1898	1229
New Applications 127, Renewals 288	415
Cut off, for Vacancy 226, Nonpayment 56, Request 140	422
Showing a decrease of 7 to December 31 <sup>st</sup> 1899, and a total of	1222

Inandescent Lamps Installed

Number of 16 C.P. Inandescent Lamps Installed	14408
" " 20 " " " "	2
" " 25 " " " "	168
" " 32 " " " "	222
" " 50 " " " "	20

Arc Lamps

Arc Lamps in use by private Consumers to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1898	46
New Applications 16, Renewals 27	43
Cut off.	89
	34
	55

Arc Lamps in use by the City on the Streets

Showing an increase of 9 to December 31 <sup>st</sup> 1899, and a total of	193
	248

Water Consumers.

Number of Water Consumers to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1898	2597
New Applications 271, Renewals 635	906
Cut off, Vacancy 329, Nonpt 139, Request 81, Summen-Takes 75	624
Showing an increase of 182 to December 31 <sup>st</sup> 1899, and a total of	2779

Motors on three Phase Circuit

There were 33 motors on the three-phase circuit, ranging from 1/4 H.P. to 300 H.P., aggregating 262 H.P., which is an increase of 40 H.P. to December 31<sup>st</sup> 1899, including 15 H.P. motor in use at the City Manual Training School.

Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Water Works Electric Light and Power Plant of the City of Austin, for Twelve Months ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1899. To wit:

## Cash Collections

	Water	Light	Power	Meters Meters Rate	Potaw
December 1898	\$3308.89	\$3135.83	\$1174.78	\$59.35	\$7678.85
January 1899	2432.59	3401.70	1220.04	43.15	7097.48
February "	1613.46	2781.84	977.18	42.00	5364.48
March "	3294.68	1755.81	1711.73	65.20	6827.42
April "	1995.16	412.36	57.88	95.35	2554.75
May "	1593.23	1633.37	952.60	203.45	4382.65
June "	4531.83	2863.10	1629.84	105.25	9130.02
July "	2104.34	2573.20	1394.65	171.20	6243.39
August "	1925.10	2358.10	500.18	162.35	4945.73
September "	2992.38	1968.83	457.41	18.70	5337.32
October "	2436.29	844.70	414.34	82.51	3777.84
November "	1953.93	1400.77	445.14	158.35	3958.19
	\$30081.88	\$25079.61	\$10909.77	\$1206.86	\$67298.12
Paid by City	2874.66	3163.78			6038.44
Total, 12 mos	\$32956.54	\$28243.39	\$10909.77	\$1206.86	\$73336.56
December 1899	2956.86	2969.19	318.10	73.05	6317.20
Total, 13 mos	\$35913.40	\$32212.58	\$11247.87	\$1279.91	\$79653.76

## Disbursements

For operating expenses, including salaries, repairs, maintenance etc  
Electrical expenses.

H. H. & Ry Co, Freight-bills	\$409.75
St. Hill, Photographs of Pumping Plant	5.00
J. P. & Bay McDonald, Lumber	8.60
St. Channon Company, Manilla rope etc	336.24
Standard Carbon Co, one car load of Carbons,	985.68
G. P. Anderson, Lubricating Oil,	21.60
M. A. Burke, Electrical Supplies,	4.57
Champion Refining Co. Oil,	10.75
Geo. H. Childs, Chemicals for batteries etc,	19.10
St. Wayne Electric Corporation, Machinery	410.85
Fischer & Bro., Charcoal, Wood etc,	35.67
W. A. Glass, Hauling,	23.00
General Electric Co, Electric supplies,	96.15
Frank Heierman & Bro, Foundry work,	24.15
Chas. E. Lamm, Machinist-work,	2.00
S. W. Tel & Tel Co, Telephones,	18.00
Leagarden & Shumate, Sundries,	1.35
Thompson, Blacksmithing,	12.50
Walter Pils, Hardware	376.94
Walters Pierce Oil Co, Oil & waste,	216.99
Joe C. Wood, Rent of barge,	19.50
Job N. Ry Co, Freight bills,	66.57
Adams Bagnall Electric Co, Arc Lamp Globes,	8.44
Heston Electrical Instrument Co, Repairs,	21.61
Commercial Electrical Supply Co, Supplies,	37.00

Austin Electrical Supply Co,	Arc Lamps.	\$ 10.00
Phoenix Glass Co,	Arc Lamp Globes	55.50
Moreland & Willen	Paints, Brushes etc	2.75
Nalle Co,	Lumber for headgates	124.00
J.A. Jackson,	Rent of surveying instrument	5.00
D.P. Kinney,	Rent of box for poles	48.00
W.P. Wraefow,	Rubber sink for work at dam	4.50
Haldeman Co	Lumber & material	229.5
John McDonald	Boat hire at dam	13.12
Calcasieu Lumber Co,	Lumber & material	12.80
Alexson Car Wheel Co,	Repair & machine work	123.60
The A Harbrough Co,	Lubricating Oil	5.62
H.B. Willen,	Rent of utensils surveying	4.50
Austin White Line Co	Line etc	2.00
Stillewell Pierce & Smith Vail Co.		7.00
J. O'Donnell,	Repairs at Power House	35.00
Pay Rolls.		13,267.22
Contingent account, Miscellaneous		636.69
" " Labor		<u>395.92</u>

Total Electrical expenses for 12 months ending Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 1899. \$ 17,888.12

Water expenses.		
J.P. & W.R. Co,	Freight bills	\$ 46.62
St. Hill	Photography	5.00
Contingent account, Miscellaneous		297.45
" " Labor		756.13
J.P. & Ray McDonald,	Planing mill work	33.05
W.A. Bunk	Plumbing supplies	12.70
Champion Refining Co.	Oil	10.75
W.A. Glass	Hauling	8.00
General Electric Co,	Material for repairs	59.18
Frank Heismann & Bro.	Foundry work	2.50
St. Radky	Iron bolts	1.00
St. Walzel Co	Telephones	42.00
Seagarden & Humate,	Sundries	.50
R. Thompson	Blacksmithing	21.50
Walter Sifu	Hardware & sundries	499.61
Walters Pierce Oil Co.	Oil & waste	145.96
W.P. Wraefow,	Slackon sink	6.50
Joe Moden	Rent of Raft	19.50
Falls Rivet & Machine Co,	Pulleys etc	63.00
E.E. Samar	Machinist work	4.00
Wm. H. Childs	Drugs etc	.25
Ficken & Bro,	Food, Charcoal etc.	23.43
Moreland & Willen,	Paint	1.10
Frank Heismann & Bro	Foundry work	44.42
Nalle Co	Lumber for repairs headgates	124.00
J.A. Jackson	Rent of surveying instrument	5.00
Forward		<u>22,34.15</u>

\$ 17,888.12

Wrate forward	\$ 2234.15	\$17,888.12
Geo. A. Webb & Bro Pipe fittings	13.25	
Haldeman & Co Lumber & material	9.85	
Geo W. Donald for Boat hire	13.13	
Calcedon Lumber Co, Lumber etc	13.07	
Dickson Car wheel Co, Machine repair work	21.10	
The Algharborough Co, Oil	5.62	
H. B. Miller for Camping utensils on survey	4.55	
St. Atcoman Publishing Co, Plumbing notices	18.20	
Austin White Lime Co, Cement	2.00	
Hersey Mfg Co, Utens repairs for Convent	2.45	
National Utens Co, Rent of Utens (domestic A)	76.55	
Still Dence Smith Tail Co, New racks	23.76	
Henry R. Northington Rubber Pump Valves	25.50	

Pay Rolls. Total water expenses 12 mos ending Nov 30 1899 9897.95 10,371.57  
 Office expenses. Nov 30 1899

Austin Book & Stationery Co, Stationery	7.60
W. A. Burke Plumbing supplies	1.75
Seagarden & Humate Sundries	1.25
Contingent account Miscellaneous	323.39
" " Labor	7.50
Thalton Tifts Hardware etc	12.15
E. Ton Beckman Pub Co, Books & Stationery	28.35
W. A. Glass Coal	3.50
Geo. W. Mitchell Office chairs	2.25
Austin Electrical Supply Co, 16 C Lamps	10.00
Moreland & Miller Putty etc	1.00
P. Basche Forvel supply	2.00
Haldeman Co, Draftsmans Desk	18.00
Cornor Book & Stationery Co, Stationery	33.00
A. J. Zieker Coal	7.00
Austin White Lime Co, Cement for sewer	.64
Bew. B. Jones & Co Printing	7.51
Pay Rolls.	<u>6943.50</u>

Total Office Expenses 12 mos to Nov 30 1899 7,409.49

Leak at Ham	
Pay Rolls Temporary labor employed	\$ 769.38
Contingent account Miscellaneous	44.75
J. O. Bay McDonald Lumber etc	31.77
Braun & Ciemann & Bro Iron work	121.25
Thompson Blacksmithing Tools etc	11.00
Carl von Rosenberg Rent of Engine	37.00
W. A. Glass Repairing Engine, Hauling etc	20.00
E. J. Martin Sacks, Hay etc	96.55
Chas. E. Lamar Machinist work	94.75
Zieker & Bro Hay etc	1.00
Thalton Tifts Hardware & Sundries	5.75
Overhauled	<u>162.38</u>
	\$ 1286.58

\$ 37,669.18

Grain forward	\$ 296.58	\$ 37069.18
Haideman & Co. Lumber & Material	46.60	
J. W. McDonald & Co. Boat hire at Leek	13.75	
Nickson Car Wheel Co. Iron work	13.00	
Grain County Rent of Engine	21.00	
Edward Robinson, Grain Sacks	10.00	
A. J. Zien Coal for Engine	<u>81.70</u>	
Total paid on Leek, to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1899, 12 months		1473.13

Insurance		
W. A. Baswell	7.50	
Miss Annie Barnhart	15.00	
L. W. Layton	15.00	
Wm. Wellman	22.50	
Miss Sallie Seavright	22.50	
Mrs. Lillie Brown	22.50	
Alfred Smith & Co.	37.50	
W. H. Tracy W. H.	52.50	
J. H. Raymond & Co.	52.50	
W. L. Bell	60.00	
John Murray	67.50	
Bergen Daniel & Tracy	75.00	
Robert Ken	75.00	
E. J. Eggleston & Co.	<u>75.00</u>	600.00

Total Operating expenses, for 12 mos ending November 30<sup>th</sup> 1899 \$ 39742.31

Electrical Expenses for December		
J. & N. Ry Co. Freight-bills	\$ 8.70	
Port Wayne Elec. Lamp parts etc	151.08	
Falls River & Machy Co. Pulleys	41.25	
N. W. Fuse Co. Fuse Wire	12.00	
Waco Elect. Supply & Co. Poles	1.00	
Bengenon Bros. Crocus cloth	75	
Fischer & Bros Charcoal etc	1.75	
Wm. Childs Salamoniac etc	3.05	
J. & N. Ry Co. Freight-bills	36.60	
Contingent Miscellaneous	62.72	
Pay Rolls for the month	<u>1158.15</u>	

Total Electrical expenses for December 1899 \$ 1476.05

Water Expenses for December		
Austin White Lime Co. Lime	1.00	
Fraud Heismann & Bros Repair work	4.05	
J. & N. Ry Co. Freight-bills	6.30	
Fischer & Bros Bone oil, Charcoal etc	4.55	
Wm. Childs Sundries	1.00	
Contingent account miscellaneous	148.35	
Pay Rolls for the month	<u>750.00</u>	

Total Water Expenses for December 1899 \$ 1125.25

Office expenses for December		
Forward oil	\$ 262.30	\$ 3477.56

Wrote forward		\$2,621.30	\$39,742.31
Cornier Book Store Stationery	\$ 4.25		
Seagarden & Sumate Station Coolen	4.25		
Vost Dacoman Schuetz & Co Printing	15.00		
Contingent account Miscellaneous	22.80		
Pay Rolls for the month	<u>575.00</u>		
Total Office expenses for December 1899		609.50	
Leak at dam, for December 1899, Fischen & Arn.		<u>350</u>	
Total expenses for December 1899		\$ 3,234.60	<u>32,346.00</u>
Total Operating expenses, 12 months ending December 31 <sup>st</sup> 1899			\$ 42,976.41

Extensions of the Plant

Electrical Extensions			
H. & E. Co,	Freight-bills	\$178.05	
J. P. Ray & McDonald,	Cross Arms etc	26.50	
Contingent account	Miscellaneous	163.31	
H. J. Glass	Hauling	2.00	
Walter Pips	Time & Sundries	132.31	
J. & W. Co	Freight-bills	57.70	
Austin Electrical Supply Co,	Tubes etc	.70	
Merland & Millon	Paints etc	.25	
Frank Heierman & Arn	Foundry work	31.88	
Stirling Arc Lamp Co,	two arc lamps	38.00	
Western Electrical Supply Co,	arc lamp	22.50	
Haldeman Co,	Cross Arms etc	27.10	
Caccasien Lumber Co,	" " "	78.45	
General Electric Co	Transformers etc	<u>418.90</u>	

Total for 12 months to November 30<sup>th</sup> 1899 \$ 11,776.65

Water Extensions			
W. Hornschke	Lead connections	\$ 8.85	
J. P. Ray & McDonald	Lumber & Material	1.50	
Pay Rolls	Temporary labor	110.40	
Walter Pips	Pipe fittings etc	736.24	
W. H. P. Land & Town Co	4 ft Hyde Park Pipe	254.09	
Contingent account	Miscellaneous	315.40	
" "	Labor	123.10	
Frank Heierman & Arn,	Foundry Machine work	31.89	
Haldeman Co	Lumber & Material	10.60	
W. A. Burke	Pipe fittings	<u>70</u>	

Total for 12 months to November 30<sup>th</sup> 1899 1,592.77

New Pumping Station			
Contingent account	Miscellaneous	\$ 188.17	
" "	Labor	547.50	
H. & E. Co,	Freight-bill	82.80	
Caccasien Lumber Co,	Lumber	<u>12.80</u>	

Total for 12 months to November 30<sup>th</sup> 1899 207.26  
 Wrote forward \$ 3087.68



	Wrote forward	\$ 127.50	\$ 556.27	\$ 683.77
Contingent account Labor		<u>30.00</u>	157.50	
Henry A Worthington December 1899				
Albionman & Bro on new pump		\$ 265		
Paid on Pump & Motor per contract		5751.95		
Contingent account Expenses		<u>1000</u>	5765.10	
Meters December 1899				
Refunded for Meters returned			<u>52.50</u>	
Total Extensions for December 1899		\$ 6531.57	\$	<u>6531.57</u>
Total Extensions 13 months, ending December 1899			\$	41248.52
" Expenses " " " "				<u>42976.91</u>
" Disbursements " " " "			//	<u>84220.43</u>

Recapitulation

Cash on hand, per report December 31 1898			\$ 7189.74
Cash Collections			
For Water to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1899	\$ 30,081.88		
" " from the City	2874.66		
" " to December 31 1899	<u>2956.86</u>	\$ 35913.40	
" Light to November 30 1899	\$ 25,079.61		
" " from the City	3,163.78		
" " for December 31 1899	<u>2969.19</u>	31212.58	
" Power to November 30 1899	\$ 10,929.77		
" " in December 1899	<u>318.10</u>	11247.87	
" Meters, etc, to Nov 30, 99	\$ 1206.86		
" " " for December	<u>73.05</u>	1279.91	
Total Collections, 13 months to December 31 1899	\$ 79658.76		<u>79653.76</u>
			\$ 86,843.50

Disbursements

For Elec Expenses to November 30 <sup>th</sup> 99.	\$ 17,888.12		
" " " in Dec	<u>1476.05</u>	\$ 19364.17	
" Water " to Nov 30	\$ 12,371.57		
" " " in Dec	<u>1145.25</u>	13516.82	
" Office " to Nov 30.	\$ 7409.49		
" " " in Dec	<u>609.80</u>	8019.29	
" Leak at Dam to Nov 30	\$ 1473.18		
" " " " in Dec	<u>350.-</u>	1476.63	
" Insurance to Nov 30	\$ 600.00	600.00	\$ 42,976.91
" Elec Extensions to " "	\$ 1177.65		
" " " " in Dec	<u>255.75</u>	1433.40	
" Water " to Nov 30.	\$ 1592.77		
" " " " in Dec	<u>300.72</u>	1893.49	
" Pump & Station to Nov 30	267.26		
" " " " in Dec	<u>157.50</u>	424.76	
" Frisco, 142 to Nov 30	153.41	153.41	
" " " #3 to Nov 30	<u>4082.80</u>	4082.80	
" Meters " " "	1006.25		
" " " " in Dec	<u>5250</u>	1108.75	
Forwarded	\$ 14046.66	\$ 42976.91	\$ 86,843.50

Not forward	\$ 14096.66	\$ 42,976.91	\$ 56,823.57
Profit B. Huntington to Nov 30, 1899	\$ 7159.76		
" " in Accor "	5765.10	- 12924.86	
" Interest on Pump to Nov 30 "	183.56	183.56	
" " on bonds Tuller to 99	14038.44	14038.44	41,243.52
Total disbursements 18 Mar to Dec 31 1899		\$ 82,204.3	84,220.43
Balance on hand December 31st 1899			\$ 2,623.07

X Garnished Accounts

The following are the Amounts due and Collectible in this year, on Garnished Accounts, and do not appear in the foregoing Statement of Cash Collections

	Water	Light	Power	Total
Austin Rapid Transit Ry Co	\$ 6.75	\$ 30.50	\$ 2358.72	\$ 2395.97
Austin Dam & Suburban Ry Co.	9.00	83.85	645.00	737.85
Ben. L Jones Co.	2.50	118.98	262.65	384.13
" " " "				15.00
Calcaisen Lumber Co	<u>3.00</u>	<u>3.30</u>	<u>140.07</u>	<u>146.37</u>
Totals	\$ 21.25	\$ 236.63	\$ 3216.44	\$ 3679.32

The City's Account

Amount due to November 30 1898, as per Statement	\$ 24,957.50
Due for Water Light to December 31st 1899	<u>16,257.00</u>
	\$ 41,208.50

Credits

By Lights being shut off	\$ 2,256.31
" Amount paid on account in September	<u>6,038.44</u>
Balance due December 31st 1899	\$ 32,913.75

The following are the Earnings of the Plant for the year ending November 30th 1899, Town

	Water	Light	Power	Miscel	Totals
December 1898	\$ 2592.27	\$ 3306.14	\$ 1178.39	\$ 59.35	\$ 7036.15
January 1899	2703.05	3448.74	1180.64	43.15	7375.58
February	2639.85	2206.96	976.61	42.00	5855.42
March	2643.29	1074.70	578.77	65.20	4301.96
April	2633.24	201.13	641.37	95.35	3561.09
May	2648.91	3048.79	1439.96	203.45	7341.11
June	2669.59	2525.17	1418.52	105.25	6718.53
July	2613.80	2451.45	1468.17	171.20	6704.62
August	2704.93	3026.15	1508.49	162.35	6901.92
September	2586.60	2013.56	836.23	18.70	5489.59
October	2652.60	284.58	522.02	82.51	3539.71
November	<u>2691.76</u>	<u>3037.00</u>	<u>1087.97</u>	<u>158.35</u>	<u>6975.18</u>
Total Earnings	\$ 231,757.84	\$ 266,158.72	\$ 1,277,714	\$ 1,206.80	\$ 718,008.1
For this period					
Due on the City	<u>8411.50</u>	<u>4133.64</u>			<u>12,545.14</u>
Total Earnings	\$ 240,169.34	\$ 270,492.36	\$ 1,277,714	\$ 1,206.80	\$ 730,553.5

Gross Business for the year ending November 30<sup>th</sup> 1899 \$84,546.00  
 Less Cash Collections for the year \$67,298.12  
 " Amount due by the City for this year 12,725.19  
 " " " on furnished accounts 2,836.70 82,880.01  
 Leaving balance due on other bills and bad accounts \$ 1,665.99

Comparative Statement of Cash Collections of the Water, Light and Power Plant for the past three years.

	Year ending November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1897		Year ending November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1898		Year ending November 30 <sup>th</sup> 1899	
	Payments	Receipts	Payments	Receipts	Payments	Receipts
Water Collected & uncollected	2007	\$27,820.04	2077	\$28,990.75	2779	\$30,081.89
Light Collected & uncollected	1080	287,835	1229	33639.29	1222	25079.61
Motors Collected & uncollected	16149	3161.13	22249	4089.99	24749	4174.40
A.D. By Collected & uncollected	6710	5779.07	12710	8163.36	8710	326.58
Meter Rental Collected & uncollected	12	2190	94	1638.00	4	4804.47
Meters Motors & Misc		1402.65		2201.16		1895.56
Total Private Business		\$67,095.64		\$78,669.55		\$70,182.24
By the City Water Light		14,964.00		14,981.50		12,745.19
Estimated loss by low water		82654.44		78,669.55		82,927.40
Worship make a total increase for this year of						<u>15,000.00</u>
						\$ 97,907.43

Disbursements

	1897.	1898	1899
Total Expenses	\$ 36,709.07	\$ 36,334.32	\$ 39,742.31
" Extensions	<u>57,821.02</u>	<u>38,724.54</u>	<u>34,711.95</u>
" Disbursements	\$94,530.09	\$ 74,968.86	\$ 74,454.26

Respectfully submitted

H. C. Patterson

Superintendent

A. N. Leitman

President, Water, Light & Power Commission

The Mayor laid before the Council a number of appeals of citizens protesting against the action of the Board of Equalization, which had been filed with the Clerk

Alderman Glass moved that the appeals and protests be referred to a special Committee consisting of Alderman Dunham Fisher Mortimer. Stump Glass, which motion prevailed

On Motion the Council adjourned until Wednesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 1900 at 8 o'clock P.M.

Jos. Johnson  
Clerk

Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council  
Austin Texas July 28<sup>th</sup> 1900

Hon Jw. D. McCall Mayor presiding  
Roll called

Present Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer  
Nolen and Stumpf 7  
Absent None

Reports of standing Committees

Report of Com  
on Nominations  
for Commission

Alderman Dunham for the Water & Light Committee to whom was referred the Mayor's nominations of A. M. Leitman & Geo. Piegel to be Water & Light Commissioners, presented a report recommending that the nominations be not confirmed. On motion the report was laid over to come up under the head of new business

W. S. Kim to  
Emplo. Council

Alderman Dunham for the Water & Light Committee to whom was referred the resolution relative to the employment of special Counsel in the suit of the Water & Light Commission vs the City for Water & Light furnished presented a report recommending the adoption of a substitute resolution proposed by the Committee

The report of the Committee was adopted by the following Vote  
Yeas Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Mortimer & Nolen 5  
Nays Alderman Morris & Stumpf 2

Daily Com on  
ord. carcasses  
of certain animals  
etc

Alderman Glass for the Committee on Sanitation & Sewerage to whom was referred an Ordinance regulating the disposition of dead bodies and carcasses of certain animals etc, presented a report recommending the passage of the ordinance. On motion the report was laid over to come up with the ordinance, under the head of unfinished business

W. S. Kim to  
Geo. Piegel  
Nominations of  
rejected

The report of the Water & Light Committee upon the Mayor's nominations for Water & Light Commissioners was called up, and Aldermen Fischer & Morris appointed as tellers - The vote was then taken and the following announced as the result of the ballot, by the tellers  
For Confirmation of Leitman & Piegel 3  
Against " " " " 4

Proposition Court  
ord called up

The Mayor announced that the nominations were not confirmed  
Alderman Fischer called up the Corporation Court Ordinance which had previously laid on the Table subject to call

Alderman Fischer moved to reconsider the vote by which the ordinance was passed to its 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, which motion prevailed by the following vote -

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Fischer . . . . . Morris Mortimer & Nolen 5  
Nays Alderman Stumpf 1

Amend. ord.  
of the  
date

Alderman Mortimer moved to amend Sec 3 of the ordinance by striking out "January 1<sup>st</sup>" and inserting "April 2<sup>nd</sup>" thus making the time fixed for the taking effect of the ordinance April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1900  
The Amendment was adopted. Alderman Morris moved to amend to strike out section 6 which motion was lost by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Fischer & Morris 2

Ord. passed

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Mortimer & Nolan 5  
 Nays Aldermen Morris & Stumpf 2

Resolution to employ J. H. Gregory to assist suit vs. Commissioner vs. City

The following resolution offered by the Water & Light Committee as a substitute for the resolution referred to them was read & it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the Water & Light Committee of the Council be and is hereby instructed to engage the services of J. H. Gregory to assist the City Attorney in defending the suit recently instituted against the City by the Water, Light and Power Commission; and said Committee is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City, a contract with Mr. Gregory for his services in said case on the terms and conditions named below, viz: Said services are to continue until the final termination of the litigation named, and the City is to pay therefor a fee of \$500. to be divided into two equal installments, the first installment to become due and payable when the contract is executed and the last installment to become due and payable when the suit is finally terminated.

Adopted

The resolution was adopted by the following vote  
 Yeas Aldermen Dunham Glass Mortimer & Nolan 4  
 Nays Aldermen Fischer Morris & Stumpf 3

Ord. regulating disposition carcasses certain animals

The ordinance to regulate the disposition of dead bodies and carcasses of certain animals etc; together with the report of the Sanitary Committee thereon, was laid before the Council and read the second time.

Amended

Alderman Morris moved to amend the ordinance by adding at the end of section 2, the following words "which money shall be paid into the City Treasury" The amendment was adopted and the ordinance as amended was passed under a suspension of the rule by the following vote

Passed

Yeas Aldermen Dunham Fischer Glass Morris Mortimer Nolan & Stumpf 7  
 Nays None

Ord. approp. \$500 to pay Gregory

By Alderman Dunham an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$500. to pay attorneys fee of J. H. Gregory in the case of the Water, Light and Power Commission vs the City of Austin. The ordinance was read the first time.

\$1500 to build foot bridge

By Alderman Mortimer an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$1500. to rebuild the foot bridge on East 10th Street across Keller Creek.

Passed

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

Alderman Dunham offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted

Resolved that the Water, Light and Power Commission be instructed to supplement the annual report filed by them for the year ending December 31st 1899, by reporting to the Council the amount of indebtedness incurred by them during the year 1899 which was unpaid on the said 31st day of December 1899 as required by Section 105 of the City Charter  
Alderman Mortimer moved that hereafter the Council meet at 8 o'clock P.M. instead of 7<sup>30</sup> o'clock P.M., which motion prevailed.

Resolved that the Water, Light and Power Commission be instructed to supplement the annual report filed by them for the year ending December 31st 1899, by reporting to the Council the amount of indebtedness incurred by them during the year 1899 which was unpaid on the said 31st day of December 1899 as required by Section 105 of the City Charter  
Alderman Mortimer moved that hereafter the Council meet at 8 o'clock P.M. instead of 7<sup>30</sup> o'clock P.M., which motion prevailed.

On Motion the Council adjourned  
J. O. Johnson  
City Clerk