

Regular Meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas Dec 16th 1901

Hon R. E. White Mayor presiding
Roll called

Present Aldermen. Crocker Davis Low Maddox
Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate
Stumpf & Ulich 12
Absent Alderman Hume 1

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

Petitions Memorials etc

Pet 9 + 4 NRR By Alderman Maddox - Petition of the NRR for permission
for permission to to maintain a runway - Read and on motion referred
maintain runway to the Streets Committee

Pet Mrs Alfshy By Alderman Shelley Petition of Mrs Alfshy asking
found fees to have found fees refunded. Read and on motion
referred to the Committee on claims & accounts

C. E. Campbell By Alderman Stumpf - Petition of C. E. Campbell
found fees asking to have certain found fees refunded. Read and
on motion referred to the Committee on claims & accounts

John McCorven By Alderman Redd Petition of John McCorven asking that
found fees certain found fees paid by him be refunded.
Read and on motion referred to the Committee on
claims & accounts

Mrs A. B. Harrell By Alderman Schneider Petition of Mrs A. B. Harrell to
found fees have certain found fees remitted. Read and on motion
referred to the Committee on claims & accounts

Wray Bros to By the Mayor Petition of Wray Bros asking that the assessment
reduce assessment of Wray Bros for the years 1899, 1900 & 1901. as fixed by the
Board of Equalization be reduced to the amount as fixed by
them. Read and on motion referred to the Committee
on claims & accounts

Joace Bledsoe By Alderman Mortimer Petition of Joace Bledsoe asking
found fees that certain found fees paid by him be refunded.
Read and on motion referred to the Committee on
claims & accounts

M. E. Granbury By Alderman Shelley Petition of M. E. Granbury asking
found fees to have certain found fees paid by him refunded.
Read and on motion referred to the Committee on
claims & accounts

Reports of City Officers

Reports City The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the
Officers City Marshal for the month of Nov 1901, and that of the
Water & Light Commission for the quarter ending
Sept 30 1901 which were on motion referred to their
appropriate committees without reading.

Reports of various Committees

Richardson now for the Claims and Accounts Committee

Rep. & ...
Pet. S. R. Fisher

to whom was referred an Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$500. to pay the fee of S. R. Fisher Esq. in the case of E. L. Bartholomew Receiver vs the City of Austin, in the Supreme Court of the United States, presented a report recommending the passage of the ordinance

S. H. Heaven to ...

On motion the report was laid over to come up with the ordinance under the head of unfinished business Alderman Low, for the claims & accounts Committee to whom was referred the petition of S. H. Heaven for reduction of assessment presented a report stating that under the Charter the Council had no authority to remit taxes hence they recommended that the petition be not granted

L. A. Johnson damages to ...

On motion the Committee's report was adopted Alderman Low for the claims & accounts Committee to whom was referred the claim of L. A. Johnson for damages presented a report stating that the claim comes under the jurisdiction of the Water Light Commission and recommended that it be so referred The report was adopted

Rep. Motion of Hospital

Alderman Crooker for the Hospital Committee presented a report, submitting a report from the Matron of the Hospital giving a statement of amounts collected from free patients at the Hospital and of the amounts paid out by her as also the amount paid over to the Assessor & Collector of Taxes. The report was read and on motion was referred to the Finance Committee

City Engineer leave of absence

On motion the City Engineer was granted leave of absence from the 24th to the 29th of the present month

\$500 to pay fee of S. R. Fisher

Unfinished business
The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$500. for the purpose of paying the fee of S. R. Fisher Esq. for services in the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of E. L. Bartholomew Receiver vs the City of Austin The ordinance was read the second time and passed under suspension of the rule by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Low Madax Mortimer Pitcock Redd Schneider Shelby Shumate Stumpf Whit 12
Nays None

Spilling ordinance

Alderman Hume entered the Council Chamber. The Mayor laid before the Council the substitute to the spilling ordinance, offered by the ordinance Committee Alderman Shumate stated that he desired to offer an Amendment which was sent up On Motion the ordinance with the substitute and the amendments were re-referred to the ordinance Committee with instructions to prepare and submit a new ordinance on the subject

New business
The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from

Pres. Nathan
University on
State Teachers
1899

the Hon W. L. Prather President of the State University
in regard to the meeting of the Texas State Teachers Association
which was read.

Alderman Nitschke offered the following resolution which was
read and unanimously adopted

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

Resolution
inviting State
Teachers Assn to
meet in Austin
in 1902

Section 1 That a cordial invitation be and is hereby extended to
the Teachers Association of Texas to hold its annual Convention
for the year 1902 in this City

Section 2. That the Teachers of the state are hereby assured
that should the above invitation be accepted, they will
be provided while in Austin with suitable quarters in
which to transact the business of their association, and will
receive a hearty welcome by the Citizens of Austin, the
faculty and students of the University, and the various
State Officers and employees residing in Austin

Section 3. That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit
a copy of this resolution to the President of said Association,
and to request on behalf of the City of Austin that same be
submitted to the Convention which will soon convene in the
City of Waco.

Resolution to
increase width
of sidewalks on
Congress Avenue

Alderman Nitschke offered the following resolution
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that
the Street Committee and City Attorney are hereby
instructed to prepare and present to the Council an
Ordinance for increasing the width of sidewalks on
Congress Avenue six feet

On Motion the resolution was adopted by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crocker Burne Low Maddox Mortimer
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate & Whit 11
Nays Aldermen Davis & Stump 2

Mayor and
City Attorney
granted leave of
Absence

On Motion the Mayor and City Attorney were granted
a leave of absence from Dec 20 1901 until Jan 20 1902

Alderman Maddox offered the following resolution
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin,
that the City Treasurer be and is hereby instructed to
transfer from the account of the general fund in the City
treasury to the account of the interest fund the sum
of eight hundred and fifty seven dollars.

Transfer money
from general fund
to interest fund

By Alderman Maddox An Ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$10,689.20 for the purpose of paying interest
due on outstanding bonds of the City

\$10,689.20 to
pay interest

The Ordinance was passed under suspension of
the rules in the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Burne Low Maddox Mortimer
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stump & Whit 13
Nays None

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the sum

\$150. to pay interest

of \$150. to pay interest due on bonds purchased for the sinking fund - The ordinance was read the first time, and on motion was referred to the Finance Committee

\$300. to pay salaries 1901

by Alderman Maddox an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$300 to pay salaries of officers and employees for the year 1901. The Ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen - Crooker, Davis, ^{Hump} Low, Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Ulitt 13
Nays None

approve of st Sept

By Alderman Maddox An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$195.27 to pay approved accounts street Sept. 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 - Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Ulitt 13
Nays None.

The ordinance was read the second time. Alderman Maddox moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the amount \$37.95 to pay the bill of Baldeman & Co as said bill had not been approved by the proper committees and the City Engineer.

City Engineer Sneed stated that the bill was correct but had not been approved by him for the reason that it had not been filed with the clerk, within the time prescribed by resolution of the Council.

The amendment was lost by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Maddox, Nitschke, Schneider 3
Nays Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Mortimer, Redd, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Ulitt 10

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Mortimer, Redd, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Ulitt 10
Nays Alderman Maddox, Nitschke, Schneider 3

Engineer to survey and stake off boundary line of City

Alderman Schneider offered the following resolution
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin; That the City Engineer be requested to survey and stake off the west boundary of the City lines as changed by the last City Charter which went into effect April 30th 1901, as soon as practicable to do so. And also survey the main track and side tracks situated within the limits of this City of the S & N. W. & the Austin & North Western Railway Companies
That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of fifty dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose

Alderman Schneider moved to strike out the last clause in the resolution, which proposes to appropriate fifty dollars. which motion prevailed

The resolution as amended was then adopted

Relinquish of real estate sold to City permitted to...

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance to permit owners of real estate purchased by the City of Austin at foreclosure sale to redeem the same at any time within ninety days from the taking effect of this ordinance

The Ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulitt 13
Nays None.

\$150 to pay int on bonds purchased for Sinking fund

Alderman Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$150. to pay interest on bonds purchased for the sinking fund, was referred to the Finance Committee, which motion prevailed

Alderman Shelley moved to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on its second reading, which motion prevailed by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulitt 13
Nays None.

The Ordinance was read the second time

Alderman Maddox moved to amend the ordinance by striking out that portion making the amount payable out of the "Interest fund on Water Light bonds" and inserting in lieu thereof "the interest and sinking fund of the Refunding bonds of the City of Austin" which motion prevailed and the ordinance as amended was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulitt 13
Nays None.

Approved after

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$1269.⁰⁰ to pay approved accounts -

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 Crocker Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulitt 13
Nays None

The Ordinance was read the second time

Alderman Schneider moved to amend the ordinance by striking out under the head of City Red Hospital the sum of \$14.⁰⁰ to pay the claim of P.D. Moreland for glazing etc. which motion prevailed

The Ordinance as amended was then passed

under suspension of the rule on the following Vote
 Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer
 Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulit 13
 Nays none.

\$50 to make
 Survey R.R.
 & City

By Alderman Schneider An Ordinance appropriating
 the sum of \$50. for the purpose of making boundary
 Survey of the City as specified in a resolution enacted
 this date.

The ordinance was read the first time and a motion
 made to suspend the rule and place it on its second reading
 which motion was lost by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Low Maddox Schneider
 Shelley Shumate Stumpf 8
 Nays Aldermen Hume Mortimer Nitschke Redd Ulit 5

On Motion the Council adjourned

Jno. Johnson
 City Clerk.