



Austin City Council MINUTES

For FEBRUARY 1, 1984 -- SPECIAL CALLED MEETING -- 4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, 307 West Second Street, Austin, Texas

City Council

Ron Mullen
Mayor

John Treviño, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem

Council Members
Mark Rose
Roger Duncan
Sally Shipman
Mark E. Spaeth
Charles E. Urdy

Nicholas M. Meiszer
City Manager

Elden Aldridge
City Clerk

Memorandum To:

Mayor Mullen called to order the meeting of the Council for the Special Called Meeting scheduled for 4:00 p.m. He noted the presence of all Councilmembers. Mayor Mullen announced the purpose of the meeting is to have a public hearing on the proposed zoning ordinance.

Jorge Carrasco, Acting City Manager, gave an overview of the process of the new zoning ordinance. He said the process began five years ago when Austin Tomorrow proposed as their goal a new zoning ordinance.

Donna Kristaponis referred to the January 31, 1984 memo, a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's office, which indicated changes made in the new zoning ordinance as a result of work done by the ad hoc committee after first reading of the ordinance on December 15, 1983.

The following people spoke in support of the new ordinance:

Karen McGraw, Ray Head, Nellie Dodd, David Armbrust, Ed Wendler Jr., Robert Meisel, Paul Harris, Smoot Carl-Mitchell, Daniel Traverso, Alan Kaplan, Richard Rotwok, Bodie Browning, Brooks Kassem, Dr. Jane Haney, Joyce Sabatura, Betty Phillips with out Aternate 1, 2 or 3 for older neighborhood, James Pinedo, Don Holcomb, Heloise Oppey, Ruth Reeder, Jeannette Klotz, Bert Cromack and Cecily Simms.

The following people had concerns:

Alta Willms, wants to be allowed to do what she wants with her property; Ted Hendrix, representing Austin Apartment Association, is concerned with use versus zoning, the 450' radius from the property line, and said single family zoning should not be allowed in multiple zoned area. W.P. Watts said restrictions should not be imposed on how and for what reason one sells a house and close in property should be developed for UT students. Rich Ellmer has a problem with specifics and would like to see the final draft for a 30 day study.

Michael Curry urges a compatibility study. Nick Brown wants careful thinking. Doug Nichols said there should be a grandfather clause. Gary McKenzie said costs should be anticipated. Jaman Patrick said the final date should not be January 1 because the Special Permit process is so long. James Pinedo read a letter to Council and urged adoption. Inez Huston said her property will devalue under the proposed new zoning ordinance. Will Dibrell said compatibility study should be done. Emmy Aldridge said she does not want to work through neighborhood associations for a decision on her property.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned its meeting at 6:20 p.m.