

Regular meeting of the City Council  
Austin, Texas, July 7<sup>th</sup> 1902  
Hon R. E. White Mayor presiding

Roll called  
Present Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Mortimer  
Redd Shelley Shumate Stumpff & Ueb 10  
Absent Aldermen Maddox Nitsche Schneider 3

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded  
by the clerk, without reading  
Petitions, Memorials, etc.

Pet. etc  
Mrs E J Krohn  
detaching horses  
in front of  
premises

By the Mayor communication from Mrs E J Krohn complaining  
of horses being hitched in front of her premises and asking  
that same be discontinued - Read and on motion referred  
to the Police Committee

Protect citizens  
against using  
steam on main  
R.R.

By Alderman Schneider Protest of citizens against the  
passage of an ordinance allowing the Austin Dam  
and Suburban R.R. Co to use steam as a motive power  
Read and on motion referred to the special Committee  
in charge of the ordinance

Austin Brick  
Co to open st

Alderman Maddox entered the Council Chamber  
By Alderman Maddox Petition of the Austin Brick Co  
asking that a certain street be opened for travel  
Read and on motion referred to the Street Committee

Slife for St works

By Alderman Maddox Petition of W M Slife asking that  
the amount of \$135<sup>00</sup> expended by him repairing  
streets in Hyde Park and the Speedway, be refunded to  
him. Read and referred to the Street Committee

Reports City  
Officers

Reports of City Officers

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of City Officers  
(except the Marshal) for the month of June 1902, which were  
on motion referred to their appropriate Committees  
without reading

Reports St Com

Reports of Standing Committees

Finance on  
Rpts Ass. & Collec  
& CLK

Alderman Maddox for the Finance Committee to  
whom was referred the reports of the Assessor & Collector,  
the Treasurer and the Clerk for the month of May 1902  
presented a report stating that they had been examined  
and found correct. On motion the report was adopted

R & A. on foot  
Hamilton cases

Alderman Redd entered the Council Chamber  
Alderman Low for the Committee on Claims & accounts  
to whom was referred the petition of A P Hamilton asking  
a reduction of valuation as fixed by the Board of Appraisers  
presented a report recommending that the petition be  
granted and the Assessor & Collector directed to issue  
Receipts for taxes in accordance with the report of the  
Committee -

On motion the Committee report was adopted  
Alderman Stumpff for the ordinance Committee to whom

Ord.  
Election  
Alderman  
1st Ward

was referred a resolution to order an election for Alderman of the 1st Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman Gillis, for presented a report recommending that the resolution do not pass, for the reason that within the next three months the vacancy can be filled by the Council, without the expense of an election-

Hospital  
Physicians & Matron  
reports

On motion the report of the Committee was adopted Alderman Redd. for the Hospital Committee to whom was referred the reports of the Physician & Matron for the month of May 1902, presented a report, stating that said reports had been examined and found correct. On motion the report was adopted.

Unfinished business

Ord. to pay for  
reflooring  
Colorado Bridge

Alderman Schneider moved that the Council take up and dispose of an Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 929.50 to pay for reflooring Colorado River Bridge, which motion prevailed

Alderman Nitschke entered the Council Chamber.

Alderman Maddox moved to lay the ordinance on the table, which motion prevailed by the following vote

Laid on Table

Yeas Aldermen Davis Low Maddox Mortimer Shelley Thurnall  
Strumpf 8

Nays Aldermen Grooken Hume Nitschke Redd & Schneider 5

Alderman Maddox offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted.

City attorney  
instructed  
to collect from  
Co. for hospital

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin that the City Attorney be and he is hereby directed to demand of the County Commissioners County of Travis County, all monies due by the County of Travis to the City of Austin on the Contract between the said County and City for the support of the City Hospital for prior to June 1st 1902. The City Attorney is directed in the event he fails to collect the amount due from the County, without suit, to bring suit against the County for the amount due.

Res to submit  
ord. to purchase  
out water Co  
to people.

Alderman Strumpf offered the following resolution Resolved that the ordinance introduced at this meeting to purchase the plants of the Austin Water, Light & Power Co and the City Water Company be submitted to the qualified Voters in the City of Austin who pay taxes upon property, real and personal in said City to ascertain whether they will consent thereto. Said election to be held as provided in the Charter of said City.

Be it therefore resolved that the City Attorney be and he is hereby instructed to draw up the necessary ordinance for the holding of said election

Order of day

Alderman Maddox raised the point of order that the resolution was out of order, as the ordinance mentioned in said resolution had not as yet been presented to the Council. The Mayor sustained the point of order and decided it well taken.

Alderman Strumpf appealed from the ruling of the Chair

The ruling of the Chair was sustained by the following Yea  
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd  
Schneider Shelley Shumate Ulit 9

Nays Aldermen Davis Hume Low + Shumpp 4  
By Alderman Maddox An Ordinance providing for the  
purchase of the Water, Light & Power Plant of the Austin Water  
Light & Power Company, and the City Water Company of  
the City of Austin and to provide for the payment of the  
purchase price thereof, and to pledge a portion of the  
General Revenue of the City to secure the payment thereof.  
The Ordinance was read the first time.

Ord to purchase  
water & power  
plant

Chairman subject  
to call.

Alderman Maddox moved that the ordinance lie on the  
table subject to call which motion prevailed  
Alderman Shumate offered the following resolution which  
was read and adopted

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:  
That a certain resolution passed at the last regular meeting  
of the Council instructing the Sanitary Dept. to take charge  
of and sprinkle Congress Avenue and 6th Street in  
specified territory, be and the same is hereby rescinded  
effective on or before July 20th 1902

Spinning  
resolution  
rescinded

By Alderman Shumate An ordinance providing for the  
naming of certain streets in the City of Austin  
The ordinance was read the first time and on motion was  
referred to the Street Committee

Ord to name  
streets

By Alderman Ulit An ordinance appropriating the  
sum of \$ 9<sup>45</sup> for the purpose of paying balance for  
repairing Cemetery fence.  
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules  
by the following Yea

Ord to pay  
repairs cemetery  
fence

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox  
Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate  
Shumpp Ulit 13  
Nays None.

22 Bonds  
purchased for  
Sinking fund

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating  
the sum of \$ 1727.<sup>00</sup> for the purpose of purchasing bonds  
for the sinking fund of funding bonds.  
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the  
rules by the following Yea

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox  
Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate  
Shumpp Ulit 13  
Nays None.

Doq Catchers  
Salaries

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the  
sum of \$ 500. for the purpose of paying the salaries of  
dog Catchers  
The ordinance was read the first time and on motion  
the rule was suspended and the ordinance passed on

its second reading by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer  
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time  
Alderman Maddox moved to amend the ordinance by  
striking out in the caption and body of same the figures &  
words "\$400-" and inserting in lieu thereof the words  
"One hundred and sixty" which motion prevailed  
The ordinance as amended was then passed under suspension  
of the rule by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer  
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

Waterlight  
Payson

By Alderman Maddox an ordinance appropriating the sum  
of \$9,227.20 for the purpose of paying for water light to be  
furnished. The ordinance was passed under suspension  
of the rules by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer  
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

appd a/c

By Alderman Maddox an ordinance appropriating the sum  
of \$632.97 for the purpose of paying approved accounts  
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the  
following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox Mortimer  
Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

appd a/c  
St. Dept

By Alderman Maddox an ordinance appropriating the sum  
of \$211.50 for the purpose of paying approved accounts St. Dept  
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 Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox  
Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate  
Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time  
Alderman Schneider moved to amend by adding to pay  
the account of Otto Bergstrom for Culvert Pipe \$201.49.  
The amendment was adopted and the ordinance as  
amended was then passed under suspension of the rule  
by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Maddox  
Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate  
Stumpf Ulch 13  
Nays none.

By Alderman Maddox an ordinance to permit

Ordinance regarding redemption rates

Owners of real estate heretofore sold at foreclosure sale for taxes and purchased by the City to redeem the same - The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Uelit 13  
Nays none.

Fire Hydrants City W.P.D.

The Mayor laid before the Council the bill of the Austin Water Light & Power Co. for water claimed to have been furnished to June 30, 1902. The bill was on motion referred to the Water Light Committee.

Extra labor

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from the Water Light Commission enclosing a communication from the Chief of the A.P. Dept regarding fire hydrants. On motion the communications were referred to the City Engineer with instructions to investigate and report. By Alderman Nitschke an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$250. for the purpose of paying for extra labor street dept. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote  
Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Shelley, Shumate, Stumpf, Uelit 13  
Nays none.

Ordinance regarding purchase of water

On motion of Alderman, the ordinance to provide for the purchase of the water, light and power plant of the Austin Water, Light & Power Company, etc, was taken from the table and placed before the Council.

Alderman Maddox moved that Mr. A. W. Miller and others be invited to address the Council.

Alderman Davis moved as a substitute that argument be dispensed with. The substitute was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Low, Hume, Stumpf, Uelit 6  
Nays Aldermen Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Shelley, & Shumate 7

The motion of Alderman Maddox was then adopted.

The Council was then addressed by Mr. A. W. Miller in favor of, and Judge D. W. Doorn against the passage of the ordinance.

Alderman Nitschke moved to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on its second reading, which motion was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Maddox, Mortimer, Nitschke, Redd, Shelley, & Shumate 6  
Nays Aldermen Crooker, Davis, Hume, Low, Schneider, Stumpf, Uelit 7

On Motion the Council adjourned  
Geo. Johnson  
City Clerk