

Regular meeting of the City Council
Austin, Texas, Feb'y 16th 1903
Hon W. S. Shelley President of the Council presiding
Roll called.

Present Aldermen Crooker Davis Low Maddox Nitochke Redd
Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Uelit 11
Absent Aldermen Hume & Mortimer 2

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the
clerk without reading.

Reports of City Officers

Reports City
Officers

The Chair laid before the Council the reports of the Marshal and
Engineer for the month of Jan'y 1903, which were on motion
referred to their appropriate Committees, without reading.

Reports of Standing Committees

Com reports
Ordinance
fixing automobile

Alderman Stumpf for the Ordinance Committee to whom was
referred an Ordinance regulating the operation of automobiles
in the City of Austin, presented a report recommending the
passage of the Ordinance. The report of the Committee was adopted.

Ord Com
Charles
amendment
City Treasurer

Alderman Stumpf for the Ordinance Committee to whom was
referred a resolution providing for the appointment of a Committee
to draft and secure the passage of amendments to the Charter
of the City of Austin, so as to make the City Treasurer elective
by the Council from among competitive bidders, presented a
report recommending the passage of the resolution.

On motion the report was adopted.

Sanitary
report

Alderman Uelit for the Cemetery Committee to whom was
referred the report of the City Sexton for the month of Jan'y 1903,
presented a report stating that same had been examined and
found correct. The report was adopted.

Com Reports

Unfinished business

Ring water
streets repairs

The Chair laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$250. for the purpose of grading Ruiz and other
streets. The ordinance was read the second time and passed
under suspension of the rule by the following vote:
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Low Maddox Nitochke Redd
Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Uelit 11
Nays None.

Market shed
erecting

The Chair then laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating
the sum of \$375. for the purpose of repairing the Market shed
at the corner of 5th & Trinity streets, and also for the purpose
of erecting additions to said shed. The ordinance was read
the second time and a motion made to suspend the rule and
place it on its third reading which motion was lost by the
following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Low Maddox Nitochke
Redd Shelley Shumate & Uelit 9
Nays Aldermen Schneider & Stumpf 2

The Chair laid before the Council an ordinance

Automobile
Ordinance

regulating the operation of automobiles in 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 Maddox Nitschke Redd
Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ulich 11
Nays none.

Alderman Burns entered the Council chamber.

New Business

Amendment
Enclosed

By Alderman Stumpf An ordinance to amend Section 7
of the election ordinance. The ordinance was read the
first time and on motion of Alderman Schneider was
referred to the ordinance Committee.

Alderman Shumate offered the following resolution which
was read and adopted.

Committee
advise for
bids for storm
sewers.

Be it resolved, that in order to intelligently carry out the
plans of permanent street improvements as recommended
by the special Committee, that the street Committee and
~~the street~~ Committee and the City Engineer be and are
hereby authorized to advertise for bids at once for the
construction of a system of storm sewers of approved
sizes, the right being reserved to reject any and all
bids, and work to be done in accordance with plans
and specifications to be prepared and placed on file in the
City Engineers Office. And be it further resolved;
that the street Committee and City Engineer advertise for
and receive bids for widening the curbs on Congress
Avenue in accordance with an ordinance heretofore
passed by this Council same to be done in accordance
with plans and specifications on file in the City Engineers
Office, and the right be reserved to reject any and
all bids.

Geo. L. Burns
to put in
Wagon scale

Alderman Crooker, asked and obtained permission to
introduce a petition of Geo. L. Burns for permission to put
in a platform scale at the corner of San Jacinto & 10th streets.
The petition was read and on motion the request was granted.

Refunding of
bonds.

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance to provide for the
refunding of certain outstanding bonds of the City of Austin.
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by
the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Burns Low Maddox Nitschke
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ulich 12
Nays none.

Resolution

Alderman Nitschke offered the following resolution.
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that
the expense of doctors and medical bill incurred by the
accident of Mrs. Kruger driven of the Frisco car
be paid by the city.

On motion of Alderman Davis the resolution was

app'd also
St Dept

referred to the Fire Committee
By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the sum
of \$174.⁸³ for the purpose of paying approved accounts street dept
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the
following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox Nitschke
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ueb
Nays none. 12

app'd also

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the sum
of \$1372.²³ for the purpose of paying approved accounts
The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by
the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox Nitschke
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ueb
Nays none. 12

Amendment to
side walk
ordinance

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance to amend an
ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for a system of
side walks for the City of Austin etc
The ordinance was read the first time and on motion of
Alderman Nitschke the rule was suspended and the ordinance
placed on its second reading by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox Nitschke
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate & Ueb
Nays Alderman Stumpf 11
The ordinance was read the second time.

Alderman Schneider moved that it be referred to the Street
Committee which motion was lost by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Schneider Shelley Stumpf & Ueb 4
Nays Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Maddox Nitschke
Redd & Shumate 8

Alderman Maddox moved to amend the ordinance by adding
after the last word in the ordinance the following "provided
that East Avenue be exempted from the provisions of this ordinance"
which motion prevailed. A motion was then made to
suspend the rule and place the ordinance on its third
reading, which motion was lost by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Low Maddox Nitschke Redd Shumate & Ueb 6
Nays Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Schneider Shelley & Stumpf 6

Marked shed
ord.

Alderman Schneider moved to reconsider the vote by
which the Council refused to suspend the rule and place
the ordinance appropriating the sum of \$375. for the
purpose of repairing shed at corner of 5th & Trinity Streets,
on its third reading, which motion prevailed

Alderman Redd moved that the rule be suspended
and the ordinance be placed upon its third reading, which
motion prevailed by the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Crooker Davis Hume Low Nitschke
Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate & Ueb 10

Ways Alderman Stumpff
 The ordinance was then read the third time and
 passed by the following Vote
 Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Hume Low Witte Redd
 Schneider Shelley Shumate & Webb
 Ways Aldermen Maddox & Stumpff

side walk
ord.

Alderman Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which
 the Council refused to suspend the rule and place on its
 third reading an ordinance amending an ordinance
 providing for a system of side walks in the City of Austin,
 which motion prevailed.

Alderman Davis moved to suspend the rule and place the
 ordinance on its third reading, which motion was lost by the
 following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Davis Low Maddox Witte Redd Shumate
 and Webb

Ways Alderman Crooken Hume Schneider Shelley & Stumpff

Market shed
ord.

Alderman Davis moved that 10 days after approval of the
 Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$375 - for repairs to
 Market shed at corner of 5th & Trinity Streets, that the Mayor be
 requested a special Committee of three, who with the City Engineer
 be directed to advertise for bids to do said work in accordance
 with the said ordinance, which motion prevailed.

Invitation
East Austin
Horse & Ball Annual Ball

The Chair laid before the Council an invitation from East Austin
 Horse & Ball Annual Ball to the City Council and City officials to attend their
 Annual Ball to be given at their Hall on the 28th Inst.

On motion the invitation was accepted, with the thanks
 of the Council, and the Clerk was directed to notify the Co.

Charter amendment
Comm

The Chair announced the appointment of the following Aldermen
 as the special Committee on Charter Amendment, viz,
 Aldermen Low Stumpff & Crooken.

On motion of Alderman Maddox the Council adjourned
 until 8 o'clock P.M. Thursday, Feb. 26th 1903.

Jos. O. Johnson
 City Clerk

Adjourned regular meeting of the City Council
Austin Texas Feb'y 26th 1903.
Hon W. D. Shelley President of the Council presiding
Roll called

Present Aldermen Crooker Davis Maddox Nitcske Read
Ochneider Shelley Shumate Veit

Absent Aldermen Hume Low Mortimer Stumpf

Petitions, Memorials etc

Austin
Sanitarium
to refund taxes

By Alderman Crooker. Petition of the Austin Sanitarium asking that the taxes paid by them for the year 1902 be refunded. Read and on motion referred to the Committee on claims and accounts.

Annual
report of
Commission

Aldermen Mortimer and Stumpf entered the Council Chamber. The chair laid before the Council the report of the Water and Light Commission their report for the quarter ending Dec 31, 1902, also their Annual report for the year 1902, which were on motion referred to the Water and Light Committee of the Council without reading.

Unfinished business

Alderman Maddox called up the report of the special Committee appointed to visit other Texas Cities and investigate their street work.

Sanitation
Committee
adopted

Alderman Maddox moved to adopt except that part containing the recommendations of the Committee, and that the part containing the recommendations of the Committee be considered by sections, which motion prevailed. The recommendations of the Committee were then taken up and read section by section and each section separately adopted, and the report as a whole was then adopted.

New Business

Plan
to amend
City Charter

Alderman Crooker presented the following, which was read: Thirty days from date application will be made to the 28th Legislature of the State of Texas to have amended Section 37 of the Charter of the City of Austin so that the Council shall be authorized to lease its water light and power property for the purpose of rebuilding the dam across the Colorado River.

Alderman Nitcske moved to refer the matter to the Water and Light Committee, which motion prevailed.

Res. regarding
City employees
who fail to pay
bills

By Alderman Veit - Resolution directing the Police Committee to investigate and report to the Council the names of City employees who fail to pay their bills.

On motion of Alderman Shumate the resolution was referred to the purchasing Committee.

Alderman Maddox for the Finance Committee submitted the following as the Budget for the year 1902 -

Austin Texas 2/26th 1903

To the Hon R. E. White, Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

The Joint Finance Committee beg leave to submit the following estimate of receipts and expenditures on account of General Revenue for the fiscal year ending December 31st 1903, viz:

Estimated receipts

From ad valorem taxes \$ 85,250.00 1/4 of which is set aside by the charter for street purposes. Leaving for general purposes \$ 63,930.00	
Brown License taxes	10,000.00
" Fines in Mayor's Court	2,500.00
" Pound Fees & Sales	650.00
" Interest Penalties & Losses	4,500.00
" Travis County on account of hospital	2,400.00
" Miscellaneous	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total estimated income	\$ 85,980.00

Expenditures

Hon Salaries of officers & employees	\$ 12,542.50
" " " Policemen	11,340.00
" " " Aldermen	1,680.00
" City Secretary (including salary of Clerk)	1,000.00
" Sanitary Dept (" " " Inspection)	6,500.00
" Fire Dept (" " " & wages etc)	15,000.00
" City Health Officer " Pay Roll	5,000.00
" Charity	2,000.00
" Printing Stationery & Postage	1,000.00
" Indebtedment judgement and water Co	22,500.00
" Miscellaneous	4,000.00
" Meals for prisoners	<u>700.00</u>
Total estimated expenses.	\$ 85,262.50

Respectfully submitted

J. M. Madday

J. P. Schneider

Finance Committee

Budget
checked

On motion of Alderman Nitschke the Budget as presented by the Finance Committee was adopted by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Crocker Davis Madday Mortimer Nitschke
Jedd Schneider Shelley Shumate Stumpf & Ulch 11
Nays none

She Com. to
Council with
Council Clerk

20th November
1903

Alderman Davis moved that a special Committee of three be appointed to confer with the Hon Commissioners Court of Travis County, looking to the compromise of a suit of the City vs. the County of Travis, pending in the Dist Court, which motion prevailed and the chair appointed Aldermen Madday, Shumate & Schneider as such Committee. Aldermen Mortimer & Crocker presented a petition asking that J. M. Madday one of the City Drivers be allowed his pay while sick and unable to perform his duties.

The petition was read and on motion was referred to the Sanitary Committee

\$125 to repair
Barton Springs
road

By Alderman Nitschke An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$125. for the purpose of repairing the Barton Springs road. The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the rule was suspended Alderman Schneider moved to refer it to the Street Committee, which motion was lost by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Schneider & Strumpf

Nays Aldermen Crooken Davis Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Shelley Shumate & Udit

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

Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Maddox Mortimer

Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate Strumpf & Udit 11

Nays None

amended
\$200.

The Ordinance was read the second time

Alderman Redd moved to amend by striking out in the Caption and body of the ordinance "\$125.00" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$200.00", which motion prevailed.

The ordinance as amended was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following Vote

Yeas Aldermen Crooken Davis Maddox Mortimer Nitschke Redd Schneider Shelley Shumate & Udit 10

Nays Alderman Strumpf 1

Specifications
storm sewer
approved

Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee presented the specifications for the proposed storm sewers. which were on motion adopted by the Council, and the clerk directed to have 100 copies of same published in pamphlet form

The Com
market shed

The President of the Council appointed Aldermen Shumate Crooken & Nitschke as a special Committee to advertise and receive bids for repairing the Market shed at Corner of 5th and Trinity Streets,

On motion the Council adjourned

J. O. Johnson
Clerk