Called Meeting of the City Council

Austin Texas, May 5th 1905

Hon W D Shelley Mayor presiding

Roll Called

Present Aldermen Armstrong Jones Haynes Macken Miller Moore Petri Powell Shumate Smith Von Rosenberg & Wilhelm 12

Absent Aldermen Crooker & Redd 2

The following Call of the Council was read

Austin, Texas, May 5th 1905

Call of the Council

A special meeting of the City Council is hereby Called to meet in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 8 o'clock P.M. this 5th day of May AD 1905, for the purpose of hearing and acting upon the report of the special Committee appointed to adjust the claim of the Water and Light Commission against the City, and for the further purpose of taking such steps as the Council may see fit, towards the entertainment of the Italian Ambassador, who visits the City on the 6th instant

W D Shelley Mayor
Jno Shumate
Jno D Smith
H. L. Haynes
E Von Rosenberg
Joe Macken
E J Wilhelm

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I hereby Certify, that I have this day served the within Call for a Special meeting of the City Council by reading same to the following named Aldermen to wit H D Miller A Jones H H Powell S M Crooker Joe J Macken H L Haynes Jno Shumate C W Moore H Petri Jr E J Armstrong H Redd E Von Rosenberg E J Wilhelm & Jno D Smith

H J Morris City Marshal

Alderman Moore for the Special Committee presented the following report

Austin May 5, 1905

Report of the Special Committee on the Claim of the Water & Light Commission

To the Hon W. D. Shelley & City Council of the City of Austin

Gentlemen

We your Special Committee to whom was referred the Matter of the indebtedness of the City of Austin and the Austin Water & Light Commission beg leave to report that we have investigated the Matter and find that in our judgement there is no indebtedness due the Water & Light Commission by the City of Austin

We also report that we find that the money heretofore set aside for the purpose of creating a new City Hall cannot be loaned to said Commission as a reason for not being able use the money heretofore set aside for the purpose of building a new City Hall we cite the Statutes of the State of Texas which provide as follows "The City Council may provide by ordinance" special funds for special "purposes, and to make the same disbursable "only for the purpose for which the fund was created: "and any officer misappropriating said special fund "shall be deemed guilty of Malfeasance in office, "and shall on Complaint of any one interested in "said funds misappropriated, be removed from "office, and be incapable thereafter "to hold any office in the City"

Respectfully submitted
E.W. Moore
Chas Armstrong
H.L. Haynes

Alderman Redd entered the Council Chamber

On motion the report of the Committee was adopted by the following Vote

Reports adopted

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong Simms, Haynes Macken Sullen Moore Petri Redd Shumate Smith and Wichelm. 11

Nays Aldermen Powell & Von Rosenberg 2

Alderman Shumate offered the following resolution which was read and adopted

Committee to meet the Italian Minister

On account of the anticipated Visit of Baron Edmond Meyer des Planches, Embassador extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Court of Italy to the United States, which important event occurs Saturday May 6th at 10 oclock am and to the end that due Courtesy be accorded to so important a Visitor, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin that a Committee Composed of 3 Aldermen, the Mayor and two Citizens to be appointed by the Mayor to Co-operate with a Special Committee which has been appointed on the part of the Legislature to meet said distinguished Visitor upon his arrival and extend to him on behalf of the City a Cordial Welcome The Mayor in response to the above appointed Aldermen Shumate Haynes & Simms on the part of the Council and Messrs Goeth and Reich on the part of the Citizens

On motion the Council adjourned

Silas Hutchison
City Clerk