Called meeting of the City Council
Austin Tex. April 9th 1883

Hon W A Taylor Mayor presiding

Roll call present aldermen Metz
Brueggerhoff Koeler Rieck and Wilson

Absent aldermen Kinney Lawrence
Schuber. Radkey and Kuppertz.

On motion of alderman Brueggerhoff
the Council was called and the Marshal
sent after the absentees

Alderman Kinney and Radkey came
in and answered to their names

On motion the call of the Council
was suspended

A communication was received from
the Postmaster of this City requesting permission
to attach street letter boxes to the lamp posts
also asking the Council to furnish the
Postoffice with an official map of the City
Permission was granted to attach
letter boxes to the lamp posts and the street
committee were instructed to have the map
made for the Postoffice

A Petition was received from M.
Brahl asking that the Council allow him
to continue his fruit stand on the corner
of Hickory street

The following report was received
from the City Marshal in regard to obstruction
on the sidewalks &c in the City

Hon W A Taylor Mayor of the City
of Austin
Sir

In compliance with your

instructions of date 22nd instant I have the honor to make the following report

I find the sidewalks obstructed by fixtures in the following spaces.

1 Mulberry St. corner Congress avenue by Stairway
2 " " " " " "
3 Ash " " " " Fruit stand
4 " " " " " Fence & house
5 Hickory " " " " shed &.
6 " " " " " Stairway
7 Bois dare " " " " " "
8 " " " " " Stairway Fruit Stand
9 " " " " " Stairway
10 Pecan " " " " " "
11 " " " " " " "
12 " " " " " Fruit stand
13 " " " " " " Stairway
14 Pine " " " " " Stairway
15 Cypress " " " " " "
16 Brazos " " East Pecan St " "
17 " " " " " "
18 " " " " " "
19 " " " " " "
20 San Jasinto " " " " " "
21 " " " " " " "
22 Trinity " " " " " "
23 Colorado " " West Pecan " "
24 in Rear of Brueggerhoff Building " "
25 On side of Millers opera house " " &
26 On side of Newmans auction house " "
27 in rear of R H Smith by " Platform
28 On side of Millers store " Stairway
29 " " " Smiths stable " "
30 in rear of Radtkes store " Platform
31 in rear of Tips store " Stairway
32 in rear of Platts stable " fence

I also find Congress avenue and Pecan St obstructed in many places by telegraph and telephone poles which in several places have bill boards attached

In regard to the many other obstructions (which I have reason to believe to exist) in streets alleys and riverwalks, of the City I have been unable to locate them positively, for

want of knowledge of the whereabouts of the exact lines of said streets alleys lanes and River walk and would suggest that for that purpose the services of the City Engineer will be necessary

I have been informed that in cases of 1. V. and 14 the City has given authority for such obstructions also in No 12.

Believing that this partial investigation will enable you to comply with the resolution referred to

I have the honor to remain

Yours Respectfully

John P Kirk City Marshal

The report of the City marshal was adopted and on motion of Alderman Brueggerhoff the matter was referred to a committee of three aldermen. The Mayor appointed as the Aldermen Brueggerhoff Kenney and Platt.

The following Petitions to redeem land sold for City taxes were granted Lot 6 in Block 4 of subdivision of block 4 in Div O. which was sold for City taxes for the year 1878 in the name of Louis Hall estate

Petition of Robert Ralston to redeem part of lot 7 in block 8 of the subdivision of outlot 11 div Z sold for taxes of 1879 under the assessment of E. J Ran.

The following report was received from the City Engineer which was adopted

To the Hon Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Austin

Gentlemen

I herewith submit a profile of Pine Street from the east line of Congress avenue to the east line of East avenue showing the grades as established by me on February 10 1883 and I will state that the Houston & Texas Central Rail Road Company have removed the old embankment on said Street to the grade as established by me

Respectfully

J K P McFall City Engineer

Alderman Kinney moved that the City Council now accept pine street from the Houston and Texas Central Rail Road Company that said Company had graded pine street to the satisfaction of the City Council the motion was adopted

The report of the City sexton for the month of March 1883 shows total deaths 16 white 8 Colored 4 Males 8 Females 8

The following reports were received from the City Physician and City Marshal which were adopted.

Hon Mayor and Board of Aldermen
of the City of Austin
Gentlemen

During the month of March I made including those at the hospital forty four visits twenty five prescription to out patients at the date of my last report four patient were credited to the City in the Hospital sick with date during March seven cases; since a reciving of this number eight were discharged cured and five remain under treatment No deaths Respectfully J Cummings M. D.
March 31 1883 City Phiscian

To the Hon Mayor and board of aldermen
of the City of Austin
Gentlemen

I have the honor to make the following report transactions in the Police Department under my supervision for the month of March 1883
There has been made 173 arrests classified as follows

For Intoxication	67
4 Disturbing the peace	27
4 assaulting and fighting	27
4 Keeping in a public place	14
4 Carrying pistols	12
4 fast riding	6
4 Committing nusances	5
4 Vagrancy	4
1 Discharging firearms	3

For gaming	5
" resisting arrest	5
driving on sidewalk	1
" pursuing occupation with out license	1
" Keeping disorderly house	1
" " vicious dog	1
Total	176

Amount of fines collected in cash	$646.50
" " " worked out on street	75.00
" Collected in market house	3.75

Respectfully submitted
Jno P Kirk
City Marshal

Alderman Kinney offered an ordinance appropriated the sum of $733.45/100. to pay approved accounts to that amount The ordinance was read and then read second and third time under suspension of the rules and passed by the following vote Yeas aldermen Metz Kinney Brueggerhoff Radtke Moeller Pratt and Wilson

An ordinance was called up granting to the state of Texas the right to erect and operate a system of underground sewerage along any street lane ally or common within the limits of the City of Austin the ordinance was read second time

The Mayor nominated Harry Montgomery as Pound Master and M Smith as regular Police officer of the City of Austin
On recommendation of Alderman Kuppertz A Kempner was nominated as a special Police office and On recommendation of Alderman Wilson S McKnight was nominated as a special Police officer
The above nominations were confirmed by acclamation by the Council

Alderman Brueggerhoff offered the following resolution which was adopted by the following
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin
Vote Yeas aldermen Metz Brueggerhoff Radtke Moeller Pratt & Wilson nay Kinney

that we the representatives of the City and tax payers thereof protest against the proposed amendments to our City Charter for the reason that we believe a large majority of our tax payers and certainly four fifths of the legal voters of the City, are opposed to said amendments. that we further protest on the ground that not one Citizen in ten knows what said amendments are. and furthermore ask of your honorable body that if said amendments could be adopted by you said amendments shall be submitted for adoption by a majority vote of our Citizens believing that the Citizens at the Ballot Box can and will express themselves for the best of our city interest Be it further resolved that the Honorable representative of Travis County be requested to present this resolution to the house of representatives now in session

On motion the Council adjourned

T. L. Pennell
City Clerk