A Called Meeting of the City Council

Austin, Tex., July 12, 1886.

Hon. J. W. Robertson, Mayor, presiding.


Absent: Aldermen Caldwell, Camp, Campbell, DeGress, Erwin, Jones, Metz, Schneider, Schuber.

Wortham—9.

Alderman Walker moved a Call of the Council adopted.

Alderman Wortham, Jones, and DeGress came in, and, on motion, the Call was suspended.

Mayor Robertson stated the object of the meeting was to consider the pending ordinances, propositions, etc., relating to the City Cemetery and the purchase of a new Cemetery; and also to consider any other matters that may be brought before the Council.

The pending report of the Special Committee on Cemetery favorable to the purchase of outlets 29 and 30, Division D, was taken up and partly read. When Alderman Cooker, of the Committee, asked leave to withdraw the report, granted. On motion, the Committee was discharged.

Alderman Metz came in.

Alderman Anderson introduced a resolution instructing the Mayor to purchase from J. H. Patterson the one hundred and twenty acres of land offered by him, at not exceeding $1.50 per acre, on such terms as the Mayor may deem to be for the best interest of the city.

Alderman DeGress presented written propositions from J. H. Patterson and Dr. Ellis, the former contained an offer to sell the 120 acres above mentioned for the sum of $16,800, deferred payments to bear 8% per cent. interest; the latter agrees to sell 120 acres for $10,000 cash, or at time at same price, deferred payments to bear 10% per cent interest.
They were read and laid over.

Alderman Schuber came in.

Alderman Brush introduced as a substitute for
the resolution, offered by Alderman Anderson,
a resolution authorizing the mayor to purchase
the Stiles property for a cemetery.

On motion, the substitute was voted by a
rising vote of 11 to 5.

Alderman DeGress moved to amend the resolution
offered by Alderman Anderson by striking out
the word "he" and inserting the word "mayor",
in line thereof. No objection was made and the
resolution was, on motion, adopted by a
rising vote of 14 to 2.

A petition from J.H. Patterson, requesting
permission to use the public square situated
between Aitches and Trinity, and Pine and
Cedar streets, as a cotton yard, was on motion
filed.

Mayor Robertson appointed Aldermen Brush,
Jones and Odell as a standing committee on
parks. He also appointed Aldermen Brush,
Wardham and Bellow as a special committee
to superintend the numbering of streets.

An Ordinance appropriating $300 to pay
license due on building of C. Austin
Hose Co. No. 4 and fifty dollars to
pay cost of flooring the building of
Protection L. Co. No. 5, was taken up on
its third reading and on motion, passed.

An Ordinance appropriating $797.81, to pay
approved accounts, was taken up on its third
reading and, on motion, passed by the following
vote:

Yeas: Aldermen Anderson, Brush, Backer,
Cummins, DeGress, Sicen, Holman, Jones,
Metz, Odell, Bellow, Waller, Wellman
Wardham - 14.  Mayor - 1.

Aldermen Schuber and Brandt.

The Committee on fire department was relieved from reporting
on the petition of C. Schilling. On motion, the council adjourned

Mitton Morris, City Clerk.