Called Meeting of City Council
February 9, 1878
Council called to order at 8:45 A.M.
Mayor DeBerry in the Chair
Roll called and the following Members answered.
Aldermen Brown, Brummett, Keillor, Hecker
Henry Hale and Plater.
Alderman Alcorn, Keiller, Stebbins and Sugg
Quorum present.

H. J. Gore, in his capacity to Council, that he had called
himself together for the purpose of presenting to them
for their action an Ordinance Respecting Markets,
and to present his message relating a Resolution ordi-
ning the sale of a certain number of the horses,
lands, and improvements, and also for the transaction of
such other business as may be properly brought
before them. Mr. Gore also stated that he had two
other views with which he would present at the next
regular meeting.

The following message was presented

Mayor Office
Austin, Texas, May 6, 1878

To the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Austin

Gentlemen,
I have the honor to return here with a
Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to have
sold at public auction all lands, houses, mills, and
improvements belonging to the City of Austin, except the one
yard for sanitary purposes, leased to you from
Feb. 15, 1877. With my objections thereto.

Rule 5 of the Rules of Order of this City Council
requires all resolutions of a general character to be
read in Council on three several days unless two
thirds of a full Court shall vote a suspension of this
Rule.

This Rule was not complied with, but the
Resolution was only read once and passed, even if
I had been present in accordance with law,
I do not think it judicious at this time, when
money is scarce, to call this for the suspension of
the Ordinance, the City would realize his hitch.
on a great deal of money expended.

If the Council desire to dispose of this
property, but it be done in a way by which the City
would receive something near the value of what it
offers for sale.

It could be made known through the public
press, that this property was for sale, and authority
given the Mayor in conjunction with the Street Com-
mmittee to receive bids, and when in their opinion
a good offer was made, then to accept the same and
file.

Very Respectfully,

E. Delaney

Mayor

Aldermen Platt move that the
Resolution voted by the Mayor be reconsidered.
The idea and rate ordered and the
motion to reconsider carried by the following
vote.

Yes, Alderman Lover, Killett, Kelly, Halls
and Platt

No, Aldermen Lover and Hobart
Alderman Lover then moved to reconsider the vote
taken on the reconsideration of the Resolution voted
by the Mayor.

The yes and nays ordered

Yes, Aldermen Lover, Lover, Kelly, Kelly,
and Halls

No, Aldermen Killett and Platt

Alderman Lover changed his vote to Nay and
the motion to reconsider was laid.

By Alderman, Kelly, Platt. Resolved by the
City Council of the City of Austin, That the Mayor
and Street Committee be authorized and directed
to advertise for proposals to purchase all the City
parks, corners, lots and corners upon their use
for sanitary purposes, and to dispose of them during
the present month to the best interest of the City by
private sale.

The resolution was read

Alderman Platt moved to suspend the rules
and pass the Resolution on its second reading.

The yes and nays ordered and the motion
to suspend the rules carried by the following vot
Year Aldermen Brown, Milled, Kazley, Hetz, Falk and Platt, Nayo Zene

The Resolution was read the second time
Aldermen Brown moved to further amend the rules and put the Amendment on to third reading
The Yes and Nayo ordered and the motion to further amend the rules carried by the following vote
Yes Aldermen Brown, Milled, Kazley, Hetz, Falk and Platt, Nayo Zene

The Resolution was read the third time
Aldermen Falk moved that the Resolution be passed
The Yes and Nayo ordered and the Resolution passed by the following vote
Yes Aldermen Brown, Milled, Kazley, Hetz, Falk and Platt, Nayo Zene

Petition of A. Baker for permission to have an Avenue in front of his Jewelry store on Congress Avenue

Aldermen Brown moved that the Petition be referred to the Fire Committee Committee
Aldermen Brown moved to reconsider the vote referring the Petition of A. Baker to the Fire Committee
The Yes and Nayo ordered and the motion to reconsider carried by the following vote
Yes Aldermen Brown, Milled, Kazley, Hetz, Falk and Platt, Nayo Zene

Aldermen Falk moved that the Petition of A. Baker be granted, provided that the Avenue be put up but one story high and constructed as other are on Congress Avenue

Order Ordinance Approving the Twelve Hundred Dollar for the building of a Bridge across Walker Street on Leland Smith, which passed to second reading February 4th, 1848 was taken up and read the second time

Aldermen Kazley moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the word Twelve before the word hundred and insert the word sixty in place.
The question was found to be the sum of Twelve hundred be approved as calling for in the first section of the Ordinance.
The Yes and Nayo ordered and the ordinance was laid by the following vote
Yes Aldermen Kazley, Hetz, Falk and Platt.
Alderman Fike moved to amend the ordinance so as to read as follows: That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary be appropriated for the building of a flood bridge.

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the amendment of Alderman Fike passed by the following vote:

Nay: Alderman Fike, Millet, Kerkey, and Nell.


Alderman Platt moved to strike out: seven hundred and fifty and insert: Twelve hundred and fifty. Motion withdrawn.

The ordinance as amended was read.

Alderman Nell moved to suspend the rules and read the ordinance on its third reading.

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote:

Nay: Alderman Fike, Millet, Kerkey, Nell, and Platt.

Yay: Alderman Kerkey.

Alderman Kerkey moved to reconsider the vote taken whereby the Council refused to suspend the rules.

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to reconsider Carried by the following vote:

Nay: Alderman Fike, Millet, Kerkey, Nell, and Platt.

Yay: None.

Alderman Kerkey moved that the rules be suspended and read the ordinance on its third reading.

The Yeas and Nays ordered and the motion to suspend the rules Carried by the following vote:

Nay: Alderman Fike, Millet, Kerkey, Nell, and Platt.

Yay: None.

The Ordinance was read the third time.

Alderman Kerkey moved that the Ordinance do pass.

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Ordinance Passed by the following vote:

Nay: Alderman Fike, Millet, Kerkey, Nell, and Platt.

Yay: 13.

Alderman Nell. Passed by the City Council of the City of Austin That the Mayor be authorized and instructed to advertise for
Petition for the building of a wooden bridge across Haller Creek on Cedar Street to arrive.

By Alderman Lewis. An Ordinance appropriating four hundred and fifty dollars for the repairing and repaving of the Iron Bridge across Haller Creek on Cedar Street.

The Ordinance was read.

Alderman Hartsell moved to suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on its second reading.

The Ayes and Noes Ordained and the motion to suspend the rules carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alderman Lewis, Bronson, Killette, Hartsell, Hartsell, Hall and Plate. Nays None.

The Ordinance was read the second time.

Alderman Bronson moved to further suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on its third reading.

The Ayes and Noes Ordained and the motion to further suspend the rules carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alderman Lewis, Bronson, Killette, Hartsell, Hartsell, Hall and Plate. Nays None.

The Ordinance was read the third time.

Alderman Bronson moved that the ordinance do pass.

The Ayes and Noes Ordained and the ordinance passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Alderman Lewis, Bronson, Killette, Hartsell, Hartsell, Hall and Plate. Nays None.

By Alderman Hartsell. Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the Mayor be authorized to advertise for proposals for the repairing and repaving of the Iron Bridge across Haller Creek on Cedar Street.

The Ordinance was read.

Alderman Hartsell moved to suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on its second reading.

The Ayes and Noes Ordained and the motion to suspend the rules carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Alderman Lewis, Bronson, Killette, Hartsell.
Alderman Lankey moved to suspend the rules and put the Ordinance on its second reading. The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to suspend the rules carried by the following vote:


The Ordinance was read the third time. Aldermen Brown moved that the Ordinance do pass.

The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the Ordinance passed by the following vote:


By Committee on Codifying and Revising Ordinances:

Amend Ordinance: Regulating the Streets.

The Ordinance was read.

Alderman Plate moved that the Ordinance be referred to a special Committee of Five.

Aldermen Plate, Lankey, Brown, Lorden, and Noye were appointed on the Committee.

By Aldermen Brown, the Ordinance abolishing the fees of Two hundred and fifty dollars for the paving of the Streets near the White Post.

The Ordinance was read.

Alderman Lankey moved to suspend the rules and put the Ordinance on its second reading. The Yeas and Nays Ordered and the motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote:


Nays: Aldermen Nye and Plate.

On Motion of Aldermen Plate, the Council Adjourned.

April 13th, 1878

John P. North,
City Clerk