

Section II Be it further Resolved that the Mayor be and he is hereby directed to immediately furnish the City Council with his reasons in writing for the appointment of any and all persons whom he may have commissioned as special Policemen

Section III Be it further resolved that the Mayor be and he is hereby requested and directed to immediately prepare and furnish the City Council with a written statement containing such information as he may possess touching the moral character of all persons who have been commissioned by him as special Policemen

Alderman Hard moved as a substitute for the resolution of Alderman Cook That all appointments of special Policemen be revoked. *Adopted*

On Motion the Council adjourned
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John L. Herberts.
 City Clerk

Adopted July 7th 1877

Called Meeting of City Council
 July 7th 1877

Council called to order 6.45 P.M.
 Mayor De Kers in the chair

Roll called and the following Members answered.

Aldermen James MacFarley, Hard and Withers.

Absent Aldermen Brimond, Cook, Deffenbaugh, Larwood, and Robinson
No quorum

The Mayor directed the Marshal to bring in the absentees.

Alderman Brimond came in and answered.
Quorum found

Alderman Hard moved a call of the house and that the absentees be brought in
 Call sustained

Whereupon the Marshal was despatched for the absentees
The Journal of last meeting was read and
approved

Alderman Robinson came in, answered and
took his seat

On Motion of Alderman Hard the call of the
Council was suspended

The Mayor presents the following message

Mayor's Office Austin Texas
July 5th 1877

To the

Honorable Board of Aldermen City of Austin
Gentlemen

I have the honor to return herewith
An Ordinance fixing the Salary of the City Engineer
of the City of Austin with my objections thereto

The Ordinance seems to be inconsistent with it-
self, to be self-contradictory. Its first Section reduces the
Salary of the City Engineer from and after the first day
of August next, Its third Section by providing that it take
effect from and after its passage, seems to reduce it at once
a month in advance

It is considered that an elective officer holds and
takes his Salary under a contract. Hence it is doubtful
whether it can during his term of office without his
consent, be reduced, especially after it had been fixed at
a certain rate by the unanimous vote of the Council

In any event it would be in better taste not to
attempt to reduce it during his temporary absence and
when he is afforded an opportunity to have a hearing as to
the matter so important to him

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

J. C. De Graaf.

Mayor

On Motion of Alderman Taylor the message of the
Mayor was received

Alderman Hard moved that the Ordinance
do pass notwithstanding the veto of the Mayor, and
that the Motion to pass the Ordinance over the veto be
laid on the table Carried

By Alderman James. An Ordinance Authorizing
the Mayor to employ Counsel to defend the suit now
pending against him and other City Officers, and testing

the legality of the amendments to the City Charter

The Ordinance was read and passed to its second reading

Alderman Ward 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

Yeas Aldermen Bremond James, Maas, Ward and Withers

Nays Aldermen Robinson and Taylor

The Mayor presented the name of Val to Giles and his confirmation as Market Master & Health Inspector

Aldermen Taylor and Thane were appointed Tellers and after counting the votes announced that Mr Giles had received 5 votes for confirmation and two against which confirmed the appointment

Petition of John Leonard stating that his contract for furnishing Oil Lighting, Extinguishing and Repairing in repair the Street Oil Lamps in the City had expired and asking Council to renew his contract on the same terms

On motion of Alderman Bremond the petition was referred to the Street Committee

Petition of Mr Raymond A Barrington and Mr Shaw and 54 other citizens of Ward 7 asking that a public well be dug on lot 55 Div 13 near Brady's Store

On motion of Alderman Bremond the petition was referred to the Street Committee with power to ask

The Mayor presented the names of Fritz Richman, John D. Keff, N. L. Shelly, L. B. Barrington, John Lally, L. M. Bradley, James Simms, H. L. Burland, N. B. Holtz, C. B. Metz, L. Rhodius, William Hall, H. F. Green, J. H. Schuy, C. H. Henry, and Joseph Whellock and asked Council to confirm them as special Policemen

On motion of Alderman ^{Maas} the nominations were confirmed

On motion of Alderman Maas the Council adjourned

John F. Herbert
City Clerk.

Approved
July 21st 1894