

Council Room

December the 12th A. D. 1870.

City Council met pursuant to a special call
His Honor Leander Brown Mayor in the Chair
Roll called and the following named Aldermen were
elected to their offices. Alderman Bennett, Barker, Nelson
Powers, & Donisthorpe. Following was introduced & read:

Whereas the undersigned Mayor and
City Council of the City of Austin are sincerely desirous
of using all honorable means to secure the welfare and
prosperity of said City, and are also convinced that it will
prove to the advantage of the United States Government
in an economical point of view, as well as to the advan-
tage of the City of Austin to erect a permanent and
suitable building to be used as a Post Office and
Federal Court Room and such other Federal Offices.

It may be required in Austin, and with a view of
 inducing Congress to make an immediate appropriation
for that purpose, hereby beg leave respectfully tender to
the Government of the United States a site for the said
building, said site to be hereafter agreed upon by the
Agent of the United States Government and the City
Council of the City of Austin.

At a meeting of the City Council of Austin
held on Monday the 12th of December 1870 at 4 P. M.
The foregoing preamble was unanimously adopted
and it was also Resolved that the Mayor be instructed
to forward a copy of the same to our Senators, Hon
McMinnett and Hon. J. H. Flanagan and
Hon. E. Rogers with the request that they use
their influence to secure the appropriation as early
as possible. Was adopted by a unanimous vote.

" Ordained,

Be it Ordained by the City Council
of the City of Austin, that the sum of One thousand
dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary, be
and is hereby appropriated out of any money not
otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of buying
a City Clock and Bell for the new Municipal House.

Roll being called the Ordinance passed its second
reading, Rules were suspended and the Ordinance
passed its third reading and was adopted
on the 12th day of December 1870.

Austin Texas December of 1870
To the Mayor or Aldermen of the City of
Austin

Gent.

The undersigned respectfully asks
permission to erect on the North bank of the River
below Congress Avenue and Brazos Street a
Ferry house this permission will be granted see
~~Recd~~

Respectfully Yours Ollie Sturt
S. M. Swisher

The above Petition being read, and no motion
made seconded the permission as requested was granted.

On motion seconded & carried this meeting adjourned

A. Q. Moore Jr.
Recorder.