

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Austin, Texas

Special Meeting -- June 21, 1965

A special meeting of the Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room, Municipal Building.

Present

D. B. Barrow, Chairman
S. P. Kinser
Howard Brunson
Ben Hendrickson
Edgar E. Jackson
Barton D. Riley
W. A. Wroe
Jack Goodman

Also Present

Hoyle M. Osborne, Director of Planning

C10-65-1(g) ALLEY AND STREET VACATION

Lakeside Boulevard between 34th Street and Mills Avenue, Alamo Boulevard from 35th Street to West 38th Street. Bailey Lane from West 35th Street to West 38th Street, McDonald Avenue from 115 feet south of West 35th Street to West 38th Street. West 37th Street from Mills Avenue to Wabash Avenue, West 35th Street from Mills Avenue to Lakeside Boulevard, West 35th Street from Bailey Lane to Wabash Avenue and all of the alleys located between streets included in this request.

The Planning Director stated the requested vacation is generally recommended, in terms of the following items of agreement.

1. There is a 54 inch water line in place along West 35th Street. It is agreed that a 60 foot easement will remain in the street and that no buildings will be constructed over the area.
2. There are other easements running north and south along various streets. In general, these easements are retained. It is provided in the event it is necessary to relocate the lines, that it will be done at the owners expense.
3. Along West 38th Street, the developers will provide for 15 feet of right of way for the widening of the street as proposed by the Austin Transportation Plan through this area.
4. The developers will convey to the City of Austin, by deed, the land lying between Lakeside Boulevard and Alamo Boulevard. This is basically for park purposes.
5. The City agrees to sell to the Austin Doctors Building Corporation a triangular shaped area located approximately in the lake area along West 38th Street. This area is now being used as a drainage easement. The City has also agreed to sell certain other lots in the area which were acquired for the widening of West 38th Street. The necessary right of way will be retained.

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6. Lakeside Boulevard is to be vacated and the developers will convey to the City of Austin all of the land comprised in the present right of way of Lakeside Boulevard.
7. Alamo Boulevard is to be vacated and such abandoned and vacated street will be divided between the City of Austin and Austin Doctors Building Corporation in accordance with the field notes. The field notes will designate which portion belongs to the Austin Doctors Building Corporation and which portion belongs to the City of Austin.
8. A contract shall be made between the Austin Doctors Building Corporation and the City of Austin whereby the Austin Doctors Building Corporation agrees to construct a park within 30 months or six months after completion of construction of the planned doctors office building, which ever is earlier.
9. There will be a contract between the City of Austin and the Austin Doctors Building Corporation for the maintenance of the park.
10. Austin Doctors Building Corporation may have to do some filling in the section of former Lakeside Boulevard to the north of West 37th. This will be in accordance with an agreed upon plan.
11. There is an agreement entered into by the City of Austin and the Austin Doctors Building Corporation whereby Seton Hospital and/or Austin Doctors Building Corporation will agree to sell to the City of Austin, land as may be needed for the right of way of the 34th Street crosstown expressway which will link the Mo-Pac Expressway interchange 35th Street with the proposed central expressway.
12. All parties recognize the desirability of preserving the spring. The Doctors Corporation agrees to use reasonable and customary vigilance to avoid interfering with said spring.

Mr. Robert Sneed, representing the applicants, Mr. Charles Granger, Mr. Arthur Fehr, and Mr. Bill O'Connell appeared at the hearing in order to answer any question that might arise. Sister Louise Marie advised the Commission that they are requesting this alley and street vacation in order to build a very modern hospital for better patient care. The present hospital was built in 1902 and it is no longer able to support the demands for medical care.

Mr. Barrow read a letter addressed to the Commission from Mr. Russell Fish in which Mr. Fish stated that the citizens groups, which he represents, the City of Austin, and the developers have reached a satisfactory agreement and he requested the Planning Commission to approve the vacation request.

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Mr. Barrow and Mr. Kinser were of the opinion that this presentation is a splendid example of how City problems can be disposed of and how situations that seem to be difficult can be solved.

After further discussion, the Commission

VOTED: To recommend that Lakeside Boulevard between 34th Street and Mills Avenue, Alamo Boulevard from 35th Street to West 38th Street, Bailey Lane from West 35th Street to West 38th Street, McDonald Avenue from 115 feet south of West 35th Street to West 38th Street, West 37th Street from Mills Avenue to Wabash Avenue, West 35th Street from Mills Avenue to Lakeside Boulevard, West 35th Street from Bailey Lane to Wabash Avenue and all of the alleys located between streets included in this request be VACATED in accordance with the specifications as set forth by the Planning Department, and with the retention of the necessary easements.

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The staff advised that, under the rules, the annual election of officers is held the first meeting in June. The Commission then elected the following officers for the following year:

Chairman:	Mr. Barrow
Vice-Chairman:	Mr. Kinser
Secretary:	Mr. Wroe
Assistant Secretary:	Mr. Lewis

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Hoyle M. Osborne
Executive Secretary

APPROVED:

Chairman