

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

September 30, 1976
10:00 A.M.

Council Chambers
301 West Second Street

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Friedman presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers
Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council approve the Minutes for September 23, 1976. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers
Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino

Noes: None

Abstain: Councilmember Himmelblau

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION

Mayor Friedman announced that the Council had met in an Executive Session earlier to discuss some legal matters, land matters, and some board appointments as well as a personnel decision.

Brackenridge Hospital Board

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council appoint MR. MIKE WILLATT to the Brackenridge Hospital Board. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
Noes: None

Planning Commission

Councilmember Hofmann moved that the Council appoint NELLIE WHITE to the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Linn, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
Noes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell

Associate Municipal Court Judge

Mayor Friedman noted that the Council also reviewed the interviews and discussed filling the vacancy of the Associate Municipal Court Judge. The Council considered one of the applicants in Executive Session. Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council appoint MARK SCHREIBER as Associate Municipal Court Judge. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmember Himmelblau
Noes: None

Relieff Judge

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council appoint HARRIET MURPHY to continue as Relief Judge in the Municipal Court. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann
Noes: None

Energy Conservation Commission

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council extend the terms of the following members of the Energy Conservation Commission:

Gerald Caldwell - to 1/31/77	Mike Quinn	- to 1/31/79
Wayne Denton - to 1/31/78	Thomas Wier	- to 1/31/77
Ken Fink - to 1/31/78	Wing Commander/Bergstrom	- to 1/31/78

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
Noes: None

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS MONTH

Mayor Friedman read and then presented a proclamation to Mr. Forrest Cook, President of the Board; Electa Ballard, a member of the Board; and Larry Guillot, Executive Director of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, proclaiming the month of October, 1976, as "Big Brothers/Big Sisters Month" in Austin and called upon all citizens of Austin to support the work of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Mr. Forrest Cook accepted the proclamation and thanked the Council for this recognition and noted that they would do their best in trying to make October their biggest month for Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

ANNUAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Mayor Friedman read and then presented a proclamation to Mr. Hal Hood, President of the Austin Fire Safety Board, proclaiming the week of October 3, 1976, as "Annual Fire Prevention Week" in Austin and invited all residents of Austin to join the Council in making out City and homes safer through the elimination of fire hazards. Mr. Hood thanked the Council for the proclamation and noted his appreciation for what the Council as well as the citizens had done for the Austin Fire Department and the other things done in order to make Austin a safer city to live in. He congratulated the Council for the good job and for the fine Fire Department that Austin possesses.

SURVEYORS WEEK

Mayor Friedman read and then presented a proclamation to Mr. Ralph W. Harris, Convention Chairperson, and Mr. George Sanders, FSA-Capital Chapter President, proclaiming the week of October 3, 1976, as "Surveyors Week" in Austin and asked all citizens of Austin to join the Council in acknowledging and commending the Texas Surveyors Association and other members of the surveying profession for their valiant efforts and contributions to the growth and development of our City and our state. One of the gentlemen thanked the Council for the recognition.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION

Mayor Friedman noted that also discussed in Executive Session was a land acquisition matter and it was decided that before the Council would take any action, it must have a public hearing to receive public input as to the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way as potential park land.

Mayor Friedman moved that the Council set a public hearing on the acquisition of the MKT right-of-way as potential park land for October 14, 1976, at 11:30 a.m. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
- Noes: None
- Not in Council Chamber when roll was called: Mayor Pro Tem Snell

Mayor Friedman stated that notices would be sent out with the assistance of the Planning Department and the Parks and Recreation Department.

PRESENTATION OF A CHECK

MR. BILL PETRI, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Austin Housing Authority, appeared before the Council and presented a check in the amount of \$21,368.54 in lieu of taxes. Mr. Petri noted that this amount is lower than previous years due to the cost of utilities. At this time, Mr. Petri introduced the Assistant Executive Director of the Austin Housing Authority, Mr. James Mitchell. Mayor Friedman thanked Mr. Petri for the check and stated that Deputy City Manager Homer Reed would process it.

APPEARANCE TO DISCUSS SHUTTLE BUS SYSTEM

MR. HUNTER ELLINGER, Coordinator, Citizens for Safe Streets, appeared before the Council to discuss the Shuttle Bus System. Mr. Ellinger pointed out that his information being presented was based on information from the newspapers and informal conversations with students and shuttle bus drivers. He stated that his group was not asking the City to take sides in the current strike; but that the City take responsibility for protecting the interests that the public has in the way the shuttle bus system is run.

Mr. Ellinger then reviewed what he felt made the buses unsafe and felt that the buses are much noisier and more polluting than they need to be. He felt that all of this is a City matter since the shuttle buses are running on City streets by virtue of a franchise granted by the Council. Mr. Ellinger noted that only the City government has the power and the broad outlook necessary to reconcile often-conflicting viewpoints.

In an attempt to solve the problem, he stated that direct City administration of the shuttle bus system would provide proven management that would also be sensitive to the interests of the general public. If private ownership is continued as an interim measure, it should be under the policies that the City has found successful.

In conclusion, Mr. Ellinger urged the Council to take the following steps:

1. That the Council acknowledge its responsibility to set policy on this matter.
2. As soon as possible, that the Council require that private bus companies operating under a City franchise be required to meet the same standards used by the City for bus safety, driver training, driver wages, noise, and pollution.
3. That the Council call hearings, either before itself or the City agency or committee that it thinks appropriate, in which all interested and concerned parties can testify as to the condition and needs of the shuttle bus system.
4. In anticipation of those hearings, that the Council direct the City Transportation Department to prepare a report comparing TEI operations with those of the Austin Transit System, and explaining the reasons for City policy in the places they differ.

Mr. Ellinger asked that the City Council start the process of putting Austin's largest bus system under public control.

Mayor Friedman stated that the Urban Transportation Commission has been established to hear these type of things and pointed out that the Council could not direct them to call a public hearing. He suggested Mr. Ellinger get on their next agenda and request the Urban Transportation Commission to have the hearings. He also pointed out that several years ago when the City took over the transportation system, one of the questions that was discussed was would there ever be one unitary bus system. Mr. Ellinger commented that he would follow the suggested procedure.

PARADE PERMIT

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council approve a request from Mr. Jimmy R. Raines, teacher, requesting a parade permit from Anderson High School Student Council on October 7, 1976, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. beginning from the north parking lot of Anderson High, north on Tallwood to Hyridge Drive, west on Hyridge, south on Silver Ridge, circle Emerald Hill Drive back to Silver Ridge, east on Steck, return to south parking lot of school. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Trevino, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
- Noes: None

PHIL HALSTEIN, Co-president of Anderson High School, felt that this parade promotes unity and spirit at Anderson High School and thanked the Council for granting the parade permit.

PERMISSION TO HANG BANNER

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council approve a request from Mrs. M. Miller, Austin Junior League, for permission to hang a banner at 2500 North Lamar for annual Merchants Market, from October 25, 1976, to November 8, 1976. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
- Noes: None

PERMISSION TO HANG BANNER

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council approve a request from Mr. Billy Allen, Chairman of the "Biggest Little Show Ever" Art Festival, for permission to hang a banner at Ben White and Manchaca Road and 1200 South Lamar from October 18, 1976, to November 1, 1976. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell
- Noes: None

RELEASE OF EASEMENT

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the release of the following easement:

The Electric Easement that traverses Lot 20, Block B, Lakewood Village, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas. (Requested by Mr. Bobby Boyd, owner of Lot 20, Block B, Lakewood Village)

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Treviño, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmember Himmelblau
Noes: None

AMENDING POLICY ON LICENSING OF ENCROACHMENTS

The Council had before it for consideration amending the policy on the licensing of encroachments to exempt non-profit educational institutions from the payment of annual fees. Councilmember Hofmann felt that if the City started exempting the entire Austin Independent School District, then the purpose of the licensing would be defeated. Mayor Friedman suggested that the Council could amend the policy to non-profit educational institutions above the secondary level.

Motion

Mayor Pro Tem Snell moved that the Council adopt a resolution amending the policy on the licensing of encroachments to exempt non-profit educational institutions from the payment of annual fees.

Friendly Amendment to Motion

Councilmember Linn offered a friendly amendment to the motion whereby the policy be for institutions above the secondary level. Mayor Pro Tem Snell accepted the amendment. Councilmember Linn seconded the motion.

Roll Call on Amended Motion

Roll call on the amended motion showed the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann
Noes: None

SHORELINE ALTERATIONS AND PARK DEVELOPMENT FOR TOWN LAKE

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution for approval of a request for shoreline alterations and park development along Town Lake. The Navigation Board recommends approval. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
Noes: None

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

J. T. "BUD" WAGGONER - Construction of Electric Ductlines and
3400 East 1st Street Concrete Foundations at Fiskville
Austin, Texas Substation - \$32,746.00.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contracts:

Bid Award: - Job Development and Job Placement
OPERATION SER - Twelve (12) Months Service Agreement -
1713-B East First Street \$62,000.00.
Austin, Texas
TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION - Twelve (12) Months Service Agreement -
7701 North Lamar, Room 514 \$35,014.00.
Austin, Texas

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contracts:

Bid Award: - Six (6) Months Lease of One (1) Front
End Loader and Two (2) Large Capacity
Dump Trucks, including option for up
to six months extension, Street and
Bridge Division.
HOLT MACHINERY - Item No. 1 @ \$750.00 per month
9601 South IH 35
Austin, Texas

LONGHORN INTERNATIONAL
EQUIPMENT
4711 East 7th Street
Austin, Texas

- Item No. 2; 2 ea. @ \$2,221.50/ea.
per month

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

GIRARD MACHINERY & SUPPLY
COMPANY
3428 Roosevelt
San Antonio, Texas

- Six (6) Months Lease of one (1)
Hydraulic Excavator, including option
for up to six months extension, Street
and Bridge Division.
Item No. 1 at \$3,500.00/mo. plus
property damage insurance of \$70.00
per month or a to-be-negotiated "loss
payable" clause in lieu thereof.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

AUSTIN ROAD COMPANY
428 East Anderson Lane
Austin, Texas

- 1976 Sidewalk Program, Phase II -
\$130,645.83.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

Councilmember Hofmann noted her special pleasure about this sidewalk program.

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

<p>AUSTIN AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION 1125 West 6th Street Austin, Texas</p>	<p>- Overhaul of Automatic Transmission, Department of Vehicle and Equipment Services. Items Nos. 1 through 8 and Hard Parts Twelve (12) Months Supply Agreement including option for extension for up to twelve months - \$26,974.40/year.</p>
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The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn

Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

<p>DAVE SMITH COMPANY 713 N. E. 3rd Avenue Ft. Lauderdale, Florida</p>	<p>- Galvanized Traffic Sign Posts, Urban Transportation. Item 2 (alternate) - \$5,690.00.</p>
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The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn

Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

<p>UNITED STATES PIPE AND FOUNDRY COMPANY 2401-A Vinson Street Dallas, Texas</p>	<p>- Cast Iron and Ductile Iron Water Pipe Twelve (12) Month Supply Agreement Item Nos. 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 3.9 - \$731,334.70.</p>
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The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn

Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution awarding the following contract:

<p>SPEIR AND MYERS UTILITY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY 3306 Silverleaf Drive Austin, Texas</p>	<p>- Installation of an 8-inch Wastewater Line on Gate Way - \$13,872.00.</p>
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The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell,
Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

APPROACH MAIN CONTRACT

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the following Approach Main Contract:

CREEKSIDE PROPERTIES, INC. - Construction of an 8-inch Wastewater approach main to serve Yarrabee Bend, Section 1.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers
Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
Noes: None

LICENSE AGREEMENT

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution for authorization to enter into a License Agreement with the Southern Pacific Transportation Company for the purpose of installing an 8-inch wastewater main beneath said Railroads' right-of-way at Mile Post 11.42, Engineer's Station O+58.45 in the City of Austin. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann,
Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
Noes: None

CONTRACT FOR INSTALLATION OF FLASHING LIGHT SIGNALS ON TILLERY STREET

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution for authorization to enter into a contract with the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation, the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, and the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Company, for the installation of flashing light signals on Tillery Street, at a point identified as Railroad Milepost 952.6 in Austin, Texas. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn,
Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell
Noes: None

EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Council had before it for consideration possible authorization to extend an Agreement with the Texas Hospital Association Management Engineering Services to provide Brackenridge Hospital continued productivity Management Reporting Systems and a 12-month continuing Improvement Program.

In response to Councilmember Linn's question, Mr. William King Brown, Administrator of Brackenridge Hospital, stated that this would include approximately 8 to 9 man-days per month of management engineering. Mr. Brown noted that several departments would be examined to see just how they are being operated from a management engineering point of view. Councilmember Linn inquired as to the input from the Hospital Board, and Mr. Brown commented that the Board would be furnished with copies of all reports, recommendations and etc., on the program. Mr. Brown stated that there would be ample opportunity for the Board to make suggestions to the people doing the study.

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council adopt a resolution for authorization to extend an Agreement with the Texas Hospital Association Management Engineering Services to provide Brackenridge Hospital continued productivity Management Reporting Systems and a 12-month continuing Improvement Program. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmember Himmelblau
- Noes: None

LEASE AGREEMENT

Councilmember Hofmann moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving a Lease Agreement for a 2400 square foot branch library in the Twin Oaks Shopping Center. (October 1, 1976 - September 30, 1978 at a rental of \$432.00 per month) The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann
- Noes: None

Councilmember Hofmann stated that she was especially glad to see the enlargement of the library in the Twin Oaks Shopping Center.

PUBLIC HEARING ON STREET NAME CHANGE FROM F.M. 1325 TO BURNET ROAD

Mayor Friedman opened the public hearing scheduled for 10:30 a.m. to consider authorizing a street name change from F.M. 1325 to Burnet Road, and extends from U. S. 183 to 7,000 feet more or less north of Kramer Lane, or to the new City limit line.

MR. NORRIS KURIO, representing the Balcones Research Center, a part of the University of Texas, and several tenants and landowners along this thoroughfare, appeared before the Council in support of this street name change. He listed his reasons for the support as follows:

1. It will give a more meaningful address.
2. Many of the business establishments have stated that truckers bringing supplies to Austin have difficulty in locating F.M. 1325 and just where it ends.
3. Most of the people along this thoroughfare would like to become a part of the City and felt this change is justified.

Mr. Kurio submitted a petition supporting this street name change.

MRS. FRANCIE BREYFOGLE noted that this area was in the geographic boundary of the North Austin Civic Association and supported the name change.

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council close the public hearing and authorize the street name change from F.M. 1325 to Burnet Road, and extending from U. S. 183 to 7,000 feet more or less north of Kramer Lane, or to the new City limit line. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
Noes: None

Mayor Friedman noted that the Ordinance would be brought back to the Council next week for final approval and would read to the north to the City limits.

SOILS INVESTIGATION AND ENGINEERING TESTING SERVICES

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution selecting the firm of FRANK G. BRYANT for Soils Investigation and Engineering Testing Services in connection with the following projects:

1976-77 Yearly Soils Investigation Services for Miscellaneous Public Works Projects.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
Noes: None

ENGINEERING TESTING SERVICES

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution selecting the firm of TRINITY ENGINEERING TESTING CORPORATION for Engineering Testing Services in connection with the following Project:

1976-77 Yearly Bituminous Materials Testing Services for Subdivision Street Development, Assessment Street Paving projects and all Capital Improvement Projects.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
- Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution selecting the firm of STAPP-HAMILTON AND ASSOCIATES for Engineering Testing Services in connection with the following Project:

1976-77 Yearly Concrete Materials Testing Services for Subdivision Street Development, Assessment Street Paving Projects, and all Capital Improvements Projects designed by the Engineering Department.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
- Noes: None

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution selecting the firm of TRINITY TESTING LABORATORY, INC., for Engineering Testing Services in connection with the following Project:

1976-77 Yearly Densities for Base Courses and for Subgrades for Subdivision Street Development, Assessment Street Paving Projects, and all Capital Improvements Projects for Street Development sponsored by the Public Works Department.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
- Noes: None

Mayor Friedman pointed out that although these aforementioned firms have been selected, it would not exclude them from consideration by the City for individual jobs that may become available.

POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS NEW METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution for authorization to request the Governor to designate the Policy Advisory Committee as the new Metropolitan Planning Organization. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
- Noes: None

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF STREETS, ALLEYS AND PARKING VARIANCES IN CONNECTION WITH FILM PRODUCTION

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution temporarily closing the following streets and alleys and parking variances adjacent to various locations as requested by Ms. Eva Monley and Mr. Ron Bozman, representing Sequoia Pictures International:

1. 21ST STREET from University Avenue to San Antonio Street Alley; GUADALUPE from 19th to 22nd Streets, from 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 noon, October 5, 1976. (October 6 & 7, 1976 weather alternatives)
2. NECHES between 3rd and 4th Streets, from 1:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., October 9, 1976. (October 11 & 12, 1976 weather alternatives)
3. RED RIVER from 3rd to 4th; NECHES from 3rd to 4th; TRINITY from 3rd to 4th; SAN JACINTO from 3rd to 6th; 5TH Street from Brazos to Trinity; TRINITY from 4th to 5th, from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., October 11, 1976. (October 12 & 14, 1976, weather alternatives)
4. 7TH STREET from Guadalupe to Congress; LAVACA from 5th to 7th Street, either 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., October 11, 1976, or 7:00 A.M. to 12 noon, October 12, 1976. (October 13 & 14, 1976, weather alternatives)
5. 5TH STREET ALLEY between Brazos & Neches Streets; from 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., 4TH STREET ALLEY between Brazos & San Jacinto; BRAZOS from 4th to 5th Street; BRAZOS ALLEY between 4th & 5th Streets, from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., October 12, 1976. (October 13 & 14, 1976, weather alternatives)
6. 6TH STREET between Neches and Trinity, from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., October 14, 1976. (October 15 & 16, 1976, weather alternatives)
7. BRAZOS ALLEY between 5th & 6th Streets, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., October 14, 1976, and from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., October 15, 1976. (October 16, 1976, weather alternative)
8. WEST 10TH STREET from Nueces to Guadalupe; SAN ANTONIO STREET from 9th to 11th Streets, from 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., October 19, 1976. (Request floating date)

9. EAST 7TH STREET between east access road of IH 35 and San Marcos Street; BRUSHY STREET between 6th and 7th Streets, from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., October 26, 1976. (Request floating date)

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn,
Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Snell
Noes: None
Abstain: Mayor Friedman

Mayor Friedman pointed out that the alternate dates would take into account a little flexibility in case of rain; they have some extra days in the list and they may need a day or two that is not specifically listed here, but as long as they coordinate with the administration to verify everything, that should be sufficient. This gives them flexibility but they do know to report to the administration with any changes.

AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY OF TRAVIS AND STATE OF TEXAS FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution for authorization to enter into a revised agreement with the County of Travis and the State of Texas for the conduct of continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning in the Austin Metropolitan Area and that it be amended whereby item B-7 would be moved to A-8. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Linn, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor
Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmember Himmelblau
Noes: None

Councilmember Lebermann felt that the Policy Advisory Committee and the Chairman should appoint the technical committee members instead of the Steering Committee.

TRANSIT SERVICES

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the following Transit Services:

1. Modification of North Lamar and Johnston weekday--Saturday and Sunday routes.
2. Modification of Balcones weekday--Saturday routes.

The motion, seconded by Councilmember Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman,
Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann
Noes: None

ACQUISITION OF UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN OPEN PLAYGROUND AREAS

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the acquisition of a 25% undivided interest in the open playground areas of Cook and Barrington Elementary Schools. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
- Noes: None

Councilmember Himmelblau stated that she would like to get together with the School Board and talk about the upkeep of the playground areas and other things. Mayor Friedman stated that he would contact Mrs. McClellan, President of the Board of Trustees, to set a meeting date. MRS. FRANCIE BREYFOGLE thanked the Council for recognizing the needs of North Austin.

AMENDING PERSONNEL POLICIES TO REVISE VACATION ACCRUAL

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council adopt a resolution amending Personnel Policies to revise vacation accrual in accordance with Council action in first reading of Budget Ordinance. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
- Noes: None

APPROVING TAX ROLLS

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving the 1976 Tax Rolls as certified by the Board of Equalization. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
- Noes: None

Mayor Friedman noted that this certifies \$2,536,064,150. Councilmember Hofmann expressed her appreciation for the outstanding job performed by the Board of Equalization.

SUSPENDING RATE INCREASE BY SOUTHERN UNION GAS PENDING FURTHER STUDY

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council adopt a resolution suspending the rate increase requested by Southern Union Gas on September 1, 1976, for a period of 120 days pending further study. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
- Noes: None

ZONING ORDINANCES

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 45 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS: THE EAST 120 FEET OF LOTS 5 AND 6, BLOCK "G," FORD PLACE NO. 1 SUBDIVISION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS THE REAR OF 4409 RUSSELL DRIVE, FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Walter Wendlandt and Charles Wendlandt, C14-76-071)

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Trevino, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 760923-B, ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1976, BY AMENDING THE CAPTION OF SAID ORDINANCE BY DELETING THE WORDS, "PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE," AND SUBSTITUTING INLLIEU THEREOF THE WORDS, "DECLARING AN EMERGENCY"; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (North Oaks Village Venture, C14-76-072)

Councilmember Lebermann moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance effective immediately. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmember Himmelblau
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ORDINANCE ADOPTING TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976-77

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 1976; AND FOR EACH YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL OTHERWISE PROVIDED; DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION THEREOF; VALIDATING ALL PRIOR AD VALOREM TAX LEVIES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance effective immediately. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Friedman noted that this tax rate is \$1.27. He stated that the budget had been approved and agreed that there is nothing else to do but approve the tax rate at this level.

AMENDING CLASSIFICATION ORDINANCE TO REFLECT INCREASE IN PAY TO CITY EMPLOYEES

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 681114-A BY REVISING THE BASIC PAY SCHEDULE THEREOF; AMENDING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance effective immediately. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 751211-C BY REVISING THE BASIC PAY SCHEDULE FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT; AMENDING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance effective immediately. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmembers Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Friedman stated that he disagreed, as he did in the budget; however, in all fairness this is the only way to get it back into the employees' hands faster so it will become operative under the terms of an emergency situation for the next pay period, and voted "yes."

AMENDING CIVIL SERVICE ORDINANCE TO REFLECT INCREASE IN PAY FOR POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Mayor Friedman introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 751002-C BY REVISING THE BASIC PAY AND PROBATIONARY PAY FOR PERSONNEL OF THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS BY PROVIDING FOR INCREASES IN PAY THERETO TO ACCOMMODATE COST OF LIVING INCREASES; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilmember Trevino moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance effective immediately. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Councilmember Trevino, Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn
- Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Friedman noted that comments applied in the previous motion also apply here.

REPORT PRESENTED BY THE ENERGY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mayor Friedman noted that the Council had received two volumes from the Energy Conservation Commission entitled "Energy Performance Guidelines." He noted that Mr. Francisco Arumi, University of Texas School of Architecture, had been working on a program with the Energy Conservation Commission which is the basis for this report.

Mr. Lonnie Davis, Director of Building Inspection, introduced another member of the Commission, Dr. Archie Straiton, and then presented the report to the Council. Mr. Davis noted that the study presented to the Council has developed a theoretical model for building design, materials, and construction for commercial buildings which can result in energy efficient construction. He stated that the Commission recommended that a year's time be devoted to gathering information on existing buildings, buildings under construction, and proposed buildings so that statistical information can be gathered to compare with the model and validate the findings. When the analysis is complete, the Commission will return to the Council with specific Building Code Amendment recommendations. In the meantime, the Commission requests that the Council accept and approve the report for use as general guidelines in the construction of commercial buildings. Mr. Davis stated that he was in agreement with the recommendation.

Mayor Friedman stated that the Conservation Commission and the Building Inspection Department would continue to monitor this program and would return to the Council with recommendations as they are developed.

Councilmember Linn moved that the Council accept the report entitled, "Energy Performance Guidelines" and would anticipate additional update in the future. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Hofmann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Friedman, Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers
Himmelblau, Hofmann, Lebermann, Linn, Trevino
Noes: None

ORDINANCE REQUIRING INDIVIDUAL ELECTRIC METERING

MR. MAC HOLDER, Chairperson of the Energy Conservation Commission, stated that for the past two years the Energy Conservation Commission has been working on a proposal relating to the individual metering of all living units in the City of Austin. He requested that the Council consider the Ordinance that the Energy Conservation Commission has written which includes individual metering of all electric service going into apartment complexes; it includes all types of living units from a duplex to a high-rise building. After working with engineers, architects, and personnel from the City, Mr. Holder felt that this Ordinance, as written, was very good. Mayor Friedman commented that all the Council could do today would be to set a public hearing and have the Ordinance discussed.

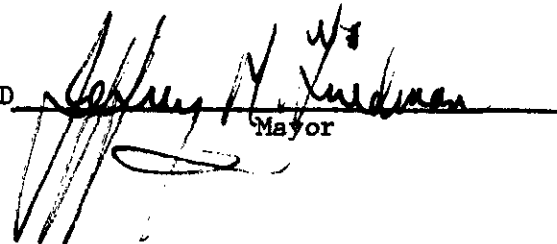
Councilmember Linn moved that the Council set a public hearing on October 28, 1976, at 3:30 p.m. to discuss an individual metering Ordinance. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Lebermann, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Snell, Councilmembers Himmelblau, Hofmann,
Lebermann, Linn, Trevino, Mayor Friedman
Noes: None


ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

APPROVED


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk