

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

February 2, 1978
9:00 A.M.

Council Chambers
301 West Second Street

The meeting was called to order with Mayor McClellan presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino

Absent: None

The Invocation was given by Reverend Rick Webb, Pastor of the Fairview Church of Christ.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Councilmember Snell read a proclamation issued by the Mayor designating February, 1978, as Black History Month. MR. CLIFTON GRIFFIN accepted the proclamation in behalf of the NAACP. MRS. E. MARIE GILBERT noted that Mr. Griffin is Chairman of Black History Month.

"BIG TIMES" WEEK
CHRISTIPHER JOY DAY

Councilmember Snell read a proclamation designating February 6-10, 1978, as "BIG TIMES" WEEK and Tuesday, February 7, 1978, as CHRISTIPHER JOY DAY in honor of Mr. Joy's production of the movie, "BIG TIME." Mr. Joy credited his parents with his success, and noted that there would be a benefit for the Afro-American Players with the film at the Paramount Theatre on February 7, 1978.

CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Councilmember Himmelblau presented a proclamation for Children's Dental Health Week, to be the week of February 5-11, 1978. It was accepted by MRS. STEVEN NORMAN, who thanked the Council.

NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK

The proclamation for National Crime Prevention Week was presented by Councilmember Goodman to members of the Exchange Clubs of Austin, who were introduced by DON CANNON, University of Texas Chief of Police. The week of February 12-18, 1978, will be designated for Community Center Crime activities. Chief Cannon accepted the proclamation and thanked the Council.

GIRLS TOWN U.S.A. DAY

MS. MARGARINE BEAMAN and MR. LYNN TURNER were presented with a proclamation setting Thursday, February 2, 1978, as Girls Town U.S.A. Day, by Mayor McClellan. There will be an Art Auction on February 3, 1978, sponsored by the Junior Women's Federation with proceeds to go to Girls Town U.S.A. Ms. Beaman invited the Council to the Art Auction and thanked them for the proclamation.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council approve Minutes for Special Council Meetings of January 13, 1978; January 14, 1978; January 18, 1978; and January 20, 1978; and Regular Council Meeting of January 26, 1978. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino
Noes: None

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Mayor McClellan announced that appointments will be made to boards and commissions.

Arts Commission

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council appoint LUIS G. GONZALEZ to the Arts Commission to serve until August 1, 1978. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan
Noes: None

Commission on Status of Women

Councilmember Cooke moved that the Council appoint DOROTHY McCLELLAN to the Commission on the Status of Women to serve until June 30, 1978, and JULIET KING to serve until June 30, 1979. The motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor
Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmember Cooke
Noes: None

The Mayor asked that the Minutes reflect that she was not related to Dorothy McClellan.

Board and Commission Appointments

The Mayor announced that the following appointments would be held over for next week:

Board of Adjustment
Building Standards Commission
Energy Conservation Commission
Ethics Review Commission
On-Going Goals Assembly Committee
Navigation Board
Explosive Appeals Board

The Mayor also announced that the following appointments will be made on March 2, 1978:

Community Development Commission - 6
Construction Advisory Committee - 1
Dental Health Advisory Committee - 13
Parks and Recreation Board - 2
Commission on Status of Women - 1
Urban Transportation Commission - 1

RECOGNITION

Mayor McClellan recognized in the audience two 4th grade classes from Dawson Elementary School, and also their teachers and student teacher, and parents. She mentioned she had been enjoying her Dawson Dolphin T-shirt, and was glad to have them visiting the Council meeting.

EASEMENT ACQUISITION

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the approval of the acquisition of a clearance easement for the Airport Approach Obstruction Clearance. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

WATER LINE EASEMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving eminent domain proceedings to acquire a water line easement at the following location:

15 foot strip of land out of the Thomas Anderson Survey No. 17 in Travis County, Texas, William Cannon Drive and McCarty Road. (T. U. Bryant, owner)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

RELEASE OF EASEMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving the release of the following easements:

A five (5.00) foot Public Utility Easement located at the rear of Lots 28 through 35; 20 through 25; and the rear of Lots 5 through 12 in Towne Lake Addition; and the rear five (5.00) feet of Lots 6 through 15 in Chalmers Addition; also the release of an Easement retained when the Chalmers Avenue Cul-de-Sac was vacated by Council action on December 15, 1977. (Requested by Mr. Jack Robinson, Director of Parks and Recreation Department)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving the release of the following easement:

A ten (10.00) foot Wastewater Easement located in La Costa Phase One, Section Two, recorded in Volume 5080 Page 865 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, locally known as the 6100-6300 Blocks of La Calma Drive. (Requested by Mr. Herbert Dethloff, Jr., S. A. Garza Engineers, Inc., representing Land Equities, Inc.)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

WATER LINE COST DIFFERENCE

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving payment of the following:

HABERMAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

- The cost difference of 12"/8" water line installed to serve the North Austin Commercial subdivision - \$2,801.04.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving payment of the following:

LONGHORN BUSINESS PARK NO. 2, INC.
Mr. Richard Haberman, President

- The cost difference of 12"/8" water line installed to serve Longhorn Business Park No. 2 \$14,911.05.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving payment of the following:

JAGGER ASSOCIATES, INC.
Sid Jagger, President

- The cost difference of 12"/8" water line installed to serve Countryside Section 1 - \$24,152.00.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving payment of the following:

CREEKSIDE PROPERTIES, INC.

- The cost difference of 12"/8" water line installed to serve Yarrabee Bend, Section 1 - \$6,226.71.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

WASTEWATER APPROACH MAIN CONTRACTS

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving the following Wastewater Approach Main contracts:

EDNA J. DUFFIE, owner

- Construction of an 8-inch Wastewater Approach Main to serve the Edna J. Duffie Subdivision No. 1. (No cost to City)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving the following Water and Wastewater Main contracts:

STATE BOARD OF REGISTERED
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, owners

- Construction of an 8-inch Water and 8-inch Wastewater Main to serve the B.R.P.E. Subdivision. (Estimated City cost for Wastewater Main is \$1,480.00; no cost for Water Main)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

CONTRACTS APPROVED

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contract:

GLOBE TICKET COMPANY
8800 Ambassador Row
Dallas, Texas

- Data Processing Cards
Data Systems
All items - \$12,327.40

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contract:

DOUBLEDAY AND COMPANY, INC.
SCHOOL & LIBRARY
501 Franklin Avenue
Garden City, New York

- Book Club Subscription Books
Austin Public Libraries.
All items - \$5,184.00

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contract:

CASH REGISTER SALES AND SERVICES
5611 Adams
Austin, Texas

- Cash Registers, Library Department.
Item 1 - 8 ea. - \$6,200.00

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contract:

LIBRARY BINDING COMPANY
2900 Franklin Avenue
Waco, Texas

- Rebinding Paperback Books,
Austin Public Libraries
Twelve month supply agreement with
option for an additional twelve
month extension.
Item 1 - \$12,000.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contracts:

Bid Award:

- Fire Hose and Nozzles, Fire
Department

TEXAS RUBBER SUPPLY COMPANY
2436 Irving Boulevard
Dallas, Texas

- Item 4 - \$5,360.00

LOREYS FIRE PROTECTION
4407 Sinclair
Austin, Texas

- Items 2 & 3 - \$1,960.00

RUSS MARTIN FIRE EQUIPMENT &
SERVICE
9030 N. Freeway, Suite 207
Houston, Texas

- Item 6 - \$1,583.60

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE CO.
2666 Myrtle Springs
Dallas, Texas

- Item 1 - \$1,120.00

FIRE APPLIANCE COMPANY OF TEXAS
1708 East Scott Street
Wichita Falls, Texas

- Item 5 - \$695.00

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to
authorize the following contracts:

Bid Award:

- Carryalls, Vehicle & Equipment
Services

GMC SEARCY TRUCKS
4400 S. Interregional
Austin, Texas

- Item 1-4 ea. @ \$6,343.38
Total - \$25,373.52

CAPITOL CHEVROLET, INC.
501 North Lamar
Austin, Texas

- Item 2 - 1 Each
Total - \$7,438.00

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contracts:

Bid Award:

- Crane and platform, hot patch units,
Vehicle & Equipment Services Department

GULF STATES CRANE & EQUIPMENT
7820 Pinemont
Houston, Texas

- Item 1 - 1 Each
Total: \$21,021.65 - Replacement
for Power Production

COMMERCIAL BODY CORPORATION
Fifth at Padernales
Austin, Texas

- Item 4 - 2 Ea. @ \$17,668.00
Total - \$35,336.00 - Replacement
for Street and Bridge

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to approve a contract between the Texas State Library and the City of Austin in the amount of \$145,808 in federal funds for the purchase of library materials. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

**AUCTION
SURPLUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to approve the disposition by Auction during February, 1978, of Surplus Vehicles and Equipment, including any items which may sell for \$5,000 or more. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY - STREAM-GAGES

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council ~~approve a resolution to~~ approve the amendment of an agreement between the United States Geological Survey of the U.S. Department of Interior and the City of Austin for installation, operation and maintenance of stream-gages throughout the Austin area, to include installation of an automatic sampler to upgrade water quality sampling procedures. (Total additional cost \$30,000.00; City's share - 50%) The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

Councilmember Himmelblau requested that the staff look for additional federal funds.

RAILROAD CROSSING PROTECTION DEVICES

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to enter into a contract with the Southern Pacific Transportation Company for installation of railroad crossing protection devices at East 46th Street. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

HEARING SET REDUCED SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council set a public hearing for February 9, 1978, at 11:00 A.M. to consider an amendment to Section 28 of the Austin City Code to eliminate the provision for a reduced solid waste collection fee for the City service at certain multiple family dwelling facilities. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

URBAN TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution to approve the proposed amendments to the Urban Transportation contract with the Texas Department of Human Resources. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

OPERATING BUDGET ORDINANCE

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 770922-A, ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977-1978, BY APPROPRIATING FEDERAL ANTIRECESSION FISCAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS AND ADDING THEM TO THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BUDGET FOR 1977-78, ACCOUNT NO. 10630; SUSPENDING THE REQUIREMENT THAT ORDINANCES BE READ ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, ~~and~~ declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance, to appropriate \$23,730 to the Planning Department to fund activities of the Redevelopment Task Force. The motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino,
Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ZONING ORDINANCES

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 43 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS:
A 1.47-ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 3207 MANOR ROAD; FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL 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. (Jet Bartlett, Bill Bartlett & James H. Hudnall, C14-77-147)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino,
Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 43 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS:
LOT 2, BLOCK 3, MANCHACA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 6603 MANCHACA ROAD; FROM "A" 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. (Doris Wiley, C14-77-160)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino,
Councilmember Goodman, Mayor McClellan
Noes: Councilmembers ~~Satter, Himmelblau~~

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA AND CHANGING THE USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 45 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS:

A 60.22-ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1000-2206 ED BLUESTEIN BOULEVARD AND 6302-6516 BOLM ROAD, FROM INTERIM "A" RESIDENCE, INTERIM FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT, TO "DL" LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, FIFTH HEIGHT AND AREA 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. (Community Savings & Loan Association, C14-77-075)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino,
Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ZONING ORDINANCE - FIRST READING

Mayor McClellan brought up the following ordinance for its first reading:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA AND CHANGING THE USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 45 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS:

LOT A, HAROLD ADDITION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 4801 E. BEN WHITE BOULEVARD; FROM INTERIM "AA" RESIDENCE, INTERIM FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "DL" LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Robinson Company of Austin, Inc., C14-77-018)

The ordinance was read the first time, and Councilmember Mullen moved that it be passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been passed through its first reading only.

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

Mayor McClellan asked MR. DICK HODGKINS, Chairperson of the Airport Master Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee, to speak before the Council. Mr. Hodgkins told the Council that his Committee had voted against allocating additional money to the consultants for an updated study of the 4300-foot separation runway proposed by the Air Force and usage of Tins Air Park. Mr. Hodgkins then turned the podium over to MR. RAY KUSCHE, Vice-President of R. Dixon Speas, Aviation Consultants. Mr. Kusche told the Council that in the 1975 consultants report, they had predicted the total number of passengers using the airport in 1980 as being around 600,000. He stated that in 1977, about 560,000 persons did use the facility. Mr. Kusche remarked that these were low estimations. In the high scenario, he indicated that the airport might accomodate as many as 1 million people in 1980 and 2.1 million people in 1995. This is based upon a growth rate of 8% per year, the lower estimation being based upon a growth rate of 6% per year. Mr. Kusche indicated that it was difficult to predict what the long-range situation would be and that it would take several years to really make a determination. He stated that the airport probably could sustain the high estimations if certain modifications were made to the airport itself. Mr. Kusche pointed out that an increase in the operations at the airport would also increase environmental problems within the noise corridor and also delay flights due to safety factors. Mr. Kusche also reviewed some of the alternate airport sites and their disadvantages. He pointed out that they had selected Tins Air Park because it had a number of features which met the site selections criteria. In response to a question from Councilmember Goodman, Mr. Kusche indicated that the area east of Manor would probably have more negatives than positives in relation to placing the site there.

Mayor McClellan felt that it would be advisable to pursue the 4300-foot separation runway. She also stated that, because of development occurring in the north, the usage of Tins Air Park was also becoming a less viable alternative. Mayor McClellan felt that strengthening and lengthening the secondary runway at Bergstrom was a viable option. Mr. Kusche pointed out, however, that the Air Force might not feel that this would be compatible with military aircraft to be used in the future. In response to a question from Councilmember Goodman, Mr. Kusche stated that the Air Force's main reason for not wanting a joint-use facility was that it would interfere with instrumentation flying during bad weather. Councilmember Mullen also pointed out the possibility of Bergstrom relocating some time in the future, leaving the air field vacated. Mr. Kusche recommended that activity at Mueller Airport be decreased until some solution is decided upon. Mayor McClellan felt that a full presentation should be made to the Air Force and that the FAA should also be made aware of the situation at Mueller Airport. Mr. Kusche indicated that the FAA did make funds available for land use studies and environmental impact studies. He stated that these funds could be tapped for use at Mueller Airport.

Mayor McClellan suggested that there be a reconstitution of the Airport Master Plan Study Committee. She asked that the City Attorney prepare an amendment to Board and Commission procedure to allow for an emergency contingency at next week's meeting. Mayor McClellan recommended that the Committee address the following things:

1. A factual assessment of the current and projected statistical data as it effects the present operations at Mueller Airport. Mr. Kusche recommended that the City seek FAA funds for this purpose.
2. The factual assessment as to the feasibility of pursuing the joint-use concept at Bergstrom as previously recommended by the Committee and as adopted by two City Councils.
3. An assessment of other airport location options that appear to exist for the City to serve aviation needs for the next 20 to 40 years.
4. What limitation on the amount of airport expansion can be allowed if the airport is forced to remain at its present location.

Mayor McClellan hoped that the Committee could return to the Council within a 90-day period with recommendations on these suggestions. Councilmember Cooke felt that this additional 90 days was a waste of time as the consultant has already addressed most of the things suggested by the Mayor.

MR. GEORGE WHITTER, President of the Air Traffic Controllers Organization for Austin Robert Mueller Airport, questioned why the City has not extended the runway 2000 feet into the golf course to achieve the 9,200 feet of runway requested by the air carriers. He stated that the Air Force felt that it should have priority over everything. Mr. Whitter indicated that many near collisions are exaggerated by the Air Force. Councilmember Himmelblau asked what the advantage would be in extending the runway at Mueller Airport. Mr. Whitter indicated that extending the runway would enhance safety for heavier aircraft making long-range flights. He also pointed out that extending the runway would place the Mueller approach angles underneath the approach angles for Bergstrom Air Base. Mr. Whitter also stated that the airport was badly in need of a new radar system.

Mr. Hodgkins told the Council that extension of the runway would be of great help. He stated that the City would have heard from the Air Force sooner if district representatives had helped the effort. He stated that the public and previous City Councils have not put enough impetus behind the effort. Mr. Hodgkins pointed out that no matter how far the runway is extended, the northerly landing approach to the airport would still pose a safety problem. He felt that the airport problem needed more media exposure to get support behind it. Mr. Hodgkins recommended that the Council take a second look at the situation. He stated that certain profit-motivated individuals were trying to keep the airport situation the way it is rather than moving it to another location. He said that it was time the City pull its head out of the sand and start doing something about it. Mr. Hodgkins felt that the reconstituted committee was a good idea.

Motion

Councilmember Goodman moved that the Council reconstitute the Airport Master Plan Study Committee to look into the four areas as previously outlined by Mayor McClellan within 90 days; with a report on the safety factors at Robert Mueller Airport within the next 30 days; and that the Council waive the standard notification procedures for Boards and Commissions due to the emergency nature of the issue. The motion, seconded by Mayor McClellan, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen

Noes: None

(NOTE: A verbatim transcript of this item is available in the City Clerk's Office.)

LEASE AGREEMENT
CENTER FOR BATTERED WOMEN

MS. DEBORAH TUCKER MEISMER, Administrator of the Center for Battered Women, appeared before the Council to request extension of a lease agreement to use a City-owned facility. Councilmember Himmelblau commented that this has been a very fine project for the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council approve the lease agreement. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Goodman, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell

Noes: None

Not in Council Chamber when roll was called: Councilmember Cooke

REDUCTION OF CITY GOVERNMENT

MR. TERRY PARKER, representing the Government Reduction League, appeared before the Council to discuss the reduction of City government. He stated that they were currently putting together a package on elimination of the hours of operation for businesses. Mr. Parker indicated that most of these Ordinances came about because of the noise generated by certain businesses. He suggested that the City enact an effective Noise Ordinance which could necessitate elimination of the hours of operation Ordinances. Councilmember Mullen indicated that the Department of Environmental Resource Management is currently working on a Noise Ordinance and suggested postponing any action on the matter until a report is received on the progress of that Ordinance. He stated that the Ordinance would first go before the Environmental Board and then to the City Council.

FACADE GRANTS PROGRAM

MR. CHARLES A BETTS, President of the Heritage Society of Austin, Inc., appeared before the Council to announce the Heritage Society's Congress Avenue

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council close the public hearing and grant "O" Office (Tract 1) and "GR" General Retail (Tract 2), 1st Height and Area District, as recommended by the Planning Commission, subject to conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mullen, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "O" Office, (Tract 1) and "GR" General Retail (Tract 2), 1st Height and Area District, subject to conditions, and the City Attorney was instructed to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

PADDLE WHEEL BOAT EXCURSIONS

The Council had before it for consideration a request by Capt. Charles J. Bagley and Mr. Christie Sarris for the authorization to operate a paddle wheel boat on Town Lake for excursion purposes. Councilmember Himmelblau suggested a minimum operating fee of \$500 per year along with 5% of the gross take. She felt that this would be more appropriate than the low minimum fee of \$250 and 1% of the gross as recommended by the staff.

Mr. Lonnie Davis, Director of the Building Inspection Department, told the Council that the request has been reviewed by the Navigation Board, the Parks and Recreation Department, the Environmental Resource Management Department, the Health Department, and the Building Inspection Department. He stated that the staff recommendation was for 1% of the gross and no less than \$250 annual fee. In regard to a liquor license, Mr. Davis indicated that the boat would be operating out of Christie's Restaurant which is currently licensed to serve alcoholic beverages. He stated that the boat would be docking and fueling at the restaurant and that the fee would only cover the usage of Town Lake. Councilmember Snell asked about the boat itself. Mr. Davis stated that the boat has a diesel engine which provides torque to a drive shaft running to a stern-mounted paddle wheel. This, in turn, powers the craft. In regard to fuel emission, Mr. Davis indicated that the boat has noise reducing mufflers which are situated above the water line thereby emitting no pollutants into the water.

Councilmember Cooke indicated that he would like to see a \$600 minimum fee rather than a \$500 fee, along with the 5% of the gross. Councilmember Mullen asked what the charges had been for an excursion boat that was previously located on Town Lake. Mr. Davis, however, did not recall what the charges were. In response to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mr. Davis indicated that the craft has a low noise output and is muffled like an automobile. Councilmember Goodman asked what the noise factor was. Capt. Bagley did not know what the exact sound level in decibels was. He said, however, that it would be much less than a truck.

area Facade Grants Program. He told the Council that the Society is earmarking \$100,000.00 to be used as matching grants to private owners of historic and architecturally deserving store front facades in the downtown Austin area. He stated that the program will be focusing on Congress Avenue and East Sixth Street, but will not necessarily be limited to those areas. He stated that applications for grants may be obtained from the offices of the Heritage Society at about the middle of the month. Mayor Pro Tem Trevino asked Mr. Betts if the matching funds would also be available to match monies from the City of Austin. Mr. Betts replied possibly so. Mayor McClellan told Mr. Betts that the Council was very pleased with the Society's new program.

**CITATION AWARD
LOWER WALLER CREEK DEVELOPMENT**

MR. TOM SHEFELMAN appeared before the Council to present a citation award for Lower Waller Creek Development. He told the Council that National Architects Magazine, in its January issue, selected the City's Lower Waller Creek Development Project for its 25th Annual Design Award. Mr. Shefelman introduced some of the persons involved with the project. He stated that the various people working on the project formed a group called the Waller Creek Joint Venture. Mr. Shefelman thanked the Council and City staff for its support in the development of the project. Mayor McClellan indicated that the City would continue to support the project. In response to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mr. Shefelman indicated that final completion of the project could take 20 years or more.

ZONING HEARING

The Council had before it for consideration the following zoning case. Pursuant to published notice thereof, the following zoning was publicly heard:

NPC REALTY COMPANY 1422 Fairfield Drive
By Phil Mockford 1507 Peyton Gin Road
C14-77-180

From "B" Residence
1st Height and Area
To "O" Office (Tract 1) and
"GR" General Retail (Tract
2)
1st Height and Area
RECOMMENDED by the Planning
Commission, with conditions.

Mr. Dick Lillie, Director of the Planning Department, told the Council that the application is located near Olin Road and Research Boulevard. He stated that the original application was approved in 1968 and that this was an amendment to that application. Mr. Lillie indicated that the matter has gone through the Planning Commission and that the property owners in the area are agreed to the recommendation of the Commission. He stated that the applicant has altered his application in conformance with the recommendations and has also agreed with several of the conditions requested by citizens in a petition.

Motion

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council grant the request with an operating fee of \$600 per year and 5% of the gross take, effective over a 5-year period. Councilmember Cooke seconded the motion.

In regard to the annual fee, Capt. Bagley stated that the amount paid on the Brazos Queen was 2% for the first three years and 5% for the remainder of a ten-year period. He stated that he would like approval to operate the boat for longer than one year. Capt. Bagley indicated that it would cost about \$18,000 to move the boat to Austin and that he would need time to recover some of this cost. Capt. Bagley indicated that the boat would be operational by May 1, 1978. He stated that the boat will operate from May 1 through the end of September, and not be in operation during the winter months.

Amendment to Motion

Councilmember Cooke amended the motion to include review of the agreement between both parties at the end of one year. Councilmember Himmelblau accepted the amendment.

MR PAUL HERNANDEZ asked Capt. Bagley what would happen during the annual boat races on Town Lake. Capt. Bagley replied that perhaps he could lead a parade with the riverboat. Councilmember Cooke pointed out that other aquatic events such as the boat races would have precedent over the excursions which would have to cease during such events. Mr. Hernandez asked that the Council postpone action on the matter until his organization had time to look at the request. An unidentified speaker in the audience suggested that the boat move westward to load and unload persons at Zilker Park. He also suggested that the boat be required to accommodate youth groups possibly several times a year.

Substitute Motion

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council postpone action on the matter for one week until the meeting of February 9, 1978. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cooke. (No vote was taken on this motion).

Councilmember Goodman asked if the boat could move westward on the river rather than eastward. Capt. Bagley indicated that this was a possibility but stated that the river bottom would have to be surveyed first. He also expressed a willingness to work with various youth groups riding the boat at various times in the year.

LEASE AGREEMENT

The Council had before it consideration of authorizing execution of a lease agreement between the City of Austin and Southland Corporation for a 7-Eleven Store at Lamar and Koenig Lane.

In response to Councilmember Mullen's questions, Joe Morahan, Director, Property Management Department, stated that the lease had been discussed again with Southland Corporation and that Southland felt that the lease was as much as they could go. The Corporation did not put cost-of-living or Consumer Price Index kickers in their lease agreements. A percentage of gross variance could be put into the lease, but it probably would involve a lower base or a figure different from \$180,000. None would be a Consumer Price Index adjustment. The property was recently appraised by Mr. Herbert Sladek in connection with the lease negotiations. Taxes were collected on the improvements and an amount had been built into the agreement to compensate for the lack of taxes on the land.

Curtis Johnson, Director, Water and Wastewater Department saw no conflict with leasing the property for 15 years, but did not recommend selling the property due to possible future needs.

The property had not been opened up for bidding, and most of the City's leases were not economic leases. Over the past five years the City had sold about 75 pieces of property.

Motion

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council open up the bidding on the property with minimum specifications to be the same as in the proposed lease agreement. Councilmember Goodman seconded the motion.

MR. DENNIS ELMORE, real estate representative for the Southland Corporation, asked for clarification. Councilmember Mullen stated that the bidding specifications would contain the same amount of capital improvements as proposed by Southland and that the lease would be for 15 years.

Roll Call

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmember Goodman

Noes: None

Not in Council Chamber when roll was called: Councilmember Cooke

8TH STREET MALL PROJECT

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council adopt a resolution approving Plan B recommendations on the proposed 8th Street Mall Project, CIP No. 77/75-01 as follows and set a public hearing for 8:00 p.m., February 16, 1978, on the closing of 8th Street between Guadalupe and San Antonio Streets. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Goodman, carried by the following vote: (Plan B on the following page)

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau

Noes: None

PLAN B - TABLE 2

ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT COST	ITEM TOTAL
Landscaping	10,000	SF	\$ 2.25	\$14,500
Paving	10,000	SF	2.25	22,500
Brick walls	730	LF	15.10	10,950
Exposed agg.	1,000	SF	1.85	1,850
Excavation	-	-	-	7,480
Concrete curb & gutter	505	LF	2.75	1,389
Area drain	2	ea.	100.00	200
Area inlet	2	ea.	300.00	600
Curb inlet	2	ea.	1,000.00	2,000
Reinforced concrete & pipe	-	-	-	4,880
Relocate power poles	3	ea.	1,000.00	3,000
Tree grates	10	ea.	100.00	1,000
Step lights	4	ea.	60.00	240
Tree lights	7	ea.	250.00	1,750
Lighting - lump sum	-	-	-	2,500
Irrigation system	-	-	-	6,000
Benches	20	-	-	2,800
Contingencies	10%	-	-	12,010
Construction plans & spec's.	15%	-	-	18,020
Construction management	15%	-	-	6,000
Planning and design	-	-	-	12,000
Sculpture	-	-	-	10,000
TOTAL				\$148,829

Mr. Dick Lillie, Planning Director, stated that the Planning Commission had recommended \$130,000 for the project, but there was about \$136,000 in the CIP. There would have to be some pulling back on the project from the \$148,829 shown in Plan B.

CONTRACTS APPROVED

Councilmember Cooke moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the following contract:

STIEFER PAINTING & CONTRACTING
COMPANY, INC.
902 Wagon Trail
Austin, Texas

- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM -
Employee Restroom Facility,
Public Works Department
\$55,318.00 CIP No. 73/07-02

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

Ayes: Councilmember Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Councilmembers
Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen

Noes: None

Not in Council Chamber when roll was called: Mayor McClellan

In response to Councilmembers Cooke's questions, Mr. John German stated

that there were six women employees at the location now, but it was hoped that several more could be hired. The restroom facilities were located on the acreage so that they could eventually be incorporated into the Town Lake Development Plan after the Street & Bridge Division relocated.

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council adopt a resolution to authorize the following contract:

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES
CORPORATION
1609 Shoal Creek Boulevard
Austin, Texas

- Two-Module Disk Storage Units,
Data Systems Department
Two-year lease plan including
option for up to three one-year
extensions thereafter.
Item 1; 3 ea. @ \$1,150/month
Total: \$82,800

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

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers
Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell
Noes: None

Councilmember Mullen felt that the City was locked into IBM equipment and question at what point some other group would be able to compete for the City's data processing business.

Hugh Standifer, Data Systems Director, stated that IBM was the only manufacturer of the disk in question and that the City got into that type of disk to save money, conserve space and reduce BTU output in the computer room, while simultaneously increasing storage capacity by 1 billion bytes. He felt that for the immediate future the City was locked into IBM, but not necessarily so in five years.

Councilmember Mullen requested a list of all data processing equipment leased by the City, where it was located, lease cost by month and expiration dates by item. Mr. Standifer stated that he would furnish that information.

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing the following contract:

EDUCATIONAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY
1518 Barton Springs Road
Austin, Texas

- Film Projectors, 16MM,
Library Department.
Item 1 - 34 each - \$14,620.00

The motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau,
Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino
Noes: None

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES
NEW CARVER BRANCH LIBRARY

The Council had before it reconsideration of selection of Architectural Services for New Carver Branch Library, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM No. 75/85-01.

Councilmember Snell moved that the Council adopt a resolution selecting the firm of Lundgren & Associates for architectural services for the New Carver Branch Library. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell,
Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan

Noes: None

Councilmembers Snell asked if the item should go back out for recommendations to give other firms a chance to bid. Mr. Benny Hawkins, Construction Management Department, recommended that the process not be reopened for the sake of being consistent with existing selection criteria. City Manager Davidson expressed concern over the delay in architectural work on the project which had already occurred. He did not wish to see further delay in a project which was of great interest to the community.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS SERVICES
BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council adopt a resolution authorizing a contract with Herschel Fischer, M. D. and Karl G. Mangold, M. D., for Emergency Physicians Services at Brackenridge Hospital. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Goodman, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor
Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmember Cooke

Noes: None

MR. MIKE WILLATT, Chairman, Hospital Board, reviewed the process by which the firm was selected.

Mr. Bob Spurck, Acting Hospital Administrator, Brackenridge Hospital, reviewed the proposed contract for the Council. The contractor would receive 47% of gross billings plus \$138,000 for the first 6,500 clinic card recipients seen in the Emergency Department. The City would pay 70% of the billed charges for any number above the 6,500 limit. Based on projected billings, the net cost to the City would be \$95,400 versus the present cost of \$148,000.

In response to Councilmember Mullen's question regarding a possible ethical problem with one billing, Mr. Willatt stated that he saw no legal problem with the contract.

APPROPRIATION FOR ENFORCEMENT OF FIRE ZONE ORDINANCE

The Council had before it for consideration amending the 1977-78 Annual Operating Budget to appropriate \$55,328 to the Fire Department for enforcement of the Fire Zone (Fire Lane) Ordinance. Councilmember Himmelblau asked if there were any way the City would charge for the cost of creating the fire zones and the inspections. Chief Kirkham stated that no one had worked out a way to charge for the services. There would be some revenue from fines.

Motion - Withdrawn

Councilmember Himmelblau moved that the Council appropriate \$55,328 for enforcement of the Fire Zone Ordinance and that the staff come back with a formula in the future to deal with tax exempt entities. Councilmember Goodman seconded the motion.

Councilmember Mullen was concerned that there were a lot more taxable properties than tax exempt properties and that there would be an imposition on the taxable properties. After a brief discussion, Councilmember Himmelblau withdrew her motion.

Motion

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council appropriate \$27,664 for enforcement of the Fire Zone Ordinance, that surveying be undertaken on a response basis, that the balance of the surveying be done systematically, that the Police Department enforce the ordinance on a response basis and that the private security agencies deliver any tickets to the Fire Department. Councilmember Himmelblau, seconded the motion, and Roll Call showed the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino,
Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: None

Motion

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 770922-A, ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977-78, BY APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE BUDGETED ENDING BALANCE AND TRANSFERRING THESE FUNDS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT NUMBER 00722060; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilmember Mullen moved that the Council waive the requirement for three readings, declare an emergency and finally pass the ordinance, amending the 1977-78 Annual Operating Budget to appropriate \$27,664 to the Fire Department for enforcement of the Fire Zone (Fire Lane) Ordinance. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Himmelblau, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilmember Mullen requested that at Budget time that the City Manager report as to what the survey had produced, income from tickets and an idea of where the City was with regard to the ordinance.

APPROPRIATION FOR ENFORCEMENT OF LAKE AUSTIN DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ORDINANCE

Councilmember Himmelblau felt that the City had not been innovative enough in looking for Federal funds for implementation of the interim ordinance. She referred to the Clean Water Act of December 27, 1977, where 80% funding was available, 208 funds and the 404 program involving the Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Charles Graves, Director, Engineering Department, stated that under the United States Geological Survey contract, the City could lose that 50% funding by participating in any other Federal funding. He agreed to look into the matter further regarding availability of Federal funds. Councilmember Himmelblau requested and the City Manager agreed to look into possible Federal funding for the monitoring of water quality on Lake Austin.

Mayor McClellan introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 770922-A, GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1977, AND TERMINATING SEPTEMBER 30, 1978, BY APPROPRIATING \$39,205.00 TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LAKE AUSTIN DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ORDINANCE; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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 Goodman, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan,
Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

REPEAL OF BOAT RACES ORDINANCE - 1ST READING

The Council had before it consideration of amending Chapter 29 of the Austin City Code of 1967 to repeal the existing prohibition against the operation of racing boats on Town Lake between Tom Miller Dam and the Dam at Pleasant Valley Road.

Motion

Mayor Pro Tem Trevino moved that the Council grant Mr. Sam Hernandez five minutes to speak. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Goodman, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers
Spoke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell
Noes: None

MR. SAM HERNANDEZ, representing the East First Street Neighborhood Advisory Committee, spoke in opposition to holding boat races on Town Lake.

Motion

Mayor McClellan brought up the following ordinance for its first reading:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 29 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967, SECTION 29-13, BY REPEALING THE PROHIBITION AGAINST THE OPERATION OF RACING BOATS ON TOWN LAKE BETWEEN TOM MILLER DAM AND THE DAM AT PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read the first time, and Councilmember Mullen moved that it be passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Himmelblau, Mullen
Noes: Councilmembers Goodman, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been passed through its first reading only.

Councilmember Goodman inquired about the staff report which he, Councilmember Mullen, and Councilmember Cooke had requested on the feasibility of holding the races on the west side of Town Lake. Mr. Pieter Sybesma stated that the Boat Club would be submitting their written assessment of the situation either late today or tomorrow. After receiving that report, the City's report should be ready within two weeks.

In response to Councilmember Goodman's questions, City Manager Davidson stated that he wanted something in writing from the Boat Club as to what they felt was adequate but that the City would evaluate it.

TRAFFIC SAFETY STANDARDS IN SUBDIVISIONS

Mayor McClellan stated that she had circulated a memo to the Council expressing concern that there were no formalized standards for determining traffic safety in subdivisions. She requested that the staff of the Urban Transportation Department work with the Citizens' Traffic Safety Commission and the Urban Transportation Commission to develop standards for traffic safety that could be added to the subdivision ordinance, and further requested that those bodies report back to Council with their findings.

Councilmember Goodman moved that the Council approve the request to draft a proposal. The motion, seconded by Mayor McClellan, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman, Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell,
Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan
Noes: None

**COST SHARING POLICY FOR ADJACENT SUBDIVISIONS
USING SAME WATER AND WASTEWATER LINES**

Councilmember Cooke stated that under present City policy the property owner who developed a new subdivision shared in the costs for water and wastewater lines, but that an adjacent property owner who developed later and tie into the same lines got pretty much a free ride. He asked Mr. Curtis Johnson to discuss a survey of the problem in other Texas cities so that a more equitable system could be examined.

Mr. Johnson stated that 8 of the 10 cities surveyed had a policy which approximated a dual sharing of the cost of lines on either side of a street. He saw no problem with developing such a policy for Austin. However, in cases where extremely wide right-of-way was involved, such as Ben White Boulevard, where it was not feasible to have just one water and sewer line, the policy would not apply. He also suggested that such a policy not make the City the banker, that is, the first subdivider would incur total cost of the project and any subsequent subdivider would submit a payment to the City in connection with the subdivision, such payment to be refunded to the original subdivider.

Councilmember Cooke moved that the Council instruct the staff to come back with an ordinance modification adopting the policy that there would be a reimbursement and to include the two recommendations by Mr. Johnson. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Goodman, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Goodman, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem
Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmember Cooke
Noes: None
Not in Council Chamber when roll was called: Councilmember Himmelblau

B. R. REYNOLDS DRIVE REPORT

The Council had before it the following report on B. R. Reynolds Drive:

"FROM: Joe S. Ternus, Director
Urban Transportation Department

SUBJECT: Traffic Operations on BR Reynolds Drive

As requested by the City Council, this department has conducted additional evaluations of the traffic operations on BR Reynolds Drive.

Based on these additional evaluations, the following observations are provided:

1. The percent of different types/occupancies of vehicles utilizing BR Reynolds during peak periods has not changed significantly.
2. During peak hours, more than 91% of the vehicles complied with the operational aspects of the exclusive lane. Motorists use the special lane better during the evening peak, the time when the volume of traffic is the heaviest.
3. Travel delay for the transit buses has continued to decrease (from -19% to -72%).
4. Vehicles in the left lane encountered delays primarily during the PM peak period.
5. Since the implementation of the exclusive lane in October, 1977, there have been no accidents as a result of the exclusive lane.
6. The number of vehicles using the exclusive lane has increased over 75% since October 17, 1977.

Conclusions

The traffic operations on BR Reynolds Drive have not changed significantly since the exclusive lane was implemented in October, 1977. It appears that the project has been successful in generally improving the traffic flow for all vehicles. The current design has been analyzed to determine if there are any methods to improve flow to the YMCA/Amtrak location while providing incentives for high occupancy vehicles and not deterring the other traffic. The current design accomplishes these objectives in the most effective manner.

It is anticipated that this exclusive lane will serve as an incentive to encourage people to carpool and use transit services when the Congress Avenue Bridge is closed. At the time of the bridge closure, it is suggested that additional information to the public would increase the efficiency of the exclusive lane."

Mr. Joe Ternus, Urban Transportation Department Director, stated that the program had been very effective and that transit operations had improved. He felt that taxicabs should be removed from the exclusive lane and that carpools should be reduced from four to three occupants of a passenger car. The latter item could be done now or wait until after the closing of the Congress Avenue Bridge.

Councilmember Himmelblau stated that she would like to have a report back after the Congress Avenue Bridge was closed for a couple of months.

LEASE OF SITE FOR MEDICAL/PROFESSIONAL BUILDING FOR BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL

Mr. Joe Morahan, Director, Property Management Department, summarized the report on a medical building for Brackenridge Hospital which the Council had before it. Site A (in front of the hospital) appeared to be the most preferred

location. The building could house 25 doctors initially and could be expanded to house an additional 25 doctors. Some outstanding questions were the exact site and site boundaries, parking, term and options, how to effect expansion from Phase 1 to Phase 2, and the consideration of whether it would be \$1 a year or some economic consideration to be bid on. If the Council wished to proceed as outlined, the following timetable for completion of the various steps was suggested:

Review with Hospital Advisory Board	February 9, 1978
Preparation of preliminary R.F.P. documents	By February 16, 1978
Pre-proposal conference	By February 23, 1978
City Council approval to obtain proposals	March 9, 1978
Preparation of final R.F.P. documents	By March 16, 1978
Advertise for and receive proposals	By April 10, 1978
Evaluation of proposals	By April 17, 1978
Negotiations, if required	By April 26, 1978
Recommendations for award by City Council	May 4, 1978

Councilmember Goodman moved that the Council refer the report to the Hospital Board for review. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Cooke, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Himmelblau, Mullen, Snell, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino, Mayor McClellan, Councilmembers Cooke, Goodman
Noes: None

ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

APPROVED

Carolee K. McClellan
Mayor

ATTEST:

Grace Monroe

City Clerk