

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

May 27, 1965
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Palmer presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Absent: None

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police

Invocation was delivered by FATHER PETER NOBLE, St. Julia Catholic Church.

Councilman LaRue moved that the Minutes of May 13, 1965 and May 20, 1965 be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Mayor Palmer 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 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: (1) (A) TRACT 1: SOUTH 31.5 FEET OF LOT 7, NORTH 31.5 FEET OF LOT 8, BLOCK 32 OF THE CHRISTIAN AND FELLMAN SUBDIVISION, AND TRACT 2: LOT 6 AND THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 7, BLOCK 32 OF THE CHRISTIAN AND FELLMAN SUBDIVISION; AND (B) ADDITIONAL AREA: SOUTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 8 AND THE NORTH 36 FEET OF LOT 9, BLOCK 32 OF THE CHRISTIAN AND FELLMAN SUBDIVISION, FROM "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT; (2) (A) A 0.31 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 7825-7831 BURNET ROAD, AND (B) ADDITIONAL AREA: A 14,450 SQUARE FOOT TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 7833-7839 BURNET ROAD, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (3) A 1001 SQUARE FOOT TRACT OF

LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS THE REAR OF 1205 NORTH LAMAR, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C-2" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (4) A .36 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 2301-2311 PARKER LANE, AND 1801-1809 BURLESON ROAD, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT AND FIFTH HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT; (5) NORTH 80 FEET OF THE WEST 30 FEET OF LOT 1, BLOCK "O" OF THE DRIVING PARK ADDITION, FROM "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C-1" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (6) A 31,280 SQUARE FOOT TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 6513-6517 BURNET LANE, FROM "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (7) LOTS 7, 8 AND THE NORTH 40 FEET OF LOT 6, BLOCK 5, OF THE PENN SUBDIVISION OF THE SMYTH SUBDIVISION OF OUTLOT 75, FROM "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; (8) (A) A 9000 SQUARE FOOT TRACT OF LAND, OUT OF BLOCK W OF THE RIDGETOP FOURTH SUBDIVISION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1005 EAST 46TH STREET, AND (B) ADDITIONAL AREA: A 9,750 SQUARE FOOT TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1003 EAST 46TH STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (9) (A) LOT 6 AND THE SOUTH 12.5 FEET OF LOT 5, BLOCK 3 OF THE DRISKILL AND RAINEY SUBDIVISION, AND (B) ADDITIONAL AREA: THE NORTH 50 FEET OF LOT 5, BLOCK 3, OF THE DRISKILL AND RAINEY SUBDIVISION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (10) LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 179 OF THE ORIGINAL CITY OF AUSTIN, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT; AND (11) LOT 17 AND THE EAST 40 FEET OF LOT 16, BLOCK W OF THE VIOLET CROWN HEIGHTS, SECTION 2 SUBDIVISION, FROM "IR" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT; ALL OF SAID PROPERTY BEING SITUATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman LaRue moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman LaRue moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman LaRue moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: LOT 157 AND THE EAST 25 FEET OF LOT 155 OF THE NORTHFIELD ADDITION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING SITUATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Palmer brought up the following zoning applications deferred from last week:

ESTATE OF W. H.	1619-1621 West 6th Street	From "B" Residence 2nd
KLUNKERT	507-511 Campbell Street	Height & Area
By Harold G. Robinson		To "LR" Local Retail 2nd
JOE J. JOSEPH		Height & Area
By Richard Baker		NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission

Councilman Shanks moved that the change be granted to "O" Office 2nd Height and Area for 1619 West 6th Street. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "O" Office 2nd Height and Area for 1619 West 6th Street and the City Attorney was instructed

to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

At Mr. Richard Baker's request, Councilman Shanks then moved that the Council permit the withdrawal of the Joe J. Joseph zoning application at 507-511 Campbell Street (1621 West 6th Street). The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

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TOM GUEDEA	1405 (1417) South 1st Street From "C-1" Commercial 506 West Elizabeth Street 2nd Height & Area To "C-2" Commercial 2nd Height & Area NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission
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Councilman Shanks moved that the Council uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission and DENY the change. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: Councilman Long

Councilman Long voted against the motion, stating this problem was going to have to be met in the very near future, and that it should be studied. If this one is turned down it means he can not bring it up for a year. She wanted this application held in abeyance.

The Mayor announced that the change had been DENIED.

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WALTER BOHN By Tom Long	5934-5936 Westminister Dr. From "GR" General Re- 5903-5909 Berkman Drive tail 6th Height & Area To "C-2" Commercial 6th Height & Area RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission
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Councilman Shanks moved that the change to "C-2" Commercial 6th Height and Area be DENIED. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the change had been DENIED.

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SAFeway STORES,
INC. By Bryant
Curington, Inc.

Tract 1
2314-2404 Wheless Lane

From Interim "A" Resi-
dence 1st Height &
Area
To "GR" General Retail
1st Height & Area

Tract 2
2606 Wheless Lane

From Interim "A" Resi-
dence 1st Height &
Area
To "B" Residence 1st
Height & Area

NOT Recommended by the
Planning Commission

The Council postponed decision until the following week.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, a certain easement was granted to the City of Austin, for public utility purposes, in, upon and across a part of Lot 2, Block 2, Bryker Woods "E", a subdivision of a portion of the George W. Spear League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Bryker Woods "E" of record in Book 4 at Page 104 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the owner of the above described property has requested the City Council of the City of Austin to release the hereinafter described easement; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the hereinafter described easement is not now needed and will not be required in the future; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Manager of the City of Austin be, and he is hereby authorized to execute a release of the following described public utility easement, to-wit:

A strip of land five (5.00) feet in width, same being out of and a part of Lot 2, Block 2, Bryker Woods "E", a subdivision of a portion of the George W. Spear League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Bryker Woods "E" of record in Book 4 at Page 104 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and which strip of land five (5.00) feet in width is more particularly described as follows:

All of the North five (5.00) feet of the West 125.00 feet of said Lot 2, Block 2, Bryker Woods "E".

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF (A) 11.89 ACRES OUT OF THE JAMES TRAMMEL SURVEY NO. 4 AND (B) 0.28 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND OUT OF THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE. (Frontier Village, Lot 1 and proposed Frontier Village, Section 3; Portion of Parker Lane Subdivision)

Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be published in accordance with Article 1, Section 6 of the Charter of the City of Austin and set for public hearing on June 10, 1965, at 10:30 A.M. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Council had before it consideration of off-street parking requirements at 1606 San Jacinto (6 spaces for an apartment hotel). The Building Official outlined the plans of MR. FRANK MONTGOMERY'S two story structure to be built under the new ordinance permitting him to go from property line to property line, with a 12 unit apartment hotel. To have 180 square feet for each car exclusive of the driveway, there would be only six parking spaces. By reducing the square footage to 160, only eight parking spaces could be provided. He recommended that the request be denied as there is inadequate parking spaces. Councilman Long stated within this area it would be folly to build an apartment with inadequate parking. MR. FRANK MONTGOMERY tried to demonstrate by sketches how he could have 12 spaces. The Mayor pointed out the State and Federal buildings within the area with no parking at all provided. He was concerned, however, that this property may be within the defined area of the Capitol boundary. In the afternoon meeting, this matter was discussed again. The Planning Director stated when this application was before the Board of Adjustment for a variance, the Board decided rather than approve a variance of 10 units and 10 parking spaces, it would be proper to amend the ordinance to recognize no side yards, and the application was withdrawn. He said two abutting property owners objected on the basis there would be inadequate parking spaces, and there would be parking on each of their lots. It was pointed out the Capitol Plan did not include this location. After more discussion, Councilman Long moved that the Council DENY Mr. Montgomery's request for building at 1606 San Jacinto. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, White
Noes: Councilman Shanks, Mayor Palmer

At 10:30 A.M., the Council heard MR. REX KITCHENS and others regarding Coliseum facilities. MR. REX KITCHENS, representing a group from the Livestock Show Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, stated the Livestock Show was so successful last year, there has been more interest created and more requests. The committee thought the practical thing to do was ask for another addition on the present addition authorized last year, this one to be half the size. He described the proposed structure stating there would be only three walls to build at this time. When a new Coliseum is constructed, these additions could be dismantled and moved. More entries are lined up for next year, plus a horse show, and requests from the other big groups that Fort Worth, Dallas, and San Antonio are trying to get; but the groups want to come to Austin. The Livestock Show is really growing. Mr. Kitchens stated the Livestock Show depended upon contributions, advertising and the carnival, and everyone is asking why there was not a small admission fee. This would necessitate a temporary fence which would be removed after the show. They proposed a 25¢-50¢ charge, but no charge for school children. Last year's addition came to \$37,000 and it was estimated this expansion would probably be around \$15-\$17,000 including plumbing and lights. Councilman Long expressed interest in the esthetics of this construction. Mr. Kitchens said this addition would improve the looks of the whole thing. Councilman LaRue pointed out this would be available for all the citizens of Austin. Anyone could use it--the Shrine Circus, Aqua Festival, Boy Scouts and others. It was also pointed out if an admission were charged the rental would be at a different rate. Late in the evening meeting, the Mayor suggested asking the City Manager to see if he could work this into the budget and to see if this addition would fit into the area. Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be asked to explore the possibilities of this addition to the Coliseum and put it into the next budget. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

After discussion, and after it was stated registered notices had been mailed to and acknowledged by the owners that these matters were to be considered by the Council today, Councilman LaRue moved that the Council follow the recommendations of the Building Standards Commission on the following:

J. H. BRINKLEY
5415 Evans (front and rear)

- That both units located on this lot be declared a public nuisance; that the owner be given thirty days from April 22, 1965 in which to demolish both units; that after expiration of 30 days, the owner has failed to demolish the structure the Legal Department be instructed to seek judicial determination that the above structure is a public nuisance in a court of competent jurisdiction; that upon a termination of the legal proceedings in favor of the City, the failure of the defendant to abate the nuisance, the forces of the City, with permission of the court, be empowered to demolish the structure, and affix the costs thus incurred as a valid and enforceable lien against the property upon which the above mentioned structure is located.

JOHN EDMINSTER
1010 Vasquez

- That the structure located on this lot be declared a public nuisance; that the owner be given 30 days from April 22, 1965 in which to demolish the structure; that after expiration of 30 day period, the owner has failed to demolish the structure the Legal Department be instructed to seek judicial determination that the above structure is a public nuisance in a court of competent jurisdiction; that upon a termination of the legal proceedings in favor of the City, the failure of the defendant to abate the nuisance, the forces of the City with permission of the courts, be empowered to demolish the structure, and affix the costs thus incurred as a valid and enforceable lien against the property upon the above mentioned structure is located.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Later in the afternoon meeting, after making an on-site inspection of the property, Councilman White moved that the Council uphold the recommendation of the Building Standards Commission on the following house:

JESSIE E. HENDRIX
2205 Nueces
(Being purchased by
Mr. Glenn Fisher)

- That the structure located on this lot be declared a public nuisance; that the owner be given 60 days from March 18, 1965, in which to bring the structure to requirements of the Minimum Housing Code; that if after expiration of the 60 day period, the owner has failed to bring the structure to requirements of the Minimum Housing Code, the Legal Department be instructed to seek judicial determination that the above structure is a public nuisance in a court of competent jurisdiction; that upon a termination of legal proceedings in favor of the City the failure of the defendant to abate the nuisance, the forces of the City, with permission of the court, be empowered to demolish the structure, and affix the costs thus incurred as a valid and enforceable lien against the property upon which the above mentioned structure is located.

The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Building Official stated Mr. Fisher had just informed him he was

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coming in for a building permit to make this a one-story building and bring it up to standard.

Councilman Shanks moved that MR. IRVING E. JASTER be heard. The motion was seconded by Councilman LaRue. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

MR. JASTER stated his request was for Council approval of a building permit at 406-408 East 18th Street. His problem was building across Waller Creek. The Building Official reported the preliminary plans were for a three story, 18 apartment hotel on the corner of 18th and Neches directly behind the laundry, and the exact location would necessitate his spanning the creek. He pointed out this location was in the Hospital Complex. The City Manager said it was in violation of the proposed plan for the Hospital and Health Center. The Director of Public Works stated after several meetings with Mr. Jaster, Mr. Morgan, Engineer, reported what had been submitted for spanning the creek was satisfactory. No architectural plans have been worked out, and Mr. Jaster wanted to know if the Council would approve this before he went ahead with his architectural designs. The City Manager pointed out the exact location of this property and if anyone builds there it would mean the abandonment of the hike and bike trail and park plan of Brackenridge Hospital Complex. Mr. Jaster's problem was parking and it would be impossible to provide it without spanning the creek. The City Manager stated the creek would be included in their open space program. Councilman Shanks suggested that Mr. Jaster consult with the Architects of the Hospital area, Brooks and Barr. Councilman Long said if one person spanned the creek others would also want to span it. Mayor Palmer suggested that Mr. Jaster meet with the City Manager and City Attorney and perhaps visit with the Architects to see if they could work out something compatible with the overall area. If this development would jeopardize the open space program, that should be considered. Councilman Shanks agreed that Mr. Jaster should meet with the City Attorney and City Manager.

In the afternoon meeting, this subject was discussed again. Councilman Long suggested he might build wings out, walkways underneath. The City Manager stated more than just a path was wanted, as they wanted the greenery of the bank. The north half of his lot is occupied by the creek, and he does not have a lot of building site between the top of the south bank of the creek and his property line. Another problem is his 25' set back. The City Manager outlined an alternative concerning the street location. Also the City Manager understood Mr. Jaster had an option on the property west of his two lots, and had made inquiry of buying City property. If he buys more property, he may be able to use that property.

The Mayor announced it was 11:00 A.M., and the Public Hearing on an amendment to the MINIMUM HOUSING CODE was open. No one was present to be heard. The Building Official reported this amendment was the result of a study requested by the Council with reference to the Workable Program. It was recommended that hotels, motels, and tourists courts be included within this category, and each be licensed to maintain the enforcement. The Department made a study and sent its conclusion to the Building Standards Commission, which also recommended the amendment be passed. The codes and ordinance sub-committee of the Citizens Committee for Community Improvement, of which Mr. Bob Connelly is Chairman, also recommended the passage. Presently the Health Department is licensing hotels and tourist

courts, and this amendment would transfer the enforcement and licensing of hotels, motels from the Health Department to the Building Inspection Department under the Minimum Standards Code. The fee is \$15.00 annually for 10 rooms and below, and \$25.00 a year above ten rooms. The Building Official's recommendation was to make this effective July 1st, and give the operators 18 months to operate on one license, permitting them between July 1 and January 1, 1966 to bring their buildings up to standard if necessary. The Mayor announced this was set for public hearing several weeks ago. Councilman Long inquired what constituted a rooming house. The Building Inspector stated any place that rented to over five people would be considered a rooming house. This ordinance did not cover apartment houses. Councilman Long asked if the spread between the \$15.00 and \$25.00 was not unfair in licensing of a place. The Building Official said this is what the ordinance now requires from a health standpoint. Councilman LaRue asked what conditions would an inspector be checking, and what violations would be presented. It was stated this would be the same inspection carried on in residences. It would include defective wiring, improper plumbing, fire hazards, exits and structural deficiencies, and sanitary conditions. The City Attorney stated this amendment would become effective July 1, 1965, but the initial permit would expire December 31, 1966, covering an 18 months period instead of a 12 months period. MR. BOB CONNELLY, member of the Citizens Committee for Community Improvement, stated since all other facilities, apartment houses and residences throughout the City came under the Minimum Standards Code, that hotels, motels, and rooming houses should not be left out.

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14.25 OF CHAPTER
14 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE 1954 PERTAINING TO
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LICENSING PROCEDURE FOR
ROOMING HOUSES, HOTELS, MOTELS AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Shanks moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Shanks moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Shanks moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

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Councilman LaRue moved that MR. SCOTT PITTMAN be heard for 20 minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Long. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

MR. PITTMAN, elected spokesman for the Student Interracial Committee, spoke on Civil Rights, the necessity of demonstrations at the lounge due to their not having any other recourse since there was no Human Relations Commission, and on Austin's integration problems. MISS VICKIE KIRK gave an account of her picketing at the lounge; and in answer to the Mayor's question, stated it was she that was refused service; that she was not 21 years of age, but did not need an I.D. card as the lounge was serving food at that time. MISS GOLDINE PROPPS believed the owner of the lounge was beginning to be perturbed by the sincerity of the pickets; and the counter pickets were large in numbers at first but their numbers diminished and they became onlookers.

MR. PITTMAN, in answer to Mayor Palmer's question, described the Student Interracial Committee, the Chairman of which was elected every night, he being the Chairman at this time; their membership consisted of however many people showed up at the meeting each night, the least being 20, and the most 200; and there was a new organization every day. He had found out while picketing at the lounge there could be no guarantee that violence would not occur; and it was frustrating when there was no other course but picketing. Besides the fact there is a problem in Austin, another problem will develop since the Board of Regents had given up "approved housing" and this will come into the jurisdiction of the City to guarantee foreign students a place to live. Their image of the United States ultimately will be made in Austin. Mayor Palmer inquired if he would not think that 60 or 200 students out of some 200,000 would not create a bad image within itself. Mr. Pittman said if there were any other recourse outside of picketing, perhaps they would create a bad image; but they had no recourse in Austin. The Mayor explained they had all the resources of the Courts; and there is a Court of Jurisdiction to which they could go through the proper channels and file their complaints. Mr. Pittman knew he could file in the Federal Court on one in violation of Civil Rights, and said he proposed to uphold the law of the land; but if a law did not exist, he was proposing that one be made at the City level. In answer to Mayor Palmer's inquiry if he would in all cases accept a report of a Human Relations Commission and not picket if a decision happened to be contrary to his thinking, Mr. Pittman stated he would if the Human Relations Commission had actual power to go to court. Councilman LaRue asked if he were suggesting the City Council do something the Federal Government had seen fit not to do; as it seemed to have been indicated the lounge should not be integrated; and if the zoning classification were "C-2", the lounge would not fall in the classification covered by the Federal Government. He asked if Mr. Pittman were suggesting the Council do something the Federal Government had seen fit not to do. Mr. Pittman said he most assuredly was.

Mayor Palmer pointed out it must be realized certain State Laws had to be upheld by the Council as well as the Constitution of the United States and of this State. Discussion followed covering the constitutionality of such ordinance, and whether or not this lounge was in violation of the Civil Rights Law.

MR. PITTMAN stated he had been refused admittance to the lounge because of the color of his friend's skin, and this brought up a problem where they needed to talk to someone but he could not get in contact with the Human Relations Committee, and there was no one interested in the City of Austin except the police came out, saw what was going on and tried to help them arbitrate with

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another citizen of this City. Councilman Shanks stated he went out and saw what was going on--saw the signs painted on the door, and understood that someone tried to beat the door in. Mr. Pittman referred to this as faulty press reporting; but said the frustration of having no recourse except to go out on a sidewalk every night until a man changed his mind, builds up over a month and a half period, and could lead to anything; and he would be the last one to guarantee that violence would not occur; nor would he guarantee that they were not going to picket every place like this until they had other recourse. The President was coming in tonight, and he could not guarantee that they would not be picketing tomorrow during his presentation.

In answer to Councilman Shanks' inquiry, Mr. Pittman replied this was not troublemaking, but is a constitutional rights demonstration, and this is the only recourse they had, stating if the Council could give other recourses they would take it, but they had not seen evidence.

Mayor Palmer said the group changed every night, and the Council would not know with whom to meet. Mr. Pittman said there was a permanent steering committee. Mayor Palmer told the group there were 24,000 students in the University, and the City wanted them to feel that Austin is their home away from home while they are here. Certainly efforts had been made to make Austin as pleasant a City to live in as possible, and he doubted if they would find any major college town of 24,000 students where there were better relationships than in Austin. Mayor Palmer told the group that contrary to what they had said or might think this Council had always been very, very sensitive to this problem. This Council integrated all of the publicly owned facilities in the City. He had read where one young man made a statement that a better place to strike a blow for freedom could be found other than out at some lounge. Mayor Palmer said they would find in every City one or two of these places if they were going to try to seek them out; but he sincerely hoped that this group, with a law now that is the law of the land would try to make it work, live with it even though it may not cover all things, and instead of tearing down bridges creating this image they were talking about, to try to build this image up and make that their purpose, rather than going out and getting in the streets. The City is committed to try to protect personal property, and is going to try to protect this group as well as all of the other good citizens, but it is a very, very costly thing in dollars and cents to have these officers out there every night just to be sure that no one is hurt. He told the S.I.C. they had made their point, and asked why was it necessary for them to carry on. The Mayor asked if through a little mutuality that all try to make this law work and make it do what it was intended to do instead of tearing everything down and trying to create a sort of separation, rather than cooperation. He had sincerely hoped this group would find it in their hearts to try to cooperate and actually work with this.

Councilman Long said many cities throughout the country had set up Human Relations Commissions to keep this type of thing from happening, and she believed in many instances they had been very successful; and whether the Human Relations Ordinance should have teeth in it or not, Austin could try one--a voluntary commission and someone to mediate and conciliate; talk these problems over and try to work with some of the people like the owner of this lounge, and keep the image clean and clear without picketing. She said if they felt there was an injustice they had every right to picket, and they would not be violating anything but would be doing what they thought was right. She wished there were a Commission so they would not have to march and picket.

Councilman Shanks, in order that this young man would understand, told

the group there was a Human Relations Committee. After that, the Council offered to serve for an interim period of about six months as a Human Relations Commission, but the N.A.A.C.P. rejected that; so it is not a matter that the Council had not tried to do something, but it had been frustrated in its efforts. He, too, asked the group to work as hard as the Council had to help the City of Austin, be good orderly citizens, and it would accomplish a whole lot more than what has been going on.

Councilman Long moved that MR. BOOKER T. BONNER be heard. The motion was seconded by Councilman White. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

MR. BONNER complained of the behavior of the counter pickets and said this behavior went on when there aren't demonstrations. He did not know whether they were students or not. He thought the City Council needed to take definite action not only in the form of passing an ordinance like they asked, but even passing resolutions concerning the type of editorializing that goes on about these things. The Council should at least make some kind of persuasive resolution to the public that it disagrees with this type of editorializing. He expressed his feelings and emotions about his status.

Councilman Long moved that DR. ROBERT PALTER be heard. The motion was seconded by Councilman LaRue. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

DR. ROBERT PALTER, a newcomer to the community, stated Austin was a pleasant community in most respects; but when he discovered what was happening at the lounge, he felt compelled by his moral conscience to picket along with the students; and at least 5 or 6 of colleagues were out there practically every night also. He asked if there were a provision in the Constitution of the State of Texas which would make it illegal for any City in Texas such as Austin to pass an ordinance prohibiting discrimination in any business such as a bar, which is one of the businesses not covered by the Civil Rights Act. The City Attorney read the words repeatedly stated by the Supreme Court covering Dr. Palter's inquiry; and he explained that to the extent it might be contrary to the Federal Civil Rights Act, that would be modified but only to that extent. The Supreme Court of Texas would not change it any other way.

Councilman Long moved that MR. TOM HIGGINS be heard. The motion was seconded by Councilman LaRue. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

MR. HIGGINS, Attorney for the lounge owner, gave a resume of the attempts of pickets' trying to make a forceable entry into the lounge which was closed on Monday; and another planned attempt the next night to forceably get inside the lounge. He had gone to the YMCA and asked to talk to the group and explained to them the Self-Defense Laws in Texas, and what he had advised his client. Referring to complaints of the pickets about insults received, he stated as he stood in the door of the lounge, that he had received that many insults from the people who came to the door and asked for permission to get in. In answer

to an inquiry about the status of Mr. Higgin's client being in violation of the zoning law, Mr. Higgins stated the case had not been tried as yet.

Councilman LaRue moved that MR. BUTLER CRITENDON be heard. The motion was seconded by Councilman Long. Roll call showed a unanimous vote.

MR. CRITENDON stated whether or not a favorable public image was gained was whether or not they were nonviolent in their attempt to integrate these places. He said they were not using flying wedges; and that he was able to enter the place before Mr. Robert Carnal. He recalled the incidents on both Monday and Tuesday nights and their attempt to divert the attention to the back door Tuesday night so they could get in without being hit or attacked. The idea was a sit-in to again exercise both their constitutional rights and hopefully exert a little financial pressure on the lounge operator so that he would feel compelled to integrate his place of business.

MISS VICKIE KIRK discussed public facilities, facilities that were open to the general public, for instance the lounge. Even though they are privately owned, they are still open to the public, and she said she was a part of the public and was being discriminated against. Whether or not Austin is a better place to live, that should be left up to the people who are discriminated against to say. As long as they had problems, and as long as she felt discriminated against, she was not going to care whether or not Austin is in the number ten best places to live in the Nation, or whether or not it is even on the list, because she said she wanted to feel safe, to feel loved and to be happy in a place where she wanted to call her home and where she hoped to rear her children. The Mayor called for a show of hands of those who are residents of other cities than Austin. The student from Dallas, in answer to the Mayor's inquiries, stated Dallas was better than Austin; all public schools were integrated, but he did not work on this program in Dallas, as much, as he does not have the time. The student from Seminole said his city was better than Austin, but it is a smaller city; and when asked if he worked on integration problems there and if he were sure it was integrated, he stated he had not been in Seminole in about nine years.

MR. PITTMAN discussed at length a possible meeting with the Council and him and his steering committee. The Mayor told him every citizen had a right to an audience before the Council. He was now wondering if Mr. Pittman were talking about a Human Relations Commission or about a Grievance Committee to file these complaints. Mr. Pittman wanted to find out what action he could take and personally he was going to check the State Constitution Laws; and he said then they would send a formal agenda and a formal invitation for the Council to meet with them. Mayor Palmer said there were other groups that they are working with also at this moment. Mr. Pittman stated his official request first and foremost, was the City of Austin needs an ordinance to prohibit people serving the public from discriminating; and one that he would be able to go to court with a clear cut case of discrimination. Mayor Palmer told him all five members of this Council had expressed their disapproval of a penal ordinance in this matter.

COUNCILMAN LONG said it had been her position that she would like for the City Council to set up an ordinance which was done and appoint a Human Relations Commission to talk about these problems as a City Agent and see if they could not be worked out before they reached the stage of having to

demonstrate. Many of these things were done before the Civil Rights Bill was passed. Her idea was to try this and if it did not work, then later come in and explore something that has a little more authority; but first she suggested doing what some of the other cities had done, experiment, and see if there could not be a commission and work these problems out; and if it did not work, it could be stepped up and given a little more authority. That is exactly what the committee headed by Mr. Akin suggested and a paid staff to staff this Commission and work it out. It was a good suggestion; and she said she believed had this been done, this group would not be here today. Councilman Shanks said she did vote against a penal ordinance. She said it was not put to a vote, but she wanted to try this other way first, and she did not think it would be necessary in Austin to get into a penal ordinance.

MAYOR PALMER asked Mr. Pittman if it were his idea to try to get every lounge in the City of Austin integrated, and if he were going to concentrate on lounges. Mr. Pittman replied he had not stated that at anytime today. The Mayor asked where else he had been where he was refused service. Mr. Pittman said service could be refused in any of the dormitories--a good percent of the privately owned dormitories around here are serving University Students. He said they could very well start picketing them, as they are no longer "University approved" but are under the City now--strictly City. He said this was something the Council could do--it could go and negotiate with the owners of these places. The City Manager said the City has no regulations over these places; they are privately owned dormitories or rooming houses, but they do not serve the public generally but people who make arrangements to stay there for extended periods of time.

MAYOR PALMER summarized his opinion gathered from the conversations, that they were not particularly interested in a real Human Relations Commission, but were interested more in a grievance committee.. The Mayor announced at this moment a member of the N.A.A.C.P. and member of the East Austin Committee, and the City Attorney were working on a draft to present to this Council, and it is waiting for this report right now. Mr. Pittman thanked the Council.

The Council recessed until 3:00 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

3:00 P.M.

At 3:00 P.M. the Council resumed its business.

The City Manager had a memorandum from the Director of Aviation concerning a proposed contract between the City and a car parking company, by the terms of which the car parking group would take over the operations of the parking lot at the Terminal Building, keeping it cleaned and patrolled, and charging for parking. The City Manager stated it was thought the City was not yet ready for this type of thing, and they recommended against the proposal. Councilman Long moved that the Council turn down the proposal that the parking lot at the Airport be leased out. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The City Manager reported the Director of Aviation received a proposal from another concern to put in a facility that would include sheds for parking whereby people who wanted to could drive in and the operators would drive the passengers to the Terminal and would go back for them when they returned. This is "Valet Parking". Paving and constructing the shelters would be involved. It would not be in the present parking lot, and would be a completely different operation for those people that might want their car protected both from weather and pilferage. The City Manager displayed a drawing of the proposal, stating the company would like to go on the Schmidt property. Mayor Palmer noted that location would be the first appearance one would have of the Airport. The City Manager said they would find a location that would be more conveniently accessible. The Mayor suggested that the City Manager make further investigation on the location, to be certain the entrance to the Airport would not be marred in any way.

The City Manager reminded the Council they had invitations to attend the Brackenridge School of the Nurses' Commencement Exercise, Monday, May 31st at the Austin Public Health Center, 8:00 P.M.

The City Manager said funds have been provided in the Budget for the installation of a voice warning device as a part of the Civil Defense Warning System, which is to be a large loud speaker rather than sirens. The Council attended some of these demonstrations that were made sometime back. Eventually the sirens will be located farther out, and the central area will be covered by the public address system, which provides a warning, instruction and information to the people as to the nature of the warning. It is approved by the Federal Government which pays a substantial part of the costs, and the City's share is budgeted again this year. Only one of these systems will be purchased to begin with. The problem is writing up the specifications. This particular system seems to be the only one that has been proven to be satisfactory. The specifications, as written, would more or less limit bidding to this type, because no one else makes systems like this. It would limit the bidder to manufacture and produce the whole product instead of assembling a lot of pieces. The Federal government has no objection, and this is the type they will O.K. Some people will contend they could manufacture or assemble a system out of spare parts that they could buy from other manufacturers that would accomplish the same thing, but this would not be desirable. The City Manager stated this loud speaker would become a part of the system and would be tested regularly. It has been budgeted for three years. The government will pay half the cost, the County and City will pay one fourth each. The City Manager (Civil Defense Director) stated he recommended this system described, and the Civil Defense Coordinator also recommended it.

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961 provides for the making of grants by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to states and local public bodies to assist them in the acquisition of permanent interests in land for open-space purposes where such acquisition is deemed to be essential to the proper long-range development and welfare of the urban areas in accordance with plans for the allocation of such land for such purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, desires to acquire fee simple title to various tracts of land with a total acreage of approximately 3,753 acres at a location generally to the east or southeast of the City of Austin in accordance with the Master Plan of the City of Austin duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Austin on June 8, 1961, which land is to be held and used for permanent open-space land for the Austin Urban Area as a part of the City of Austin's exercise of its open-space responsibilities to the Austin Urban Area; and,

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency effectuating that title, provide that no person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, or national origin in the use of the land proposed to be acquired; and,

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the total consideration to be paid for the acquisition of the fee title to said land will be \$1,360,365.00; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. That an application be made to the Housing and Home Finance Agency for a grant in an amount authorized by Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961, which amount is presently estimated to be \$408,109.00, and that the City of Austin will pay the balance of the consideration for the acquisition of the fee simple title to such tract and the total of all other related costs from other funds available to it.
2. That the City Manager of the City of Austin is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application with the Housing and Home Finance Agency, to provide additional information and to furnish such documents as may be required by said Agency, to execute such contracts as are required by said Agency, and to act as the authorized correspondent for the City of Austin.
3. That the proposed acquisition is in accordance with the City of Austin Master Plan duly adopted by the City Council on June 8, 1961 for the preservation of permanent open-space land, and that, should said grant be made, the City of Austin will retain said land for the use designated in said application and approved by the Housing and Home Finance Agency.
4. That the United States of America and the Housing and Home Finance Administrator be, and they are hereby, assured a full compliance by the City of Austin with regulations of the Housing and Home Finance Agency effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
5. That the City Manager be directed to request the issuance of the letter authorizing the City of Austin to proceed to acquire the property which is the subject of this application without prejudicing its right to receive Federal participation.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The City Attorney reported reaching an impasse in purchasing the last piece of right of way needed to open East 2nd Street, and described the property and the appraised value of this property in comparison with the appraised value on the adjoining properties one of which had frontage on two streets, (Chalmers and First Street); and the other having 150' on Chalmers and 300' on 1st Street. Mr. Brooks property has 30' fronting on Chicon. The Wolf tract had 300' on Chalmers, 300' on Comal, and 600' on East 1st Street. Mayor Palmer stated it was so necessary to open East 2nd Street, and there were appraisals substantiating the values. After discussion, Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin has found that public necessity requires the widening and improvement of an East-West thoroughfare known as East 2nd Street, to connect Interregional Highway and East 1st Street to provide for the free and safe flow of traffic between such streets within the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has found and determined that public necessity requires the acquisition of the hereinafter described tract of land for right-of-way to permit the connection of existing segments of East 2nd Street in the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has negotiated with the owner of said land and has been unable to agree with such owner as to the fair cash market value thereof; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to file or cause to be filed against the owner and lienholders, a suit in eminent domain to acquire fee simple title for said purposes to the following described tract of land:

0.390 of one acre of land, same being out of and a part of that certain tract of land out of Outlot 22, Division "O", of the Government Outlots adjoining the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Government Outlots on file in the General Land Office of the State of Texas, which was conveyed to Chester D. Brooks by the following three (3) warranty deeds:

(1) Dated August 31, 1954, of record in Volume 1490 at Page 214 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

(2) Dated March 16, 1959, of record in Volume 2016 at Page 450 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

(3) Dated June 29, 1959, of record in Volume 2058 at Page 78 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, said 0.390 of one acre of land being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

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BEGINNING at a steel pin at the southwest corner of that certain tract of land out of said Outlot 22, Division "O", which was conveyed to said Chester D. Brooks by the aforementioned Warranty Deed of record in Volume 1490 at Page 214 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, said steel pin being also at the southeast corner of that certain tract of land out of said Outlot 22, Division "O", which was conveyed to Cook Funeral Home by Warranty Deed dated November 28, 1958, of record in Volume 1990 at Page 205 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas;

THENCE, with the west line of the said Chester D. Brooks tract of land, same being the east line of the said Cook Funeral Home tract of land, N 23° 02' E 21.64 feet to a steel pin at the northwest corner of the herein described tract of land, same being a point in the proposed north line of East 2nd Street, said proposed north line of East 2nd Street being a line thirty (30.00) feet north of and parallel to the centerline of East 2nd Street as established by the Department of Public Works of the City of Austin;

THENCE, with said proposed north line of East 2nd Street, S 67° 11' E 477.88 feet to a steel pin at the northeast corner of the herein described tract of land, same being a point in the west line of Chicon Street and the east line of the said Chester D. Brooks tract of land;

THENCE, with the west line of Chicon Street and the east line of the said Chester D. Brooks tract of land S 22° 55' W 21.15 feet to an iron pipe at the most northerly southeast corner of the herein described tract of land same being the northeast corner of Lot 5 in the Timothy Burns Subdivision of Block No. 3 of Outlot 22, Division "O", according to a map or plat of said Timothy Burns Subdivision of Record in Book 1 at Page 57 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas;

THENCE, with the north line of said Lot 5 in the Timothy Burns Subdivision N 67° 14' W 155.00 feet to a steel pin at the northwest corner of said Lot 5;

THENCE, with the west line of said Lot 5 in the Timothy Burns Subdivision S 22° 55' W 38.70 feet to a steel pin at the most southerly southeast corner of the herein described tract of land, same being a point in the proposed south line of East 2nd Street, said proposed south line of East 2nd Street being a line thirty (30.00) feet south of and parallel to the centerline of East 2nd Street as established by the Department of Public Works of the City of Austin;

THENCE, with said proposed south line of East 2nd Street N 67° 11' W 175.06 feet to a steel pin at the most southerly southwest corner of the herein described tract of land, same being a point in the west line of Lot 6 in the said Timothy Burns Subdivision;

THENCE, with the west line of said Lot 6 in the Timothy Burns Subdivision N 23° 02' E 38.51 feet to a steel pin at the northwest corner of said Lot 6;

THENCE, with the south line of that certain tract of land out of said Outlot 22, Division "O", which was conveyed to said Chester D. Brooks by the aforementioned Warranty Deed of record in Volume 1490 at Page 214 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, N 67° 14' W 147.94 feet to the point of beginning.

The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Councilman Long inquired about the Assistant City Manager. The City Manager stated he had gone on this Air Force Tour "Operation Understanding", including White Sands and other bases. The City Manager stated he would be going to Washington D. C., to attend the National River and Harbors Congress, as a representative of the State of Texas, and MR. VIC SCHMIDT would attend as representing the City.

Mayor Palmer read a letter from MR. CLYDE H. WELCH requesting an amendment to the policy which prohibits the use of out-board motors on Town Lake, to permit the use of 10 HP motors from Lamar Bridge to Tom Miller Dam. This would afford people's fishing on the Lake, and this is the most beautiful part of Town Lake. He wanted the privilege of a hearing before the Council to hear reasons why this could not be permitted. Councilman Shanks said he would be for permitting 3 HP electric boats. Mayor Palmer recalled the public hearing held at the Auditorium with all the past presidents of the Chamber of Commerce, Parks and Recreation Board, and others, and there were three people for motor boats, and 500 opposed to them; and that the majority of the Council was opposed to permitting motor boats on this lake. Councilman Long would like to see electric motor boats contemplated. Councilman White foresaw the other motor boat companies wanting the privilege of using their motors also. Councilman LaRue stated he would consider the electric motor, but would not want to see the gasoline motors go on the Lake. The Mayor stated he would not want to consider any change without another big public hearing, as there were too many people expressing their desires to have at least one quiet lake. The Mayor asked that Mr. Welch's letter be answered stating the Council would be very happy for him to appear before it on this matter.

Mayor Palmer read a letter from MISS PERVISE WEBB, extending an invitation from the Junior Citizens of Austin, to be their dinner guests at the Auditorium on June 11, 1965. The dinner will be for raising funds to employ teenagers to beautify the City, the money would go into the City funds, and the employment would be promoted strictly through the City. She anticipated \$40,000 would be raised. Councilman Long suggested that she go through the Coordinating Agency, as this would be a part of the Community Action Program. After discussion, Councilman Long moved that inasmuch as the City has delegated the Community Council as a Coordinating Agency on the Neighborhood Youth Program, that MISS WEBB be asked to contact MR. VIC EHLERS and told that her letter was being forwarded to Mr. Ehlers. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Mayor read a suggestion from Colonel Murphy that the Aqua Festival, as an added incentive to increase the participation in the Aqua Festival, suggested that the Mayor and Council host a luncheon for Mayors and their wives in this area on August 10th. The invitation list would include 40 medium sized communities or could be restricted to those that have entries in the Miss Aqua Festival Beauty Contest. Councilman LaRue stated this was a good will gesture. Mayor Palmer asked that the City Manager pursue this with Colonel Murphy.

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The Council discussed with the Director of Recreation and the Construction Engineer, engineering services for the Southwest Austin Swimming Pool. The City Manager asked if the Council wanted to take this up with the School Board on a joint operation. Councilman White suggested the City build its own pool. The Mayor asked if it were agreeable with the Council that the City Manager interview some engineers the same as he did with the architects and bring in some recommendations. Mr. Eldridge discussed the new techniques of swimming pools; and there are a number of designers, but he has never been able to see the finished pools. Councilman Shanks asked that he recommend first, second and third choices.

Councilman Shanks moved that the Council reappoint MR. W. T. WILLIAMS, JR., City Manager; MR. TOM I. McFARLIN, Judge Corporation Court; MR. RICHARD HILL, Clerk of the Corporation Court; MRS. ELSIE WOOSLEY, City Clerk; MRS. GRACE MONROE, Assistant City Clerk. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be asked to instruct the Chief of Police to delegate a member of the Police Department to serve as Ex Officio Member of the Navigation Board. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Councilman LaRue moved that the Council appoint the following to the Board of Equalization for a term extending to June 1, 1966:

MR. WILFORD L. TURNER
MR. W. L. MOORE
MR. JOHN R. KINGSBERRY

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Present but not voting: Councilman Long (stating since this was a group as a whole, she was going to pass)

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on July 30, 1964, the City Council appointed MR. S. M. APPERSON as a member of the Tax Equalization Board; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. S. M. Apperson has served diligently, patiently and diplomatically on this important Board, in an effort to be of help to the citizens of Austin; therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Council express its sincere gratitude to Mr. Apperson for his service as a member of the Tax Equalization Board, for the fine, courteous manner in which he heard the valuation appeals, and for the other services he performed in an admirable manner; and that the City Clerk be directed to send Mr. Apperson the original of this Resolution as a token of the Council's gratitude.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on May 30, 1963, the City Council appointed MR. EDMUNDS TRAVIS as a member of the Tax Equalization Board; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Edmunds Travis has served diligently, patiently and diplomatically on this important Board, in an effort to be of help to the citizens of Austin; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Council express its sincere gratitude to Mr. Travis for his service as a member of the Tax Equalization Board, for the fine, courteous manner in which he heard the valuation appeals, and for the other services he performed in an admirable manner; and that the City Clerk be directed to send Mr. Travis the original of this Resolution as a token of the Council's gratitude.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

Councilman White moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with KUEHNE & TURLEY and BARTON D. RILEY & ASSOCIATES for construction of the Electric Service Building. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Council postponed appointments to the Urban Renewal Commission until the following week.

There being no further business Councilman Long moved that the Council adjourn. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

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Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Council adjourned at 5:30 P.M. subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

L. E. Palmer
Mayor

ATTEST:

B. W. Hawley
City Clerk