

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Special Meeting

May 5, 1969  
10:30 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Akin presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Akin, Councilmen LaRue, Long, Nichols  
Absent: Councilman Janes

Mayor Akin announced this was a Special Meeting of the City Council called for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the Run-off Election held on May 3, 1969; and for awarding contract for traffic signal controllers at 51st - Cameron Road and I.H. 35.

Councilman LaRue moved the Council adopt a resolution showing the following votes received at the Run-off Election:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 690407-A duly passed by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, a run-off election by the qualified voters of said City was held in the City of Austin on May 3, 1969, for one councilman at large for a term of two years from May 15, 1969, such councilman to be elected to and occupy a place on the City Council, such place being numbered 5; and,

WHEREAS, by virtue of said run-off election, the official returns from the election officials and the canvass thereof by the City Council, it appears that the following votes were received at said run-off election as indicated below, to-wit:

Council Run-Off Election

<u>Place 5:</u>	<u>Votes Received</u>
Stuart A. MacCorkle	11,003
S. J. "Buddy" Ruiz	9,427
and,	

WHEREAS, it appears that Stuart A. MacCorkle has received a majority of all votes cast at said election for Councilman Place No. 5; Now, Therefore,

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

That, in accordance with said returns, as received and canvassed, the following named person is hereby declared duly elected and authorized to qualify for the position of Councilman for the City of Austin for a term of two years, beginning May 15, 1969;

Place No. 5 - Stuart A. MacCorkle.

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

Ayes: Mayor Akin, Councilmen LaRue, Long, Nichols

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Janes

The Mayor announced that the resolution had been passed. The following is a tabulation of votes by precinct.

RUN-OFF ELECTION FOR COUNCILMAN PLACE NO. 5

May 3, 1969

	Stuart A. MacCorkle	S. J. "Buddy" Ruiz	Total
121	32	359	393
122	36	493	530
123	34	47	81
124	28	342	370
125	15	278	293
126	557	228	785
127	40	238	278
128	22	368	390
129	11	411	425
130	176	158	334
131	384	178	562
132	137	146	283
133	300	144	444
134	323	164	487
135	326	173	502
136	216	159	375
221	125	77	202
222	180	284	465
223	132	58	190
224	386	210	602
225	69	130	199
226	557	228	785
227	53	75	128
228	115	163	278
229	644	172	817

	Stuart A. MacCorkle	S. J. "Buddy" Ruiz	Total
230	566	187	753
231	141	72	213
232	162	101	263
233	226	131	357
234	167	104	271
235	97	80	177
236	324	133	458
237	832	215	1051
238	200	189	390
239	413	164	577
240	225	76	301
241	364	127	492
242	386	177	563
243	253	61	314
244	177	92	269
321	188	382	571
322	361	185	554
323	408	196	604
324	248	251	499
325	210	90	300
421	299	125	424
422	354	240	594
423	15	435	454
TOTAL	<u>11,003</u>	<u>9,427</u>	<u>20,467</u>

TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLERS CONTRACT  
51ST - CAMERON ROAD AND I. H. 35

The Council had before it a report on installation of a traffic controller and detection system at 51st - Cameron Road and I. H. 35. Councilman Long inquired as to whose responsibility it was for controlling the traffic as she had been under the impression the Highway Department assumed this prerogative. The Traffic Engineer said the Highway Department installs traffic controls, and the City maintains and operates them under an agreement. He explained that the City maintains making signal modifications along I. H. 35, Manor Road, and also 38th Street. This program will update the signal equipment, and the modification is classified under maintenance, whereas the key word for the Highway authority is control. No. Sign or change in signal lights can be installed without the Highway Department's permission. His Department took the initiative in modifying these three programs. Councilman Long commended the City for installing this new system, as 51st and 38th Street have been very serious problems in the past.

Councilman LaRue inquired about the new timing. The Traffic Engineer explained the technicalities that would reduce the waiting periods. He reported that experiments had been made on several other intersections, and the waiting time had been reduced substantially.

Councilman Nichols moved the Council award the contract to Signal Engineering Company in the following resolution:

## (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on May 2, 1969 for the purchase of Traffic Control Equipment for the Traffic and Transportation Department; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Signal Engineering Company, in the sum of \$8,175.00, was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of Signal Engineering Company, in the sum of \$8,175.00, be and the same is hereby accepted, and that R. M. Tinstman, City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City, with Signal Engineering Company.

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

Ayes: Councilmen LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Janes


Councilman Long then asked that a study be made at 23rd and Red River by the Stadium and Baseball field. She pointed out there was a traffic signal there; and suggested that south bound traffic be provided a right turn. The Traffic Engineer stated he would check this and believed this could be accomplished.

There being no further business the Council on Councilman Long's motion Councilman Nichols' second, adjourned at 11:00 A.M.


Ayes: Councilmen Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin, Councilman LaRue  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Janes

The Council adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

APPROVED

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Asst. CITY CLERK