MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

September 5, 1968
10:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Akin presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Absen: None

The Invocation was delivered by Reverend Thomas Whitcomb, Trinity United Church.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES POSTPONED

Mayor Akin announced that the Council would postpone for one week the approval of the Minutes of August 12, 9, 1, July 11, 3, and May 2, to give the Council members more time to look them over.

QUARTER MILLION POPULATION MARK COMMEMORATED

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(REPORTION)

WHEREAS, the extraordinary qualities of this remarkable land have captured the hearts of generations of natives and visitors alike until this community has now grown to a quarter of a million people; and,
WHEREAS, it is with justifiable pride that the people of "The Friendly City" have become heirs to the natural beauty; the recreational and cultural advantages; the educational opportunities; the thriving industry, commerce, governmental, and the national defense establishments; and,

WHEREAS, it is with gratitude that Austin appreciates its natives and welcomes its newcomers, as it recognizes the investments of genius, talent, and money by which men and women of all races and nations have here continued to enhance the total life of our community; and,

WHEREAS, it is with humble respect, and with realistic awareness that our people recognize our responsibility to meet and respond to the ever-increasing needs of our great heritage so as to preserve and build a wholesome, clean, and safe environment with governmental, educational and employment capabilities to meet the needs of this ever-growing City; Now, Therefore,

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

That we here pause with honest pride to commemorate the reaching of the quarter-million population mark in our City's growth and development, we here acknowledge our responsibilities to so plan, to so build, and to so live in our community that our posterity may even enjoy to an enhanced extent that with which the Creator has so generously endowed our place of habitation and its people.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, this 5th day of September, 1968.

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

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

Mr. Stone, President of the Chamber of Commerce, expressed his willingness to cooperate with the Council in helping Austin to grow.

COL. VANCE MURPHY RECOGNIZED

Councilman Nichols offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, countless visitors who have come to the Friendly City and have found its people and its endowments from nature and man so attractive and pleasant that they never wanted to leave; and,
WHEREAS, among those who have come and who have remained to weave their own lives into the fabric of this community and to significantly contribute to its strength and pleasantness, and desirability is Col. Vance M. Murphy, who completed a distinguished military career as Commander of Bergstrom Air Force Base and has now completed a decade of accomplishments as Director of Aviation for the City of Austin; Now, Therefore,

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

That as an example of those adopted sons and daughters who have enriched the lives of the people of Austin in general, and for his own special contribution to our community in particular, the public recognition and appreciation of the City Council to Col. Vance M. Murphy be publicly expressed upon completion of his first decade of service with the City of Austin.

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

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

Col. Murphy thanked the Council for their recognition and said that he had enjoyed becoming a part of Austin.

Councilman Long asked Col. Murphy if he had any plans to speed up the handling of baggage at the Airport. He stated that he did have plans for a study. He added that a study made ten years ago forecast that Austin would pass the 400,000 passenger mark in 1970. That mark had already been reached in 1968. The study had also forecast that the number would reach 500,000 in 1980 but that number would be surpassed in 1969.

RETIRING CITY EMPLOYEE HONORED

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the very lives and the health of the people of Austin have been safeguarded through the past four decades by the efforts of unsung heroes of modern civilization who faithfully and diligently toil to provide a wholesome environment for all of us by building and maintaining our systems for the sanitary disposal of wastes; which most of us take for granted; and,

WHEREAS, the difficult job of attending to this vital task has been significantly fulfilled by the faithfully consistent labor of Verney E. Puryear, who is now retiring; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:
That upon the occasion of his well-earned retirement, the consistent diligence in the performance of duty by Verney E. Puryear, who has shown us how to be great, by being the servant of all, be given public recognition and that a page be especially set apart for that purpose in the Official Minutes of the City Council, and that a copy of this resolution be presented to the said Verney E. Puryear.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN this 5th day of September, 1968.

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

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

Mr. Vic Schmidt complimented Mr. Puryear on his excellent work record and thanked him for his service. Mayor Akin expressed the Council's appreciation to Mr. Puryear.

UNITED FUND CAMPAIGN ENDORSED

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, all of the people of the greater Austin community have been remarkably benefitted by the truly beneficent work of the United Fund of Austin and Travis County which has served this area for 15 years, making the community a more safe, more healthful, and more pleasantly wholesome place to live, work and raise families; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of these efforts, the Council of the City of Austin, wishes to take the following extraordinary steps:

(1) To commend the United Fund and its family of 36 member agencies for their service to the community, in saving both the time and money of our citizens; in reducing the number of annual campaigns conducted; in spending the bulk of its money in this community in such a way as to stretch the service obtained through such economies;

(2) To commend this organization for exemplifying the old American custom of helping one's neighbor, providing services many of which are not available from any other source—to all citizens and for bringing together under one roof, so to speak, citizens of all political persuasions, all colors and all neighborhoods;

Now, Therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That for the reasons enumerated above and for many more not named the City Council not only endorses the United Fund campaign, but encourages all citizens to contribute their Fair Share in this common cause.

WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, this 5th day of September, 1968.

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

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

Mr. Frank Denius thanked the Council for their endorsement and stated that the United Fund campaign hoped to raise $865,000.00 that year.

PUBLIC HEARINGS RECESSED

Councilman Nichols moved the Council open and recess the hearings scheduled for 10:30 A.M. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

REVISED CONTRACT WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

City Manager Tinstman explained the changes made in the contract between the City of Austin and the Chamber of Commerce. He said that the revised contract placed more emphasis on research and overall economic development of Austin and less emphasis on tourism.

Councilman Nichols moved the Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract agreement with the Austin Chamber of Commerce. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
RECEIPT OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Councilman LaRue moved the Council note receipt of the Monthly Financial Statement for the 10-month period ending July 31, 1968. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC HEARING – ZONING APPLICATIONS

Mayor Akin announced that it was time for the Council to hear the zoning cases scheduled for public hearing at this time. Pursuant to published notice thereof, the following zoning applications were publicly heard:

HARRIS BURROW
Cl4-68-162
1124-1126 East 51st St. From "A" Residence To "B" Residence NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission RECOMMENDED "BB" Residence

Councilman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "BB" Residence, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "BB" Residence and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

JAMES A. HOLDEN
Cl4-68-163
5400 Jeff Davis Avenue From "A" Residence 1st Height and Area and "C" Commercial 2nd Height and Area To "B" Residence 1st Height and Area NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councilman Long moved the Council override the decision of the Planning Commission and grant the change from "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area and "C" Commercial, 2nd Height and Area to "B" Residence, 1st Height and Area, subject to the dedication of 5' right of way. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "B" Residence 1st Height and Area, subject to conditions, and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

IRENE L. STANFORD
C14-68-167

4111-4113 Bellvue Avenue
1107 West 42nd Street

From "A" Residence To "0" Office
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councillman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "0" Office, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "0" Office and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

JAMES T. WATSON
By V.G. Mann
C14-68-168

Tract 1
1401 -1409 Clearfield Drive
8400 Sequoia Drive

Tract 2
8309-8325 U.S. Highway 183

From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area To "BB" Residence 1st Height and Area
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councillman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "BB" Residence, 1st Height and Area, as recommended by the Planning Commission for Tract 1 and from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "C" Commercial & "B" Residence, 1st Height and Area (as amended), as recommended by the Planning Commission as amended, subject to dedication of right of way. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
The Mayor announced that the change had been granted as recommended by the Planning Commission, subject to conditions, and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

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LEROY BEDNAR
C14-68-171

5217-5223 Joe Sayers Ave. From "A" Residence
1405-1411 North Loop Blvd. To "B" Residence
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councilman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "B" Residence, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "B" Residence and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

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UNIVERSITY PROPERTIES
By Robert Sneed
C14-68-176

2001-2027 Guadalupe St. From "O" Office
301-319 West 21st St. 2nd Height and Area and
304-312 West 20th St. "C" Commercial
2006-2018 Whitis Avenue 3rd Height and Area
Additional Area To "C" Commercial
2000-2004 Whitis Avenue 4th Height and Area
300-302 West 20th Street RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Additional Area
From "B" Residence
2nd Height and Area
To "C" Commercial
4th Height and Area
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councilman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from "O" Office 2nd Height and Area and "C" Commercial 3rd Height and Area to "C" Commercial 4th Height and Area, as recommended by the Planning Commission, and from "B" Residence 2nd Height and Area to "C" Commercial 4th Height and Area for the Additional Area as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "C" Commercial 4th Height and Area and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

NORA TODD ELLIOTT
ESTATE
By Robert Sneed
C14-68-177

101-331 Ben White Blvd. From "A" Residence 1st Height and Area and "C" Commercial 6th Height and Area To "B" Residence 5th Height and Area and "C" Commercial 5th Height and Area (as amended) RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission as amended

Councilman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence 1st Height and Area and "C" Commercial 6th Height and Area to "B" Residence 5th Height and Area and "C" Commercial 5th Height and Area (as amended), as recommended by the Planning Commission, as amended. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted as recommended by the Planning Commission, as amended, and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

AUSTIN DEVELOPMENT CO.
By Thomas B. Watts
C14-68-178

Rear of 6940-7040 U.S. Highway 290 From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area To "BB" Residence 1st Height and Area RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councilman Nichols moved the Council grant the change from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "BB" Residence, 1st Height and Area, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "BB" Residence and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

H.E. BUTT STORE PROPERTY
By Tom Curtis
C14-68-170

90-94 Waller Street
1106-1110 Willow St.
From "A" Residence
TO "LR" Local Retail
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Councilman Janes moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "LR" Local Retail, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
Present but Not Voting: Councilman Nichols

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "LR" Local Retail and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

ZONING APPLICATION RETURNED TO PLANNING COMMISSION

MRS. WILBORN C. TREADWELL
C14-68-173

211-215 West Powell Lane
210-214 Lola Drive
From "A" Residence
To "BB" Residence
NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Because the applicant had received incorrect information while in making his application for a zoning change, Councilman Long moved the Council send the application back to the Planning Commission for reevaluation of the zoning density and for their recommendation. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

ZONING APPLICATION DENIED

CLARENCE FLOURNOY
C14-68-172

1007 East 13th Street
From "A" Residence
1st Height and Area
To "B" Residence
2nd Height and Area
NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission
The Planning Commission had decided that the requested change to "B" Residence, 2nd Height and Area would be too dense for the predominately single family residential neighborhood. Mr. Flournoy did not want to accept a "BB" Residence zoning; therefore, the Commission had recommended that the zoning application be denied.

Mrs. Dorothy Overton, Mrs. Vivian Nelson, Mrs. Martha Moody, Mr. Jimmy Moody, and Mrs. Marie Gilbert appeared before the Council to express opposition to the zoning change.

Councilman Long moved the Council uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the zoning change. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the zoning change had been denied.

ANNEXATION ORDINANCES

Mayor Akin opened the public hearing scheduled for this time on the following annexations:

(1) 0.05 of one acre of land out of the T.J. Chambers Grant Resubdivision of Lot 9, Block W, Northwest Hills, Belo Horizonte Section. (Requested by Surveyor for owner)

TRACT A - 11.62 acres of land out of the James P. Wallace Survey No. 57 and the Willis Avery Survey - proposed CORONADO HILLS, SECTION 2, AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL TRACT, and other unplatted land. (Requested by engineer for owner)

TRACT B - 6.54 acres of land out of and a part of the Willis Avery Survey, John Applegate Survey and James P. Wallace Survey No. 57 - unplatted land. (Requested by engineer for owner)

(2) 250.89 acres of land out of the James Mitchell Survey and the James P. Wallace Survey No. 18. (Requested by engineer for the owner of the major portion, the other owner was contacted by telephone)

Councilman Long moved the Council close the hearing. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
Mayor Akin 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 0.05 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND OUT OF THE T. J. CHAMBERS GRANT; 11.62 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NO. 57 AND THE WILLIS AVERY SURVEY; AND 6.54 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF AND A PART OF THE WILLIS AVERY SURVEY, JOHN APPLEGATE SURVEY AND JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NO. 57; ALL BEING LOCATED 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.

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

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

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

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

Mayor Akin 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 250.89 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING TWO (2) TRACTS OF LAND OUT OF THE JAMES MITCHELL AND THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NUMBER 18 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.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
Noes: None
The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE - FINAL PASSAGE

Mayor Akin brought up the following ordinance for its final reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 4.03 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT; 2.96 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT; AND 15.32 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY; ALL BEING LOCATED 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.

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

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

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ZONING ORDINANCE

Mayor Akin 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:  
LOTS 8, 9 AND 10, BLOCK 9, BROADACRES SUBDIVISION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5509-5601 JIM HOGG AVENUE, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED 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 Nichols, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin
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 Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR MOPAC BLVD.

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(REOLUTION)

G.H. Harvey
(MoPac Blvd.)
3012 Perry Lane
680201.153

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described
tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin
in consideration of the cash payment of $13,850.00 therefor be accepted, and that
the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate
purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Lot No. Thirteen (13), Block "E", Highland Park Addition,
an addition in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas,
according to the map or plat of said addition recorded in
Volume 4, Page 218, of the Plat Records of Travis County,
Texas.
The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

Thomas S. Presley 1806 Northwood Rd.
(MoPac Blvd.) 680201.160

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of $21,000.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Lot No. Thirteen (13), Block No. Three (3), Brykerwoods "C" an addition to the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof of record in Plat Book 4 at Page 46 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas.

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

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

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR
MOPAC BLVD. AND CROSSTOWN EXPRESSWAY

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

Lena Molhusen Estate 1811 Palma Plaza
(MoPac Blvd.) 680201.158

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:
That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of $11,750.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Lot No. Fourteen (14), in Enfield "H", a subdivision of part of the George W. Spear League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the plat recorded in Volume 499, Page 605, Travis County Deed Records; and being the same property conveyed to Fred Molhusen and wife, Lena Mary Molhusen, by deed dated September 19, 1946, and recorded in Volume 818, at Pages 337-339, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; known as 1811 Palma Plaza.

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

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

TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTRACT

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(REOLUTION)

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

SECTION 1. That those certain three agreements each of which is dated September 5, 1968; between the State of Texas and the City of Austin, for the installation, construction, existence, use, operation, and maintenance of certain highway traffic signals designated as control 15-13, on I.H. 35 in the City of Austin, Travis County, located, respectively:

(a) at intersection of Frontage Roads and U.S. 183;
(b) at intersection of Frontage Roads and Riverside Drive; and
(c) at intersection of Frontage Roads and Ben White Boulevard,

be and the same are hereby approved, and Gene Higgins, Associate City Manager, is hereby authorized to execute each and all of said agreements on behalf of said City and to transmit the same to the State of Texas for appropriate action.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.
The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 27, 1968, for the construction of a play shelter for Kealing Park; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Canyon Construction Company, Inc., in the sum of $22,707.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Construction Engineer 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 Canyon Construction Company, Inc., in the sum of $22,707.00, 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 Canyon Construction Company, Inc.

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

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

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 27, 1968, for aeration equipment and facilities for additional wastewater treatment facilities at Hornsby Bend; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Canyon Construction Company, Inc., in the sum of $49,689.00, was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Construction Engineer 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 Canyon Construction Company, Inc., in the sum of $49,689.00, 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 Canyon Construction Company, Inc.

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

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

RELEASE OF EASEMENT

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, certain easements were granted to the City of Austin for public utility and drainage purposes in, upon and across that certain portion of Lot 3 of a resubdivision of Lots 3, 4, and 5, Block A, Beverly Hills, Section 1, said Beverly Hills, Section 1 being a subdivision of portions of the A. Silsbee and the C.J. Strother Surveys in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Beverly Hills, Section 1, of record in Book 7 at Page 83 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 portions of said easements; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the hereinafter described portions of said easements are 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 Assistant to the City Manager of the City of Austin be, and he is hereby authorized to execute a release of the following described portions of said public utility and drainage easements, to-wit:

Two (2) strips of land, each being fifteen (15.00) feet in width and each being out of and a part of Lot 3 of a resubdivision of Lots 3, 4 and 5, Block A, Beverly Hills, Section 1, said Beverly Hills, Section 1 being a subdivision of portions of the A. Silsbee and the C.J. Strother Surveys in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Beverly Hills, Section 1, of record in Book 7 at Page 83 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; a map or plat of said resubdivision of Lots 3, 4 and 5,
Block A, Beverly Hills, Section 1, being of record in Book 8 at Page 74 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; the centerline of each of the said two (2) strips of land fifteen (15.00) feet in width being more particularly described as follows:

NUMBER ONE, BEGINNING at a point in the northwest line of an existing public utilities easement, same being a line five (5.00) feet northwest of and parallel to the southeast line of said Lot 3, Block A, Beverly Hills, Section 1, and from which point of beginning a steel pin at the most easterly corner of said Lot 3, same being the most northerly corner of Lot 2, bears N 59° 13' E 5.32 feet;

THENCE, in a southwesterly direction with the following two (2) courses:

(1) S 59° 13' W 74.08 feet to an angle point;

(2) S 47° 34' W to point of termination in the east line of another existing public utilities easement, same being a line five (5.00) feet east of and parallel to the west line of said Lot 3.

NUMBER TWO, BEGINNING at a point in the northwest line of an existing public utilities easement, same being a line five (5.00) feet northwest of and parallel to the southeast line of said Lot 3, Block A, Resubdivision of Lots 3, 4, and 5, Block A, Beverly Hills, Section 1, and from which point of beginning a steel pin at the most easterly corner of said Lot 3, bears N 60° 01' E 5.35 feet and N 39° 17' E 76.36 feet;

THENCE, S 60° 01' W to point of termination in the east line of another existing public utilities easement, same being a line five (5.00) feet east of and parallel to the west line of said Lot 3.

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

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

RIGHT OF WAY SPACE DESIGNATED

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)
WHEREAS, Southern Union Gas Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its gas mains in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named, and said maps or plans have been considered by the City Council: therefore,

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

THAT Southern Union Gas Company be and the same is hereby permitted to lay and construct its gas mains in and upon the following streets:

(1) A gas main in ELEANOR STREET, from a point 110 feet south of the south property line of Harold Court, then northerly 626 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said ELEANOR STREET.

(2) A gas main in BERGER STREET, from a point 33.5 feet south of the north property line of Ebert Street, then southerly 241 feet; the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said BERGER STREET.

(3) A gas main in LIVERPOOL DRIVE, from Suburban Drive, westerly 304 feet; the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said LIVERPOOL DRIVE.

(4) A gas main in MANCHESTER CIRCLE, from Suburban Drive, westerly, southerly and easterly 1067 feet; the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet north, west and south of and parallel to the south, east and north property line of said MANCHESTER CIRCLE.

(5) A gas main in WESTMORELAND DRIVE, from Suburban Drive, easterly 572 feet; the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said WESTMORELAND DRIVE.

(6) A gas main in SUBURBAN DRIVE, from 111 feet north of the north property line of Westmoreland Drive, then southerly 321 feet; the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said SUBURBAN DRIVE.

Said gas mains described above and Number 1 through 6 shall have a cover of not less than 2 1/2 feet.
be and the same is hereby granted and the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to issue a permit for the construction of such improvements, said grant and permit to be subject to the following conditions:

(1) The improvements shall be constructed and maintained in compliance with all ordinances relating thereto.

(2) The permit shall be issued and accepted subject to all reasonable police, traffic, fire and health regulation as the City of Austin, now existing or hereafter adopted.

(3) The repair or relocation of any and all utilities in the vicinity necessitated by the laying of these improvements shall be done at the expense of the Southern Union Gas Company of Austin, Texas.

(4) The Southern Union Gas Company of Austin, Texas, will indemnify and save the City of Austin harmless from any and all claims against said City growing out of or connected with the construction or maintenance of said improvements.

(5) That all backfill under street surfaces between existing or future proposed curbs and under driveways and alleys, shall be tamped with mechanical tampers in six (6) inch layers. Each layer shall be compacted to not less than 90 per cent of maximum density as determined by the Standard Method of Test for Compaction and Density of Soils, A.A.S.H.O. Designation T99-49.

(6) The City of Austin may revoke such permit for good cause after notice to the Southern Union Gas Company, in Austin, and hearing thereon, and upon such revocation the owner of such improvements will remove the same and pay all costs and expenses attendant therewith.

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

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

LEASE APPROVED

Councilman Long moved the Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a month-to-month lease with Calcasieu Lumber Company for City property at 2nd and Nueces at $180 per month.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:
SALE OF PROPERTY CONSIDERED

The Council then considered the sale of a remnant piece of property at the intersection of Banister Lane and Ben White Blvd. to the abutting property owner. They instructed the City Manager to tell the abutting property owner that the Council refused to sell for the suggested price. They also asked Mr. Tinstman to study the matter and recommend a better price.

RECEIVED MEETING 2:15 P.M.

RECEIPT OF LETTER FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilman Nichols moved the Council note receipt of a letter from the Planning Commission over the signature of Sam Dunham, concerning the Capital Improvements Program. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

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

CONTRACT AWARDED

Councilman Long moved the Council award the contract for sanitary sewers in Woodbury Drive Easement to J.C. Evans Construction Company on their low bid of $29,522.95 with 50 working days. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

ZONING HEARING POSTPONED

WILEY D. PRINGLE
By Oscar W. Holmes
C14-68-164

7800-7804 Ceberry Dr.  From Interim "A" Residence
3618-3698 Spicewood  1st Height and Area
Springs Road  To "C" Commercial
7901-7913 Baywood Drive  1st Height and Area
NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission
Councilman Long noted that the Council had received a letter from Mr. Pringle asking that the public hearing be postponed. She moved the Council postpone the hearing for several months until the applicant brought it up again; and that the neighbors be notified of the hearing at that time. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

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

ZONING HEARINGS

Mayor Akin reopened the zoning hearings scheduled for this time. Pursuant to published notice thereof, the following zoning applications were publicly heard:

BARBARA BRAWNER
C14-68-160
3103-3105 Manchaca Rd. From "A" Residence Rear of 2827-3207 Manchaca Road 1904-1916 and 1905-1917 Lightsey Road to "BB" Residence (as amended) RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission as amended

Councilman LaRue moved the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "BB" Residence (as amended), as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "BB" Residence as amended, and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

WILEY D. PRINGLE
C14-68-165
By Oscar W. Holmes

Tract 1
8501-8809 Shoal Creek Blvd.
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area To "B" Residence 1st Height and Area RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Tract 2
8901-8913 Shoal Creek Blvd.
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area To "BB" Residence 1st Height and Area RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS
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Tract 3
8915-8949 Shoal Creek Blvd.
3003-3017 U.S. Hwy. 183
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area
To "C" Commercial 1st Height and Area
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Tract 4
8500-8948 Shoal Creek Blvd.
3027-3327 U.S. Hwy. 183
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area
To "D" Industrial 2nd Height and Area
NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission
RECOMMENDED "D" Industrial 1st Height and Area

Councilman Long moved the Council grant the change from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "B" Residence 1st Height and Area for Tract 1, from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "BB" Residence, 1st Height and Area for Tract 2, from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "C" Commercial 1st Height and Area for Tract 3, and from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "D" Industrial, 1st Height and Area for Tract 4, all as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted as recommended by the Planning Commission and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

WILLOW SPRINGS, INC.
By John B. Selman
C14-68-175

Tract 1
Rear of 433-717 Woodward Street
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area
To "BB" Residence 1st Height and Area
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission

Tract 2
433-717 Woodward Street
From Interim "A" Residence 1st Height and Area
To "LR" Local Retail 1st Height and Area
NOT RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission with the exception of the north
Mr. John B. Selman, representing the applicant, explained the zoning application.

Mr. John McKay, representing Mr. Cecil Hale of Southwest Chemical Company, who owned a strip of land about 230' in width and 1500' deep next to the tracts in question, stated that his client did not want to dedicate land to build the road that appeared in the Willow Springs, Inc. plan and had been requested by the Planning Commission.

Councilman LaRue did not think that the applicants should be required to dedicate a street through their own property just to service that industrial zone. Mr. Lillie stated that if the property remained in the hands of one owner, the road was not necessary.

Councilman Long moved that the Council grant the change from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "BB" Residence, 1st Height and Area for Tract 1, from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "LR" Local Retail 1st Height and Area for Tract 2 and from Interim "A" Residence, 1st Height and Area to "DL" Light Industrial, 1st Height and Area, with a letter of commitment stating that no street will be built in the "DL" Light Industrial area.

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

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "BB" Residence 1st Height and Area for Tract 1, "LR" Local Retail 1st Height and Area for Tract 2, and "DL" Light Industrial 1st Height and Area for Tract 3 and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.
The applicants stated that they were applying for "LR" Local Retail zoning in order to put the potential property buyers in adjacent areas on notice that they would be purchasing land near a commercial development. They felt that the convenience center planned for the site would be an asset to the neighborhood rather than a nuisance. There was a ditch separating part of the site from the residential area on the west.

Councilman Long moved the Council grant the request of the applicant, "LR" Local Retail in Tract 1 and "BB" Residence in Tract 2. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "LR" Local Retail in Tract 1 and "BB" Residence in Tract 2 and instructed the City Attorney to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.
Mr. Tom Smith, representing the officers of Kash-Karry Stores, the applicants, stated that the Planning Commission had recommended that commercial activities such as the grocery stores be constructed at major intersections and not between major intersections. He had been told that this recommendation was in line with a new City policy. He argues that that policy would cause local retailers to open new stores only in large shopping centers, which would grow at the major intersections.

He said that Berkeley Drive, one street adjacent to the tracts, was incorrectly zoned "A" Residence because he did not think anyone would want to build a residence on a major thoroughfare. He thought those streets were for General Retail stores. He felt that Manchaca Road was developing not into a residential street, but into a major arterial street into Austin and Manchaca.

Councilman Long was opposed to the new policy of putting commercial zoning only on the corners. She thought that it limited new business ventures to large-scale operations and restricted the opening of small businesses. Mayor Akin also thought that it was confining and restrictive to force businesses to conform to the community center-type arrangement that would come about if all commercial ventures were limited to the corners of major thoroughfares.

Councilman Nichols agreed with Councilman Long and Mayor Akin. Councilman LaRue did not want to create another situation like the one existing on Burnet Road; therefore, he stated that he would not vote for the zoning change. He had not been aware that the Council would be discussing the new policy and therefore he wanted more time for study, and for looking at the tracts.

Mr. Dick Lillie, Assistant Director of the Planning Department, explained the proposed zoning policy and its applications. He stated that the policy was not intended to eliminate strip development of commercial property in new subdivisions, but to review commercial zoning applications with a view to encouraging the development of existing and future sound residential areas, and to discourage strip development along major arterial highways and expressways.

He stated that the Planning Commission had not adopted or considered in its regular meeting the adoption of the policy on subdivisions and zoning or the development guideline on the location of commercial zoning. The policy had been used in the recommendations from the Planning Commission as a suggestion only.

Mr. Smith stated that he would dedicate any right of way required.

No one appeared in opposition to the zoning change.

Mr. Hoyle Osborne, Director of Planning, also stated the intentions of the Planning Commission in mentioning the proposed policy in this zoning application recommendation. Councilman Long pointed out to him that 8 years ago the Council had been opposed to the suggested guidelines. She said that it would be difficult for the Council to work in harmony with the Planning Commission if it continued to recommend policy that was opposed by a majority of the Council.
Mayor Akin stated that he was willing to think along with the Planning Commission on all matters and he did not want to be put in the position of pre-judging them. Therefore, he was in favor of going to look at the property and studying the application further. The Council agreed to postpone the hearing for one week.

SAM F. MEYERS
By John B. Selman
C14-68-174
2504-2408 Marlton Drive From "A" Residence
1013-1015 Norwalk Lane To "BB" Residence

Mr. John B. Selman, representing the applicant, stated that the owner was requesting one four-unit building; he was willing to dedicate right of way on both streets; and he was willing to enter into a restrictive covenant with the City to insure that no more than four units would be built on that lot. The lot was too small for two duplexes which would be more in character with the rest of the neighborhood.

Mr. Ray D. Truitt, 2317 West 8th Street, appeared in opposition to the zoning application.

Mr. Lillie and Councilman LaRue felt that the neighborhood should remain "A" residential because that was the character of the area. Councilman Janes thought that the change would be spot-zoning.

Councilman Long wanted to go and see the area.

Mayor Akin announced that a Mr. Dooley had called to say that he was opposed to the zoning change.

The Council decided to postpone the hearing for one week to allow time to go and see the property.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council then went into Executive Session to discuss the purchase of some property.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of $211,738.71 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBITS "A" AND "B"

(See original resolution in Resolution Book for attached exhibits)

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

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

BUDGET MEETING SET

The Council agreed to meet Tuesday, September 10, 1968, at 11:00 A.M. for a Budget Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council then adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST: 

Asst. City Clerk