MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

October 26, 1967 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

Absent: None

The Invocation was delivered by REVEREND JAMES E. CARTER, St. Luke's Methodist Church.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman LaRue moved the Council approve the Minutes of October 5, 1967. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS AROUND SCHOOL

Mr. M. J. Smith of the Lucy B. Reed Elementary School P.T.A. appeared before the Council to request the installation of a traffic light at the corner of Ridgewood Creek and Burnet Road, and to ask the Council to make Silvercrest Drive a one-way street Monday through Friday from 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. He presented petitions asking for those changes.

City Manager Robert Tinstman reported that City staff had studied the matter and had discovered that Burnet Road was the boundary between school districts. That meant that children should not need to cross Burnet Road to get to school. Also, a check of the number of pedestrians crossing Burnet Road in

that area revealed that three times as many people crossed at St. Joseph Road as crossed at Ridgewood Drive. That indicated to him that any new traffic lights should be installed at St. Joseph, rather than Ridgewood Drive. The parents wanted to change Silvercrest to a one-way street because of parking difficulties. Because adequate off-street parking was provided on the school grounds, Mr. Tinstman recommended that "no parking at any time" signs be put on the east side of Silvercrest Road, rather than making it one-way.

Councilman Long was in favor of making the changes that Mr. Smith asked for. She did not think that property owners would object to a one-way street.

Mr. Paul Jones, Mr. Ben Schular, Mr. Carl Wheeler, Mrs. McRee Smith, and Mr. Leon Lurie also appeared before the Council asking for some relief from the traffic congestion in the area of the school.

The Council decided to defer action on the matter for one week to allow more time for study of the matter and to give the Council members a chance to go look at the traffic situation.

MASTER PLAN PUBLIC HEARING POSTPONED

City Manager Tinstman reported that the Planning Commission and the Urban Renewal Agency had requested that the Council wait four weeks before holding the public hearing on the Master Plan and Capital City East General Neighborhood Renewal Plan.

Councilman Long moved the Council postpone the hearing for four weeks until November 30, 1967. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

IMPROVEMENT OF ALLEY OPPOSED

Mr. Tinstman read a petition from Mr. Van Dyke and other homeowners on New York Avenue, East 12th, Leona, and Comal Streets protesting the fact that they had been assessed for paving their streets and the alley on their block. The paving was part of the Urban Renewal Plan and the people did not think that they should pay for Urban Renewal. Councilman Long also agreed that either the City or the Urban Renewal Agency should pay for items included in the Urban Renewal project.

Reverend E. J. Tanner appeared before the Council representing the petitioners. He stated that they could not bear the burden of paving the alley. Councilman Janes stated that he was inclined to agree with Rev. Tanner.

Mr. Jones, attorney for the Urban Renewal Agency, explained the legal aspects of the assessment problems to the Council. He stated that the residents had to show that they were capable of rehabilitating their property in order to

qualify for a grant-in-aid for the paving. He felt that the petition showed that the people did not have much money for improvements. Mr. Jones added that his Board had recommended, at a meeting the day before, that property owners in the Urban Renewal area not be assessed for improvements. That would take the burden from the petitioners.

Councilman Long thought the City should pay for the paving. City Manager Tinstman stated that his office was not recommending the assessment. Councilman Long moved the City not assess the property owners in the Kealing Project for any paving. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Councilman LaRue and the other ^Councilmen wanted to be more specific in defining the area to be exempted from assessment. Councilman LaRue moved the abutting property owners of the alley between New York and East 12th Street, running 175 feet west of the west property line of Angelina Street all the way to Chicon Street, the abutting property owners of the land needing paving to close and provide a cul de sac at the northern end of Angelina Street between Cotton Street and East 12th Street, the abutting property owners on Salina Street between Rosewood Avenue and Pennsylvania and the abutting property owners on the alley between Salina Street and Chicon Street between Rosewood and Pennsylvania not be assessed for their share of the paving of these aforementioned streets and alleys.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The Council then discussed a similar situation in the Glen Oaks Urban Renewal area.

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Akin brought up the following ordinance for its third 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 42.89 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, 0.45 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE T. J. CHAMBERS SURVEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, 8.34 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NUMBER 18 IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, 38.39 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NUMBER 18 AND THE JAMES MITCHELL SURVEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, 0.40 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND, SAME BEING A STRIP OF LAND FIFTEEN (15.00) FEET IN WIDTH OUT OF AND A PART OF THE WILLIAM CANNON LEAGUE 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 Long 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.

CITY COUNCIL ANNEXATION POLICIES ESTABLISHED

Councilman LaRue offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the responsibility for determining the boundaries of the City within which the benefits, privileges, and protections of the Charter and other laws of the State and City are made available to the inhabitants is required to be exercised by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the finest urban community can be realized when opportunities and responsibilities are shared by all the citizens; where equitable apportionment of the costs of providing public services and facilities is made among those who enjoy the benefits thereof; where good community development is fostered through uniform and equitable application of codes and ordinances which are designed to encourage stable and desirable development; where joint and cooperative relationships with other existing municipalities are maintained; where the most economical use of public and private funds may be realized in the development of the community; and where all citizens, property owners, developers, home builders, and financiers are enabled to know and to rely upon equitable, orderly, and sound criteria for the annexation of property to the City; and,

WHEREAS, economical and efficient community development will be encouraged by the adoption of sound policies for annexing properties in the metropolitan area, over a period of time, which would not adversely effect the new or old taxpayers, or the capabilities of the City to perform the functions and render the functions for which it exists: NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That in order to accomplish the objectives described herein, the following policies for annexation of properties within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City are hereby established:

- 1. Property will be annexed upon request of the property owner, unless such annexation is adverse to the interests of the taxpayers of Austin.
- 2. Property will be annexed by the City Council in the interest of the community for municipal purposes such as the orderly planning and development of streets, bridges, drainage, utilities and other facilities, and such as the orderly planning and providing of adequate fire, police, sanitation and other services.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

Mayor Akin objected to the lack of specifics in the resolution. He felt there was a need for something more definitive. Councilman Long asked about the section which allowed the Planning Department and the City Council to initiate annexation proceedings. Councilman LaRue stated that he had found there was no yardstick he could use to determine the right way to vote. He used knowledge, experience, and good judgement. He thought that the resolution would never be finished if the Council attempted to enumerate all of the possibilities that could arise in annexation hearings.

Mayor Akin pointed out that people involved in annexation cases would never know what to expect if the rules were not spelled out. Councilman Long felt that the Planning Department had been written out of the resolution offered by Councilman LaRue.

TAX APPEAL HEARD

The Council heard the following tax appeal continued from October 19:

AUSTIN CREST HOTEL by Richard Baker		Full Value by the Tax Dept. 1967	,	Value Rendered by Owner	Assessed Value Fixed by Board
Personal Property at 111 East 1st St. (Austin Crest Hotel Inc.)	Fixtures,	se & Furniture, and Equip-	\$ 22,140 81,880	Not Rendered	\$ 22,140 81,880
inc.)	ment Total		\$104,020		\$104,020
(Liberty Sign Co.)	Sign		\$5,000	Not Rendered	\$5,000

Mr. Richard Baker, representing the owners of the Austin Crest Hotel, Inc. stated that the only item in dispute was the equipment in the kitchen, dining, cold storage, and bar areas. He stated that the equipment had been purchased from the former owners of the Hotel by his clients. They had paid \$30,000.00 in 1967 for the equipment but the Tax Department had set the assessed value of the property at \$37,000.00, a figure reached by subtracting two years depreciation from the cost of new equipment and including the cost of installation, had the equipment needed to be installed.

Mr. Baker said that the assessed value should be \$30,000.00 because it was the price his clients had paid, and he added, it was more than an expert in

the hotel-motel field had been willing to pay. He asked the Council to set the fair market price of the equipment at \$30,000.00 as of January 1, 1967.

Councilman Nichols moved the full depreciated value of the equipment be set at \$30,000.00 as of January 1, 1967. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilmen LaRue, Long, Nichols

Noes:

Councilman Janes

Present But Not

Voting:

Mayor Akin

STREET VACATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF LONGVIEW STREET ALLEY, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; RETAINING AN EASEMENT IN THE CITY FOR PUBLIC UTILITY AND DRAINAGE PURPOSES; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, 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 rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. 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 ordinance had been finally passed.

RECESSED MEETING

2:00 P.M.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Janes moved that the following people be appointed to the Human Relations Commission:

Mr. Milton Smith Mr. E. W. Jackson Mr. Walter Carrington Rev. John Barclay Mrs. Lester Reedy Mr. Richard Brown Mr. Volma Overton Mrs. Frank McBee Mr. A. C. Matthews Mr. Albert Maloney Father Victor Goertz Mr. Dan Ruiz Dr. Jack Otis Mrs. Exalton Delco Mrs. Lee Kirk Mrs. Geneva Connally Mrs. Betsy Wright Mr. Clifton Van Dyke Mr. Dan Love

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

CAPITOL REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL DISCUSSED

Mr. David Barrow appeared before the Council to discuss the advantages of a Council of Governments over a Regional Planning Commission. He stated that 51% of the members of a Council of Governments had to be elected officials, the people who spent the money in the region. Therefore, the Council of Governments would be more able to put into effect the improvements needed in the region. These leaders would also be closer to the people and hopefully more responsive to their needs.

In addition, the Federal Government made available to Council of Governments certain appropriations that were not available to Regional Planning Commissions.

Mr. Barrow reported that at a meeting of the full Regional Planning Commission, a motion was passed to present to the City Council and the Commissioner's Court plans for setting up a Council of Governments for the Austin area. He was in favor of having private citizens interested in planning and having influence in the region on the Council, as well as the elected officials. He recommended that the Council of Governments be expanded to include eight or ten counties in the area, not just Travis County. He felt that this concept was in line with the Governor's plans for Regional Planning, as well. He said that he was giving the City Council and the Commissioner's Court notice of the thinking of the Regional Planning Commission and asking for the Council's opinions of the ideas he had expressed.

Mr. Goodman told the City Council that the name thought up for the Council of Governments was the Capitol Regional Development Council. He stated that local governments will feel more of a need than ever to provide new facilities for the movement of people, for law and order, for the supply of water, for the elimination of environmental waste, for leisure-time activities, and for education and health

services, at a greater rate and a higher level of service than ever. The counties which would be asked to join with Travis County in the Council were Llano, Burnet, Blanco, Williamson, Hayes, Caldwell, Bastrop, Lee, and Fayette counties. He stressed that membership on the Council would be on a voluntary basis, with funding coming from the local governments.

He then described the types of groups that would be eligible for membership and the representation on the Council. He gave the schedule of dues and outlined the structure of the Council and the number of meetings to be held each year. He stated that that particular arrangement had been very successful where it had been instituted.

Mr. Hoyle Osborne, Director of Planning, listed the groups interested in joining the Council and presented a tentative budget to the City Council.

Councilman Long was bothered by the argument that the City would not be able to get Federal and state money if it did not join the Council of Governments. She said that she was concerned with City cooperation and area planning but she did not like the attitude that the City had better join or else.

Mayor Akin stated that he considered the idea of a Council of Governments tremendously worthwhile and he was in favor of investigating the concept further.

City Manager Tinstman stated that he thought, that by grouping together some of the units of local governments into a Council of Government, the area could be more effective in getting help from the state and Federal governments. He hoped the Council would agree to give further study to the idea.

Councilman LaRue felt that some of the more qualified persons working for the City of Austin, such as the Planning staff, engineers, and pollution experts, could also serve a larger area than they were at that time. The Council of Governments arrangements would make their services available to more people and make better use of their abilities.

Mr. Osborne gave the Council an outline of the projects that the Regional Planning Commission had reviewed as possible projects for the proposed Council of Governments. These included a report from Del Valle concerning annexation of an area north of the river, several airport projects, several highway projects, and a water and sewer application. The proposed Council could also deal with a dispute over school district boundaries and the dispute over the city limit boundary between West Lake Hills and Austin.

After some discussion, Councilman Long moved the Council authorize the Regional Planning Commission to contact the groups eligible for membership in the proposed Capitol Regional Development Council and see if they would be interested in organizing the Council. The motion, seconded by Councilman Nichols, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY POSTPONED

Because the appraisals were not up to date on the properties in question, City Manager Tinstman recommended that the Council postpone action on the acquisition of those properties. After some discussion, Councilman Nichols moved the Council pass up the acquisition of the properties at 800, 807, and 1005 Winsted Lane, and 2007 Lake Austin Boulevard for one week. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: Councilman Long

Councilman Long was in favor of discussing the matter at that meeting as one of the property owners was present. She asked Mr. Tinstman what action he would take on these properties. He said that he would be negotiating with the owners in the next week.

TAX APPEALS POSTPONED

Councilman Long asked that the Council hold up action on the following items until she returned from her trip to Europe. The Council decided to put the items back on the agenda in three or four weeks, after they had inspected the disputed property:

Gage Western Investments
J. J. Newberry Company
Walter Wukasch
McFall Kerbey Sr. & Louise Skelley
Wesley Pearson

VACATION OF STREETS AND ALLEY

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF SOUTH 4TH STREET IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; RETAINING AN EASEMENT IN THE CITY FOR PUBLIC UTILITY PURPOSES; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS....

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. 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 ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF MAYWOOD AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

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Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

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Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF ELMONT DRIVE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, 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 rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

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Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF LEONA STREET IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

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

Ayes: Councilmen James, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. 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 ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Akin introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND PERPETUALLY CLOSING FOR PUBLIC USE THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF WEST LIVE OAK STREET ALLEY, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; RETAINING AN EASEMENT IN THE CITY FOR PUBLIC UTILITY PURPOSES; SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 LaRue, 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 rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. 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 ordinance had been finally passed.

RELEASE OF EASEMENT

Councilman LaRue 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 that certain portion of Lot 21, John M. Harrell Subdivision, a subdivision of Lot 7, Live Oak Grove, said Live Oak Grove being a subdivision of a portion of the Isaac Decker League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Live Oak Grove of record in Volume Z at Page 615 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; a map or plat of said John M. Harrell Subdivision being of record in Book 5 at Page 67 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the owners of the above described property have requested the City Council of the City of Austin to release the hereinafter described portion of said easement; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the hereinafter described portion of said 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 portion of said public utilities easement, to-wit:

A strip of land five (5.00) feet in width, same being out of and a part of Lot 21, John M. Harrell Subdivision, a subdivision of Lot 7, Live Oak Grove, said Live Oak Grove being a subdivision of a portion of the Isaac Decker League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Live Oak Grove of record in Volume Z at Page 615 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; a map or plat of said John M. Harrell Subdivision being of record in Book 5 at Page 67 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; which strip of land five (5.00) feet in width is more particularly described as follows:

BEING all of the east or southeast five (5.00) feet of said Lot 21, John M. Harrell Subdivision.

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

Ayes: Councilmen James, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

REQUEST FOR UT BONFIRE

Councilman Long moved the Council grant the request from the University of Texas for a bonfire and rally in the area south of West 1st Street and 400

yards west of Lamar Bridge. The motion, seconded by Councilman LaRue, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

SUBSTANDARD HOUSES

Councilman Long moved the Council approve the recommendations from the Building Standards Commission and authorize the Legal Department to take proper legal disposition of the following substandard structures which have not been repaired or demolished within the required time:

Mr. Melvin Battle, 1617 South 2nd Street

Mr. Frank Lira, 707 Henderson

Mr. C. L. Jett, 5510 Middle Fiskville Road

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

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on October 17, 1967, for the construction of storm sewers in Allandale Road Easement from Northland Drive to 358' north of Northland Drive and White Horse Trail Easement from 147' west of Burnet Road each to Burnet Road, known as Contract No. 67-D-19; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Bill Tabor Construction Company, in the sum of \$14,597.50, was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works 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 Bill Tabor Construction Company, in the sum of \$14,957.50, 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 Bill Tabor Construction Company.

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

Ayes: Councilman Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on October 20, 1967, for four (4) 138 KV, 2000 ampere, 10,000 MVA Oil Circuit Breakers, for installation at McNeil and Holly 138 KV Substations during the 1969 fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., in the sum of \$145,000.00, was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Electric Utility 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 Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., in the sum of \$145,000.00, 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 Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co.

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

Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin Aves:

Noes: None

LONG APPOINTED COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

Councilman LaRue moved the Council appoint Councilman Long representative of the City Council of Austin to all of the countries that she would visit on her European tour. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Janes, LaRue, Long, Nichols, Mayor Akin

Noes: None

ADJOURNMENT

The Council then adjourned.

APPROVED: