

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Special Meeting

January 2, 1963
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Palmer presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Absent: None

The Mayor announced this was a Special Meeting called for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor to sign and send the attached letter to GOVERNOR PRICE DANIEL.

Councilman Perry moved that the Mayor be authorized to sign and send the attached letter to GOVERNOR PRICE DANIEL. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: Councilman Armstrong

Letter is as follows:

"January 2, 1963

"Honorable Price Daniel
Governor of State of Texas
Capitol Building
Austin, Texas

Dear Governor Daniel:

"Your invitation of December 24 to the City Council stating that you would like to review the Capitol Area Master Plan was accepted, because the City Council feels that it is essential to continually review this plan. The City of Austin has always cooperated fully with the State of Texas with respect to all problems in which the City and State have a mutual interest. The present City Council of Austin has every intention of continuing that policy of full cooperation with the State.

"However, in the statement which you have chosen to issue to the press, it now

appears that the meeting is for the purpose of reviewing the zoning case of the property situated on the South side of 12th Street between Lavaca and Colorado. In rezoning this property, the City not only cooperated fully with the State of Texas, but also complied strictly with the provisions of the State zoning law which governs such matters. The State was notified well in advance of the public hearing held by the Planning Commission and also the public hearing held by the City Council. Neither you nor any representative of the Building Commission elected to appear at either of those public hearings.

"In view of the City's history of close cooperation with the State in connection with this zoning matter, as well as all other mutual problems, we are both surprised and disappointed that you have chosen to issue a statement to the press by which you have attempted to prejudice in advance this issue. Therefore, we do not feel that any good purpose can be served by our meeting with you next Friday, January 4. However, please be assured that when the new State Building Commission is constituted on January 15, the City Council of Austin will welcome an opportunity to confer with the new Commission and you and all other interested citizens about any and all matters that are of mutual interest to the City of Austin and the State of Texas. We shall be happy to meet with you at any regular council meeting, or will call a special meeting for this purpose."

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

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The Council adjourned at 12:00 noon, subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk