

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

November 30, 1961
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

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 DR. FRANK CHARLTON, District Superintendent, Methodist Church.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Special Meetings of November 14th and 15th, 1961; and the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of November 16th and November 22nd, 1961, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

At 10:00 A.M., the Council received and opened bids for Combustion Controls for Holly Street Power Station, Unit No. 2. Bids were received from BAILEY METER COMPANY, HAGAN CHEMICALS, INC., and REPUBLIC FLOW METERS COMPANY. Following is a tabulation of bids:

CONTRACT 78A
COMBUSTION CONTROLS
HOLLY STREET POWER STATION UNIT NO. 2

BIDDER	BID BOND	ITEM I CONTROLS & INSTRU- MENTS	ITEM II SPARE PARTS	ITEM III SERVICES	ESCALA- TION	DWGS.	DELIVERY
BAILEY METER CO.	\$40,000	\$135,979	\$4,760	\$95.00	Firm	120	365
HAGAN CHEMICAL & CONTROLS INC.	\$40,000	\$123,224	\$3,598	\$85.00	?	42	As Rqd. by Pur- chaser
LEEDS & NORTHRUP & COMPANY	No Bid						
REPUBLIC FLOW METERS COMPANY	\$40,000	\$117,244	\$4,200	\$80.00	Firm	120	180

A letter was received from Leeds and Northrup Company stating they were unable due to former commitments to meet the schedule of delivery, and expressed appreciation for an opportunity to bid although they were unable to do so. The bids were referred to the Consulting Engineers, MR. D. N. HIGGINS, Chief Power Engineer, and his staff for evaluation. Later in the meeting, the City Manager read a report from MR. D. N. HIGGINS, and of the Director of Electric Utility, as follows:

"November 30, 1961

"Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.
City Manager
City of Austin
P. O. Box 1160
Austin 64, Texas

"Dear Mr. Williams:

"Brown & Root, Inc. has examined bids opened by you at 10:00 A.M., November 30, 1961, in open Council meeting for Holly Street Power Station, Unit No. 2, Combustion Controls, Contract No. 78-A. Bids were received from Bailey Meter Company, Hagan Chemicals, Inc., and Republic Flow Meters Company.

"Separate post open conferences were held with the two low bidders, Republic Flow Meters Company and Hagan Chemical Controls, Inc.. These conferences were attended by representatives of the Engineers and the City.

"Messrs. Bell and Scurry of Republic Flow Meters Company confirmed that their proposal fulfills completely the letter and intent of the Specifications.

"On the basis of the lowest price and satisfactory delivery, it is recommended that the contract be awarded to Republic Flow Meters Company for Items I and II of the proposal for the total firm price of \$121,444.00.

"Sincerely yours,
BROWN & ROOT, INC.
s/ D. N. Higgins, Chief Power Engineer
APPROVAL:
s/ D. C. Kinney, Director
Electric Utility"

The City Manager stated this was his recommendation, and pointed out there would be an adjusted figure upward or downward by the \$80.00 a day quoted in Item 3. Councilman White moved that the contract for the Combustion Controls, Contract No. 78-A be awarded to REPUBLIC FLOW METERS COMPANY for the total firm price of \$121,444.00. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

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

Members of the Council expressed appreciation to the bidders on this project.

MR. D. N. HIGGINS stated these three firms were very reputable and had worked very hard to submit a very detailed and complete bid, at a considerable cost, and he was glad the Council had noted this and expressed its appreciation to these bidders.

The City Manager stated when bids were taken formerly on other items, there were some compressors which would have been required for pneumatic controls. The compressors will not be required now since the electronic controls have been awarded. Councilman Shanks moved that the bids on the compressors be rejected. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

MAYOR PRO-TEM PERRY announced there were two members on the Council who had birthdays this week, MAYOR LESTER PALMER and COUNCILMAN BOB ARMSTRONG. Birthday cakes were presented to both Mayor Palmer and Councilman Armstrong.

MAYOR PRO-TEM PERRY expressed his pleasure in having the privilege of recognizing and commending in behalf of the Council those who were responsible for saving a human life, and he introduced CAPTAIN ALTON R. NICHOLS, who had been with the Austin Fire Department for 21 years, and announced that on November 24th an alarm was received for 1107 West Live Oak. Among the companies responding was Company No. 5 under the command of Captain Nichols, who learned by radio that a baby was trapped in the fire. The fire was so intensive, rescue was impossible except through an upstairs window of the building, and Captain Nichols made the entrance into the burning room, and brought the baby safely out. Mayor Pro-tem Perry stated through the action of Captain Nichols, the infant's life was saved, and the Council wanted the people of Austin to know what Captain Nichols had done. The Mayor Pro-tem introduced FIRE CHIEF DICKERSON, stating the Council was proud of him and of his Department.

The Council, referring to a hearing scheduled at 10:30, recessed that hearing until another matter could be disposed of.

MR. FRANKLIN DENIUS, and MR. CLYDE MALONE, Austin Transit Corp. submitted a bus schedule for service from downtown to the Ford Village area. Regular school bus service is already in the area, but the new schedule will be on a 30-day trial basis. Mr. Denius stated this route had been agreed upon by the people in the area and the PTA at Joslin School, and the Austin Transit would like to begin operating on December 4th. Councilman White stated he had been working on this for sometime with Mr. Malone and Mr. Denius, and he was happy it had been worked out.

SCHEDULE
MONDAY through SATURDAY

Lv. 6th & Congress	Lv. Cimmaron & Manchaca Rd.
Morning	Morning
6:55	7:15
7:55	8:15
8:55	9:15
Afternoon	Afternoon
2:15	2:35
3:15	3:35
4:15	4:35
5:15	5:35

Fare zone boundaries are located at Heather & South Lamar and at Prather Lane and Manchaca Road.

This service will not operate on Sunday or Holidays.

Councilman Shanks moved that the schedule be approved as set out. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

Mr. Denius stated the Transit Company was working with representatives of the University of Texas in trying to provide a shuttle bus service for the University, and he hoped to have something to submit to the Council in the spring. Councilman White inquired about the service in the Montopolis area. Mr. Denius made a report on the service in the area as first reported by Father Donnelly, Dolores Church, stating the Transit Company was trying to work out a system where it could give minimum bus service coupled with school bus service; and if something could be worked out on that basis, he would come back for permission.

The Council had before it an appeal of MR. H. C. SUDDUTH, JR., from the decision of the Electric Board, in suspending his unrestricted master electrician's license for three consecutive calendar months, for violation of Chapter 9.41, Subsection a, 2. MR. CHARLES N. AVERY, JR., represented Mr. Sudduth. MR. ROBERT HUEY represented the Law Department of the City. Witnesses for the City were MR. CHARLES TEW, Chief Electrical Inspector; MR. EMIL ROOS, Inspector; MR. CLYDE ROUNTREE, Power Analyst; MR. STERLING BORDERS, and MR. HARRY KNIPP. The Council heard detailed and technical evidence. MR. ATKINSON, Atkins Electric Fixture & Supply Company, appeared in the interest of Austin Home Builders. Mr.

Huey stated licenses of other Master Electricians involved in violations were suspended three months; those of journeymen electricians, two months, and those of apprentices, one month; and Mr. Sudduth was the only one who had appealed. Later in the meeting after having heard the detailed testimony, Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the Electric Board in its decision of a three months' suspension, the date of the suspension to begin on December 15, 1961. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

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

T. HARDIE BOWMAN & ROBERT H. BOWMAN	1409-11 Cotton Street	From "A" Residence 1st Height & Area To "B" Residence 1st Height & Area NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission
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Opposition to this change of zoning was expressed by Mr. Van Dyke, and by the property owner at 1168 Angelina, stating they were trying to clear the slums in the neighborhood, but this development would create slums, and it is a trashy development, and they did not want to live around it. Mr. Van Dyke asked that this apartment house not be placed in East Austin, as there would be only thugs and transients renting them. It was the thinking of members of the Council, that this development would be a great improvement in the neighborhood. The City Attorney stated of necessity, there will be a realignment of the streets in the area; and there might be an apartment zone recommended by the Plan Commission in this area. He stated the planning had not yet progressed sufficiently to state what the general plan would be. Mr. Van Dyke did not want these apartments built in this area. Later in the meeting, Councilman Shanks moved that the Council grant the change from "A" Residence to "B" Residence 1st Height and Area. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "B" Residence 1st Height and Area and the City Attorney was instructed to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

The Mayor asked Mr. Bob Sneed to check with the Planning Director as to any definite plans for this particular piece of property. He said the Council was asking for an ordinance to be brought in, and asked that Mr. Sneed not start any construction until after the Council and Mr. Sneed had checked with the Planning Department.

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JOE JOSEPH
By Lindy L. Boyd

1621 West 6th Street
507-511 Campbell Street

From "B" Residence 2nd
Height & Area
To "O" Office 2nd
Height & Area
NOT Recommended by the
Planning Commission

Councilman Perry moved that the zoning be postponed indefinitely and asked that it be placed on the pending list pending a study of some facts in this zoning change. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

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The Council recessed at 12:00 until 2:00 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

2:00 P.M.

At 2:00 P.M. the Council resumed its business.

The Council had before it the tax appeal of the AUSTIN BAKING COMPANY, from the following valuations:

AUSTIN BAKING COMPANY - 5800 Airport Boulevard - 12.89 Acres James P. Wallace
Survey

	Full Value by Tax Dept. 1960	Full Value by Tax Dept. 1961	Assessed Value by Tax Dept.	Value Rendered by Owner	Assessed Value Fixed by Board
Land	\$107,431	\$207,477	\$155,610	\$ 80,470	\$155,610
Imps.	319,513	319,513	239,630	239,630	239,630
Total	\$426,944	\$526,990	\$395,240	\$320,100	\$395,240

MR. CHARLES N. AVERY, JR., represented MR. COLEMAN, Vice President and General Manager of the Austin Baking Company. Mr. Coleman said he purchased the 12.89 acres in 1955 for \$90,000, stating in 1957-58 it was assessed at \$44,000; in 1959 and 1960 it was assessed at \$80,570; and in 1961, \$155,610, \$75,000 over the 1960 values. Mr. Avery stated the land is assessed now at \$12,722 an acre. He pointed out since the curb, gutter and street were put in, there is now a drainage problem on the north end of the property. Mr. Avery stated the property was purchased definitely for a baking plant and not for speculation; and it was not their belief that the market value had increased from \$90,000 to \$150,000 in five years, and with all respect to the taxing authorities, this was an unfair assessment on the property. MR. JOHN MCKAY, also representing Mr. Coleman, explained the drainage problem which occurred after they purchased the property and after the curb was constructed. Mr. Coleman stated the size of the open ditch was now twice the size it was in 1955. MR. GLADDEN, Tax Appraiser explained the figures as set by the tax department, and stated no credit was given for the drainage, as there was not enough drainage problem to warrant credit for the whole tract. He stated there was a state right-of-way in front of their property, but the front footage was not applied on that property. Mr. Avery pointed out this was not a retail establishment. The Mayor noted that the \$75.00 front footage

was being charged where there was not the depth factor, and it looked as though there were 300-400 feet involved instead of 100', and it seemed there would be some adjustment there. The Mayor asked that the Tax Department recalculate this and bring the matter up again next Thursday.

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The Council had before it the tax appeal of MR. MORIN SCOTT.

MORIN SCOTT - 4th and Congress - Lots 1, 2, & 3, Block 42, Original City

	Full Value by Tax Dept. 1960	Full Value by Tax Dept. 1961	Assessed Value by Tax Dept.	Value Rendered by Owner	Assessed Value Fixed by Board
Lot 1					
Land	\$ 78,706	\$ 52,275	\$ 39,210	Not	\$ 39,210
Imps.	21,718	0	0	Rendered	0
Total	\$ 100,424	\$ 52,275	\$ 39,210		\$ 39,210
Lot 2					
Land	\$ 83,576	\$ 62,162	\$ 46,620	Not	\$ 46,620
Imps.	10,727	0	0	Rendered	0
Total	\$ 94,303	\$ 62,162	\$ 46,620		\$ 46,620
Lot 3					
Land	\$ 88,444	\$ 72,049	\$ 54,040	Not	\$ 54,040
Imps.	21,825	0	0	Rendered	0
Total	\$ 110,269	\$ 72,049	\$ 54,040		\$ 54,040

MR. JIM MEYERS represented MR. SCOTT, stating the appeal covered three lots running north on the east side of Congress, which lots were purchased at \$180,000 and used now as a parking lot. He compared the lots to those on the west side which traditionally had been more valuable than those on the east side; yet the 10% reduction across the street resulted in a larger reduction in valuation than those on the east side. He believed the percentage of reduction on both sides should have been the same. Mr. Meyers said the value the City placed on the property was based on a market value in excess of what was paid for the property. They paid \$180,000 and the valuation is based upon \$186,000. Mr. Meyers stated property on the east side just was not as valuable as that on the west side. Mr. Harry Pruett member of the Board of Equalization, stated the Board felt the value was right. Councilman Perry discussed the sale of the property stating \$180,000 was the price they were willing to accept for the property, and that the building was torn down for salvage. After discussion, the Mayor stated the Council would check into this more thoroughly with the Tax Department.

The City Manager stated bids should be taken on an electrically operated lawn sprinkle system for the Airport, and he would like to advertise for bids on the 19th, so that a contract could be awarded in time to get the work started by the first of the year. He stated he planned to take bids in three parts --

(1) For an installation to take care of the area immediately around the building,
 (2) Another bid on the esplanade; and (3) The fringe areas around the three parking lots. After discussion, Councilman White moved that the City Manager be

authorized to advertise for bids as he recommended. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

The City Manager explained a proposed lease with Browning Aerial Service on the same terms as that made with Mr. Ragsdale for a pilots' lounge, and he showed the location on a map. He explained for the lounge there would be no rental charges as this was a public accomodation, and as the City received a percentage on the gasoline sold for the planes but should there be a sales room in the lounge, the City would receive the usual four cents per square foot. Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a Lease Agreement between the City of Austin and Robert M. Browning, dba Browning Aerial Service, in accordance with the terms and provisions of a certain Lease Agreement, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution, and marked by the City Clerk for purposes of indentification, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to file for permanent record in the office of the City Clerk the attached copy of said agreement without recordation in the Minutes of the City Council.

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

Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization as follows:

SPENCER J. SCOTT - 8th and Brazos Streets

All of Block 85, Original City (Parcel No. 2-0603-1301)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 397,070	
Improvements	2,730	
Total	\$ 399,800	No Change

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

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Councilman Armstrong moved that the Council allow 30% discount in lieu of 20%, changing the assessed value as follows:

J. W. SCARBROUGH ESTATE - 2301 South Congress Avenue

4.90 Acres of Decker League (Parcel No. 3-0300-0741)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 52,630	\$ 46,050
Improvements	190	190
Total	\$ 52,820	\$ 46,240

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization as follows:

DR. P. J. PARIS - 1305 Luna Street and 1201 Cometa Street

Lot 33, Block 3, of Chernosky 9 (Parcel No. 2-1018-0310)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 280	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 280	No Change

Lot 1, Block 4, of Chernosky 9 (Parcel No. 2-1018-0501)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 680	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 680	No Change

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the revised findings of the Board of Equalization, as follows:

LUMBERMAN'S ASSOCIATION - 1200 West 25th Street

Lots 1 through 5, Block 4, Outlot 43, Division D (Parcel No. 2-1400-0407)

	<u>Revised Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 19,940	
Improvements	73,930	
Total	\$ 93,870	No Change

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

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White
 Noes: None
 Present but not voting: Mayor Palmer

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Councilman White moved that an adjustment be made in the assessed value, as follows:

LEMUEL SCARBROUGH - Cameron Road, State Highway 20 and Interregional Highway

8.77 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2515-0101)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 65,090	\$ 63,540
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$ 65,090	\$ 63,540

17.25 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2614-0201)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 92,610	\$ 84,700
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$ 92,610	\$ 84,700

68.11 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2716-0101)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$157,350	\$ 98,960
Improvements	640	640
Total	\$157,990	\$ 99,600

51.85 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2814-0201)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$173,310	\$135,140
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$173,310	\$135,140

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

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Councilman White moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization as follows:

LEMUEL SCARBROUGH - Cameron Road, State Highway 20 and Interregional Highway

1.62 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2515-0202)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 10,320	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 10,320	No Change

LEMUEL SCARBROUGH (Continued)

2.31 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2517-0101)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 17,930	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 17,930	No Change

12.22 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2614-0101)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 79,280	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 79,280	No Change

6.96 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2617-0201)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 10,440	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 10,440	No Change

9.855 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2814-0101)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 71,130	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 71,130	No Change

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

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Councilman Shanks moved that an adjustment of 35% be made due to the shape of the land, as follows:

MOTON H. CROCKETT, JR. - Airport Blvd., Highway 20 and East 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ Street

2.02 Acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2515-0330)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 23,940	\$ 15,600
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$ 23,940	\$ 15,600

The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:
 Ayes: Councilman Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
 Noes: None

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Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization, as follows:

MOTON H. CROCKETT JR. - Airport Blvd., Highway 20 and East 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ Street

.68 acres, Block 1, Lou Hill Subdivision (Parcel No. 2-2312-0103)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 20,660	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 20,660	No Change

.16 acres, Block 1, Lou Hill Subdivision (Parcel No. 2-2312-1103)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 5,100	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 5,100	No Change

16.41 acres, James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2515-0201)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$104,280	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$104,280	No Change

1.007 acres of Block 2, Lou Hill Subdivision (Parcel No. 2-2312-0902)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 9,560	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 9,560	No Change

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

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Councilman Shanks moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization, as follows:

E. J. HOOD - 2200 Oldham and 2321 Oldham

Lot 10-A, Resub. of Lots 9 and 10 and part of 8, Block 33,
 Christian and Fellman (Parcel No. 2-1307-0611)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 3,970	
Improvements	32,930	
Total	\$ 36,900	No Change

E. J. HOOD (Continued)

Lot 5 and North 12 feet of Lot 4, Block 48, Christian and Fellman
(Parcel No. 2-1307-1305)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 3,540	
Improvements	35,050	
Total	\$ 38,590	No Change

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

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Councilman Shanks moved that an adjustment be made in the assessed value,
as follows:

J. M. ODOM - 6937 Interregional Highway

4.02 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2915-0138)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 19,730	\$ 18,840
Improvements	86,930	86,930
Total	\$106,660	\$105,770

4.82 acres of James P. Wallace Survey (Parcel No. 2-2915-0139)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 17,130	\$ 17,270
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$ 17,130	\$ 17,270

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

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Councilman Shanks moved that an adjustment be made in the assessed value,
as follows:

WALTER WUKASCH - 2266-2270 Guadalupe Street

North 50 feet of Lot 36, Block 35, Horst (Parcel No. 2-1201-0501)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 90,860	\$ 75,890
Improvements	11,150	11,150
Total	\$102,010	\$ 87,040

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

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Councilman Perry moved that the Council sustain the value of the Board of Equalization, as follows:

ROGAN B. GILES - 1402 East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ Street and 150 East Riverside Drive

.84 acres of Thomas Hawkins Survey (Parcel No. 2-1611-0604)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 11,070	
Improvements	21,980	
Total	\$ 33,050	No Change

4.317 acres of Isaac Decker League (Parcel No. 2-0101-1104)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 39,540	
Improvements	7,090	
Total	\$ 46,630	No Change

(Rather than lowering this property next year, the Board would be wanting to start raising the values of the lake property considering the lake influence, and the properties down there would be made equal in value by the increase of the lake influence.)

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilman Armstrong moved that the Council set the full value at \$12,238, changing the assessed value as follows:

WILLIAM P. HOLLOWAY - Canadian Street, East 4th Street and East 5th Street

Lots 5 and 6 and the E. 104' of Lot 3, Outlot 8, Musgrove
(Parcel No. 2-0309-0813)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 11,470	\$ 9,180
Improvements	0	0
Total	\$ 11,470	\$ 9,180

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

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

Noes: None

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Councilman Armstrong moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization, as follows:

WILLIAM P. HOLLOWAY - Canadian Street, East 4th Street and East 5th Street

Lots 16 and 17, Block 13, Outlot 2, Division 0 (Parcel No. 2-0405-1803)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 2,770	
Improvements	740	
Total	\$ 3,510	No Change

Lots 14 and 15, Block 13, Outlot 2, Division 0 (Parcel No. 2-0405-1804)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 2,770	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 2,770	No Change

Lots 12 and 13, Block 13, Outlot 2, Division 0 (Parcel No. 2-0405-1805)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 3,010	
Improvements	3,060	
Total	\$ 6,070	No Change

Lot 7, Block 4, Outlot 4, Division A (Parcel No. 2-0406-1505)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 2,510	
Improvements	1,440	
Total	\$ 3,950	No Change

East 43 ft. of Lot 8, Block 4, Outlot 4, Division A (Parcel No. 2-0406-1506)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 2,400	
Improvements	0	
Total	\$ 2,400	No Change

West 2 ft of Lot 8, and all of Lot 9, Block 4, Outlot 4, Division A (Parcel No. 2-0406-1507)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 2,620	
Improvements	8,490	
Total	\$ 11,110	No Change

Lot 10, and the East 29.05 ft. of Lot 11, Block 4, Division A (Parcel No. 2-0406-1508)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 4,130	
Improvements	6,550	
Total	\$ 10,680	No Change

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

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Councilman Perry moved that an adjustment be made in the assessed value, as follows:

GAGE INVESTMENT CORP. - Cameron Road

3.4 acres of Lot 54, Duval Heights (Parcel No. 2-2313-0206)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 95,820	\$ 89,180
Improvements	200,220	200,220
Total	<u>\$296,040</u>	<u>\$289,400</u>

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

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Councilman Perry moved that the Council sustain the values set by the Board of Equalization, as follows:

GAGE INVESTMENT CORP. - Cameron Road

East 27.46 feet average of Lot 8, Division F, Haster Subdivision
 (Parcel No. 2-2313-0213)

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Council Action</u>
Land	\$ 3,620	
Improvements	2,450	
Total	<u>\$ 6,070</u>	No Change

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

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The Council announced it would decide on the following Tax Appeals next week:

CAPITAL PLAZA CENTER - Cameron Road - 38.69 acres Duval Heights and
 2.72 acres J. P. Wallace Survey

COMMODORE PERRY LAND - 800 Brazos - S.E. 6 in. x 57.5 ft. of Lot 8 and
 COMPANY and all of Lots 9,10,11 and 12, Block 97,
 Original City

HARRY M. WHITTINGTON - 901 Brazos and 805 Brazos - Lot 1, Block 112,
 Original City, Lot 10, Block 96, Original

City and S. 78.5 ft. of Lots 11 and 12,
Block 96, Original City

AUSTIN BAKING CO. - 5800 Airport - 12.89 acres of James P. Wallace
Survey

MORIN SCOTT - 4th and Congress - Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 42,
Original City

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, by instrument of record in Volume 676 at page 458 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, a certain easement for public utility purposes was granted in, upon and across a part of Lot 21 and a part of Lot 22, Mira Loma, said Mira Loma being 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 the said Mira Loma of record in Book 4 at page 16 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

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

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the hereinafter described portions of said easement are not now needed and will not be required in the near future; Now, Therefore,

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a release of the following described portions of said easement, to-wit:

Two (2) strips of land five (5) feet in width, the strip hereinafter described as No. 1 being out of and a part of Lot 21, Mira Loma, the strip hereinafter described as No. 2 being out of and a part of Lot 22, Mira Loma, said Mira Loma being 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 the said Mira Loma of record in Book 4 at page 16 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, each of the said two (2) strips of land five (5.00) feet in width being a portion of a public utility easement of record in Volume 676 at page 458 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, each of the following two (2) strips of land five (5.00) feet in width are described in instrument of record in Volume 676 at page 458 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, and each being more particularly described as follows:

NO. 1 BEING the east eighty and 18/100 (80.18) of the north five (5.00) feet of the said Lot 21, Mira Loma.

NO. 2 BEING all of the north five (5.00) feet of the said Lot 22, Mira Loma.

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

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, there has been submitted to the Building Inspector, the application of Frank E. Montgomery for a building permit together with a site plan dated November 22, 1961, meeting the requirements of Section 10-B, 3 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City, for certain building establishment at 2717 Hemphill Drive, more particularly described in said application; and,

WHEREAS, it has been found and determined by the City Council of the City of Austin that, based upon the use of the premises for the purpose of an Apartment House the maximum number of parking spaces which will probably be used by employees and customers of such establishment, taking into account the loading facilities on the site, the public parking areas and street space available for parking in the vicinity, public safety, and free circulation of traffic both on and off the site, is Eight parking spaces; Now, Therefore,

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

That Eight (8) spaces is an adequate number of parking spaces for the establishment shown on the site plan of Frank E. Montgomery dated November 22, 1961, for use of the premises for the purpose of an Apartment House.

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

Councilman White 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 ASPEN GROVE CIRCLE, from East 51st Street southerly and westerly 491 feet, the center-line of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said ASPEN GROVE CIRCLE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (2) A gas main in BLUE SPRUCE CIRCLE, from East 51st Street, southerly and westerly 355 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said BLUE SPRUCE CIRCLE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (3) A gas main in NORTH REDONDO DRIVE, from a point 86 feet south of Meander Drive southwesterly 401 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 3.5 feet east of and parallel to the west property line of said NORTH REDONDO DRIVE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (4) A gas main in SOUTH REDONDO DRIVE from a point 150 feet south of Meander Drive, southerly and westerly, to North Redondo Drive the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet east of and parallel to the west and north property lines of said SOUTH REDONDO DRIVE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (5) A gas main in WEBBERVILLE ROAD, from a point 150 feet west of Fort Branch Boulevard westerly 246 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 12.0 feet north of and parallel to the south property line of said WEBBERVILLE ROAD.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (6) A gas main in HARDY DRIVE from a point 104 feet south of the south line of Santa Clara Street northerly to Justin Lane, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said HARDY DRIVE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

- (7) A gas main in SANTA CLARA STREET from a point 15 feet west of Yates Avenue westerly to Hardy Drive, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said SANTA CLARA STREET.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

THE Southern Union Gas Company is hereby put upon notice that the City of Austin does not guarantee that the space assigned above is clear from other underground utilities, but is based upon the best records we have at hand, and that the minimum depth stated does not have any reference to the fact that greater depths may not be required at special points. When the Southern Union Gas Company requires definite information upon the ground as to elevations or working points from which to base the location of their assignments, they shall apply to the Department of Public Works not less than three (3) days before such information is required. The Southern Union Gas Company is further put upon notice that they will be required to bear the expense of repairs or replacement of any underground utility damaged during the construction of lines named in this resolution.

AND THAT whenever pavement is cut in the vicinity of a fire plug, water must be used at intervals during the course of backfilling of the ditches.

THAT the work and laying of said gas mains, including the excavation in the streets, and the restoration and maintenance of said streets after said mains have been laid, shall be under the supervision and direction of the City Manager and under all the pertinent terms and conditions of the certain franchises granted to said company by the City of Austin.

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

The City Manager submitted the following:

"November 21, 1961

"Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.
City Manager
Austin, Texas

"Dear Mr. Williams:

"Sealed bids were received until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 21, 1961, at the Office of the Director of the Water and Sewer Department for the construction of the Riverside Drive 24-inch Water Main, Stone Ford Road to Dalton Lane. The bids were publicly opened and read in the Second Floor Conference Room, Municipal Building, Austin, Texas.

"The following is a tabulation of bids received:

<u>"Firm</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Working Days</u>
Fairey-Simons Company, Inc.	\$226,730.00	120
Wagner-Wehmeyer, Incorporated	226,821.00	90
Austin Engineering Company	228,063.40	120
Bland Construction Company	238,249.20	120
Walter W. Schmidt	242,957.40	120
Glade Construction Company	256,638.10	---
J. R. Barnes Engineering Company	271,936.00	150

"It is recommended that the contract be awarded to the Fairey-Simons Company, Incorporated on their low bid of \$226,730.00 with 120 working days.

"Yours truly,
s/ Victor R. Schmidt, Jr.
Superintendent Water Distribution
s/ Albert R. Davis,
Director Water and Sewer Department"

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on November 21, 1961, for the construction of the Riverside Drive 24-Inch Water Main from Stone Ford Road to Dalton Lane; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Fairey-Simons Company, Inc. in the sum of \$226,730.00, was the lowest bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of the Water and Sewer Department 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 Fairey-Simons Company, Inc. in the sum of \$226,730.00, be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract, on behalf of the City, with said Fairey-Simons Company, Inc.

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

Mayor Palmer 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 4.26 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING ALL OF ALLANDALE TERRACE SECTION 2 PHASE 2, BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY NO. 15, 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 White moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, 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: FROM "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C-1" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON LOTS 14, 15 AND 16, BLOCK 3, OUTLOT 68, DIVISION D, IN THE CITY OF 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 White 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 Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman White 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 Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

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

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, 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 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.) LOT 17 AND THE NORTH 28.8 FEET OF LOT 18, SHOALCREEK BOULEVARD LOTS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1923 AND 2201 NORTH LAMAR, AND (B.) THE NORTH 28.8 FEET OF THE SOUTH 38.92 FEET OF LOT 18, SHOALCREEK BOULEVARD LOTS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1921 NORTH LAMAR BOULEVARD, FROM "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; (2) LOTS 8-11, BLOCK 3, FELLMEN HEIGHTS, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT; (3) THE SOUTH 100 FEET OF LOTS 1-4, BLOCK 1, POST ROAD ADDITION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (4) THREE TRACTS OF LAND FRONTING 150 FEET ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE

OF WEST 38TH STREET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 707-711 WEST 38TH STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; (5) TWO TRACTS OF LAND FRONTING 166.33 FEET ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE OLD AUSTIN-DEL VALLE ROAD, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1421-1503 (1507-1511) OLD AUSTIN-DEL VALLE ROAD AND 1400-1450 U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 71, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT; (6) THE WEST 46 FEET OF LOT 8, BLOCK 164, ORIGINAL CITY OF AUSTIN, FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (7) AN INTERIOR PORTION OF THE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY HAVING DIMENSIONS OF 22.6 FEET BY 50 FEET, AND HAVING AN AREA OF 1130 SQUARE FEET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS THE REAR OF 4201-4205 INTERREGIONAL HIGHWAY, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT; (8) LOTS 2 AND 3, RIDGETOP GARDENS, SECTION 2, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT; AND, (9) A TRACT OF LAND FRONTING 110 FEET ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF MONTOPOLIS DRIVE, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 717-719 MONTOPOLIS DRIVE, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT; ALL OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN THE CITY OF 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 White 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 Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman White 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 Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer
Noes: None

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

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

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

The Council discussed Section 3 of the Area study of the Ben-White Boulevard Manchaca Road area, stating if all the field notes could be secured for the whole area, that the Council consider passing all the ordinances at the same time.

COUNCILMAN ARMSTRONG announced that the Ford Foundation was in a position to send a staff of experts out to evaluate a hospital and make recommendations

for its effectiveness, management, auditing, and educational possibilities. This has been done in 110 hospitals in 48 states. Councilman Armstrong suggested if Mr. Crandall, our Administrator, wanted further information, he could contact MR. BOB LLOYD at St. Davids Hospital or write to the Ford Foundation. The City Manager stated at the time Brackenridge Hospital had its study, a member of the Research League had made inquiry of the foundations, including Ford Foundation; but at that time they were unable to do this. Mayor Palmer stated it certainly would be fine to investigate the possibilities. Councilman Armstrong stated this could be reported to the Hospital Manager, and he could determine the merits in the whole thing.

COUNCILMAN ARMSTRONG reported that Mr. Del Martin, 719 South Lamar was charged \$147 for the city's installing water across the street, and that the main was relocated, and the line was not nearly as long, and Mr. Martin wants to know if he has a credit coming.

COUNCILMAN ARMSTRONG inquired about the paving of Fairfax Walk stating he had had some inquiries from some residents wanting the time moved up. The Administrative Assistant, Mr. Saunders, stated the paving program was scheduled for the spring, and that he had explained to the gentleman, who was hopeful that the Council could do the paving earlier.

COUNCILMAN ARMSTRONG inquired about a street in the vicinity of 2411 East 12th, running north and south as it has been closed. The inquiry had come from Mr. Charles Madison, 2411 East 12th, who wants to sell his property and wants the street defined. The Director of Public Works explained this street that had been closed was used as a street but was not a dedicated street, and that it was probably a part of Flourney's tract. The Mayor stated the City Attorney would be asked to investigate just what the status is and let Mr. Madison know.

COUNCILMAN ARMSTRONG reported a letter from MR. CARL HOFFMAN complimenting the city on the paving of San Jacinto.

COUNCILMAN SHANKS reported that MR. JULIAN LYLES' lights had been cut off through error, and it was embarrassing to have had this done while he had customers in his establishment. The matter was referred to the City Manager.

MAYOR PALMER read a communication from MR. RICHARD CRAIG representing the Committee for Enforcement of the Sunday Closing Law, commending the officials of the City Government for their cooperation and stating it appears the law appears to be almost uniformly observed by all of the affected businesses in the city.

MAYOR PALMER stated MR. NELSON PUETT had sent a deed for Lot 16, Block F, Allandale Terrace, Section 2, Phase 3, for right-of-way for a bridge. The City Manager stated the deed was made to the city for the hospital. The City Manager explained the procedure for Mr. Puett's giving the property. The matter was referred to the City Attorney.

The Mayor read a letter from EVELYN K. BOSWELL, suggesting that the town lake be named LAKE RAYBURN. The letter was referred to the Town Lake Study Committee.

MAYOR PALMER read a letter from R. G. and JO ANN WIERUSCHESKE thanking the Council for its consideration in their recent zoning change and inviting the Council to their official open house sometime in January. (King Florist, 4311 Alice Avenue)

The Mayor read a letter from LAURA O. LOVE, inquiring about the on-rush of water that will affect her property after the drainage work is completed on Branch at Olive Street. It was noted the Public Works Director had replied to the letter stating the drainage work would improve the situation and lessen the possibility of flooding her property, noting also that if she and other neighbors would grant a storm sewer easement across their properties, the water could be channeled from the end of the present pipe on Curve Street south of East 12th Street westerly to Branch Street.

The Mayor read a letter from HONORABLE HOMER THORNBERRY, November 22, 1961, concerning his receiving calls and letters about the proposal of the Austin Housing Authority to construct housing for the elder citizens; and his being requested by MRS. A. L. VICKERS to submit a petition to the Council for its careful consideration, which petition was attached. The Council discussed briefly the Austin Housing Authority's proposal, and the Council's responsibility in the matter. The City Attorney pointed out the three choices the Council had in this matter -- to enter into the agreement; not to enter into the agreement; or to call an election.

MAYOR PALMER read a letter from MR. ED BLUESTEIN, District Engineer, Texas Highway Department regarding the Origin and Destination Survey, as follows:

"Austin, Texas
November 22, 1961

"Travis County
Urban Transportation Studies in City of Austin
Re: Origin and Destination Survey

"Hon. Lester Palmer
Mayor
Austin, Texas

"Dear Mr. Palmer:

"You will recall that we have had certain discussions and correspondence with you and some of your associates regarding the conducting of an Origin and Destination Survey in the City of Austin and which we had estimated would cost approximately \$80,000, this cost to be shared equally between the City of Austin and the State. We had thought that the data gathered therefrom would materially aid us in our future planning and would considerably aid the City Manager and his staff in the planning and designing of some of your future projects in this area. In fact, on October 9, 1961, City Manager W. T. Williams, Jr., wrote me

requesting that this work be done and stated that your City Council had appropriated \$40,000 in your current budget to defray your portion of this cost.

"Very careful study was given to this proposal and it is now thought that we will be forced to reject same for two or three reasons. Our highway pattern is fairly well crystallized in this Austin area and our general designs are well advanced such that the advantage and value of an Origin and Destination Survey insofar as the Texas Highway Department is concerned is rather doubtful. Too, and actually the main reason for our having to reject your proposal is the fact that at this time our highway needs throughout the State are far in excess of the revenues available to the Department and in order to provide proper facilities for the utilization of the traveling public, certain expenditures that might be classed as desirable will have to be foregone in order to accomplish insofar as possible that which is classified as essential. I regret that this action on our part was necessary but I am sure you can readily understand our reasons for same.

"Sincerely yours
s/ Ed Bluestein
Ed Bluestein
District Engineer"

The Council discussed 1962 legislation for the City of Austin, paying, etc.

The Mayor read a letter from the Austin Maroon Booster thanking the Council for proclaiming November 27th, "AUSTIN MAROON DAY".

The Mayor announced an invitation to the TEXAS SOCIAL WELFARE ASSOCIATION Dinner, honoring MRS. HOMER GARRISON, December 12th, 7:00 P.M. at Green Pastures.

The Mayor read a letter from the President of the BOND STORES, INC., Mr. Ellis H. Schechtman, regarding the opening of their new store in the Capital Plaza Shopping Center.

MAYOR PALMER read a letter from Mr. William H. Purdy, addressed to Mr. Bob Armstrong commending the Purchasing Agent, Mr. Brush in his generous understanding of Mr. Purdy's problem and for his help and courteous treatment, stating Mr. Brush was certainly a credit to his profession as well as to the City. Councilman Armstrong moved that MR. O. G. BRUSH, Purchasing Agent, be commended on the manner he accommodated this gentleman. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

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

Councilman Perry moved that the agreement with the American-Statesman for 12 parking spaces on the City Parking Lot between San Antonio and Guadalupe be extended on the same basis as last year, \$576 annually, payable in advance. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

The City Manager submitted a list of Boards and Commissions appointed by the Council, showing the dates of the expiration of terms.

The City Manager submitted a recommendation from the Traffic Engineer regarding the intersection of Shoal Creek Boulevard and West 12th Street, stating a study showed the number of vehicles moving northward and continuing north across 12th Street from Shoal Creek Boulevard and proceeding on out Shoal Creek Boulevard was very few--only 67. Most of the cars turn right or left at the intersection. To handle the traffic more efficiently, the Traffic Engineer recommended that through traffic across 12th Street northward on Shoal Creek Boulevard be prohibited. The City Manager also recommended this and stated this was an administrative function, but he wanted the Council to know about it. Mayor Palmer suggested that the City Manager go ahead and try this out.

The City Manager made a report on the results of a questionnaire filled out by the city employees regarding outside work, summarizing the results, he stated there was a total of 3,114 employees, of whom 337 were working other than with the City of Austin. This 337 included 62 who were in the armed forces reserves; 42 seasonal part time or temporary city employees; and 233 full-time city employees with other work. He stated 155 employees did not fill out the questionnaire, 151 of those being firemen, 2 being hospital employees, and two working at the power plant. The City Manager reviewed the report in detail, and asked if the Council wanted some other analysis made of this information or break-down by department or other statistical information. Councilman Shanks requested that the City Manager inform Chief Dickerson that many of the firemen did not answer the questionnaires, and some did not prefer to answer at this time; but the Council is now ready to conclude the report on this, and that Chief Dickerson be asked to contact his men and have them fill in the questionnaires. The Council all agreed.

The City Manager reviewed the proposed lease contract with the United Fund. The Council asked that among the other provisions the City Attorney included in the lease, that the building be of masonry construction and that the United Fund have \$35,000 equity in the building. Then if the City terminated the lease, it would pay off the out standing indebtedness plus the \$35,000 by refunding \$5,000 a year-- if the lease were terminated within the first year, the City would refund \$35,000; in the second year, \$30,000; in the third year \$25,000, and so on. The City Attorney explained this lease was a 55 year lease with a five year option. The Council all agreed to the lease with the suggestion pertaining to termination only at the City's request. Councilman Armstrong moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into this lease agreement with the United Fund. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

Councilman Shanks moved that the City Manager be authorized to execute an agreement on a month to month basis with the United Fund of Austin, Travis County, Texas, for the land which lies south of the ball park, west of the 1.6 acres which has been leased to the United Fund, north of Barton Springs Road and East of Dawson Road, save and except that portion occupied by the City substation.

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

The City Manager read a letter addressed to Mr. Norman Barker from a bonding company, wanting to negotiate for bonds of the City.

Councilman Armstrong offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, in connection with the widening of West 29th Street, the City of Austin acquired title to Lot 14, Block 3 of Leander Brown's Subdivision of Outlot 68 in Division "D" in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, by warranty deed from Ronald E. Tynes by deed of record in Volume 2394, pages 266-268 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin deems it necessary to widen West 29th Street twenty-five (25) feet in the area between Rio Grande and Guadalupe Streets; and,

WHEREAS, in connection with the acquisition of the North 25 feet of Lot 16, Block 3 of Leander Brown's Subdivision from Louis Laibovitz, the City Council deems it to be in the public interest to convey Lot 14 to Louis Laibovitz; Now, Therefore,

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin be and he is hereby authorized to convey the hereinafter described property to Louis Laibovitz by warranty deed in consideration of the above indicated twenty-five (25) foot strip along the North side of Lot 16 and for the further consideration of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$3,910.00), said tract of land to be conveyed being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Lot 14, Block 3, Leander Brown's Subdivision of Outlot 68 in Division "D", in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the map or plat of said subdivision recorded in the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; being the same tract of land conveyed to the City of Austin by deed dated November 14, 1961 and recorded in Volume 2394, pages 266-268 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; and being also the same tract of ground conveyed to Ronald E. Tynes by deed dated November 10, 1961 and recorded in Volume 2394, pages 241-242 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

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

The City Attorney stated it was time to file an answer in the law suit in which the Council was sued individually and as members of the City Council, to set aside the contract with Southern Union, and asked if the Council members wanted him to represent them personally. Councilman Perry asked if he were immune since he voted against the contract. The City Attorney, referring to his representing the Council members individually stated that Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White and Mayor Palmer had said they would like for him to represent them.

The City Attorney discussed the anti-trust case. After discussion, Councilman Perry moved that MR. JIM WILSON, ATTORNEY, be employed at the stipulated fee, recommended. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

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

The City Attorney stated the Council has authorized the purchase of some land to move the Bethany Church on, so as to exchange property with them for a 90' right-of-way of 12th Street. He stated that a better plan had developed since this authorization; in that there was 2.94 acres of land on Webberville Road which the City could purchase and the Church could be moved on part of this property in exchange for the property on 12th Street. He pointed out the advantages of purchasing the 2.94 acres of land to exchange with the Church. Councilman Shanks moved that the City Attorney be instructed to proceed with this purchase. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Council adjourned at 7:35 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk