

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

May 4, 1961
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Pro-tem Palmer presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Absent: Mayor Miller

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; S. Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Bob Miles, Chief of Police.

Invocation was delivered by REV. ALVIN R. MAULDIN, Trinity Methodist Church.

MR. W. L. HEATON, Fire Marshall, introduced Mr. Holland with the Southern Union Gas Company. Mr. Holland, a member of the Austin Fire Safety Board, was desirous of arranging publicity to encourage citizens to clean up their premises, and asked that the Council join in this publicity. Arrangements were to be made later.

MR. GERALD SMITH asked permission to dock the river boat, "SOUTHERN BELLE" at the City Park long enough to pick up passengers and let them off. He did not want to dock the boat there permanently, but just to use the docks to pick up passengers. The Council discussed various items. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer stated he definitely at this time would not want the concessionaire involved in the sale of tickets or handling of any money. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer asked if there were anything, so far as the City was concerned to prevent his landing and picking up passengers. The City Manager stated there was no rule that prohibited or made it unlawful, but the City did not want to sponsor the operation. The Council took no action.

MR. HOWARD CLAGGETT stated the Council had authorized the condemnation of property in which he was interested (E. L. BAULKNIGHT and JACQUELINE SZICSKO property on the Town Lake), and asked in the meantime that the Council go ahead and issue the permit applied for and to execute the new boundary line agreement which had been tentatively set up. Pending condemnation the property would still be his, and he wanted to go ahead with his work. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer stated where he filled in, the City might have to excavate. The City Manager stated the City

could not justify paying an expenditure of money in excess of the present value of the property; and if he placed improvements on the property when he knows the city is to acquire it, or if he were given permission to improve the property, the City could not justify the payment. Mr. Claggett made inquiry as to the timing of the condemnation or acquisition. The Mayor Pro-tem stated this would be discussed with the City Manager and City Attorney, and he would be given an answer before too long.

The Construction Engineer, Mr. Eldridge, and the Architect, Mr. Wukasch, showed drawings of the fire station on Berkman Drive, as revised. Mr. Eldridge stated the Fire Chief was well pleased with the plans and lay-out.

MAYOR PRO-TEM PALMER announced the public hearing to be held at 7:30 P.M. at the auditorium to discuss the AUSTIN DEVELOPMENT PLAN. May 5, 1961.

The Council took recognition of the last two passengers to arrive at the old airport terminal at 1:18 A.M., May 4, 1961: MRS. CHARLES E. CONKLIN, and MR. J. W. JAGGER. Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the people of Austin are the beneficiaries of an extraordinarily beautiful and useful new Airport Terminal at Robert Mueller Municipal Airport, which is soon to be officially dedicated to public use; and

WHEREAS, the existing frame structure which has served approximately two million air passengers from all over the world who have gone forth from and who have arrived in Austin; and

WHEREAS, that which is new, and is only new, is faddish; while that which is old, and is only old, is obsolete; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Austin desire that awareness which the author of both age and youth likened "unto a man that is a householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old"; it is fitting that recognition be given to those two persons who, unknowingly, were symbols of the two million air passengers who arrived and departed at the old terminal building; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Charles E. Conklin, a charming lady in her 85th year, making her first aerial flight, who arrived at 1:18 o'clock A.M. via Braniff Airlines, was the last woman passenger to arrive at the old airport terminal building; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. J. W. Jagger, a gentleman of British origin who arrived at 1:18 o'clock A.M. via Braniff Airlines was the last man passenger to arrive at the old airport terminal building; Now, Therefore,

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

That appropriate recognition be given to this event and that Mrs. Charles E. Conklin and Mr. J. W. Jagger be furnished a copy of this Resolution together with the appreciation of the people of Austin.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

The Council asked that copies of the Resolution be sent to Mrs. Conklin and Mr. Jagger.

COUNCILMAN BECHTOL announced that the ceremonies for the opening of the New Airport Terminal would be held May 28th, from 1:30 to 2:30 P.M. Open house would be on May 27th and 28th. He stated invitation had been extended to VICE PRESIDENT JOHNSON to be here on the 28th. The Air Force Team, the THUNDERBIRDS will put on an exhibit either both days or one of the two days. It was hoped to have the Secretary of the Navy if he can attend.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meetings of April 20th, April 24th, and of the Special Meeting of May 1st be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer brought up the following ordinance for its third reading:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH NELSON PUETT, JR.; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: Councilman Bechtol

Absent: Mayor Miller

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer brought up the following zoning applications deferred from April 20th:

W. K. JENNINGS
ELECTRIC COMPANY

2200-12 Maple Ave.
2306-2810 E. 22nd St.

From "C" 1st H&A
To "C" 2nd H&A

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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
 Noes: None
 Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
 Noes: None
 Absent: Mayor Miller

The Mayor Pro-tem announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

The City Manager submitted the following:

"May 1, 1961

"W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager

"Assessment Paving Contract No. 61-A-10
 Consisting of 4 Units

"Following is a tabulation of the bids received at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, April 25, 1961 for the construction of approximately thirty-eight blocks of pavement and accessories known as Assessment Paving Contract Number 61-A-10, consisting of four units.

Lee Maners	\$132,236.57
Raymond Canon and Company	136,359.33
Capital Construction Co., Inc.	143,931.47
Giesen & Latson Construction Co.	145,549.65
Ed H. Page	145,763.95
J. W. Steelman, Inc.	146,629.33
City's Estimate	\$142,357.94

"I recommend that Lee Maners with his low bid of \$132,236.57 be awarded the contract for this project.

"s/ S. Reuben Rountree, Jr.
 Director of Public Works"

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on April 25, 1961, for the construction of approximately 38 blocks of pavement - Contract Number 61-A-10; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Lee Maners in the sum of \$132,236.57 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of Lee Maners in the sum of \$132,236.57 be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City with Lee Maners.

The City Manager submitted the following:

"May 2, 1961

"W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager

"Contract Number 61-C-11

"Following is a tabulation of the bids received at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, May 2, 1961 for the construction of a Rest Room and Tool Room House at Brentwood Playground - Contract Number 61-C-11

Jackson & Cullen Construction	\$4,397.00
Maufrais Bros., Inc.	4,900.00
City's Estimate	\$4,215.00

"I recommend that Jackson & Cullen Construction with their low bid of \$ 4,397.00 be awarded the contract for this project.

"s/ S. Reuben Rountree, Jr.
Director of Public Works"

Councilman Bechtol offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on May 2, 1961, for the construction of a rest room and tool room house at Brentwood Playground; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Jackson & Cullen Construction in the sum of \$4,397.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of Jackson & Cullen Construction in the sum of \$4,397.00

be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City with Jackson & Cullen Construction.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PERPETUALLY VACATING AND CLOSING TO PUBLIC TRAVEL 439 SQUARE FEET OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THAT CERTAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, KNOWN AS EAST 29TH STREET; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE 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 Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

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 Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

The Mayor Pro-tem announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PERPETUALLY VACATING AND CLOSING TO PUBLIC TRAVEL 7,750 SQUARE FEET OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THAT CERTAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, KNOWN AS EDGECLIFF STREET; RETAINING AN EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC UTILITY PURPOSES; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE 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 Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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 Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The Mayor Pro-tem announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WRITTEN STATEMENT AND REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, SHOWING THE ESTIMATES OF THE TOTAL COSTS OF ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE ESTIMATES OF THE COSTS PER FRONT FOOT PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF, AND THE ESTIMATES OF VARIOUS OTHER COSTS FOR THE IMPROVING OF PORTIONS OF SUNDRY STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITHIN THE LIMITS HEREINBELOW DESCRIBED, AND OF OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; DETERMINING AND FIXING THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS AND THE RATE THEREOF PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST AND PAID BY THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF; DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF FOR THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS APPORTIONED TO THEM; ORDERING AND SETTING A HEARING AT 10:30 O'CLOCK A. M. ON THE 18th DAY OF May, 19 61, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, AS THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING OF THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS OF SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY OR IN ANY OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND CONTRACT CONCERNING SAID ASSESSMENTS, PROCEEDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS;

DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO GIVE NOTICE OF SAID HEARING AS REQUIRED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN; DECLARING AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE. (Leralynn Street)

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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The Mayor Pro-tem announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WRITTEN STATEMENT AND REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, SHOWING THE ESTIMATES OF THE TOTAL COSTS OF ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE ESTIMATES OF THE COSTS PER FRONT FOOT PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF, AND THE ESTIMATES OF VARIOUS OTHER COSTS FOR THE IMPROVING OF PORTIONS OF SUNDRY STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITHIN THE LIMITS HEREINBELOW DESCRIBED, AND OF OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; DETERMINING AND FIXING THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS AND THE RATE THEREOF PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST AND PAID BY THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF; DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT

AGAINST SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF FOR THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS APPORTIONED TO THEM; ORDERING AND SETTING A HEARING AT 10:30 O'CLOCK A. M. ON THE 18th DAY OF May, 19 61, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, AS THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING OF THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS OF SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY OR IN ANY OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND CONTRACT CONCERNING SAID ASSESSMENTS, PROCEEDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO GIVE NOTICE OF SAID HEARING AS REQUIRED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN; DECLARING AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE. (Anita Drive and sundry other streets)

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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The Mayor Pro-tem announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Perry offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

THAT the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approves the construction and maintenance of a basement in the sidewalk area on the east side of Congress Avenue adjoining Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 56, and also approves the construction and maintenance of a basement with an elevator covered with metal doors on the north side of East 5th Street adjoining Lot 1, Block 56, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the Austin National

Bank to construct and maintain a basement in the sidewalk area subject to the same being constructed in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue a building permit for the construction of this basement after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted and accepted subject to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of the proper police, traffic and fire regulations, and the right of revocation is retained, if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said Austin National Bank has failed and refused and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations, and ordinances; and such permission is granted and accepted subject to the following further conditions, to wit:

1. That in constructing such basement the said Austin National Bank will take care to avoid damage to any utility improvements now situated in the vicinity of such construction and will at his own expense repair all damage which may be caused thereto and will at his own expense, cause such utility lines to be relocated according to specifications of the City of Austin where made necessary by such construction.

2. That such permission may be revoked in whole or in part by the City of Austin at any time it becomes necessary to use such space for underground utility improvements and in the event of such revocation or partial revocation the owner of such premises shall construct the necessary walls and footings to separate such space from the remainder of such building and shall pay all cost and expenses in connection therewith.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas
May 4, 1961

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

"Dear Sir:

"We, the undersigned, have considered the application of The Austin National Bank for permission to construct and maintain a basement in the sidewalk area on the east side of Congress Avenue between East 5th Street and East 6th Street adjoining Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 56, and also permission to construct and maintain a basement with an elevator covered with metal doors on the north side of East 5th Street between Congress Avenue and Congress Avenue Alley adjoining Lot 1, Block 56, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, locally known as 509 Congress Avenue, and we hereby advise that the following conditions exist:

"This property is located in a downtown business district in which a number of buildings occupy the space beneath the sidewalk and this application is for permission to extend the basement to the east curb line of Congress Avenue and running approximately 11.5 feet in a westerly direction from the east property line of Congress Avenue and to the north curb line of East 5th Street running approximately

10.3 feet in a southerly direction from the north property line of East 5th Street, and we wish to recommend that the Austin National Bank be permitted to construct this basement under the sidewalk area subject to the following conditions:

"That the space adjoining the building below the sidewalk on public property may be used and occupied in connection with the building on condition that the right to so use and occupy may be revoked by the City at any time and that the owner of the building will construct the necessary walls and footing to separate such space from the building and pay all costs and expenses attendant therewith.

"Respectfully submitted,

"s/ Reuben Rountree
Director of Public Works

"s/ Dick T. Jordan
Building Inspector "

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

The Director of Public Works stated he would check with the Electric Utilities Department to see if there was any transformer space needed.

The City Manager said the Council had a recommendation from the Hospital Board regarding a fee for clinic services in various classifications. It had been suggested that a study be made for a small charge for holders of "A" cards. Recently the Hospital Board recommended a 25¢ charge per visit for persons with the "A" cards. The City Manager recommended this charge. After discussion, Councilman White moved that the Council install a fee of 25¢ per visit on "A" card holders, effective June 1st. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Mayor Miller

The Council discussed the Cafeteria at Brackenridge Hospital and the deficit shown in its operation. The City Manager reported the cost of foods served to the students should be charged to the Student Education Program.

Further discussion on the Hospital covered procedure for collecting delinquent accounts. The City Manager had a recommendation from the Assistant Administrator of the Hospital that a person be employed to do house-to-house collecting, and stated he had in mind an employee who had been doing some night auditing at the Hospital. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer suggested people who were retired and under Social Security might be interested in this type of employment and might know a little more about handling this type of work. Councilman Bechtol suggested hiring students on a percentage basis. The City Manager recommended the employment on an hourly basis. After detailed discussion, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer suggested that this be considered further and the City Manager come in

with a recommendation. The City Manager asked if the Council wanted the Hospital Board to study this and make its recommendation, and inquire of other types of activities and enterprises; and the Hospital Administrator could check with other Hospitals. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer suggested that the Council meet with the Board. He also suggested that the collection program start after 90 days of the account.

The Assistant City Manager submitted a request from TRANS-TEX AIRLINES for a banner location at 9th and Congress to announce the CONVAIR which will start operating on June 1st. The banner request is from May 8th to 16th. Councilman Bechtol moved to reiterate the policy adopted some years ago by the Council that these banners be limited to community-wide civic projects and not commercial ventures, and that the request of T.T.A. therefore be denied. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
 Noes: None
 Absent: Mayor Miller
 Not in Council Room when vote was taken: Councilman Perry

The City Attorney stated the Council, on February 23rd authorized the installation and ordering of parking meters. The Parking meters have arrived, and he stated it would be necessary to adopt a resolution formally establishing these parking meter zones as submitted by the City Manager on February 23rd. Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, after an engineering and traffic investigation, the City Council has found that traffic conditions are such that an urgent need for enforcement of strict limits upon the time of parking of vehicles at the locations hereinafter described upon the street makes it advisable to use mechanical devices in such enforcement, and has found that such locations should be placed in Parking Meter Zones as hereinbelow indicated:

<u>ZONE</u>	<u>STREET</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>SIDE</u>
60	Trinity	500	East and West
60	Trinity	600	East and West
60	San Jacinto	700	East and West
60	San Jacinto	800	East and West
60	San Jacinto	900	East and West
120	Lavaca	1200	East and West
120	Guadalupe	400	East and West
60	Guadalupe	700	East and West

<u>ZONE</u>	<u>STREET</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>SIDE</u>
60	Guadalupe	800	East and West
120	Guadalupe	1200	East and West
120	Guadalupe	1300	East and West
120	West 9th	400	North and South
120	West 7th	300	North and South
120	West 5th	500	North and South

Now, Therefore,

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

That the locations upon the streets of the City of Austin as above described be and the same are hereby placed in Parking Meter Zones 60 and 120, and that the City Clerk be, and she is hereby authorized and instructed to record this finding in Section 33.43 of the Traffic Register.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:
 Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
 Noes: None
 Absent: Mayor Miller

The City Manager reported he had a letter from BROWN & ROOT ENGINEERS regarding two items to be used in the new Power Plant unit, which items are critical items and are essential--traveling screens, and boiler feed pumps. The recommendation was that the equipment be duplicate equipment. The City has options from the manufacturers of the other equipment and the prices, in the opinion of the Engineers, are below the prices we would get by taking bids. The recommendation was to exercise the options on the screens and boiler feed pumps. The City Manager explained the prices under the options and those being quoted by bids now; the price would include the escalation in the option price, and other advantages of purchasing under the option. He said it was his recommendation also. Councilman Perry moved that the City Manager exercise the option on the particular items. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
 Noes: None
 Absent: Mayor Miller

The City Manager stated in connection with the new Substation at the new Power Plant, it was necessary to place some 60" reinforced concrete pipe, and there were only two manufacturers in the United States that fabricated this type of pipe--LOCK JOINT PIPE COMPANY, and GIFFORD HILL AMERICAN in Dallas. He reported that Lock Joint Pipe Company did not send a bid, as the cost of transporting the pipe down would be too expensive. Gifford Hill American made a bid, and the City Manager recommended that their bid of \$19,391 be accepted. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer suggested that it be found for certain that no one in Austin could make the pipe. The City Manager stated he would be glad for the Council to approve

this bid subject to his making an inquiry. Councilman White moved that the contract be awarded to GIFFORD-HILL AMERICAN subject to the City Manager's checking to see if anyone in Austin could fabricate this pipe. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The City Attorney described the property which was needed by the City to lay the 60" pipe in. He said there were five lots fronting on Riverview Street. He gave the price which the property had been advertised for last fall, and the amount for which it was appraised. The property covers Lots 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32 Driving Park Addition No. 2. Councilman Bechtol moved the City Manager be authorized to purchase this property. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The City Manager brought up for discussion a policy on cooperation with the Schools on District Parks in connection with High Schools. The Director of Recreation had found the Schools preferred a site which was very flat land, while the City prefers a site which has a different terrain for park purposes. The Recreation Director said it would take about 80 acres for a combined operation, and there were some advantages and some disadvantages of such a combination. The program which could be cooperative would be a community recreation building, swimming pool (indoor and outdoor) Athletic field and tennis courts. The schools would not be interested in a children's playground area, picnic areas, or outdoor theatres to any extent. He listed the parking problem as one to be worked out. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer said ordinarily the Recreation Director would not recommend a District Park next to a High School. Mr. Sheffield replied if it were land like this in question, that had park potential, he would recommend it. Councilman Bechtol stated the Recreation Department could use a joint gymnasium and field house, and enclosed swimming pools in areas like South East Austin and North East Austin. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer said it was necessary to get greater utility out of the facilities, and asked if it were the opinion of the Recreation Director and Parks Board that there would be greater use by combining with the Schools; if so, this policy could be approved from that angle--otherwise the city should look at its particular needs for a district park. Councilman Bechtol stated the only things that could be combined would be a field house, gymnasium and indoor-outdoor swimming pool; as the picnic area, park, and playground area would not work out. The Recreation Director believed if the required number of acres could be acquired and certain agreements with the Schools obtained, he believed the policy would work. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer said the two tracts the Council had looked at were excellent sites, and there may be a little urgency in actually acquiring the land. The Council took no action at this time.

The Council discussed installation ceremonies for the new Council and agreed to invite REV. CHARLES SUMNERS to bring the Invocation and JUDGE HERMAN JONES to administer the Oath of Office.

The Council discussed matters on the pending list. The zoning application of HERBERT BOHN & J. D. WILLIS, By C. T. Uselton, 3711 Jefferson Street; 1605-07 W. 38th, from "A" to "LR" was brought up by Councilman Bechtol. (The application was advertised for hearing on February 2, 1961, and Mr. Uselton asked that hearing be deferred until plans for the intersection of Jefferson and West 38th Street had been worked out. This request was granted on January 26, 1961) The Director of Public Works stated intersection had been worked out and approved by the Council. The Director of Public Works was asked to contact MR. C. T. USELTON regarding this zoning application.

The Council discussed briefly a proposed go-cart ordinance (Item 8 on the pending list). The City Attorney stated he would bring in an ordinance controlling the noise; and later he could come in with a safety ordinance.

The Council reviewed a three-way transaction between the Schools, State, and the First Baptist Church.

The Council went into Executive Session, and appointed MR. RICHARD HILL as CLERK of the CORPORATION COURT.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Miller

The Council adjourned at 4:15 P.M. subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

Lawton E. Palmer
Mayor Pro-tem

ATTEST:

Elaine Hassley
City Clerk