MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

March 9, 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; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police.

Councilman White moved that the Council approve the Minutes of the Meetings of February 23, 1961, and of March 1, 1961. 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 asked for clarification of the length of time of the lease with the Red Cross. Councilman Bechtol stated all had agreed that the area was changing, and that if the five year period would be satisfactory, the lease be drawn for that period; but if not, the lease could be made for ten years. Councilman White moved if the five year period were not satisfactory, that the contract could be made for a ten year period. 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

MR. FRANK DENIUS submitted final plans of the AUSTIN EAGLE RAILROAD track through Zilker Park. Discussion was held on the advisability of a fence between the track and the little play area; about the cut of the tunnel; about the depth of the tunnel being enough to keep the contour of the ground about the same or not over four feet; about a suggestion of constructing the little station in keeping with the construction of the other buildings, or a wooden building designed as an old type of depot; and other items. Mr. Denius described the type

of building under design. Councilman Bechtol moved that subject to the conditions set forth in the contract, that the lay-out by the AUSTIN EAGLE RAILROAD be authorized. 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 brought up the following zoning deferred from last week:

Tract 1

RUBEN H. JOHNSON

2704 (2624) Rio Grande
2705 Salado Street
Tract 2
Tract 2
2706-08 (2710) Rio Grande
Tract 3
2707 (2701) Salado

Tract 3

Councilman Bechtol moved that the change be granted to "O" Office. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Perry, White

Noes: Noes

Absent: Mayor Miller

Not in Council Room when vote was taken: Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

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

The City Manager submitted the following:

"March 7, 1961

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

"Contract Number 61-D-7

"Following is a tabulation of the bids received at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, March 7, 1961 for the construction of miscellaneous storm sewers in various locations in South 1st Street: 300 feet north of Herndon Lane (inlets only); Cumberland Road to Oak Crest Avenue; Center Street north 50 feet; Cardinal Lane north 240 feet; and St. Elmo Road north to Clifford Street - Contract Number 61-D-7.

Ed H. Page	\$21,161.50
Austin Engineering Company	22,766.66
Bland Construction Company	23,165.30
Lee Maners	23,630.57
Ford-Wagner, Inc.	24,086.20

"Walter W. Schmidt

\$26,338.70

J. R. Barnes Engineering Company

28,897.50

Capital Construction Co., Inc.

29,713.06

City's Estimate

\$22,440.00

"I recommend that Ed H. Page with his low bid of \$21,161.50 be awarded the contract for this project.

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

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

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on March 7, 1961, for the construction of miscellaneous storm sewers in various location in South 1st Street: 300 feet north of Herndon Lane (inlets only); Cumberland Road to Oak Crest Avenue; Center Street north 50 feet; Cardinal Lane north 240 feet; and St. Elmo Road north to Clifford Street - Contract Number 61-D-7; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Ed H. Page in the sum of \$21,161.50 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of Ed H. Page in the sum of \$21,161.50 be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City with Ed H. Page.

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 had before it the following:

"APPLICATION OF YELLOW CAB CO. OF AUSTIN, INC.

BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

and

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OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

CHECKER CAB CO. OF AUSTIN, INC.

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APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN RATES

"TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

"The Yellow Cab Co. of Austin, Inc., and Checker Cab Co. of Austin, Inc., jointly and severally, respectfully file this their application for an increase in rates to be charged for the transportation of passengers for hire within the city limits of Austin, and as a basis therefor would show the Council:

1.

"The rates now authorized and required under the ordinances of the City of Austin for taxicab transportation are presently below that authorized and charged in cities of comparable size and under comparable conditions.

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"The applicants herein would show that, at the rates now authorized and required, the cost of operation exceeds the income from the transportation of passengers, although their operations have been efficiently and carefully run in a businesslike manner.

3.

"Each of these companies requests that the present rates be changed in such manner so that they would hereafter be authorized and required in the following amounts:

Initial Fare and Distance	Unit Fare and Distance	Waiting Time	
$45\phi - 2/3 \text{ mile}$	$5\phi - 1/6 \text{ mile}$	10¢ each 2 min.	

4.

"There is attached hereto, as a part of this application, a comparison of present and proposed rates with those of other cities and a reflection of total revenue and expenses from October, 1958, to 1960.

"It is therefore respectfully requested that the City Council, after proper study and hearing, grant the rates proposed Cherein.

"Respectfully submitted,

YELLOW CAB CO. OF AUSTIN, INC. CHECKER CAB CO. OF AUSTIN, INC.

By s/ Charles F. Herring Charles F. Herring APPLICANTS"

MR. CHARLES HERRING, represented the Yellow Cab Co. of Austin, Inc., and Checker Cab Co. of Austin, Inc., in making a request for change of rate to drop

the one and a fourth mile at .45¢ to two-thirds of a mile for .45¢ and leaving the remainder of the rates as they are now. He said the two companies were owned by MR. K. M. FISHER and MR. J. P. FISHER, and there are 55 cabs operated. Mr. Herring estimated the capital assets invested in Austin somewhere between \$150,000 and \$200,000. He said this business was a \$535,447 operation in Austin for the last fifteen months' period, and was showing a loss in operation of \$10,136. He stated the rates now in effect were established in 1954. He had statistics of increased costs in gas and oil, repair and maintenance, tires, taxes, insurance, and normal increases of 1960 over 1959. Mr. Herring listed percentage figures on expenditures and revenues for the last three years, showing a gradual increase in 1960 of cost of operation which went up faster than the revenue, as follows:

Using 1957 as base period - 100%:

Year	Revenue	Expenditure
1958	116.2%	119.8%
1959	134.42	128.23
1960	139.59	144.95

Mr. Herring stated the proposed rate would be lower than all of the towns on which comparison was shown in the chart, even if the increase were granted at the two mile limit. The rates would still be five cents less than those cities listed. Mr. Herring said he believed an increase was justified, and listed the distribution of the increase as 40% would go for labor; 2% gross receipts tax to the City; and 58% to the Companies so they could try to bring the operating income above the operating expenses. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer inquired if any company had opposition to this change of rate. MR. ROY VELAQUES stated he agreed with the .45 charge for the first two-thirds mile. In discussing the gasoline and oil increases, Councilman Bechtol asked if these figures could be broken down on a per mile figure and stated the figures were meaningless unless they were tied down to some common denominator. MR. FISHER, one of the owners, discussed those figures. Mr. Bechtol stated the percentage figures were interesting, but the rest he could not go along with. He said the only way a rate increase could be justified would be on the return on the investment, and it would be necessary to have figures which would substantiate return on investment, and this would mean a more detailed schedule on expenses, a depreciation schedule, etc. MAYOR PRO-TEM PALMER asked that the break-down on the expenses and total revenue be submitted, as it was not shown how much was charged as Administration that might be going elsewhere, and just how much the operations are locally. Mr. Fisher stated the Auditor received a monthly report on the operations. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer stated the Council would look into these and get in touch with Mr. Herring.

Councilman Bechtol, in regard to the taxi-cab operations, stated the public was aware that the taxi-cab industry in Texas had been in bad condition. He said he was disappointed in one phase of the operation, and that was the drivers do not have proper uniforms to identify themselves with the Cab companies. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer said there were complaints that the drivers were wearing sport shirts and no cap and no identification, and the ordinance was going to have to be enforced more rigidly. Councilman White suggested that they could at least wear a cap. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer inquired if there were any citizens that would like to be heard at this rate increase hearing. There were none. Mr. Herring thanked the Council for this time.

MR. HOWARD CLAGGETT appeared before the Council regarding his request for permission to do dirt work on property on the Town Lake and reported on a meeting he had with the City Attorney. Aerial photographs of the area were shown by the City Attorney. After a long discussion, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer suggested that Mr. Clagget come up with an agreed boundary line and then the Council could act on his request. The City Attorney stated there was no way for him to obtain a boundary line along this water course that is going to be a perpetual boundary line except by an agreement. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer stated if the Council were able to give him an answer, he would not close the discussion, but the matter had resolved itself into a legal question. Mr. Claggett thanked the Council for being so attentive to his problems.

The Council discussed the bids for passenger cars for the various departments. The tabulation of bids is on file in the City Clerk's Office under "CITY CARS." The Assistant City Manager went over each bid in detail and reported on the use of the additional cars being purchased. Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on March 3, 1961, for the purchase of 20 automobiles to be used by the different departments of the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Charlie Partlow in the sum of \$1,901.49 for one Rambler 4-Door Station Wagon was the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Classic Motors in the sum of \$1,549.82 for one Lark 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$2,998.66 for two Lark 2-Door Sedans; and in the sum of \$4,427.19 and one trade-in for three Lark 2-Door Sedans were the lowest and best bids therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Armstrong-Johnson in the sum of \$1,349.00 and one trade-in for one Falcon 2-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,469.00 and one trade-in for one Falcon 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,374.00 and one trade-in for one Falcon 2-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,815.00 and one trade-in for one Ford 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,625.00 and one trade-in for one Ford 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,304.00 and one trade-in for one Falcon 2-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$979.00 and two trade-ins for one Falcon 4-Door Sedan were the lowest and best bids therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Capital Chevrolet in the sum of \$1,735.00 for one Chevrolet 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,932.00 and one trade-in for one Chevrolet 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,735.00 for one Chevrolet 4-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,762.00 and one trade-in for one Chevrolet 2-Door Sedan; in the sum of \$1,779.00 and one trade-in for one Corvair 4-Door Station Wagon; and in the sum of \$1,868.00 for one Chevrolet 4-Door Sedan were the lowest and best bids therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the acceptance of such bids has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent 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 Charlie Partlow in the sum of \$1,901.49; and the bids of Classic Motors in the sums of \$1,549.82, \$2,998.66, \$4,427.19; and the bids of Armstrong-Johnson in the sums of \$1,349.00, \$1,469.00, \$1,374.00, \$1,815.00, \$1,625.00,\$1,304.00, \$979.00; and the bids of Capital Chevrolet in the sums of \$1,735.00, \$1,932.00, \$1,735.00, \$1,762.00, \$1,779.00, \$1,868.00, be and the same are hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams Jr., City Manager, of the City of Austin is hereby authorized and directed to execute contracts on behalf of the City of Austin with Charlie Partlow, Classic Motors, Armstrong-Johnson and Capital Chevrolet.

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 announced that MR. ALVIS VANDYGRIFF had written in for a postponement of the following zoning application, but had now orally requested that the application be withdrawn:

O. D. DENSON
By Alvis Vandygriff

1205 Baylor Street

From "B" Residence To "C" Commercial NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission.

Councilman White moved that he be permitted to withdraw his application. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Aves:

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

Noes:

None

Absent: Mayor Miller

Mayor Pro-tem 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) AN INTERIOR TRACT OF LAND HAVING DIMENSIONS OF 70 FEET BY 90 FEET AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 6,300 SQUARE FEET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5301-5305 CAMERON ROAD, FROM "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO "C-1" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT:
- (2) A. TWO TRACTS OF LAND FRONTING 62.6 FEET ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF LEON STREET AND 161 FEET ON THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WEST 23RD STREET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 2301 LEON STREET AND 1010-1012 WEST 23RD STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT AND "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT, AND
- B. TWO TRACTS OF LAND FRONTING 137.8 FEET ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF LEON STREET, LOCALLY KNOWN

AS 2303-2305 LEON STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT AND "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;

(3) A. THE SOUTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 2, BLOCK 7, GEORGE L. ROBERTSON SUBDIVISION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT, AND

B. THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 2, AND THE SOUTH 53 FEET OF LOT 3, BLOCK 7, GEORGE L. ROBERTSON SUBDIVISION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT

(4) AN INTERIOR TRACT OF LAND HAVING DIMENSIONS OF 25 FEET BY 30 FEET AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 750 FEET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5501 AIRPORT BOULEVARD, FROM "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C-2" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT;

(5) LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 8, OF THE SUBDIVISION OF OUTLOT 34, DIVISION "B", LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1901-1903 EAST 14TH STREET AND 1307-1311 CHICON STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "LR" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT; ALL OF SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman 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.

No action was taken on the zoning ordinance covering the change of zoning of the property of WILLIAM P. HOFFMAN, 931 East 41st. Street, from "A" Residence to "O" Office, pending receipt of a letter amending his application.

Mayor Pro-Tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH TRANS-TEXAS ENTERPRISES. INC.; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DE-CLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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:

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 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH REAL CORPORATION; PRO-VIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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:

Aves:

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:

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

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman White moved that the ordinance be passed to its second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Perry.

Councilman Bechtol stated this was a business proposition which did not have to be entered into with everyone, and that this area is a section we were having trouble in and need to get it straightened out. He said he had agreed at the time on the annexation of the property so that Mr. Puett could go ahead with his subdivision, but that he had also stated he would not enter into a refund contract, as he felt that the developer was not entitled to any more consideration in that area until the problems were worked out.

Councilman Bechtol moved that the motion be tabled. Councilman Bechtol's motion failed to carry by the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilman Bechtol

Noes: Present but not voting:

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer Councilmen Perry and White

Absent: Mayor Miller

Roll call on the motion that it be passed through its first reading showed the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilmen Perry, White, Mayor Pro-tem Palmer

Noes:

Councilman Bechtol

Absent:

Mayor Miller

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR AND ORDERING THE PAVING AND IMPROVEMENT OF PORTIONS OF CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AP-PROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SUCH WORK. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF ESTIMATES, IN-VOKING THE ALTERNATE PROCEDURE PROVIDED BY ARTI-CLE I, SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND CHAPTER 106 OF THE ACTS OF THE FIRST CALLED SESSION OF THE 40TH LEGISLATURE OF TEXAS. DETERMINING THAT THE COST OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE PAID BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN, PROVIDING A METHOD OF REIMBURSING THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR A PORTION OF SUCH COSTS BY ASSESSMENT OF A PORTION OF SUCH COSTS AGAINST THE PROPERTY ABUTTING SUCH STREETS OR PORTIONS THEREOF TO BE IMPROVED, AND FOR THE FIXING OF A LIEN TO SECURE PAYMENT OF SUCH ASSESSMENTS, STATING THE TIME AND MANNER PROPOSED FOR PAYMENT OF ALL SUCH COSTS, DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO CAUSE A NOTICE OF THE ENACTMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE TO BE FILED IN THE MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST RECORDS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND DE-CLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ford Street and sundary 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.

Mayor Pro-tem 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 16.10 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING ALL OF ALLANDALE TERRACE, SECTION 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 Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: Councilman Bechtol

Absent: Mayor Miller

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

Mayor Pro-tem 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 3.51 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE THEODORE BISSEL SURVEY NO. 18, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

The ordinance was read the 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

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

Councilman White submitted the request of POTENTATE HEINSLEY for a parade on the 21st day of April at 4:00 P.M., starting at the Shrine Temple, proceeding

down Guadalupe to 11th and on down to Congress and to the bridge and back. Councilman White moved that the request be granted and that Potentate Heinsley check with the Chief of Police. 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 stated that some arrangements that had been worked out at the Airport were not satisfactory to all, and the matters were referred to the City Manager and Director of Aviation to work out.

The City Manager stated a short time ago the Council approved a new arrangement with the Schools regarding participation in acquiring and developing playgrounds, and there are several playgrounds which the schools had acquired years ago--ST. JOHNS, RILEY, ST. ELMO, T. A. BROWN, and OAKSPRINGS. The City Manager reviewed the present policy, and gave the status of the playgrounds at these named schools, in that the land had been acquired, considerable site work done; and in each case no division was made between the portion of the costs that applied to the free play area and the portion that would apply to the other work. It was kept on the site as a whole. He listed the amount of costs and site work on these school grounds and the costs of the property and the amount of acreage. He stated the formula set up would apply to any future site work, but it could not be applied to this. Councilman Bechtol moved that the City Manager be authorized to work this out with the School Board as to these particular sites. 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 stated that he will ask the Director of Public Works to work up field notes in the free play areas; and as the City pays the School for its part, it would get a deed to an undivided interest in the area.

Councilman White moved that MR. JAMES C. MIDDLETON, Master Plumber, be appointed as Chairman of the Plumbing Board, to fill the vacancy of MR. V. R. (BUDDY) WATTINGER, deceased. 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

Councilman Bechtol moved that the CIVITAN be granted permission to have a parade at 2:00 P.M., APRIL 29, 1961. 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 referred the request made by the Down town merchants to the Assistant City Manager.

The Council recessed until 3:00 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

3:00 P.M.

At 3:00 P.M. the Council resumed its business.

The City Manager gave a report on his trip to New York along with MR. W. A. JACKSON, MR. JOE HUFFMAN, and representatives of DUMAS, HUGUENIN and BOOTHMAN, in contacting STANDARD & POOR'S CORPORATION, DUN & BRADSTREET, INC. and MOODY'S INVESTMENTS. The City Manager's report was very detailed. Mayor Pro-tem Palmer stated this was a fine report and that the City Manager and his staff did an excellent job in compiling this information.

The Director of Aviation discussed bids for a music system at the Airport as received from MARLIN GROSS WIRED MUSIC, CAPITAL MUSIC SERVICE, and MUSIC FOR BUSINESS. The lowest and best bid was from MUSIC FOR BUSINESS at \$23.15 a month which would include service. He recommended this bid, and explained that this service would in turn be used as a central announcement service, and would be charged to those using it as such, and would be a profit to the city. Councilman Perry moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with MUSIC FOR BUSINESS under the terms the Director of Aviation has outlined. 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 made inquiry about the status of the GATHRIGHT tax claim. The City Attorney stated there were other cases similar to this; and at the time this claim came up he was out of the City and had not gone into it yet.

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer read a letter from PRESIDENT KENNEDY asking that the community accelerate any building projects that would help reinvigorate employment.

The Council discussed the purchase of some property north of the old Power Plant, and the City Manager and Councilman White were asked to negotiate with the owners.

Mayor Pro-tem Palmer inquired of MR. BILL WARD about the acquisition of two tracts of land at the Airport. Mr. Ward made a report on this.

Further discussion of the Claggett property was held.

There being no further business, Councilman Bechtol moved that 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 5:30 P.M. subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED Sunti & Salvan.

Mayor Pro-tem

ATTEST: