

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

May 17, 1962  
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: Reuben Rountree, Jr., Acting City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Barent Rosen, Acting Chief of Police

Invocation was delivered by REV. LEROY RUSSELL, Asbury Methodist Church.

MR. ED WROE, invited the Council to ride in the first car to pass through the new American National Motor Bank, Monday, May 21st, 9:00 A.M.

MR. JESS KELLAM, K.T.B.C.-TV, stated the Station presented a special program that pointed out some of the high-spots in the life of the late TOM MILLER, and wanted the City to place this Kienscope in the Archives of the City of Austin. The Council, by rising vote, accepted this reel for permanent keeping. The Mayor thanked Mr. Kellam for this beautiful film stating it would be a part of the Archives of the City. (To be kept in the Library)

MRS. BUFORD STEWART, and a group of parents, appeared in the interest of better movies, and filed petitions from members and friends of the P.T.A. of Joslin and T. N. Porter Junior High Schools, protesting the violent and highly-sexed pictures that are shown in many instances to Austin people; and asking that these sincere requests for movies of high moral standards be kept in mind by those who procure pictures for the Austin Theatres; and from the young people expressing disapproval of the low-grade movies that are shown here, and asking for a higher type of entertainment for the youth. MRS. STEWART expressed opposition to newspaper advertisements pertaining to these movies; and the manner in which the theatre managers fail to handle the conduct in the balconies. The Mayor stated these newspaper advertisements were controlled under State Law. The City Attorney explained that the movie entertainment would also be covered under the State. Mrs. Stewart suggested two or three of the Council could

personally come out against the type of advertisements in the newspapers and billboards in front of the theatres. The Council members expressed their desire to cooperate in as far as they could, but explained how limited they were due to these matter's being covered under State Laws. Councilman White suggested that this group file complaints against those showing obscene motion pictures or photographs. Councilman Shanks suggested that the group discuss their complaints with the theatre managers. MRS. FLOYD WILLIAMS asked the Council to follow the Chicago procedure and pass a censorship law. Councilman Armstrong pointed out that Austin had gone pretty far in an off-setting program by providing recreational activities too numerous to mention; that Civic groups were also providing recreation activities. Councilman Perry brought out that alcohol was contributing more to degradation of morals than other things; that there were other evils prevalent and people could cooperate and report what they know to the Police Department, but they do not take time nor interest to do so. Mrs. Stewart expressed appreciation for being heard.

MRS. BUFORD STEWART brought up the question of inadequate park facilities for south Austin, comparing those in south Austin to those in north Austin, stating these were completely out of proportion to the population, and asking that the swimming pool be constructed in the District Park on Manchaca Road. The Mayor explained the bond issue as voted in 1960, was a five year program, and that land for this District Park had been purchased. He said it had been brought out several times that the swimming pool would have to wait until another bond issue were submitted. Councilman Perry suggested that the group promote a fund raising drive, as is done in many communities in the Country, for this project and perhaps obtain some help from the City and get the pool sooner. Mrs. Stewart stated they paid taxes for pools in north Austin; that most of the pools were in one area and the other area sadly neglected. Mayor Palmer said the Council realized growth in south Austin was on the move, and preparations were already under way to take care of it. He said the Director of Recreation could be asked to study the whole program to see if one project could be substituted for another in his Capital Improvements Program; but that he could not promise that this pool could be substituted. MRS. JUNE CONWAY inquired about the money from the sale of the Hancock Tract. The Mayor explained the allocation of those funds, stating south Austin had already received \$80,000 for the purchase of the Park Site alone. She stated a great many people would like to see a Club house for activities comparable to those at the Austin Athletic Club or Hancock Recreation Center, in preference to a swimming pool, and asked for a priority on that. She asked that since the Austin Athletic Club is rather delapidated that it be sold and the money used to better advantage in some other part of town. The Mayor again outlined the distribution of the Hancock Park funds. He stated facilities had been located on the density of the people, and the density in south Austin is just now coming into being. He stated Mr. Sheffield would be asked to look over his budget to see if there was some way to speed things up, but the Council could not promise this swimming pool within the next three years. He said the Council was certainly concerned, but he did not know that a bond issue could be called without increasing taxes, and there were many problems and requests-- the doctors' request for enlarging the hospital being one. He stated the Council was happy the group came down and assured them it knew their problem.

MR. GIBSON RANDLE, representing MR. JOHN D. COATS, stated their matter pertained to the west end of what the City considered as Bridle Path, but which property Mr. Coats does not recognize as a street but as his own property, and explained the background of this belief. Mr. Randle said they did not believe it was a street, and Mr. Coats had a retaining wall, walks, and trees out to the

center of what the City considers as a street. He said not more than 100 cars a year go through this portion of the area, and this would be a dangerous intersection if opened and paved. In 1960 a request was filed to vacate the west 150' but the Planning Commission and Traffic and Transportation Department recommended against it. He said if this area were paved, it would take a terrific amount of money for the City to make this a safe corner. In 1961 when paving was considered, the matter of vacating the street was brought up, and the pending request was denied. Mr. Randle discussed the recommendation of the Planning Commission and City Attorney to vacate eight feet and set the curb out ten feet. He said the paving program went forward; Mr. Coats had never signed for the paving nor received any of the assessment letters; and he does not want it paved or opened. Mr. Randle said the people on the east end would like to have the street paved; but if the complete street is paved, it will become a death trap. The assistant City Attorney, MR. DUDLEY FOWLER, gave a history of this street, displaying original maps showing dedication of the street, and stated all of the records show that the City regards this as a dedicated street. MR. SIDNEY PURSER, representing Mr. C. P. Burton who owns property across from Mr. Coats, stated there was no question but that this was a dedicated street, and that the Traffic Engineer had checked this and came to the conclusion it was no more a traffic hazard than many other similar conditions in Austin. Mr. Purser stated every property owner on this street except Mr. Coats, was opposed to vacating it. MR. JOHN D. COATS said he owned two-thirds of the property; that the west end had no traffic; that he had improvements there for 30 years and no one questioned it until just recently. He stated there had been no maintenance for eight or nine years at his request, and there was no public need. Mr. Purser pointed out the reason the street had not been used, was due to the condition it was in. Mr. Burton was waiting to put in his walks after the curb lines went in. MR. C. N. CARTER, 1609 Scenic Drive; MR. C. P. BURTON; MR. GEORGE WOLLARD, 3705 Bridle Path; MR. and MRS. CHARLES BIRDEN, 3707 Bridle Path; and MRS. CHARLES LONG, favored the paving and opening of the street all the way through. MR. and MRS. JIM HAMILTON discussed the reason the street was not improved, and the reason traffic could not get through. MR. MARSHALL WILSON stated he used the street every day as his car could clear the ruts; and if the street were paved, it would be very convenient for the people going to and from work. MR. COATS pointed out the locations of these neighbors and stated there was not sufficient public need for this street to justify the expenditure. MR. DAVID BARROW, Chairman of the Planning Commission, stated the street should remain. The Mayor said the Legal Department had said this was a dedicated street, and that the Council had voted the assessment for paving, thinking it was a street that needed to be opened, and believing everything had been worked out satisfactorily with the property owner. He said the Council would make a personal inspection of this area again this afternoon. Later in the meeting, Councilman Shanks moved that the request to vacate the street be denied, and the action previously taken be reaffirmed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Present but not voting: Councilman Perry

Councilman Shanks moved that the City Manager instruct the contractor to proceed in an orderly fashion in the paving of Bridle Path. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

MR. W. D. SCALLON, one of the owners of MOOREBURGERS at 27th and Guadalupe, asked to have an extension of their option to purchase for one year, keeping the lease just as it is. He stated they were going to improve another corner and wanted more time on the 27th and Guadalupe location, as they wanted to buy that location. The Mayor stated the City Attorney would be requested to check the terms of the contract and notify the Council.

In line with Mr. Scallon's request, Councilman Perry called his attention to numerous complaints he had received on the loud speaker. Mr. Scallon said their system broke down and they had to rent another system, and he believed it was this rented system that had given the trouble. Since they had their system back in operation, they had received no complaints.

MR. CECIL WILLIAMS inquired about his request to operate a driving range in Zilker Park. The Assistant City Manager submitted the City Manager's recommendation, stating there would be a total cost of \$4,000 to provide sewer and water to the area. The Director of Recreation does not recommend this driving range, as this area is the only one still open; and although the activities carried on are not supervised, there is quite a demand for various uses. Several requests similar to Mr. Williams' had been made in the past to the Council--one by Mr. Howard Claggett, whose request was turned down by the Parks and Recreation Board, and the other by the President of the Austin Golf Association. The Assistant City Manager stated the City Manager agrees with the Director of Recreation that the area be kept as it is at the present time; but if the Council should choose to make the area into a driving range, it would be the City Manager's and Recreation Director's recommendation that it be done by the City and included in the activities of the Recreation Department. After discussion, Councilman Perry moved that the City Manager's recommendation be accepted and this request be denied. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

MRS. LEON DONN, Chairman, Travis County Democratic Women's Committee, read a letter regarding passages of ordinances that had to do with a garbage collection fee and a pay raise for city employees, protesting that there was no public hearing on the matter, and that the two ordinances were tied together, so that one objecting to a garbage collection fee would not be in favor of a pay raise for city employees. She questioned the advisability of cutting off a consumer's electricity because he objects to paying for garbage collection or is unable to pay. She questioned the percentages of the fee to the raises of pay in different brackets. She, for the Travis County Democratic Women's Committee, asked the Council to live up to its responsibility to find adequate revenue for so progressive a community through a comprehensive and equitable taxation program. MR. MONROE, 72 years of age, objected to taking out of his pension so that the employees could get a raise. The Council pointed out a misstatement in her last paragraph about the 1/2 million dollar surplus for this fiscal year. Councilman Perry inquired if the Travis County Democratic Women's Committee was ready to recommend to the Council the type of tax they would prefer. Finally, Mrs. Donn stated the kind of tax her group would like to recommend would be the kind that was equitable, so that every man would be taxed on his ability to pay.

MRS. JOHN BARROW stated there should be some study made of a change-over in taxes some way--some other type of tax, and asked that an overall study be made and presented to the people. She asked if a change-over to an income tax or a sales tax could not be made, as what the Council was doing now was spot taxing. Her suggestion for a change was a personal income tax. The Mayor said this matter was not a rushed up affair at all, as it had received ample study, and had been mentioned in the newspapers on different occasions. He said all of the Council meetings are open, and people are invited to come and be interested in the affairs of the City. Councilman Perry stated the Travis County Democratic Women's Committee had written a formal letter saying it did not like what the Council had done, and that they should say what should be done, and what type of tax they recommended; that if they think an income tax should be proposed, they should say so. MRS. McAFEE, speaking as an individual, said the garbage tax was an unfair thing because it would be hard for the poor sections of the City to pay. She could not suggest another type of taxation, but she was sure there were other methods. She feared if people could not pay their garbage fee and the garbage was not picked up, there would be a spread of T.B. and health hazards. Councilman Shanks noted that poor people took pride in paying their own way, and he had received hundreds of calls regarding this charge, and only about 10 out of 300 were in opposition. He said this was a fair and equitable service plan for the citizenry. Councilman Perry said the Council was not going to leave garbage around and was not going to deliberately hurt people; that it did all it could to take care of the people.

MR. DAVID BARROW noted some of these remarks took on the aspect as an attack on the Council in its purpose and endeavors to serve the City, and that ought to be removed from this discussion. He said the people of Austin had confidence in the Council. He knew the Council had made a study of this matter, as it had been asked to do.

Regarding the poor people having to pay this "tax", Mayor Palmer stated they were paying a percentage now of everyday garbage pickup for down-town Austin; and it is more equitable to levy a service charge in proportion to the cubic yards that are being hauled off in the commercial districts. The taxpayers are now paying for this entire service; but under this plan, additional revenue will be received which could not be obtained under a 20% tax increase. The Director of Public Works reported his Department was contacting some of the commercial concerns and found a large motel stating they were glad to pay \$60.00 a month, the amount it will cost them to dispose of their garbage. That is \$720 a year the City has not been receiving. No real opposition is being found from the commercial businesses regarding this charge. An inquiry was made if a family left the city for two or three months, would they have to continue paying for this garbage service. It was brought out where families leave for a long period of time, they could have their utilities disconnected. The Mayor stated the City Manager was just as sincere and conscientious as he could be and spent hour after hour trying to work out these figures. This ordinance was not something done on the spur of the moment; and as it goes along, if there are some things in public interest that need to be changed, the Council would hear and consider them. Councilman Shanks said he never recalled a major issue meeting with so little opposition. The Mayor stated call after call had been received and people were saying this was something long over due. Over 200 cities in the State have a service charge. MR. ROSS BLUMENTRITT, who had suggested a service charge on collection of garbage at the time the Budget was adopted, pointed out the poor people to whom reference had been made, payed the same amount for electricity,

water, groceries, and everything else; that many people receive the service and do not pay for it; many pay for the services and do not receive it. He pointed out some buildings did not have much garbage--parking lots, etc. He said he was glad to see governmental agencies, churches, schools, and tax free organizations contributing to this service. He was disappointed in the manner the Council presented this by tying it into the employee raise. He realized a certain amount of revenue would be received and suggested that either taxes be lowered, or the money be given for increase to employees. The Mayor stated the Council had a job to do and it had been studying this matter since December, and it was known what it wanted to do.

MRS. DICKERSON, 5404 Harmon, complained that the minute she put her garbage out, the dogs next door scattered it, and she could not wait until she heard the garbage trucks and then get her garbage out. She did not want to pay \$1.25 and not have service. The matter was referred to the Director of Public Works.

The Mayor announced the Council would hold a hearing on the Gas Company's request for a rate increase at 10:00 A.M. Thursday, May 24, 1962.

The Council recessed until 4:30 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

4:30 P.M.

At 4:30 P.M. the Council resumed its business.

The Council had before it a request to amend the Austin Development Plan to change an industrial subdivision (Balcones Terrace and 250 additional acres) outside the City limits to permit a residential subdivision. The Chairman of the Planning Commission stated very careful consideration and study had been given to the Commission's recommendation that the Plan be changed to permit this residential area. The Director of Planning stated his recommendation to the Commission was to hold this area industrial for the time being--for two or three years--to see what will happen to the industrial progress. Mayor Palmer inquired about the buffer zone. The Director of Planning stated this would be worked out where possibly both owners would provide a buffer, or it may have to all come out of Mr. Oscar Holmes' subdivision. The Mayor stated it should be recorded on the plat that the areas to the west and south are designated as industrial on the Plan. Mr. Holmes stated he would be glad to put that on record. The Mayor stated also the notation that the property is in the Water District should be placed of record. Councilman Shanks moved to amend the land use plan for the area covered by the preliminary plat of Balcones Terrace from Manufacturing and related uses to Residential Subdivision. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

\*Councilman Armstrong made the following statement regarding his vote:

"With the understanding of the notations on the plat that these other areas are designated as industrial, and that this area is in the Water District, I vote 'Aye'."

\*\*Councilman Perry made the following statement regarding his vote:

"With the understanding we take up the rest of the Planning Commission's recommendation next week, I vote 'Aye'."

\*\*\*Councilman White made the following statement regarding his vote:

"With the understanding that all of these property owners of this other property be contacted to see what they think about their property being rolled back."

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of May 10, 1962, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

At the request of MR. CURTIS LACY, Justice of the Peace, Councilman Perry moved that a parking space at the Court House be granted the two Justices of the Peace. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

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

MR. BOW WILLIAMS made two complaints: (1) Against the garbage collection charge, and (2) Against the Telephone Company's information service not giving a number unless the first name is also given, even though the person's address is given. He said this was not the service the patrons deserve.

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH PRINGLE BROS. INC., 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 Armstrong 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 Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

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

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Armstrong moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, 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 Acting City Manager submitted the following:

"May 11, 1962

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

"Dear Mr. Williams:

"Sealed bids were received until 11:00 A.M., Friday, May 11, 1962 at the Office of the Director of the Water and Sewer Department for the construction of a 42-inch sanitary sewer main along Williamson Creek, Section III from Nuckle's Crossing Road to Interstate Highway No. 35. The bids were opened and read in the Second Floor Conference Room of the Municipal Building.

"The following is a tabulation of bids received:

<u>"Firm</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Working Days</u>
Bland Construction Company	\$231,033.45	160
Glade Construction Company	232,171.34	110
McKenzie Construction Company, San Antonio, Texas	242,640.62	100
Austin Engineering Company	263,337.90	200
Karl Wagner, Incorporated	269,806.80	220
Collins Construction Company	382,000.00	150

"It is recommended that the contract be awarded to the Bland Construction Company on their low bid of \$231,033.45 with 160 working days.

"Yours truly,  
s/ S. A. Garza, Superintendent  
Sanitary Sewer Division  
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 May 11, 1962, for the construction of a 42-inch sanitary sewer main along Williamson Creek, Section III, from Nuckle's Crossing Road to Interstate Highway No. 35; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Bland Construction Company, in the sum of \$231,033.45, was the lowest therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of 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 Bland Construction Company, in the sum of \$231,033.45, 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, on behalf of the City



a contract with Bland Construction Company.

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

The Acting City Manager submitted the following:

"May 14, 1962

"TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council.

SUBJECT: Bids for Automobiles for various Departments.

"In compliance with your request we are giving below and on attached tabulation sheet the evaluation of subject bids opened by the City Council at 10:00 A.M. May 10, 1962.

"Bid 9800 - Tax Department. Two - 2-Door intermediate class sedan, Class "D" specifications which calls for a minimum of 110" wheelbase. Smith Brothers bid on a Valiant with 106.5" wheelbase. Simmons bid also on Valiant, but gave an alternate bid on a Plymouth Savoy which does meet specifications. Recommend low bid of Simmons Motor Company be accepted as lowest bid meeting specifications, on Plymouth Savoy.

"Bid 9801 - Customer Accounting & Collecting - Four - 2-Door standard Sedans, Class "A" specifications 116" min. wheelbase. Recommend low bid of Simmons Motor Company on Plymouth Savoy.

"Bid 9802 - Street & Bridge Division - One - 4-Door standard Sedan, Class "A" specifications 116" min. wheelbase. Recommend low bid of Capitol Chevrolet on Chevrolet Biscayne be accepted.

"Bid 9803 - Fire Department - Two - 4-Door standard Sedans, Class "A" specifications 116" min. wheelbase. Recommend low bid of Simmons Motor Company on Plymouth Savoy be accepted.

"Bid 9804 - Fire Prevention Department - One 4-Door Sedan, Class "A" specifications 116" min. wheelbase. Recommend low bid of Smith Brothers on Plymouth Savoy be accepted.

"Bid 9805 - Electric Distribution - Two 2-Door Compacts, Class "B" specifications 106" min. wheelbase. Recommend low bid of Smith Brothers on Valiant be accepted.

"Bid 9806 - Traffic & Transportation - Compact Station Wagon (Intermediate Class) "D" specifications, 110" min. wheelbase. Smith Brothers and Simmons bid on Valiant which has 106.5" wheelbase and does not meet specifications. Charlie Partlow bid on Rambler Classic which has 108" wheel base and fails to meet specifications. Recommend lowest bid meeting specifications, of Capitol Chevrolet on Chevy 11 be accepted.

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

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Bid No.	Department	Description	Quan.	Trade-in	Capitol Chevrolet	Smith Brothers	Roy Butler	Jack Stableford	Charlie Partlow	Simmons Motor Co.	Lowest Bidder Meeting Spec.
9800	Tax	2-Door Intermediate Sedan Class "D" spec. 110"w.b. 2 ea. 1 ea. Mfg. & Model	1 ea.		\$3,133.24 Chevy 11	2,807.41 Valiant (106.5" w.b. does not meet specs)	3,754.70 Mercury Metro	3,818.00 Pontiac Tempest	3,365.26 Rambler Classic (108" w.b. does not meet specs)	2,950.00 Bidding Valiant <u>3,030.00</u> Plymouth Savoy	Simmons Ply-mouth mouth
9801	Customer Acct. & Col.	2-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" spec. 116" w.b. Mfg. & Model	4 ea. 3 ea.		\$6,635.04	5,702.03	7,369.80	No Bid	No Bid	<u>5,260.00</u>	Simmons
9802	Street & Bridge Div.	4-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" spec. 116" w.b. Mfg. & Model	1 ea. 1 ea.		\$1,437.61 Chevy Biscayne	Plymouth Savoy	Mercury Meteor	No Bid	No Bid	Plymouth Savoy 1,630.00	Capitol Chevrolet
9803	Fire Department	4-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" spec. 116" w.b. Mfg. & Model	2 ea. 1 ea.		\$3,482.44 Chev. Biscayne	Plymouth Savoy	Mercury Meteor	No Bid	No Bid	Plymouth Savoy <u>3,030.00</u>	Simmons
					Chev. Biscayne	Plymouth Savoy	Mercury Meteor			Plymouth Savoy	

Bid No.	Department	Description	Quan.	Trade-in	Capitol Chevrolet	Smith Brothers	Roy Butler	Jack Stableford	Charlie Partlow	Simmons Motor Co.	Lowest Bidder Meeting
9804	Fire Prevention	4-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" spec. 116" w.b. Mfg. & Model	1 ea.	none	\$1,812.62	<u>1,580.10</u>	2,063.45	No Bid	No Bid	1,630.00	Spec. Smith Bros.
					Chev. Biscayne	Plymouth Savoy	Mercury Meteor			Plymouth Savoy	
9805	Electric Distrib.	2-Door Sedan Compact Class "B" spec. 106" w.b. Mfg. & Model	2 ea.	1 ea.	\$3,009.04	<u>2,788.81</u>	3,414.60	No Bid	3,240.26	2,850.00	Smith Bros.
					Chev. Corvair	Valient	Comet		Rambler Classic	Valient	
9806	Traffic & Transp.	Compact Station Wagon Class "D" Spec. 110" w.b. Mfg. & Model	1 ea.	none	<u>\$1,969.97</u>	1,704.93	2,035.30	2,197.00	2,002.00	1,750.00	Capitol Chevrolet
					Chevy 11	Valient (106.5 w.b. Does not meet specs.)	Comet	Pontiac Tempest	Rambler Classic (108" w.b. does not meet specs)	Valient (106.5" w.b. does not meet specs)	let on Chevy 11

\* All figures are net difference including trade-ins

Councilman Armstrong offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on May 10, 1962, for the purchase of Automobiles for use by various departments of the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Simmons Motor Company, in the sum of \$3,030.00 and one trade-in, for two 2-Door Intermediate Sedan Class "D" with 110" wheelbase; in the sum of \$5,260.00 and three trade-ins, for four 2-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" with 116" wheelbase; and in the sum of \$3,030.00 and one trade-in, for two 4-Door Standard Sedans Class "A" with 116" wheelbase, were the lowest and best bids for said described automobiles; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Capitol Chevrolet in the sum of \$1,437.61 and one trade-in, for one 4-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" with 116" wheelbase; and in the sum of \$1,969.97 for one compact Station Wagon Class "D" with 110" wheel base, were the lowest and best bids for said described automobiles; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Smith Brothers, in the sum of \$1,580.10 for one 4-Door Standard Sedan Class "A" with 116" wheelbase; and in the sum of \$2,788.81 and one trade-in, for two 2-Door Sedan Compact Class "B" with 110" wheelbase, were the lowest and best bids for said described automobiles; 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 bids of Simmons Motor Company, in the sum of \$3,030.00 and trade-in; in the sum of \$5,260.00 and trade-ins; and in the sum of \$3,030.00 and trade-in; and the bids of Capitol Chevrolet, in the sum of \$1,437.61 and trade-in, and in the sum of \$1,969.97; and the bids of Smith Brothers, in the sum of \$1,590.10 and in the sum of \$2,788.81 and trade-in, for the above described automobiles, be and the same are hereby accepted, and that W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with said companies.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, 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 CASWELL AVENUE, from a point 16 feet north of the north line of Park Boulevard northerly 173 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said CASWELL AVENUE.

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

- (2) A gas main in EAST 7TH STREET, from Springdale Road easterly 327 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said EAST 7TH STREET.

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

- (3) A gas main in MONTOPOLIS DRIVE, from Kasper Street to Langham Street, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said MONTOPOLIS DRIVE.

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

- (4) A gas main in LANGHAM STREET, from Montopolis Drive westerly 865 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said LANGHAM STREET.

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

- (5) A gas main in LEXINGTON ROAD, from a point 73 feet north of the north line of Carlisle Drive northerly 1,062 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said LEXINGTON ROAD.

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

- (6) A gas main in MOHAWK ROAD, from Lexington Road to Great Northern Boulevard, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said MOHAWK ROAD.

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

Mayor Palmer brought up the following ordinance for its second 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 3.91 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE ISAAC DECKER LEAGUE, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

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

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

Mayor Palmer brought up the following ordinance for its second 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 69.76 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY, 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 second time and Councilman White moved that the ordinance be passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor brought up the following zoning:

LA RIVIERA HOTEL CORP.	1001-1025 South Inter- regional Highway 1300 Edgecliff	From "O" Office To "C-1" Commercial RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission for cafe portion only
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The Mayor asked for clarification of the vote, as to whether the Council meant to include the whole building or only the cafe portion in the "C-1" zone, stating the Planning Commission recommended the cafe portion only. After discussion, Councilman White moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be accepted, which was granting "C-1" Commercial for the restaurant only. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

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

The Construction Engineer, MR. AL ELDRIDGE, made a report on cleaning and repainting the outside of the Municipal Building, stating the cleaning of the stone was the only thing that was unusual, and that quite a bit of investigation and study had gone into this. He listed four methods of cleaning the building, and the contractors will demonstrate on a six foot square, and the matter will have to be checked very carefully when the bids come in. He explained there is quite a bit involved, and one part of the wall will not come out perfectly, as the fungus had penetrated. He stated it was hoped to avoid sandblasting. The Mayor stated the Council would authorize the City Manager to permit these tests. Mr. Eldridge asked if the Council wanted to open the bids in the Council meeting. The Mayor said for him to take bids in the normal procedure.

The Superintendent of the Water Plant, MR. ALBERT ULLRICH, discussed an experimental contract for taking fish out of the oxidation ponds in Hornsby Bend, both a contract made over a year ago with MR. RALPH HUDSON, and a proposed contract to be made with MR. JOHN PLATT. Mr. Ullrich's recommendation was to get some idea of what the revenue possibilities are, and then take bids later on for this type of activity. The Mayor asked Mr. Ullrich to observe this for a period of 60-90 days and see what the potential is, and then the Council will decide.

The Assistant City Manager stated there were three bids to be advertised and asked the Council if it wanted them opened in the Council or other wise. The Council informally agreed that the following bids be opened in the usual procedure and not in Council meeting:

- a. The 48" water main from 35th and Lamar to 33rd and Helms.
- b. The resurfacing of existing streets in the down-town area.

The Mayor stated the Water and Sewer Department should go ahead and take bids on the three tractors, backhoe and loader, in the routine manner. The Assistant City Manager stated one of the tractors is used in maintenance, one for house connections, and the others are used on construction. Councilman Armstrong wanted a report on the necessity of three additional tractors, other than to take care of the growth of the city. The Assistant City Manager stated he would have MR. S. A. GARZA and MR. VIC SCHMIDT discuss their needs with him.

MR. TRUEMAN O'QUINN appeared in the interest of the following zoning change--referred back to Planning Commission for further discussion:

MARION EDWARDS	3507-3707 Cedar	From "A" Residence 1st
LAWRENCE HARBESON	106-110 West 35th St.	Height and Area
THELMA MURPHY &		To "B" Residence 2nd
JULIA I. REED ESTATE		Height and Area

Mr. O'Quinn stated the Commission had recommended 1st Height and Area. He suggested that he would put in the deed restriction that only 900 square feet per apartment would be used in the 2nd Height and Area. Mr. O'Quinn stated Mr. Byler, the developer, can furnish adequate off-street parking. The Mayor stated the Planning Commission recommended "B" Residence 1st Height and Area. The Director of Planning stated the Commission did not feel that the 2nd Height and Area on Speedway should be expanded, and that they were not in a position to suggest deed restrictions. Finally, after discussion, Councilman White moved that an ordinance be brought in granting "B" Residence 2nd Height and Area, with these restriction covenants of 900 square feet per apartment. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Not in Council Room when roll was called: Councilman Perry

The Assistant City Manager recommended that travel expenses, lodging and food be paid to applicants for the position of Medical Director at Brackenridge Hospital, explaining all applicants would be screened, and this expense money would be for perhaps the two top applicants. Mayor Palmer suggested that this expense money be limited to two. The Assistant City Manager stated after the Hospital Board and Executive Board had cleared the applicants, the City Manager would approve the expenditures prior to the applicants' coming down. Finally, after discussion, Councilman Shanks moved that the Council approve travel expenses, hotel and meals for two applicants. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:



Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
 Noes: None  
 Not in Council Room when roll was called: Councilman Perry

The Assistant City Manager read a letter from DAVID C. CARSON regarding conflicts on the entertainment calendar, and stated various groups in Austin were meeting MONDAY, May 21st, 8:00 P.M. at the American National Bank Auditorium to discuss how one calendar listing meetings, athletic events, school and P.T.A. activities, etc., would be used, to avoid overlap and conflict. The Director of Planning stated he was to attend this meeting. The Mayor asked him to represent the City.

The Acting City Manager called attention to the Electric Monthly Progress Report that had been filed with the Council, for the month of April.

The Acting City Manager stated that on May 3, the City Manager submitted some suggested prices for various prints or copies of prints that the City gets from the International Area Mapping Company. He stated several questions had arisen, and he was submitting a suggested amendment to that price list, as follows:

#### AIR PHOTO PRICE SCHEDULE

Atlas Sheets: 1" = 200'

(Blue line or black line contact prints (standard paper))

1 to 5 prints	\$3.00 each
6 or more (less than a set)	\$2.50 each
Complete set	\$1.75 each
Additional sheets to complete sets	\$1.75 each

Other types of direct contact prints

Above schedule plus additional cost of materials

Chronopaque prints\* \$25.00 each

Original Photos: 1" = 1,000' or 1" = 2,000' (photo contact prints)\*

1 photo	\$8.00 each
2 - 10 photos	\$3.00 each
11 - 30 photos	\$2.50 each
31 - and up	\$1.75 each

Copy of Mosaic

1 = 2,000' complete mosaic, chronopaque*	\$35.00 each
1 = 1,000' quadrant sheets, chronopaque	
quadrant, unmounted*	\$35.00 each
4 quadrants, mounted*	500.00

Original Mosaic

1 = 1,000' original mosaic, mounted  
and framed\* \$1,800.00

Key Map: 1 = 4,000'

Chronopaque\* \$35.00  
Blue line contact print 1.00  
Other types of direct contact prints cost plus 50%

All other items: enlargements, etc.\* cost plus 50%

\* Available only through International Aerial Mapping Company

Government Agencies

Individual work prints (Blue line or  
black line); free  
Sets of 10 or more cost plus 20%  
Chronopaque or other items from  
International Aerial Mapping Company cost plus 20%

Councilman Shanks moved that these prices be adopted. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Not in Council Room when roll was called: Councilman Perry

The Director of Public Works read a letter from CAPITOL AGGREGATES, INC., asking permission to move the dredging operations from their present location down stream just below the Avenue Bridge and begin work in an area of approximately 3 acres adjacent to the Wallace Miller Tract on the south side. Their reason was the material upstream did not contain adequate proportion of rock that they need right now. He read, "It is understood that the material between the 'Stiles Survey' and the new agreed boundary is the property of the adjacent landowner. Capitol Aggregates proposes to establish and mark with buoys and 'average' line representing the old 'Stiles Survey'. Capitol would then dredge exclusively between this line and the new property line and would pay royalty to the adjacent land owner based on barge displacement. The royalty paid to the adjacent landowner would be deducted from the royalty due the City for sales during each month. Both the City and the adjacent landowner would be given copies of the recapitulation of Capitol's barge displacement reports." The Mayor asked that this letter be referred to the Legal Department to be sure it is in agreement with the contract. The Assistant City Manager suggested that a large sign be placed on the river front explaining to the citizens this dredging operation.

Councilman White moved that the City Manager be authorized to write a letter to the Public Housing Administration in regard to those items discussed previously. (Tex 1-B 168 units for the Elderly) The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Not in Council Room when the roll was called: Councilman Perry

Mayor Palmer read a letter from the Housing and Home Finance Agency, as follows:

"May 15, 1962

"Honorable Lester Palmer  
Mayor, City of Austin  
Austin, Texas

"Dear Mayor Palmer:

"It has been a genuine pleasure to cooperate with your city in its continuing development of a Workable Program for Community Improvement, which you have designed as a total approach toward over-all betterment of your city.

"We would, therefore, like to remind you that certification of your Workable Program for Community Improvement will expire on August 1, 1962. We urge you to submit your city's request for recertification to this Agency by July 1, 1962, so that your city may maintain its position among other progressive cities and avoid a lapse in its eligibility for certain Federal aids.

"In establishing the Workable Program for Community Improvement as a requirement for Federal aids, the Congress looked upon it as a plan for a community-wide and total self-help approach to improve American cities. For this reason, this Program actually is a vital community blueprint for action, rather than merely a prerequisite for Federal assistance. We hope that it had been a useful instrument in your city's planning and progress.

"Your request for recertification, to be properly reviewed and approved, needs to be supported by information showing the record of progress and future plans for continuing action. We are attaching a copy of our letter of last year which outlines specific objectives concerning your goals. The city should demonstrate substantial and balanced accomplishments, with progress in each phase of the Program. Accomplishments and progress are the key points.

"Informational materials and copies of a form (Form H-1082) are enclosed. These are designed to simplify your Report of Progress. Please send us four copies of the completed form. Only one copy of each of the specially requested supporting exhibits, however, is required. Delays in reviewing your recertification request can be avoided through a careful check by your office to assure that all requested information and supporting exhibits are included.

"Should you request it, we will gladly answer any questions or assist you in the development of this most important Workable Program for Community Improvement.

Sincerely,  
S/ R. A. Bethune  
R. A. Bethune  
Regional Administrator

Councilman Shanks moved that the City Manager be authorized to prepare an answer and apply for a recertification for the Austin Workable Program. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, Mayor Palmer

Noes: Councilman White

Not in Council Room when roll was called: Councilman Perry

The Acting City Manager read a letter to the City Manager from MR. NELSON PUETT, asking permission to deed Lot 20, Block K, Oakridge Heights, Section 3 (802 County Road) to the City. The Council wanted to go look at the lot.

The Mayor read an invitation from the P.T.A. at Blackshear School, asking the Council to be their luncheon guests at 12:15 P.M., May 31st, as this luncheon is in honor of appreciation to the teachers. The Mayor stated the Council would accept.

The Mayor submitted a request from MR. F. R. RICE for a swimming pool at the St. John's Playground. He asked for a report on this next Thursday.

The Mayor had an invitation from the District Office, Texas Highway Department, for the Council to attend an all-day demonstration from 8:00 to 5:00, May 25th. The Mayor stated the Council would attend at 4:00 P.M.

The Mayor read a letter from the Director of Electric Utilities to Mr. Wm. J. Burke, Board of Control, May 16, 1962, regarding agreement for Electric Services. (On file under ELECTRIC)

Mayor Palmer inquired if the City Attorney had studied the sign ordinance proposed by the Filling Station Operators. The City Attorney made a brief report on their ordinance. Councilman Armstrong suggested talking about this next week.

Councilman Armstrong submitted some complaints about the speed on South 1st Street since the stop sign had been taken off. The Assistant City Manager stated the Traffic Engineer was aware of the complaints, but he thinks the way it is set up is proper. It is being checked out by the Department now.

The City Attorney submitted a right-of-way problem on Trinity Street concerning property belonging to SELDA THOMAS. His recommendation was to move her house to city owned property on Fruth Street and give her a life estate on that property, paying her the difference of the property and the value of her life estate. The total outlay would be in the neighborhood of \$6,500. Councilman Armstrong moved that the City Attorney be authorized to work out this trade and acquire this property as fast as possible, paying Miss Thomas the difference of the value of her life estate for the property. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
 Noes: None  
 Not in Council Room when roll was called: Councilman Perry

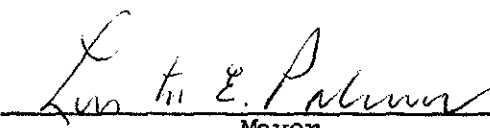
The Council received notice from the City Manager that the following zoning applications had been referred to the Planning Commission and were set for hearing before the City Council on June 21, 1962:

J. W. BIRD, JR.	2603 South 1st Street	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial
HENRY G. SANDERS, Owner PEARL ANDERSON LEE, Purchaser	1305 (1303) Chicon St.	From "A" Residence To "GR" General Retail
SOUTHERN OAKS REALTY CO. By James E. Crozier	729-909 Oltorf Street	From Interim "A" Residence To "B" Residence
H. WARREN SMITH	3500 Mills Avenue 1500-1502 West 35th St.	From "A" Residence To "GR" General Retail
TOM GUEDEA	1405 South 1st Street 504-508 West Elizabeth	From "C" Commercial To "C-1" Commercial
FRANK C. BARRON	3124 Manor Road	From "GR" General Retail To "C-1" Commercial
NELSON PUETT & ASSOCIATES By A. S. Duncan	1317 East 52nd Street	From "A" Residence To "BB" Residence
T. S. BARNES ESTATES By Commie Zell Barnes	Part 1 4515-4517, 4514-4516, 4606-4608 Manor Road 2605-2609 Lovell Drive	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
	Part 2 4600-4604 Manor Road 2604-2606 Lovell Drive	From "A" Residence To "O" Office
BOB CRUTCHFIELD By Oscar Schutt	2804-2806 Rio Grande	From "BB" Residence 2nd Height and Area To "B" Residence 1st Height and Area

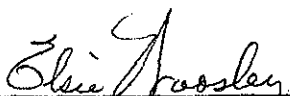
The Council asked that its expressions of regrets in the illness of CHIEF BOB MILES be expressed by letter, and that he be wished a speedy recovery by each of the members.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 7:30 P.M.  
subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk