

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

March 10, 1960  
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Absent: None

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

Councilman Palmer introduced the following ordinance and moved that it be published in accordance with Article 1, Section 6 of the Charter of the City of Austin:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 2.99 ACRES OF LAND SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE JAMES MITCHELL SURVEY NO. 17 AND 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 motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

Councilman Palmer introduced the following ordinance and moved that it be published in accordance with Article 1, Section 6 of the Charter of the City of Austin:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 0.659 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE WILLIAM WILKS SURVEY NO. 29 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 motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

Mayor Miller 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 40.52 ACRES OF LAND, 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 third time and Councilman Palmer moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Bechtol offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, two public utility easements, were reserved and dedicated to the public in, upon and across portions of Lots 1 and 26, Block A, Timber Lake Addition, on the map or plat of Timber Lake Addition, a subdivision of a

portion of the George W. Spear League, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said subdivision of record in Book 4 at page 223 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the hereinafter described easements are not now needed and hereafter will not be required by the City of Austin; Now, Therefore,

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a release of the public utility easements, located on the hereinafter described premises, to wit:

No. 1. All of the north five (5) feet of said Lot 1, Block A, Timber Lake Addition;

No. 2. All of the east 68.72 feet of the south five (5) feet of said Lot 26, Block A, Timber Lake Addition.

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

Councilman Bechtol offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, a certain public utility easement, five (5) feet in width, was reserved and dedicated to the public in, upon and across a part of Lot 4, Block C, in Barton Heights B, a subdivision of a portion of the Isaac Decker League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Subdivision of record in Book 4 at page 202 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the hereinafter described easement is not now needed and hereafter will not be required by the City of Austin; Now, Therefore,

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a release of the public utility easement located on the hereinafter described premises to wit:

BEING all of the east five (5) feet of said Lot 4, Block C of Barton Heights B.

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

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH OAK LAWN, INCORPORATED; PROVIDING 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 Palmer 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, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

No action was taken on the request for refund contract with PAT STANFORD AND ASSOCIATES, for installation of water and sewer mains in Northtowne Section 1.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "I", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT ON 4.58 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NO. 57, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 6305-6433 CAMERON ROAD AND 1301-1307 WHEELS LANE, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGE ORDERED HEREBY;

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, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "L", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AS SUCH ORDINANCE HAS BEEN FROM TIME TO TIME AMENDED, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION DESIGNATED AS SECTION 6 PARAGRAPH 73, WHICH NEW SECTION PERMITS THE OPERATION OF RESEARCH LABORATORIES IN C. COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; 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 Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman White moved that the

rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

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

MRS. CORDELIA A. LENTHE	4717-4805 Harmon Ave.	From "A" Residence
& THEODOR E. BECKER		To "C" Commercial
		NOT RECOMMENDED by the
		Planning Commission

The Council postponed action at the request of Mr. Lenthe until MARCH 24th, two weeks from today. Mr. Lenthe wanted to check possibilities of using this area for apartments.

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T. R. HARTGROVE	2401-2403 Lake Austin	From "O" Office
	Blvd., & 400-08 Deep	To "LR" Local Retail
	Eddy Avenue	RECOMMENDED by the
		Planning Commission

Councilman White moved that this zoning be postponed until MARCH 24th, two weeks from today. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

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PLANNING COMMISSION	2.5 acres on New Manor	From Interim Zoning
Area 3	Road south of Old Manor	To "GR" General Retail
	Road	

The Council deferred action.

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Mr. Hoyle Osborne, Planning Director submitted the request of MR. F. A. ZIMMERMAN, to withdraw his zoning application. Councilman Perry moved that they grant Mr. Zimmerman's request to withdraw the following zoning application:

F. A. ZIMMERMAN, Owner	3903 Alice Avenue	From "A" Residence
DOYLE BARNETT, Applicant		To "C" Commercial
By Jack F. Cook		NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission

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

The City Manager submitted the following:

"March 9, 1960

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

"Dear Mr. Williams:

"Bids were received until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 8, 1960, at the office of the Director of Water and Sewer Department for the construction of the West Elizabeth Street and Newton Street Water Main. The bids were publicly opened and read in the Second Floor Conference Room, Municipal Building, Austin, Texas.

"The following is a tabulation of bids received:

<u>"FIRM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>WORKING DAYS</u>
Karl Wagner, Incorporated	\$10,417.20	45
J. R. Barnes Engineering Company	10,578.60	40
Fairey-Simons, Incorporated	10,596.77	60
Austin Engineering Company	10,787.35	45
Walter W. Schmidt	10,949.70	40
J. W. Painter	11,464.75	45
Ed Page	11,639.10	75
Bland Construction Company	11,834.55	60
Glade Construction Company	12,197.40	65

"It is recommended that the contract be awarded to Karl Wagner, Incorporated on their low bid of \$10,417.20, with 45 working days.

"Yours truly,  
(Sgd) Victor R. Schmidt, Jr.  
Superintendent, Water Distribution  
(Sgd) Albert R. Davis, Director  
Water and Sewer Department

Approved by: W. T. Williams, Jr.  
City Manager"

Councilman Perry offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on March 8, 1960, for the construction of the West Elizabeth Street and Newton Street Water Main; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Karl Wagner, Incorporated, in the sum of \$10,417.20, was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director, 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 Karl Wagner, Incorporated, in the sum \$10,417.20 be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with Karl Wagner, Incorporated.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on March 7, 1960 for the construction of Howson Branch Library; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of C & H Construction Company in the sum of \$58,149.00 for the general construction work and Alternates 1 and 2, was the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of V. R. Wattinger in the sum of \$2,885.00 for the plumbing work, was the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of General Air-Tex Company in the sum of \$13,231.00 for the heating and air-conditioning work, was the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, after an evaluation of the bids for the electrical work, by the Architects and the Supervising Engineer, it was determined that the Bid of B & B Electric Company in the sum of \$9,225.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, the acceptance of such bids has been recommended by the Architects, The City Librarian, and by the Supervising Engineer; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bids of C & H Construction Company, in the sum of \$58,149.00 for the general construction including Alternates 1 and 2, of V. R. Wattinger in the sum of \$2,885.00 for the plumbing work, of General Air-Tex Company in the sum of \$13,231.00 for the heating and air-conditioning work, and of B & B Electric Company in the sum of \$9,225.00 for the electrical work, be and the



same are hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City contract with said companies.

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

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on March 4, 1960, for the purchase of various motor vehicular equipment for use by the various departments of the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of Capitol Chevrolet for Item No. 8441 in the sum of \$3,930.00 and trade-ins, for Item No. 8442 in the sum of \$1,477.98 and trade-in, for Item No. 8443 in the sum of \$1,502.96 and trade-in, for Item No. 8447 in the sum of \$1,756.67 and trade-in, for Item 8448 in the sum of \$1,525.86, for Item No. 8449 in the sum of \$1,628.27 and trade-in, and for Item No. 8459 in the sum of \$1,799.43 and trade in, were the lowest and best bids for such Items; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of McCormick Farm Equipment Store for Item No. 8444 in the sum of \$3,072.60 and trade-ins, for Item No. 8445 in the sum of \$1,396.90 and trade-in, and for Item No. 8446 in the sum of \$1,432.26 and trade-in, were the lowest and best bids for such Items; 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 Capitol Chevrolet and McCormick Farm Equipment Store for their respective Items, 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 said companies.

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

Councilman Bechtol 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 as a filling station site the property located at the southwest corner of the intersection of the Interregional Highway and East 49th Street, which property fronts 175 feet on the Interregional Highway and 80.0 feet on East 49th Street, being known

as Lot 1 and a portion of Lot 2 of Block V of Ridgetop Fourth Addition in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said Capitol City Oil Company to construct, maintain, and operate a drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct curbs, ramps, and sidewalks in conjunction therewith subject to the same being constructed in compliance with all ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations and plans. The Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this filling station after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted and accepted 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 Capitol City Oil Company has failed and refused and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations, and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"March 10, 1960

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

"Dear Sir:

"We, the undersigned, have considered the application of Capitol City Oil Company for permission to construct, maintain, and operate a drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct commercial driveways in conjunction therewith upon the property located at the southwest corner of the intersection of the Interregional Highway and East 49th Street, which property fronts 175 feet on the Interregional Highway and 80.0 feet on East 49th Street, being known as Lot 1 and a portion of Lot 2 of Block V of Ridgetop Fourth Addition in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and the property upon which this filling station is to be located is owned by Capitol City Oil Company and is to be leased to Phillips Petroleum Company. We hereby advise that the following conditions exist.

"The property upon which this filling station is to be located is designated as Local Retail upon the zoning maps of the City of Austin.

"All drainage, natural or otherwise, from this filling station is to be disposed of in such a manner that such drainage will not flow across the sidewalk area into the street, and furthermore, shall not create a nuisance to others in the neighborhood. It is understood that the disposal of such drainage shall be entirely the responsibility of the property owner. Any waste connection to a storm sewer which empties into an open drainageway shall be discontinued, if the waste becomes a nuisance or damages any property or rights of others in the vicinity of the open drainageway.

"We recommend that Capitol City Oil Company be granted permission to construct, maintain, and operate said drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct curbs, ramps, and sidewalks in conjunction therewith subject to the following conditions.

"(1) That all buildings and equipment shall be placed inside of the property line; correct lines to be obtained before construction starts or equipment is installed. Line and grades to be obtained from the Department

of Public Works for entrances and driveways; building lines to be approved by the City Building Inspector. That the applicant shall confer with the Department of Public Works as to future grades of the sidewalks and gutters on the adjacent streets before he starts any construction relative to the filling station.

"(2) That only underground tanks shall be used, and that all pumps shall be so located that it will be impracticable to service motor vehicles therefrom while said motor vehicles are standing on any part of a sidewalk, street or alley.

"(3) That the gasoline tanks, pumps, and all equipment used in connection with the storage and handling of gasoline shall be an approved type and shall bear the label of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., and that all construction of the filling station improvements shall be in accordance with the Building Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance, the Filling Station Ordinance, and in accordance with the ordinance prohibiting the disposal of commercial water or oils upon the City Streets.

"(4) That the grades of the station shall be such that no waste water or oils or any floor washing shall ever pass over the City sidewalk area and that all of said oils and water shall be concentrated into a combined grease and sand trap which shall be constructed in accordance with our standard plan 2 - H - 146.

"(5) That all filling station improvements, pump islands, driveways, ramps, gutters, sidewalks, and curbs shall be constructed of concrete at the expense of the applicant as set forth upon the plan, hereto attached, which plan bears the Department of Public Works file number 2 - H - 1725.

"(6) Expansion joints shall be constructed as shown upon the plan, hereto attached, marked 2 - H - 1725 and shall be of the premoulded type.

"(7) When the owner considers that he has complied with all the requirements of the City of Austin for filling stations, he shall apply for a final inspection, and upon approval, the Building Inspector shall issue a Certification of Operation before such filling station can be put into service.

"Respectfully submitted,  
(Sgd) S. Reuben Rountree, Jr.  
Director of Public Works  
(Sgd) J. C. Eckert  
Building Inspector"

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, Carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The City Manager stated, with reference to opening East 51st Street between Old Manor Road and New Manor Road, that property owners on the part already opened, had dedicated this land at no cost to the city. He said with 51st going through this property between Old Manor Road and New Manor Road, there would be a definite enhancement in value of that tract of land; and it would not be his recommendation to buy this land, when property owners on both

sides were required to dedicate the right-of-way without cost. He said the price of improving the planned right-of-way would run around \$6,000. Councilman Palmer suggested that the City Manager meet again with Mr. Vernon Cook and discuss this.

Mayor Miller discussed annexation policies, refund contracts, and subdivision policies briefly, and stated the Council should meet to go into these matters. He said MR. GEE, representing Mr. Nelson Puett on a street-width appeal, had been promised a hearing next Thursday, and a meeting should be called to discuss this. He submitted a letter from MR. WILLARD CONNOLLY, Chairman of the Subdivision Committee, Austin Real Estate Board, requesting a hearing on (1) Installation of and payment for street lights and street signs in new subdivisions; and (2) Method of payment by the City to Subdividers for street widths in excess of certain stated minimums. He called a meeting for Monday, March 14, 1960, at 3:00 P.M.

Mayor Miller read an anonymous note from a group of State Employees asking that a traffic light be placed at 14th and San Jacinto Streets.

The City Attorney made a report on the case of the Urban Renewal Election contest. The Mayor expressed appreciation for efforts and courage to go on with the case. Councilman Bechtol stated he cast his vote in a legitimate election as he wanted to and he, as well as all others, had a right to go ahead and appeal this to see that the election is upheld.

The City Manager stated that bids had been taken on the concession building at Zilker Springs, and the bids were high. Plans had been to spend about \$18,000 for the concession house; but the bids came in from \$25,000 to \$30,000, with certain alternates that would permit some deductions, with the lowest at \$23,000. Discussion was held on omitting the airconditioning of \$3,000, and possibly revising the plans and starting all over. MR. A. C. WARNER was the low bidder. Councilman Bechtol suggested that the City Manager and Councilman Plamer get with the contractor and see what could be done, or throw the bids out and redesign it.

The City Manager stated that the Council had authorized a contract with MARVIN YOUNG as concessionnaire at Barton Springs. He said MR. YOUNG wanted a five year contract and that the Director of Recreation recommended the five-year contract, as Mr. Young had been at Barton Springs before and had been a very satisfactory operator. His bid was 25 percent. The City Manager said that the building with certain built-in features was furnished, but all appliances, dishes, etc., would be furnished by the concessionnaire. Councilman Palmer asked that the amount that Mr. Young had intended to put in be submitted.

MR. BEVERLY SHEFFIELD, Director of Recreation, stated he had been contacted by some people in east Austin who had established a Boys-Brotherhood Club, and who wanted to develop a base ball park at the old Downsfield. He said the group felt it would be necessary to work with the boys at night, and wanted to have the park lighted, and this would amount to about \$6,000. He said the group was from an area around Blackshear School and had been working with the boys in this area for sometime. Mr. Sheffield said he could work out

the area for the ball field and take care of the details for that, and that this endeavor would fill a real need in that area. Councilman Bechtol said he was of the opinion that an adequate Junior Base Ball program could be handled between 5:00 P.M. and dark. Mr. Sheffield stated he believed a good program could be worked out with these people.

MAYOR MILLER stated Mr. Allen Russell had asked the City to do some things for the base ball park on the Butler Tract, and suggested that the Council meet with Mr. Russell and see what he wanted.

The City Manager called attention to the filing of the Status of Water and Sanitary Sewer Contract projects. The Council went over the various projects. The Council also discussed paving projects under way and those yet to be scheduled.

The City Manager submitted a list of architects that had indicated being interested in designing some fire halls. He suggested that others had contacted members of the Council, and that they might not be included in the list. Two names were added by members of the Council. On selection by drawing, the Council named JONES & ERICKSON as Architects for the South Austin Fire Station. As an alternate, R. G. ROESSNER was selected.

The Assistant City Manager submitted the request of ARTHUR MURRAY DANCE STUDIO to use the Auditorium Sunday, May 15th, for a dance, as the Auditorium was booked for the dates that the band was available. After discussion, Councilman White moved that the requested permission be given to use the Auditorium on May 15th, subject to any legal inhibitions that the City Attorney may find. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White  
 Noes: Councilman Perry  
 Not in Council Room when vote was taken: Mayor Miller

Councilman Bechtol moved that the Livestock Show be granted permission to have a fireworks display at the Coliseum on March 12th and 13th. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None

COUNCILMAN BECHTOL stated that the Council had not discussed very thoroughly this idea of Information and New Business Section in the Electric Utility Department but that he felt there is a great need for it and they had not been able to bring this up for discussion; and moved that the City Manager be authorized to establish such a department and to hire the personnel needed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

The City Manager listed some qualifications that would be needed for the person. He also read the recommendation for the division as set out in the Ebasco report about this new division.

The Council, on Councilman White's motion, by rising vote, commended MR. JOHN ECKERT for the twenty-five years he served the City of Austin as Building Inspector.

The City Manager announced that MR. DICK JORDAN will now be the Building Inspector.

The Council recessed at 1:00 P.M. until 3:00 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

3:00 P.M.

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

Hearing on a proposed electrical ordinance was held. Present were MR. RICHARD BAKER, Attorney; MR. JOE ATKINSON, Atkinson Electric Fixture & Supply Company; MR. DEXTER KINNEK, Director of Electrical Utilities and Chariman of the Board; MR. CHARLEY TEW, Electric Inspector; MR. HIRAM BROWN, MR. VERNON LOFTIS, MR. W. K. JENNINGS, JR., MR. E. D. GRIMMER, members of the Electric Board; and others.

Mr. Atkinson had filed some objections in writing.

The City Attorney stated that an attorney representing a group was unable to be present, and asked that the Council defer final passage of the ordinance until he could be present; and he stated that the final draft had just been completed, and ~~others would not~~ have time to review them, and they too had asked that final passage of the ordinance be withheld today.

The City Attorney went over the draft, pointing out the new sections added and changes made in accordance with previous suggestions.

No comments were made from the floor until Section 9.20 was discussed, and it was suggested that in this section, "Power to Demand Plans, Specifications and Layouts" that the wording be changed to read, "The chief electrical inspector shall . . ."

No comment was made on Sections 9.22, 9.29, and 9.30.

The time limit on examinations for journeymen was discussed; also the date the Ordinance would become effective. The City Manager stated the effective date would be a part of the ordinance amending the Code, and not a part of the code. It was decided to make the effective date sixty days after the ordinance was passed, giving the electricians 60 days to come in and apply for their licenses without examination.

No comment was made on Sections 9.36 and 9.37.

Mr. Atkinson inquired about Section 9.40, Paragraph 6. The City Attorney

explained, and Mr. Atkinson stated the explanation was satisfactory.

No objections from the floor were expressed on Sections 9.41, 9.42, 9.43, 9.45.

Questioned was 9.62, (2) Apartment houses. The City Attorney stated the definition in the Zoning ordinance could apply. The City Manager stated this could be worded to exclude any split level houses.

Section 9.64 (3) was discussed. Mr. Atkinson suggested leaving out the 1000 sq. ' requirement, and leaving in the 10KW. Mr. Grimmer did not agree. This paragraph was left for further study.

Section 9.64 (6). Mr. Atkinson took exception to this section, and this was left for further consideration.

No further suggestions were made on the remaining sections.

The Council set 3:00 P.M., March 17th for continued hearing of this ordinance.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 5:30 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

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Mayor

ATTEST:

E. G. Mosley  
City Clerk