

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

August 18, 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; C. J. Taylor, Assistant City Attorney; Robert Bekham, Assistant Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police

Invocation was delivered by REV. BILL CHAVES, Govalle Methodist Church.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of August 11, 1960, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

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

MR. CHARLES SANDAHL introduced MRS. C. M. JAMES who issued an invitation to the Council to a Work Shop for Crippling Diseases for the laymen sponsored by the National Polio Foundation to be held on August 22-23 at the Texas Medical Association Building on Lamar, between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 noon.

MR. ROSSON came before the Council regarding the dog problem. He suggested amending the dog ordinance to provide a \$5.00 fine for the first offense of letting the dogs run at large and \$25.00 fine for the second offense, and making the ordinance effective September 1st. The Mayor read a letter complaining of chickens, cats, and other animals. He stated the Council would give the matter its best attention and try to alleviate the problem; that every city has the same problem.

MRS. LORINE SMITH, representing the property owners in Lorine Heights, asked that NEAL STREET be opened from Kuhlman to Webberville Road to provide access to their community, as all they have now is a muddy path. The Mayor

asked that this be turned over to the Department of Public Works and that someone be sent out and a report made back to the Council next week.

Action on approving a filling station at the southeast corner of West 35th Street and Scenic Drive for JACK RITTER INCORPORATED OIL COMPANY, Lessee - Edward Wendlandt, et al, Owners, was deferred until next week.

The City Manager submitted the following:

"August 17, 1960

"To Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.                      Subject Fire Station No. 17  
City Manager    Tabulation of Bids

"Bids were received on August 16, 1960, for the construction of Fire Station No. 17 (between Ben White Boulevard and Bannister Lane).

"Tabulation of these bids along with the Architect's letter of recommendation for this project are transmitted herewith.

"We have reviewed these bids with Col. Jones and Chief Dickerson and we are all agreed in recommending that the contract be awarded to the lowest bidder, A. W. Bryant Company, for \$55,771.00 with a schedule of 175 calendar days.

"Although the Architect's preliminary estimate for this project was \$38,000.00 we find that the square foot price of \$15.80 is about 11% more than the adjusted price paid for Fire Station No. 3 which would be \$14.25 at present prices.

"From A. M. Eldridge, Supervising Engineer  
Construction Engineering Division"

"August 17, 1960

"Mr. A. M. Eldridge  
Supervising Engineer  
Construction Engineering Division  
City of Austin, Texas

"Re: City Fire Station No. 17  
Austin, Texas

"Dear Mr. Eldridge:

"We have carefully analyzed the bids received for the construction of the above referenced project, to be located between Ben White Boulevard and Banister Lane, and find them to be a group of well thought out bids due to the low spread between the high and low base bids of the nine acceptable bidders. We have also checked the experience and financial records of A. W. Bryant, the apparent low bidder and find them to be excellent.

"We, therefore, recommend to you and to the City Council that the low base bid of A. W. Bryant, in the amount of \$55,771.00, be accepted.

"Attached hereto are six copies of the bid tabulation for your use.  
"Thanking you for your consideration, we are, Yours very truly, JONES & ERICKSON"



The City Manager discussed the bids for the construction of Fire Station No. 17 on Ben White Boulevard and Banister Lane. Councilman Bechtol offered the following resolution and moved its adoption subject to revision of plans by Councilman Palmer, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Eldridge to cut down on the costs:

## (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 16, 1960, for construction of Fire Station No. 17 (between Ben White Boulevard and Bannister Lane); and,

WHEREAS, the bid of A. W. Bryant Co. in the sum of \$55,771.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Supervising Engineer of the Construction Engineering Division 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 A. W. Bryant Company in the sum of \$55,771.00 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 A. W. Bryant Company.

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

The City Manager submitted the following:

"August 17, 1960

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

Contract Number 60-D-21

"Following is a tabulation of the bids received at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, August 16, 1960 for the construction of miscellaneous storm sewers in the following areas: Manchaca Road from Prather Lane Easement southerly approximately 2500 feet to Prather Lane and Prather Lane from Manchaca Road west 675 feet - Contract Number 60-D-21.

McKown & Sons	\$22,753.70
Fairey-Simons Company, Inc.	23,000.70
Karl Wagner, Inc.	23,181.60
Ed H. Page	23,685.00
Walter W. Schmidt	25,452.90
Austin Engineering Company	25,966.70
Bland Construction Company	28,314.90
Glade Construction Co. & Glade Inc.	37,731.50
City's Estimate	24,916.00

"I recommend that McKown & Sons with their low bid of \$22,753.70 be awarded the contract for this project.

"R. E. Beckham, Assistant  
Director of Public Works "

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 16, 1960 for the construction of miscellaneous storm sewers in the following areas: Manchaca Road from Prather Lane Easement southerly approximately 2500 feet to Prather Lane and Prather Lane from Manchaca Road west 675 feet - Contract Number 60-D-21; and;

WHEREAS, the bid of McKown & Sons, in the amount of \$22,753.70, was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Assistant 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 McKown & Sons in the sum of \$22,753.70 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 McKown & Sons.

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

The City Manager submitted the following:

"August 16, 1960

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

"Dear Mr. Williams:

"Bids were received until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, August 16, 1960, at the Office of the Director of Water and Sewer Department for the installation of Water Mains in Bluebonnet Lane and Melridge Place. The bids were publicly opened and read in the second floor Conference Room, Municipal Building, Austin, Texas.

"The following is a tabulation of bids received:

<u>"Firm</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Working Days</u>
Fairey-Simons, Incorporated	\$11,022.60	60
Austin Engineering Company	11,778.50	30
Walter W. Schmidt	12,036.50	35
Karl Wagner, Incorporated	13,745.35	45
Bland Construction Company	13,905.90	40
Glade Construction Company	14,460.50	40
J. R. Barnes Engineering Company	19,107.00	60

"It is recommended that the contract be awarded to Fairey-Simons, Incorporated on their low bid of \$11,022.60, with 60 working days.

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

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 16, 1960, for the installation of Water Mains in Bluebonnet Lane and Melridge Place; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Fairey-Simons, Incorporated, in the sum of \$11,022.60, was the lowest and best bid 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 Fairey-Simons, Incorporated, in the sum of \$11,022.60 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 Fairey-Simons, Incorporated.

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 ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: (1) LOT 8, BLOCK D, MANOR HILL ADDITION, SAVE AND EXCEPT THE WEST 20 FEET OF THE EAST 104 FEET OF SAID LOT, AND LOT 3, BLOCK C, MANOR HILL ADDITION, FROM "O" OFFICE DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT; (2) LOT 7, AND THE NORTH 37.5 FEET OF LOT 8, BLOCK 2, OUTLOT 75, DIVISION D, SMYTHS ADDITION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; AND, (3) A TRACT OF LAND FRONTING 135 FEET ON THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF AIRPORT BOULEVARD, 113.93 FEET ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF BRUNING AVENUE AND 54 FEET ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF EAST 53RD STREET, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5312-5314 AIRPORT BOULEVARD, 715-721 BRUNING AVENUE AND 723-725 EAST 53RD STREET, FROM "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C-1" COMMERCIAL 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 Palmer moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

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 White, carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: THE SOUTH ONE-HALF OF THE CENTER 45 FEET OF LOT 6, OUTLOT 55, DIVISION "B", LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1010-1012 (1008) EAST 11TH STREET, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

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

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 White, carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

THAT the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approves the property situated on the east side of Colorado Street as a private gasoline plant consisting of an 8,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, which property is owned by The Walter Tips Company, and is Lot 8, Block 5, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorized the said Walter Tips Company to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of an 8,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, subject to the same being operated in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this private gasoline plant after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted, and accepted subject to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of the proper police, traffic and fire regulations; and the right of revocation is retained if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said Walter Tips Company has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas  
August 18, 1960

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

"Dear Sir:

"I, the undersigned, have considered the application of The Walter Tips Company, by their agent, George Schutze, for permission to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of an 8,000 gallon underground tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment and from which no gasoline is to be sold, upon property located on the east side of Colorado Street, which property is designated as Lot 8, Block 5, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 117 Colorado.

"This property is located in a "C" Commercial District and I recommend that this permit be granted subject to the following conditions:

"(1) That the gasoline tanks and pumps shall be of an approved type and shall bear the label of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., and that all tanks and pumps shall be installed in compliance with the Ordinance governing the storage and handling of gasoline.

"(2) That all tanks and pumps shall be located not nearer than 10 feet to the property line and so located that cars stopped for the purpose of unloading or receiving gasoline or other supplies shall not in any way obstruct the free



passage of traffic on either the sidewalk, street, or alley.

"(3) That "No Smoking" signs shall at all times be prominently displayed and no person shall be permitted to smoke on the premises where gasoline is handled or stored.

"(4) That all fees shall be paid and a permit secured from the Building Inspector's Office before any installation work is started, and that no equipment shall be placed in operation until after final inspection and approval of same.

"Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Dick T. Jordan  
Building Official"

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

The Council honored MR. CHARLES W. MORRISON on his 85th Birthday by awarding him the life-time privilege of swimming in Barton Springs free of charge, and each member signed the award as follows:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS: Mr. Charles W. Morrison moved to the City of Austin, Texas, in the year 1901; and

WHEREAS, since that date he has been a devoted and proud citizen, living here until 1918, when his business interests took him to other states; and

WHEREAS, he again took up his abode in our fair City in the year 1931, and has made his home here continuously since that date; and

WHEREAS, during the years of his residence in this City he has been a faithful and true devotee to the sport of swimming; and

WHEREAS, his favorite swimming hole is Barton Springs, where he can be seen daily in fair weather at 3:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, he likes to celebrate each birthday by swimming from the bath-house to the dam and back;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Miller, Mayor, and we, members of the City Council of the City of Austin, do hereby honor

CHARLES W. MORRISON

on this, the twenty-fifth day of August, 1960, being his eighty-fifth birthday, by awarding him the life time privilege of swimming in Barton Springs free of charge and urge that he continue his daily swims to maintain his youthful and zestful enjoyment of life.

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

EDWIN DEZENDORF By Ras Redwine & Alfred Lehtonen	2804-34 East 19th Street 1900-2012 Alexander	From "A" Residence To "DL" Light Industrial RECOMMENDED by the Planning Commission with condition
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MR. LEHTONEN represented the applicants and called attention to the letter written by BISHOP REICHER. He said he, Mr. Redwine and Mr. Jackson were developing the property; would be glad to rent the area adjoining the Hospital for Office uses rather than light-industrial uses; would furnish proper buffer strips. It was proposed to sell two lots to the T.E.C. The Council postponed action at the Mayor's request until he could check with certain governmental officials.

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WILLIAM P. HOFFMAN	931 East 41st Street	From "A" Residence To "GR" General Retail NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission RECOMMENDED "O" Office
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The Council deferred action until it could make a personal inspection of the area.

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RAY ROBERTSON	922-32 East 55th Street 5501-03 Bennett Avenue	From "A" Residence To "BB" Residence NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission
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Councilman Bechtol stated that Mr. Robertson had some problems he had to work out. Councilman Perry moved that Mr. Robertson be permitted to withdraw his application. 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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MRS. J. B. HILL & MRS. SARAH LOU WHITE by Virgil C. Lott	2102-2200 East 17th Street	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence NOT Recommended by the Planning Commission
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Councilman Bechtol moved that the applicants be permitted to withdraw their application. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

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D. C. BRADFORD	5207-09 Cameron Road	From "GR" General Retail
By Bob Long		To "C" Commercial
		NOT Recommended by the
		Planning Commission

Councilman Bechtol moved that Mr. Bradford be allowed to withdraw his application. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

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CLYDE R. BROWNLEE	3105 Windsor Road	From "A" Residence
C. S. STRAWN	2203 Exposition Boulevard	To "O" Office
LLOYD A. DOGGETT,	2209 Exposition Boulevard	NOT Recommended by the
D.D.S.	3109-3113 Windsor Road	Planning Commission

MR. TRUEMAN O'QUINN represented the applicants, stating Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich had filed written withdrawal of their opposition. Councilman White moved that the change be granted to "O" Office District. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

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

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "O" Office and the City Attorney was instructed to draw the necessary ordinance.

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Councilman Bechtol moved that MR. WORTH COTTINGHAM be appointed as the Engineer on the Plumbing Board to fill the vacancy of Mr. Frank Gerling, Deceased. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

The City Manager reviewed in detail the interchange of power agreement with the L.C.R.A. as made in April 1955, and which contract is no longer enforceable. He pointed out the amendments to be made. After lengthy discussion of this agreement and the 1938 contract with the L.C.R.A., Councilman Palmer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

## (RESOLUTION)

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

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with the Lower Colorado River Authority amending certain Energy Interchange Contracts now existing between the City of Austin and the Lower Colorado River Authority in accordance with the terms and provisions of that certain contract, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, and marked by the City Clerk for purposes of identification, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to file for permanent record in the office of the City Clerk the attached copy of said contract without recordation in the minutes of the City Council.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:  
 Ayes: Councilmen Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None  
 Present but not voting: Councilman Bechtol

The Council recessed at 12:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 19th.

RECESSED MEETING

August 19, 1960  
 3:00 P.M.

The Mayor announced that this was a continued meeting of the Regular meeting of yesterday, to hear more about the Brackenridge Hospital report.

Roll call:

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

Present from the Hospital were: REV. JOHN BARCLAY, MR. GUY DARSEY, and MR. PAGE KEETON, members of the Board; DR. FRED LAURY, Former Chief of Staff; and MR. JOHN G. STEINLE, Consultant.

The Council had before it the report for further review. Covered in the discussions was the organization chart, with the idea of the chart's being changed only by the City Manager, upon the recommendation of the Hospital Board; the supervision of interns' being under the Medical Director; and the recruitment of interns.

The City Manager pointed out the recommendations that the Board had made concerning the part of the report that needed immediate attention, the first being the Survey of the area needs. Discussion was held on the type of committee to make the survey--one appointed by the Council to do this special work, or the Community Council to handle the survey.

MAYOR MILLER asked the specific points in which the savings indicated could be made. Mr. Steinle listed some of his recommendations: the adoption of the Standard of Eligibility for Charity patients; revision in the housekeeping department with development of new plans, standards, and retraining program;

- 4.) Are the citizens of Austin able to pay for comprehensive medical and health needs? Is the community adequately covered by hospital and health insurance? What effect will this have on hospital utilization?
- 5.) What will be the role of Brackenridge in meeting the health needs of Austin? What services will it be expected to provide? How should it be organized to best meet these needs? What services will other hospitals be expected to provide?
- 6.) What will be the future role and responsibility of Austin hospitals in Medical Education, Nurses Training and Research.

2. The Board and Administrator recommend the immediate employment of an Assistant Administrator for Business Affairs. Then if necessary an accounting firm could assist in implementing the cost accounting system. It is felt that outside assistance will be needed only if separate ledgers are to be maintained at the hospital. If the City Finance department maintains these ledgers the Assistant for Business Affairs will work closely with the Director of Finance.

It is the feeling of the Board that Brackenridge should maintain its own accounting department in order to permit additional flexibility in the analysis of cost.

3. That the Organizational Chart recommended by Steinle and Associates be accepted as a guide and that the position of the Assistant Administrator for Business Affairs, Assistant Administrator for General Services, Director of Nursing Service, Director of Medical Education, Pathology and Radiology Departments, School of Nursing and Surgery - Surgery be positioned on the same line as the latter three departments--be implemented as recommended by Steinle and Associates (approved by the Council on July 7, 1960), but that the duties and responsibilities of the various department heads and administrative personnel be deemed flexible and that these duties and responsibilities be established by the Board of Trustees, Hospital Administrator and City Manager according to the needs of the hospital and qualifications of the individual in the management position.

The Organizational Chart to be changed only by the City Manager, upon the recommendation of the Hospital Board. (Amended. In Minutes of 11-22-60)

4. That the hospital employ a Director of Medical Education and that his duties and responsibilities be established according to the recommendations in #3 above.
5. That the eligibility scale for out-patients recommended by the Board be approved by the Council and implemented as soon as possible. That the eligibility scale for in-patients as recommended by Steinle and Associates be adopted and put into effect at the same time.

GUIDE FOR CERTIFICATION FOR ELIGIBILITY  
OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT  
ONLY  
PROPOSED SCALE

the cafeteria section; the establishments of a full collection policy. The Mayor inquired about the savings if all of the recommendations were followed, and Mr. Steinle stated it would be necessary to increase revenues and reduce expenditures. For a five year period the savings would be \$647,000; for the first year, there would be approximately \$85,000. The City Manager explained the figures, stating \$519,000 would come from increased revenues, and some increased charges had already been put into effect. The Mayor stated he did not want the public to get the idea that there was to be a big savings, as there was to be increased charges to accomplish the savings.

The Cost Accounting system was reviewed in detail. Discussion of the employment of an Assistant Administrator in Charge of Business Affairs and his duties was held.

Councilman Bechtol moved that the Council adopt the Recommendations (dated August 16, 1960, which truly reflect the thinking of the Council, the Administration, and the Hospital Board) as to Number 1 through Number 5, and the amendment made by the Council concerning the Organization Chart, as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGARDING STEINLE REPORT

1. Study of Community Health Needs

It is the recommendation of the Advisory Board of Trustees that a Committee for Planning and Research of Austin Health Needs be formed to act as a Steering Committee in determining the scope of a community study including immediate and long range needs. This Committee would receive questions from the various health agencies and institutions and screen these questions for inclusion in a Community Study. The Steering Committee will probably want to appoint a Technical Subcommittee to make additional recommendation on the details of a Community Study.

It is recommended that all six Austin Hospitals be represented on this Committee; that the City, County and State Health Agencies and the City County Health Department be represented and the leading Austin Citizens in the fields of business, finance and civic groups be represented, the Medical Profession, and Nursing Care Association.

Questions of particular concern and interest to the general hospitals in Austin would include the following but the Committee would not be limited to study of just general hospital problems. These are listed simply because the Board is more familiar with these problems:

- 1.) How can duplication of responsibility and functions in the care of indigent patients by voluntary and the municipal hospital be clarified?
- 2.) Is there unnecessary duplication in caring for indigent patients in Brackenridge and other health clinics in Austin?
- 3.) What are the immediate and future hospital bed needs for Travis County and the immediate vicinity? What types of beds are needed (acute shore term; convalescent; T. B.; Nursing Home; psychiatric; pediatric; surgical; geriatrics; ambulatory and chronic diseases, etc.)

Number in Family	CARD A Monthly Income	CARD B* Monthly Income	CARD C* Monthly Income
1	0 - \$ 79	\$ 80 - 90	\$ 91 - 100
2	0 - 110	111 - 120	121 - 140
3	0 - 139	140 - 151	152 - 186
4	0 - 170	171 - 179	180 - 225
5	0 - 187	188 - 200	201 - 264
6	0 - 212	213 - 225	226 - 299
7	0 - 220	221 - 244	245 - 334
8	0 - 249	250 - 269	270 - 364
9	0 - 269	270 - 332	333 - 394
10	0 - 289	290 - 355	356 - 420
11	0 - 310	311 - 379	380 - 446
12	0 - 330	331 - 399	400 - 468

Any family whose earnings are more than \$468.00 per month should get private medical care.

CARD A - Free

B - 50¢ per clinic visit;

C - \$1.00 per clinic visit;

OB CARE - Flat rate

CARD B - \$35.00

C - \$50.00

\*Patients holding B and C cards will be charged the regular rates in the Emergency Room.

The scales for in-patients and out-patients have the same upper limits. The scale for out-patients is broken down into groups A, B, and C. Group A would be for free care, Group B would be charged a flat rate of \$.50 per clinic visit and Group C would be charged a flat rate of \$1.00 per visit both payable in advance. Groups B and C patients who are not real emergencies would be charged regular Emergency Room rates.

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

On Councilman White's suggestion, Mr. Arthur Crandall reviewed the recommendation for the establishment of an Intensive Care Unit. After discussion, Councilman Bechtol moved that the Council adopt the Board's recommendation, No. 6 (dated August 16, 1960) "Intensive Unit" with the exception that the charge per day per patient be increased to \$48.00 instead of \$45.00, as follows:

6. In addition to the above recommendations, the Board would like the City Council to approve the establishment of an Intensive Care Unit at Brackenridge Hospital.

The establishment of Services of this nature have been under study by the Brackenridge Hospital Administrator and Medical Staff for almost a year.

The ever increasing complicated method of treating illness has made it necessary to devise new and modern methods of patient care. Three hospitals in San Antonio, three in Ft. Worth, and two in Houston have already well established Intensive Care Units for the care of their patients.

It is the considered opinion of the above that an Intensive Care Unit will provide one service area for those patients who are critically, seriously or acutely ill, the proper amount of highly skilled nursing care and close and frequent, if not constant nursing observation.

Such patients include, for example, major surgical cases, multiple injury or burn cases, acute coronary occlusion to name just a few.

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

\*Councilman White, in his vote for the intensive unit, voted reluctantly to the \$3.00 increase (from \$45 to \$48).

Mr. Steinle made some remarks concerning the Autonomous Board, and this matter was discussed briefly at this time. Also covered was the Dietary Section, telephone charges, pharmacy, and the radiologist contract.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 6:00 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

ATTEST:

*Oliver Koster*  
City Clerk