

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Austin will be held on the 21st day of June, 1955, at the Municipal Building, Eighth and Colorado, in Austin, Texas, at 4:00 P.M., for the purpose of discussing fees and fines.

(Sgd) Elsie Woosley
City Clerk

(Sgd) Tom Miller
Mayor
City of Austin, Texas

ATTEST:

(Sgd) Elsie Woosley
City Clerk

CONSENT TO MEETING

We, the undersigned members of the City Council, hereby accept service of the foregoing notice, waiving any and all irregularities in such service and such notice, and consent and agree that said City Council shall meet at the time and place therein named, and for the purpose therein stated.

(Sgd) Wesley Pearson

(Sgd) Ben White

(Sgd) Lester E. Palmer

(Sgd) Mrs. Stuart Long

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Special Meeting

June 21, 1955
4:00 P.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Absent: None

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Judge Joe Roberts, Judge of Corporation Court.

The Mayor announced that this meeting was called for the purpose of discussing fees and fines.

The following Schedule of Minimum Traffic Fines, Corporation Court, Austin, Texas, was submitted to the Council:

SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM TRAFFIC FINES
CORPORATION COURT - AUSTIN, TEXAS

Overtime Parking:

If paid within ten days	\$ 1.00
If paid before arrest thereon but after ten days	2.00
If paid after arrest	5.00

Double Parking	2.00
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Parking in Prohibited Zone	3.00
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Blocking Driveway.	5.00
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Parking on Sidewalk.	5.00
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Speeding - per mile for each mile above limit.	1.00
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No Operator's License:

First Offense	10.00
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Second Offense.	15.00
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Third Offense	25.00
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Fourth Offense.	50.00
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Fifth Offense	100.00
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Sixth Offense	200.00
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Imprudent Speed or Contesting Speed.	25.00
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Running Red Light.	5.00
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Running Stop Sign.	5.00
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Illegal Turn	\$ 5.00
Leaving Scene of Accident.	25.00
Unnecessary Noise.	5.00
Defective Brakes	5.00
Defective Lights	5.00
Driving Without Lights	10.00
Driving Over Fire Hose	10.00
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way.	5.00
Failure to Appear.	5.00
No License Plates.	10.00
One License Plate.	5.00
Giving Fictitious Name	25.00
Giving Fictitious Address.	25.00
Fictitious Operator's License.	25.00
Lending Operator's License.	25.00
"High-Flagging".	10.00
Reckless Driving	Court Case
Illegal Backing.	5.00

The Council studied the schedule and felt that these fines were reasonable and were a median of the ten largest cities in the State. It was suggested that the City Manager, City Attorney, and Chief of Police meet and work out any details necessary; and to brief the officers of these new fines and see if there is a possibility of the violators being more cautious.

In discussion, it was brought out that the Corporation Clerk's Office should remain open from 5:00 to 9:00 and on Saturdays, this additional service requiring additional personnel. The Mayor suggested that the additional amount of money necessary be determined, and whether it would be better to have more clerks or pay these overtime, and then have an appropriation drawn up. He suggested first not hiring additional people unless there was a demand.

The Council agreed that the date to make these fines effective would be July 15, 1955.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned subject to the call of the Mayor.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Elaine Hooley
City Clerk