

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

September 3, 1959
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; Dudley Fowler, Assistant City Attorney; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police.

Invocation was delivered by REV. TOM MARTIN, Assistant Pastor, First Baptist Church.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of August 27, 1959, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

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

MRS. WALTER H. OCKER, 933 East 56th Street, appeared before the Council regarding the dismissal of a case filed by her husband in Corporation Court against Mr. James J. Gaffney, Jr., 913 East 55½ Street and against Vivian McDowell, without her husband's being notified that the case had even been set. The filing date was August 18th, and Mr. Ocker had asked that he be given some time of notice as he was contracting out of the city. Mrs. Ocker stated that they were notified through a neighbor on August 25th, that the case had been dismissed that morning; and when she made inquiry she was treated very unjustly and the employee was very belligerent about it. A report of the incidences was made by the Legal Department. The Mayor advised Mrs. Ocker that if she wanted to refile the complaint that she would be given the opportunity to do so, and that an investigation would be made of the matter. Councilman Bechtol suggested that if the case were refiled that written notice of the setting date be given the Ockers.

MR. FRANK MONTGOMERY filed the following resolution adopted by the AUSTIN REAL ESTATE BOARD:

"RESOLUTION

"WHEREAS, the City of Austin has long been regarded as one of the most progressive cities in the State of Texas,

"AND WHEREAS, countless citizens have proclaimed it to be one of the most desirable communities in the Nation in which to own a home and rear and educate their children therein,

"AND WHEREAS, the costs for providing the services by the City of Austin to its citizens, which make it so desirable in every respect, are constantly rising and being expanded,

"AND WHEREAS, in the past, the property owners of the City of Austin have been made to bear practically all of the cost of these services, which are so highly desirable to all of its citizens,

"AND WHEREAS, all of the citizens of Austin do not wish to see any of these services discontinued or curtailed,

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Austin Real Estate Board, in its regular meeting of Tuesday Sept. 1, 1959, highly endorses the sentiments expressed in a letter from Nelson Puett, Jr. to the Austin City Council, dated Aug. 21, 1959, (a copy of which is attached) and that the Austin Real Estate Board add its full support to the plea made in this letter from Nelson Puett, Jr.;

"AND FURTHER, That the Austin Real Estate Board hereby re-iterates its previous stand in the past of being opposed to any future increase in property taxes, until all other sources of revenue have been fully explored, it being the opinion of the members of the Austin Real Estate Board that an equitable system of taxation should be worked out whereby all of the citizens of Austin pay their proportionate share of the services which are provided to them by the City, none of which they wish to have discontinued or curtailed.

"Adopted this 1st Day of September, A.D. 1959.

"AUSTIN REAL ESTATE BOARD
(Sgd) Sidney S. Smith
President

"Attest:
(Sgd) Doug Coppwood
Executive Secretary"

(Letter attached)

"August 21, 1959

"Mayor Tom Miller
Mr. Ben White
Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.
Mr. Hub Bechtol
Mr. Edgar Perry III

"Gentlemen:

"Yesterday morning I read in the paper that the Austin Independent School District

was raising its taxes. This morning I read that the City of Austin is probably going to raise its tax rate. This, of course means property taxes. I would like to protest very strongly against any increase in property taxes within the City of Austin and within the Austin Independent School District. It is a well-known and undisputed fact that real estate is now bearing the great majority of the tax burden in the City of Austin and the tax on homes is bringing in most of the money.

"The City of Austin and the school system must, of course, have additional revenues with which to continue to operate and give improved services, however, it is high time that some other major source of revenue be sought rather than the continuing increase of property taxes.

"What is right and just about a man owning a million dollars worth of Austin real estate and paying into the City of Austin, \$20,000.00 a year taxes and another man owning a million dollars worth of stock and bonds, living in the same city, receiving the same services, and paying nothing into the treasury of the City of Austin?

"With very little imagination and initiative, additional sources of income can be found. I have, for years, advocated a sewer charge. The City provides three utility services to the people of the Austin area--water, lights and the handling of sewerage. While all of the people are charged for electricity and all of the people are charged for water, there is no charge for the handling of sewerage. While, in the case of sewerage, the capital expenditures and handling charges are even greater to the City than those involved in water and perhaps even electricity. Why should this utility be supplied to the State Capitol, Government Office Building, University of Texas--all the eleemosynary institutions, all the Public and University owned housing Free? ----- For it is not free at all, other citizens--mostly home owners--are paying for it. A sewer charge per month per bathroom would be impossible to evade, easy to place in operation, a cinch to collect, and absolutely fair to all concerned.

"In the last analysis, if no imagination, no initiative, no new sources of revenue are to be tapped, then certainly an increase in the water and electric rate is much fairer and much more desirable than an increase in property taxes. An increase in the water and electric rate would reach all people. There is no problem of property evaluation and discrimination in assessed values. It takes in all those in and outside of the City that the City sells water and electricity to. It gives the individual home owner some opportunity to control his expenditures. He can save \$15.00 or \$20.00 a month by not turning on his air conditioner. He can, if he wishes, for a period of time cease to water his lawn and cut his monthly expenditures down. In the case of property taxes this is not possible.

"It must be realized that an increase in property taxes is a decrease in the percentage of home owners. For every dollar per month you add to a person's home payments, you disqualify thousands of people from the possibility of home ownership.

"In conclusion, it is realized that increased revenues are necessary but please give some thought, some effort, some study, some consideration to increasing revenues in some other way than the raising of real property taxes...the one method which discourages and tends to prohibit home ownership from the lower income citizens who are the ones who need it most. Home ownership leads to better citizenship. Don't discourage home ownership by increasing the taxes on homes.

"Yours truly,
(Sgd) Nelson Puett, Jr.
Nelson Puett"

The Mayor outlined the sources of revenue available to the City and the manner in which the Council had tried to relieve the tax situation. He pointed out the liberal fiscal policy of the city for the subdivision developers, and he listed the many fees that had just been raised to add to the city's revenues. The Mayor made answer to the letter from Nelson Puett, Jr., referred to in the resolution. The Council accepted the Resolution.

MAYOR MILLER reviewed for the record the status of the firemen and policemen, stating that in the Fire Department, 54 men had been added in the last four years, meaning a 28% increase; that new stations had been constructed; and that the payroll had been increased 48%. In the Police Department the number of men had been raised 24% in the last four years and the payroll had been raised 56%. This Department had been losing men to other employment for higher wages and for other reasons; and the Mayor stated he had hoped to get the Policemen to accept a 16 2/3% pay increase, keeping the same hours of work. This would bring the patrolmen up to \$402; would mean that the Sergeants and Investigators would receive \$65 per month more; the Lieutenants \$73.00 and the Captains \$82.00, and the total cost of this would amount to \$148,000. The other plan would promote 15 men--five lieutenants, \$600 per year per man; one sergeant \$540 per year, and 9 investigators \$540 per year per man, and would mean adding 24 patrolmen. With the fringe benefits and adding 15 new people in the office, the cost would be \$158,000 or \$10,000 a year more. As to hours for the firemen, he stated he would not favor a 12 hour shift nor a shift that would mean 96 hours off. The City Manager stated the shifts would be 24 hours on and 48 hours off continuously except on replacement duty during vacations; and that one time a year the shift would be 48 hours on and 24 off. Councilman Perry moved that the hours of the City Policemen be decreased to 40 hours a week, the payrolls to remain the same, effective October 1st. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

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

Councilman Perry moved that a 24-hour-on and 48-hour-off schedule for the Fire Department be approved, with each man relieving the other while on vacation. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

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

*Councilman Bechtol made the following statement regarding his vote:

"I will vote for this with the understanding that any time it becomes too prevalent in the City of Austin that the city employees, in using their off-time, deprive other people of a living that we bring it up before the Council and either restrict the outside activities or take some course of action against the practice."

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WRITTEN STATEMENT AND REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, SHOWING THE ESTIMATES OF THE TOTAL COSTS OF ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE ESTIMATES OF THE COSTS PER FRONT FOOT PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF, AND THE ESTIMATES OF VARIOUS OTHER COSTS FOR THE IMPROVING OF PORTIONS OF SUNDRY STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITHIN THE LIMITS HEREINBELOW DESCRIBED, AND OF OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; DETERMINING AND FIXING THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS AND THE RATE THEREOF PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST AND PAID BY THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF; DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF FOR THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS APPORTIONED TO THEM; ORDERING AND SETTING A HEARING AT 3:00 O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1959, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, AS THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING OF THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS OF SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY OR IN ANY OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND CONTRACT CONCERNING SAID ASSESSMENTS, PROCEEDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO GIVE NOTICE OF SAID HEARING AS REQUIRED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN; DECLARING AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE. (Shoal Creek Blvd. and sundry other streets)

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.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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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.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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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
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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

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The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

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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:

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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.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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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:

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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.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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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

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Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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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
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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 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WRITTEN STATEMENT AND REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, SHOWING THE ESTIMATES OF THE TOTAL COSTS OF ALL THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE ESTIMATES OF THE COSTS PER FRONT FOOT PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF, AND THE ESTIMATES OF VARIOUS OTHER COSTS FOR THE IMPROVING OF PORTIONS OF SUNDRY STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITHIN THE LIMITS HEREINBELOW DESCRIBED, AND OF OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; DETERMINING AND FIXING THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS AND THE RATE THEREOF PROPOSED TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST AND PAID BY THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF; DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS THEREOF FOR THE PORTION OF SAID COSTS APPORTIONED TO THEM; ORDERING AND SETTING A HEARING AT 3:00 O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1959, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE CITY HALL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, AS THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING OF THE REAL AND TRUE OWNERS OF SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN SAID ABUTTING PROPERTY OR IN ANY OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND CONTRACT CONCERNING SAID ASSESSMENTS, PROCEEDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, TO GIVE NOTICE OF SAID HEARING AS REQUIRED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN; DECLARING AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE. (Glendale Place and sundry other streets)

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.

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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

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The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

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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:

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The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

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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.

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(Scenic Drive)

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.

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 Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids on the sale of Bonds of the City of Austin at 10:00 A.M. October 1, 1959, as follows:

Parks and Playgrounds General Obligation Bonds, authorized at an election May 12, 1956	\$ 100,000.00
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Rights-Of-Way General Obligation Bonds, authorized at an election May 12, 1956	350,000.00
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Street, Bridges and Drainageways General Obligation Bonds, authorized at an election May 12, 1956	550,000.00
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General Obligation Bonds Total	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
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Electric Light and Power System Revenue Bonds, authorized at an election May 24, 1958	\$5,350,000.00
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Waterworks System Revenue Bonds, authorized at an election May 12, 1956	535,000.00
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Sewer System Revenue Bonds, authorized at an election May 12, 1956	615,000.00
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Revenue Bonds Total	<u>\$6,500,000.00</u>
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Advertisements for such bids shall be in the usual and customary form and shall be published at least once in The Austin Statesman, Austin, Texas, and in The Bond Buyer, New York, New York, and in addition shall be given such circulation as will invite attention to the proposed sale. The right shall be reserved to the City of Austin to reject any and all bids, and advertisements shall direct the filing of sealed bids to be opened by the City Council at a regular meeting held for such purpose in the City Hall at the time and date hereinbefore set forth.

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 a recommendation that the notice of sale of the bonds include, "bids including supplemental coupons will not be considered." After discussion, Councilman Palmer moved that the notice of sale of bonds include a provision that bids involving supplemental coupons will not be considered. 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, after an engineering and traffic investigation, the City Council has found that the circumstances are such that the maximum reasonable and safe speed for the operation of vehicles at the following locations during the times stated is less than thirty (30) miles per hour when pedestrians are present, due to the proximity of said streets to schools; and,

WHEREAS, after said investigation the City Council has found that the maximum reasonable and safe speed for the operation of vehicles on school days during the hours 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. when pedestrians are present is twenty (20) miles per hour at the following locations:

<u>ON STREET</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
St. Joseph Boulevard	Burnet Road	Hardy Drive

Now, Therefore,

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

That the City Clerk be authorized and instructed to record this finding in Section 33.39 of the Traffic Register.

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)

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 Redwood Avenue as a private gasoline plant consisting of a 1,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing his own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, which property is owned by J. M. Boyer, and is Lot 3, Block 2, Crest Haven Addition, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said J. M. Boyer to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 1,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing his 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 J. M. Boyer has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas
September 2, 1959

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

"Dear Sir:

"I, the undersigned, have considered the application of J. M. Boyer, Mechanical Contractor, for permission to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 1,000 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 Redwood Avenue, which property is designated as Lot 3, Block 2, Crest Haven Addition, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 2211 Redwood Avenue.

"This property is located in a "DL" Light Industrial 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,
(Sgd) J. C. Eckert
Building Inspector"

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

Councilman Bechtol moved that the receipt of the petition filed by residents of Turnabout Lane asking that ~~the~~ request to extend Bull Creek Road from Hancock Drive to Bullard Drive be ~~denied~~ be acknowledged. The motion,

seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

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, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON ONE TRACT OF LAND FRONTING 1470 FEET ON THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LAMAR BOULEVARD, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 8520-8750 LAMAR BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGE HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

Councilman White 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 25.53 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE HENRY WARNELL 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 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 White 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 25.94 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY NO. 15 IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, 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 Council went over the pending list. Regarding Item 4, Ordinance to provide increased payments by Policemen into the Retirement System, Councilman Bechtol asked that this ordinance be prepared.

Item 15, "Resolution setting out definite policy on furnishing utilities to ball parks" was taken off the pending list.

The Mayor brought up the following zoning application:

J. E. ROBERTS

200-202 East 17th Street

From "A" Residence
3rd H & A
To "O" Office 3rd
H & A

Mayor Miller read the following concerning the future Capitol Area expansion and zoning:

"September 3, 1959

"The Honorable Tom Miller, Mayor
The City Council
Austin, Texas

"Gentlemen:

"The attached excerpt from the minutes of the State Building Commission sets out the land necessary for future expansion of the Capitol Area. Beyond these boundaries we have no plans for future acquisition. However; as shown by the minutes and the attached memorandum from our Architectural Advisory Committee, it is highly important that the City should adopt suitable zoning of the area between San Jacinto and Lavaca Streets which adjoin, but lie outside of, the above boundaries of land intended to be acquired.

"Sincerely yours,
(Sgd) Price Daniel
Chairman
State Building Commission"

"Excerpt from minutes of State Building Commission Meeting of August 28, 1959:

"Mr. McAdams made a motion that the State Building Commission officially accept as the Capitol Area for future expansion the land north of the State Capitol proposed to the legislative committees and approved by the Legislature and described as follows:

"13. For the purchase of property for state buildings within the Capitol area of 1 1/2 blocks east and west of Congress Avenue between 15th and 17th streets, and one block east and west of Congress Avenue between 17th and 19th streets, City of Austin.

"14. For the purchase of balance of land in block 173, City of Austin.

"and that the Chairman of the Commission be authorized to notify the Mayor and City Council of the City of Austin of the area so desired for future state buildings in order that lands outside these boundaries may be zoned for other purposes with restrictions recommended jointly by the Architectural Advisory Committee of the State Building Commission and the City Manager and Director of Planning for the City of Austin as shown by the attached memorandum dated March 4, 1959. Motion passed unanimously."

"MEMORANDUM OF MEETING

"PRESENT: Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr. City Manager
Mr. Hoyle Osborne, Director of Planning
Mr. Charles Granger, Architectural Advisory Committee
Mr. R. Max Brooks, Architectural Advisory Committee

"PLACE: City Hall.

"DATE: March 4, 1959.

"SUBJECT: Zoning in the Capitol Area.

"Charles T. Granger and R. Max Brooks, representing the Architectural Advisory Committee of the State Building Commission, met with City Manager W. T. Williams, Jr. and Mr. Hoyle Osborne, Director of Planning, to discuss a program of cooperation between the City of Austin and the State Building Commission on the matter of proper development of the area surrounding the Capitol Area Development. Mr. Granger and Mr. Brooks explained to Mr. Williams their concept of the problems involved and the goals sought in the area surrounding the State Building Program. It was pointed out that the class of buildings surrounding the area would be important and that the height of buildings in the area would be important. It was pointed out that a uniform low building height was not necessarily the final answer to the height problem, but probably a maximum height of 90 feet for any single building would be desirable and that any building of this height should be so placed that it would not block important views of the Capitol, would have sufficient surrounding low or open space, and would be kept a reasonable distance from important State Buildings. The figure of 90 feet was used as it is now the limiting height of one of the present zoning ordinances. It was also pointed out that the building height might be greater on lower ground than on high ground. In other words, the actual elevation of the top of the building was more important from the architectural viewpoint than the height of the building itself.

"A discussion of the zoning restrictions now applying in this area, and the techniques used by the City to have some control over construction within the zoning laws, was discussed in detail. It has been the policy of the City to give special permits for variations to zoning where those variations did not exceed the requirements of the zone just one step removed from the zoning restrictions that would normally apply. After considerable discussion it was thought that an "O" zone would probably serve best for the entire area, with the understanding that special permits could be given for variations to the next less restricted zone. This would allow buildings to be built up to a height of 45 feet without a special permit, and to a height of 90 feet with a special permit. Special permits would be granted by the Council, possibly after consultation with the Building Commission. It was further thought that if a more stringent fire zone could be applied to this entire area, it would automatically raise the standards of construction. The same fire zoning that is now applied to the downtown areas, and to the property bordering Lavaca up to 19th Street, would cause all building to be of fireproof construction.

"In order to have a definite program to work with, it was decided that Mr. Osborne would prepare an analysis of the existing zoning of the area, the existing fire requirements of the area, the existing height limitations in the area, existing off-street parking requirements, and then prepare suggested changes which would accomplish the things that we wish to have accomplished,

all within the framework of present zoning ordinances. These suggested changes would be accompanied by a brief breakdown of what each would accomplish, and what kind and type of building could then be constructed in the area. The suggestions would also include the areas to be involved and other items such as set-backs, densities, lot coverages, etc. Mr. Osborne agreed to prepare this digest and said that he thought it could be done within two weeks time. The Mayor will be advised by Mr. Williams of the approach being made and Mr. Osborne will also discuss the matter with Mr. David Barrow, Chairman of the Zoning Board. It was agreed that further meetings to probe possible traffic studies in and around the area should be considered.

"R. Max Brooks

"cc: Governor Price Daniel
Attorney General Will Wilson
Hon. E. E. McAdams
Hon. W. T. Williams, Jr.
Mr. Hoyle Osborne
Mr. Carleton W. Adams, Jr.
Professor Nolan Barrick
Professor Philip D. Creer
Mr. George L. Dahl
Mr. Charles Granger
Professor Theo R. Holleman
Mr. H. E. Jessen
Mr. Ralph Wolf
Mr. L. W. Pitts "

Mr. Joe Crow was called in to represent Mr. Roberts, and stated it was contemplated to construct a one-story fireproof building, and that he would file a letter to that effect. Councilman Palmer moved that the change be granted to "O" Office 3rd Height and Area for the J. E. ROBERTS property located at 200-202 East 17th Street. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, 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 3rd Height and Area and the City Attorney was instructed to prepare the necessary ordinance when the letter from CROW and ROBERTS regarding their building is received.

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The Mayor announced that the Telephone Hearing had been postponed indefinitely.

The City Manager listed some dates for the Council's attention:

September 10	-	2:30 P.M.	Budget Hearing
September 17	-	11:00 A.M.	Zoning
		3:00 P.M.	Paving
October 1	-	10:00 A.M.	Sale of Bonds
October 8	-	10:00 A.M.	Hearing on Urban Renewal Election
October 26	-	3:00 P.M.	Shrine Parade

The Mayor stated a lot of people were interested in the Urban Renewal Election and had asked that there be a meeting set up. If the election is carried, the City might get some funds to match its funds. The City Manager said a great deal of work had been done in the area, and the City had applied for an approval on it, and he understood that it would receive credit.

The Assistant City Manager, Mr. Blodgett, submitted a request from CONCORDIA COLLEGE that Concordia Street be closed Sunday, from 3:00 to 4:30 P.M. for dedication of a building. The Council granted this permission.

MR. BLODGETT submitted a request from FATHER SYLVARIOUS, Assumption Cemetery and MR. ALBERT LANG from Capitol Memorial Gardens, that the Council pass an ordinance prohibiting funerals on Sunday. This was discussed, and the Mayor said if there were a lot of interest in this, let it be presented by a wide petition.

After a lengthy discussion, Councilman Bechtol moved that a maximum of two traffic tickets be given by the Parkadettes and Police in any one given day for parking meter violations. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

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

The Assistant City Manager stated there was an application by the Junior Chamber of Commerce scheduled before the Solicitation Board. The Jaycees are sponsoring a Circus, and the promoters want to use telephone solicitors from out of town. He said numerous requests from merchants and residents to keep this type of solicitation out of the city had been received. He gave this as information to the Council.

The Assistant City Manager gave three traffic reports:

1. Fawnridge and Georgian Drive. The request for street lights had been complied with, as 15 lights have been installed. A traffic check showed very little traffic, and it was recommended that no action be taken on the request for a stop sign.
2. A University student had asked for a pedestrian crossing at 21st and University Avenue. A traffic count was

made during the summer months, and the count is in the same catagory as that at the Coop.

3. Petition filed by MR. R. E. BRISBAN requesting signal lights at St. Johns and Lamar. The Traffic was not heavy enough to warrant a traffic signal.

The Assistant City Manager made a report about some houses which Mr. Chester Brooks had moved to his property, and about which complaint had been registered by Mr. Pat Mendez. Mr. Blodgett reported that a check had been made and repairs were being made.

The Assistant City Manager stated that the Fire Marshal wanted to construct a small building on the Comal Street property, for a testing laboratory for his work. It is estimated that about \$2225 will be spent on the building. The Council gave its approval and instructed that it be cleared through the Planning Commission for the required special permit.

The Assistant City Manager made inquiry about the petition filed by the business people of the University community asking that parking meters be installed on the side streets joining Guadalupe and San Antonio Streets between 19th and 26th Streets; and that the meters be operated at the rate of 5¢ for each 30 minutes, and that installation be made as soon as possible since classes begin at the University September 21st. It was his recommendation that since it would take several months to get the meters that they not be put in until next June. The Mayor asked that he talk with the petitioners and discuss this with them.

The Assistant City Attorney made a report on the status of some property belonging to Mr. Walsh, which property is between the Garry Morrison property and the lake; a strip of land 250-300' east and west, and about 600' north and south.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 1:00 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

Tom Miller.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Elbi Hoosley
City Clerk