

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

March 15, 1956
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Absent: Councilman Palmer

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

Invocation was delivered by REV. BOB LOVELL, University Baptist Church, 2130 Guadalupe.

Councilman Long moved that the Minutes of March 8th be approved. The motion, seconded by Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

MR. MARTIN HARRIS, representing the Associated Mechanical Contractors of Austin, Inc., requested the Council to appoint a committee to study and draw up a heating, air conditioning, ventilating and refrigerating code as an adjunct to the Building Code, as it was believed necessary to have regulations of the installations. He suggested appointments to the Committee to be representatives of engineers, architects, mechanical contractors, realtors, insurance industry, city inspector's offices, City Attorney, Fire Marshall, gas company, and any others the Council saw fit to include. Also suggested from the floor was the inclusion of journeymen plumbers and electricians, and representatives from the equipment supply people. The Mayor suggested that two names be submitted from each of the groups to the Council. He stated letters had been received from the Associated Mechanical Contractors of Austin, Association of Insurance Agents, Consulting Engineers, and Realtors endorsing setting up a code. Councilman Long moved that the suggestions outlined by Mr. Harris be accepted and that a committee be appointed as soon as the Council gets the names, to carry out such program as outlined and to be further outlined by the City Manager. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

MR. ROD SCHNEIDER, Chairman of the Junior Chamber of Commerce Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up Committee, asked the Council for its help in getting the trash cleaned up in the name of beautification, sanitation, fire protection and safety of the City. The Junior Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring this campaign from March 26th through April 2nd. The Mayor stated the City would endorse the program and cooperate in any way.

MR. AMOS HEROLD suggested that the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsor a plan to get some of the old cars off the street. He had made a check of the cars, finding 60% were with people riding alone. He suggested people's riding together and reducing number of cars. The Mayor thanked him and stated he might present that to the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The City Manager and Director of Public Works submitted the progress report of the Justin Lane paving. Storm sewers at Yates and Grover are to be constructed when the paving is authorized, and the utilities have to be checked. The Mayor stated the Council wanted it done with the least delay possible. Councilman White moved that they authorize the work to be commenced on Justin Lane under the contract that has been let. The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

It was believed that work could begin within three to six weeks.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PERPETUALLY VACATING AND CLOSING THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF MORROW STREET LYING IMMEDIATELY EAST OF ITS INTERSECTION WITH LAMAR BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; 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 Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

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 Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PERPETUALLY CLOSING AND VACATING THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF BROADMORE STREET WHICH EXTENDS SOUTHERLY FROM EAST FIFTY THIRD STREET ALLEY TO THE EAST FIFTY SECOND STREET ALLEY, AND THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF EAST FIFTY THIRD STREET WHICH EXTENDS WESTERLY FROM AIRPORT BOULEVARD TO BROADMORE STREET IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; RETAINING PUBLIC UTILITIES EASEMENT ON PORTION OF BROADMORE STREET; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF AN ORDINANCE ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

MAYOR MILLER submitted a letter from the Austin Transit Corp., dated March 13, 1956, showing the breakdown of revenue on the Delwood #4 bus route which proved a loss to the Company. (On file under AUSTIN TRANSIT CORPORATION) The Mayor reported on the previous request of the Ridgeway Civic Club and the action of the Council to require the Transit Company to route the bus on a month's trial, and the later private agreement between the Company and some guarantors to run the bus for three months. The Company is operating at a great loss, and apparently the guarantors were not willing to go along. The people would have to start over by new petitions and some valid guarantee, but the Mayor stated there should not be any more guarantees unless authorized by the Council. No action needed to be taken.

The Mayor submitted a letter from MR. GEORGE NALLE asking that consideration be given to providing a more attractive approach to Oakwood Cemetery when the improvements to the Interregional Highway are made. The Mayor suggested that the Council go look this over.

A letter from MR. HARDY HOLLERS regarding an assessment for paving was referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

A municipal corporation of the State of Texas, that W. T. Williams, Jr., said corporation's City Manager, be and he is hereby duly authorized and fully empowered to enter into and execute, for and in the name of said corporation, one certain written agreement, dated March 7, 1956, between said corporation and Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, herein called Carrier, respecting among certain things the construction, ownership, maintenance, and use of one certain 22-inch water line crossing Carrier's Premises at Engineer's Chaining Station 9791 / 47 I.C.C., at or near Austin, Travis County, Texas, all as more particularly set out in said agreement, to which reference is made the same as if fully set out herein.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Palmer

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 TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 2, GREEN ACRES, 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 Pearson moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
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The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

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APPROXIMATELY 107 FEET ALONG THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CAMERON ROAD AND HAVING AN APPROXIMATE DEPTH OF 244 FEET LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5309-21 CAMERON ROAD, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGES HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
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Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
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The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Southern Union Gas Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its gas mains in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named, and said maps or plans have been considered by the City Council; therefore

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

THAT Southern Union Gas Company be and the same is hereby permitted to lay and construct its gas mains in and upon the following streets:

(1) A gas main in BERKMAN DRIVE, from Chatham Avenue to Briarcliff Boulevard, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5' west of and parallel to the east property line of said BERKMAN DRIVE.

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

(2) A gas main in BRIARCLIFF BOULEVARD, from Berkman Drive easterly 710 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said BRIARCLIFF BOULEVARD.

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

(3) A gas main in KIRK AVENUE, from Airport Boulevard southerly 211 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east propertyline of said KIRK AVENUE.

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

(4) A gas main in LIGHTSEY ROAD, from a point 125 feet east of Clawson Road easterly 204 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said LIGHTSEY ROAD.

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

(5) A gas main in MANSELL AVENUE, from a point 64 feet north of Delores Avenue northerly 98 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said MANSELL AVENUE.

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

(6) A gas main in EDMONT DRIVE, from a point 20 feet south of Balcones Drive northerly 67 feet across Balcones Drive, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said EDMONT DRIVE.

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

(7) A gas main in LAMAR BOULEVARD, from a point 70 feet south of West 44th Street southerly 130 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7.5 feet east of and parallel to the west property line of said LAMAR BOULEVARD.

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

(8) A gas main in DEL CURTO ROAD, from Bluebonnet Lane northerly 755 feet to a point 250 feet north of Iva Lane, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said DEL CURTO ROAD.

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

(9) A gas main in DELCREST DRIVE, from Del Curto Road easterly 120 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said DELCREST DRIVE.

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

(10) A gas main in IVA LANE, from Del Curto Road easterly 60 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said IVA LANE.

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

THE Southern Union Gas Company is hereby put upon notice that the City of Austin does not guarantee that the space assigned above is clear from other underground utilities but is based upon the best records we have at hand, and the minimum depth stated does not have any reference to the fact that greater depths may not be required at special points. When the Southern Union Gas Company requires definite information upon the ground as to elevations or working points from which to base the location of their assignments, they shall apply to the Department of Public Works not less than three (3) days before

such information is required. The Southern Union Gas Company is further put upon notice that they will be required to bear the expense of repairs or replacement of any underground utility damaged during the construction of lines named in this resolution.

AND THAT whenever pavement is cut in the vicinity of a fire plug, water must be used at intervals during the course of backfilling of the ditches.

THAT the work and laying of said gas mains, including the excavation in the streets, and the restoration and maintenance of said streets after said mains have been laid, shall be under the supervision and direction of the City Manager and under all the pertinent terms and conditions of the certain franchises granted to said company by the City of Austin.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Palmer

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

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 0.845 OF ONE ACRE OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF BERGSTROM DOWNS NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT 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 White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Palmer

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 12, 1956, for the purchase by the City of 2- 1 1/2 ton trucks with cab and dump bed for use by the Parks Division; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Swearingen-Armstrong in the sum of \$4,646.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the 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 Swearingen-Armstrong in the sum of \$4,646.00 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 of behalf of the City of Austin with Swearingen-Armstrong.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 12, 1956, for the purchase of four 2-1/2 ton trucks, two 2 ton trucks, one 1-1/2 ton truck and one 1/2 ton pick-up truck to be used by the Sanitation Division; and,

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the bids received for the four 2-1/2 ton trucks shows the net total bid, after trade-in of four old trucks, of A. J. Maloney in the sum of \$8,645.84 to be the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the bids received for the two 2 ton trucks shows the net total bid, after trade-in of two old trucks, of Swearingen-Armstrong in the sum of \$3,594.00 to be the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the bids received for the one 1-1/2 ton truck shows the net total bid, after trade-in of one old truck, of Swearingen-Armstrong in the sum of \$2,198.00 to be the lowest and best bid therefor; and,

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the bids received for the one 1/2 ton pick-up truck shows the net total bid, after trade-in of one old truck, of Swearingen-Armstrong in the sum of \$1,085.00 to be the lowest and best bid therefor; 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 said net total bid, after trade-in of A. J. Maloney in the sum of \$8,645.84 and the net total bids, after trade-ins, of Swearingen-Armstrong in the sums of \$3,594.00, \$2,198.00 and \$1,085.00, 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 a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with A. J. Maloney and Swearingen-Armstrong respectively.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Palmer

Councilman Long 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 south side of North Loop Boulevard as a private gasoline plant consisting of a 10,000 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 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, and is a 200 x 202 foot tract of the A. H. Hilsberg Tract, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 10,000 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 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations Attached)

"Austin, Texas
March 15, 1956

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

"Dear Sir:

"I, the undersigned, have considered the application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, through their Division Building & Supplies Superintendent J. P. Henderson, for permission to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 10,000 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 which is located on the south side of North Loop Boulevard which property is designated as the 200 x 202 feet of the A. H. Hilsberg Tract, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 817 West North Loop Boulevard.

"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 sidewalks, 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 Pearson, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, by instrument dated December 31, 1929, of record in Volume 446, page 129, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, the City of Austin was granted a sanitary sewer line easement which traverses that certain tract of land out of the George W. Spear League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas; which was conveyed to H. B. Odell by warranty deed dated October 10, 1922, of record in Volume 340 at page 283, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is constructing a new sanitary sewer line at a different location across property belonging to said H. B. Odell, et al; and,

WHEREAS, the owners of said tract of land is granting to the City of Austin an easement for the location of the new sanitary sewer line; and,

WHEREAS, the hereinafter described easement will not be needed nor hereafter 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 to execute a release of said sanitary sewer easement, located on the following described property, to wit:

All of that certain sanitary sewer easement which was granted to the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, by H. B. Odell and wife, Caroline Odell, by instrument dated December 31, 1929, of record in Volume 446, page 129, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, which easement traverses that certain tract of land out of the George W. Spear League in the City of Austin, Travis County,

Texas, which was conveyed to H. B. Odell by Warranty Deed dated October 10, 1922, of record in Volume 340, page 283, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Palmer

The Council noted the following letter:

"March 13, 1956

"The City Council
Austin, Texas

"Honorable Members:

"Please be advised that in order to serve the proposed Summit Oaks Addition with natural gas, we would have to extend our main westerly in the Burnet Highway from the intersection of Burnet Road and the Burnet Highway some 18,090 feet, plus the footage to pipe said addition.

"We do not feel that it is economically feasible at this time to extend gas to this addition.

"However, if at some future date we are asked to extend out gas lines to this addition, a main deposit would be required.

"Very truly yours,
SOUTHERN UNION GAS COMPANY
(Sgd) Wm. Lawlor, Jr.
Vice President"

MR. EDMUNDS TRAVIS appeared before the Council stating his interest in the proposed bond issue and stating the need of the Austin Public Library in the amount of \$200,000 to be included in this bond issue. He provided statistics of the library pointing out the immediate needs for expansion. The Mayor invited him and the rest of the Commission to come before the Council during some of the public hearings to be held on the bonds.

The Mayor noted that the Council was going to have to be more concerned about matters on the lake and to see that property owners did not have dirt pushed off into the lake. Also the septic tanks were going to have to be in good order.

Councilman Long stated the City was going to have to be more vigorous in the enforcement of the dog ordinance. The Mayor stated there would never be an utopia on the dog question; that the police were picking them up and catching all they could; that there was a \$20,000 or \$30,000 expense on the dogs. Councilman White had a call suggesting that a 15¢ or 25¢ bounty be paid for bringing the dogs in. Councilman Long suggested putting on a night patrolman as most of the people kept their dogs up in the day time, but left them out at night.

Councilman Pearson inquired about the date for considering the sub-standard housing ordinance and appointing the Commission. The Mayor stated this would be brought up next week.

Councilman Long had an offer from MRS. K. RAMSEY who owns property on Webberville Road near the County bars, to sell this to the City for a park rather than the land suggested by Dr. Givens for park land. She stated she believed there were 23 acres, and that Mrs. Ramsey had offered it for \$1500 an acre, the amount that land surrounding this was selling for. The Mayor stated the Council would be glad to look into it.

The City Manager pointed out a designated thoroughfare route coming in on 5th Street across East Avenue to a point several blocks east of the Inter-regional Highway, cutting across the State Cemetery. He stated there was a property owner asking for a building permit on 7th Street. The Highway Department plans omitted a crossing at 5th Street, and this street would be useless as a thoroughfare. The Traffic Engineer had expressed his opinion that this would not serve the purpose for which it was originally designed, and the Master Planner still thought it would be important to keep the route designated as a thoroughfare and not abandon it. The Building Inspector was prohibited from giving a building permit as soon as there was a thoroughfare designated. The Mayor stated the Highway designs would be completed in 40 days. Councilman White did not think the City could keep the man from building, and suggested buying the property. Councilman Long suggested letting him go ahead and build as the Highway Department probably would not change its plans. The City Manager stated if a building permit were granted and the City went through with its program, it would have to buy the building too; the man was entitled to know if he could get a building permit or if the City intended to purchase his property. Councilman Pearson suggested to find out how much he wanted, and if he could not wait until after the final designs were made. No further action was taken. (Joe Daywood, 3rd lot East of Attyac on 7th Street.)

MR. JOHN J. McKAY presented a petition signed by himself and 41 others, requesting a change to "A" Residence of the property fronting on Pease Road between Enfield and Niles, and the property on the west side of West Lynn between Enfield and Niles, Lots 21-54 Enfield "C". The Council referred this petition to the Planning Commission.

The Council recessed until 2:00 P.M.

Recessed Meeting

2:00 P.M.

The Council resumed its meeting.

Councilman White moved that the City Manager be instructed to make four-way stop signs instead of two at Monroe and South 1st Street. The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Palmer

The Council went over the Recreation Schedule of Fees.

The Council agreed to the following increases for fees for Golf:

Green Fees	
18 holes	\$1.00
9 holes	.60 (Two rounds for \$1.00 at Hancock)
Membership Fees	
Annual	\$50.00
6 months (1st)	30.00
(2nd)	20.00
UT Students, per semester	7.00
Free day for Women Golf players.	

The Mayor asked that the membership cards be made where they could not be transferrable.

No decision was reached on changing the membership and activity fees at the Austin Athletic Club and Hancock Recreation Center.

Locker fees on Golf Courses were changed to \$6.00, informally.

Fees for Barton Springs, Deep Eddy, and Northwest Pool were changed as follows:

Children	- under six	.00
	- 6 - 12 years	.05
Teenagers	- 12 - Highschool	.20
Adults	-	.30
University Students		.30

Roll call on the fees for Barton Springs, Deep Eddy, and Northwest Pool showed the following:

Ayes: Councilmen Pearson, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: Councilman Long
Absent: Councilman Palmer

No action was taken on the Tennis fees.

The Council indicated approval on the Building rentals on Barton Club Hut and Zilker Clubhouse at \$8.00, but lowered the proposed fee of \$4.00 from 12 to 1:00 A.M. to \$2.00.

The Council took no action on Private Party fees at the Austin Athletic Club, Hancock Recreation Center, and Municipal Golf Clubhouse.

The Private Party fee for the Pan American Center was left as it now is- Social Room from 7:00 to 1:00 A.M. \$5.00; Terrace, from 7:00 to 12:00 P.M., \$10.00; Kitchen \$2.00.

Charges for private parties at Doris Miller Auditorium to be considered later.

No action taken on charges at Coliseum.

MR. RAY HEGNER, Minneapolis, was greeted and welcomed.

Regarding the fees, Councilman Long suggested that publicity be given on the fees so that people could come up and be heard.

MR. SHEFFIELD explained the needs of increases in the fees, and explained some of the policies he had been following, particularly with reference to not permitting the drinking of beer in the buildings. In the discussion, he stated he hoped to work out something where Zilker Park could be patrolled after 10:00 P.M. The Mayor suggested also that more lights be installed. MR. SHEFFIELD stated the New Recreation Center probably would hold open house on May 26th.

The Council received notice from the City Manager that the following zoning applications had been referred to the Plan Commission, and public hearing before the Council had been scheduled for April 19, 1956:

A. J. SEPEDA	1147 $\frac{1}{2}$ -49 $\frac{1}{2}$ Poquito St. & 2005 Rosewood Avenue	From "A" Residence To "GR" General Retail
SHEPPARD CON- STRUCTION CO.	1411-1533 Barton Springs Rd.; 501-21 Kinney Avenue	From "A" Residence & "C" Commercial & "C-1" Commercial To "O" Office
W. L. JAMES, ETAL	5305-17 Interregional; 1009-1043 & 1053-1123 Reinli; 5312-5718 Cameron Road	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial 6th Hgt & Area
R. C. HOOVER	2054-58 Interregional Hwy. 2060-2068 Swisher Street	From "C" Commercial 1st Hgt & Area To "C" Commercial 5th Hgt & Area
WATT SCHIEFFER, ET AL	1045-49 Reinli Street 5312-5314 Interregional Highway	From "A" Residence 1st Hgt & Area To "C" Commercial 6th Hgt & Area
E. E. ELLIOTT	4908-10 Interregional Highway	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial

There being no further business the Council adjourned at 3:40 P. M. subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

Tom Miller
Mayor

ATTEST:

Edna Hooley
City Clerk