

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

February 20, 1958
10:00 A.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. Terrell Blodgett, Assistant City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Reuben Romtree, Jr., Director of Public Works.

Invocation was delivered by REV. H. PEYTON WADDILL, Windsor Park Presbyterian Church, 2405 Wheless Lane.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of February 13, 1958, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

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

MR. RAS REDWINE, Attorney, represented Mr. George Shepherd, in a zoning change of his property west of Bull Creek Road and bounded on the north by Highland Crest Drive and on the south by the F.W. King 2.0 acre tract. The matter had been pending for some time awaiting certain fiscal arrangements and clearing of the area. At this time the fiscal arrangements had not been made. The Director of Public Works gave estimates on construction of a storm sewer and paving. After much discussion, the Mayor suggested that Mr. Shepherd and his Attorney meet with Mr. Eskew and get the agreement all signed up, and the Council would proceed with the matter in the afternoon meeting. The Mayor reviewed the necessary things to be considered--sanitary sewers, storm sewer, and paving. Later on in the afternoon, the City Attorney reported that Mr. Shepherd was going to try to get participation in the storm sewer costs by the Oil Company, and he would come back later.

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 following schedule of slaughtering charges at the Municipal

SLAUGHTERING CHARGES AND OTHER REGULATIONS AT THE MUNICIPAL ABATTOIR

CHARGES PER HEAD PER MONTH

FIRST	NEXT	OVER
<u>25</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>100</u>

(Charges include 25¢ per head for shrouding and 8¢ per head for brand inspection).

Under 300 lbs.	\$2.75	\$2.55	\$2.40
300 to 500 lbs.	3.00	2.80	2.60
500 to 750 lbs.	3.25	3.00	2.80
750 to 1000 lbs.	3.50	3.25	3.00
Over 1000 lbs.	4.00	3.70	3.45

2. HOGS:

Under 200 lbs.	\$2.30	\$2.15	\$2.00
200 to 350 lbs.	2.55	2.35	2.20
350 to 500 lbs.	3.30	3.05	2.80
Over 500 lbs.	4.30	4.05	3.80

\$1.50 \$1.35 \$1.20

(\$1.00 per head when not less than 25 head of sheep or 25 head of goats are previously scheduled by the Abattoir Management to be slaughtered for a customer on any week day when there is not a full days slaughtering of other animals. Resolution dated May 30, 1957).

4. Provided further that all slaughtering charges shall include 2 free days storage, chilling carcass to 36 degrees Fahrenheit. After 2 free days, storage charge shall be 5¢ per 100 lbs. dressed weight per day. (This was included in Resolutions of 1934, 1943 and 1945, but was left out of Resolution on March 25, 1954.)
5. Provided further that there shall be free storage until Monday on all cattle slaughtered on the previous Wednesday, Thursday or Friday; but any of these dressed cattle left in the Abattoir after Monday shall have the regular storage charge of 5¢ per 100 lbs. dressed weight per day after 2 free days following the day of slaughter. (This was approved Sept. 26, 1957.)
6. Provided further that there shall be returned to the customer at the time of slaughter the following: Heart, Liver, Tongue, Caul Fat, Brains, Cheek Meat, Kidneys, Kidney-Fat, Sweetbreads, Lamb Fries, Hides and

Pelts. All other products shall be retained by the Abattoir as part of the compensation for slaughtering and other services. (This was on all previous resolutions, but was left out of Resolution on March 25, 1954.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect on March 1, 1958, and on and after said date, the charges at the Abattoir shall be in accordance with such schedule.

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

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, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 12 providing for the sale and delivery of water by the City of Austin to the District, for the management of the affairs of said District, and for the performance of the City of various services for the District.

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

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 18, 1958, for the furnishing of brass fittings for use by the Water Department of the City of Austin for a period of twelve months; and,

WHEREAS, the alternate bid of Mueller Company in the sum of \$19,456.72 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the alternate bid of Mueller Company in the sum of \$19,456.72 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 Mueller Company.

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

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, a certain public utilities easement was reserved and dedicated to the public across a portion of Lot 9, Mountain Laurel Addition, a subdivision of a portion of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Mountain Laurel Addition, of record in Book 8 at page 18 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the owners of the hereinafter described premises have requested that said public utilities easement located thereon be released; and,

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

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

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

The north four (4) feet of the east seventy (70) feet of the south ten (10) feet of Lot 9 Mountain Laurel Addition, a subdivision of a portion of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Mountain Laurel Addition of record in Book 8 at page 18 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, 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 construction and maintenance of a loading platform in the sidewalk area on the east side of Onion Street, adjoining property which is owned by the Austin Beverage Company, the same being designated as Lot 1, Block 2 of the Peck Subdivision, Outlot 4, Division 0, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, locally known as 1500 East 4th Street, and hereby authorizes the Austin Beverage Company to construct and maintain said loading platform, subject to the same being constructed 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 a building permit for the construction of this loading platform 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 Austin Beverage Company has failed and refused and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas
February 20, 1958

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

"Dear Sir:

"We, the undersigned, have considered the application of the Austin Beverage Company, for permission to construct and maintain a loading platform in the sidewalk area on the East side of Onion Street, adjoining Lot 1, Block 2, of the Peck Subdivision, Outlot 4, Division O, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, locally known as 1500 East 4th Street, and we hereby advise that the following conditions exist:

"The property upon which this business is located is designated as "D" Industrial District as shown upon the zoning maps of the City of Austin.

"This neighborhood is essentially a warehouse district in which a number of warehouses now exist with loading platforms extending out over the sidewalk area.

"We recommend that the Austin Beverage Company be granted permission to construct and maintain said loading platform in the sidewalk area adjoining the property described above subject to the following conditions:

"That the proposed loading platform be constructed of concrete or heavy timbers and provided with steps and hand rails at each end to permit the passage of pedestrians through this area, and in accordance with the plans on file in the Building Inspectors Office, and that all grades and lines for the curb in front of this property be constructed in accordance with the lines, grades and specifications established by the Department of Public Works and having the approval of the Director of Public Works.

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

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

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

The Council took no action on deciding on the Auditorium Chairs and set March 6, 1958, as a date for further consideration.

Councilman Palmer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on February 11, 1958, the City of Austin received bids for the furnishing of paper and lead cable - 1/C #2/D AWG - 3-1500' lengths paralleled per reel; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of General Cable Company, in the sum of \$42,930.00 for 45,000 feet, was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Austin, and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of General Cable Company in the sum of \$42,930.00 for 45,000 feet of the above described paper and lead cable, be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with General Cable Company.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Councilman Palmer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 17, 1958, for the purchase of one 6000 lb. telescopic hydraulic pneumatic tired fork lift truck; and,

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the bids received for such equipment shows the alternate bid of C. H. Collier Company on a 7000 lb. truck in the sum of \$7,622.00 to be the lowest and best bid; and,

WHEREAS, the acceptance of such bid 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 alternate bid of C. H. Collier Company on a 7000 lb. telescopic hydraulic pneumatic tired fork lift truck, in the sum of \$7,622.00, be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, is hereby authorized to purchase said equipment from the C. H. Collier Company.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Councilman Palmer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 18, 1958, for one 10,000 G.P.M. Water Pump for the North Austin Booster Station; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of De Laval Company in the sum of \$19,925.05 was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of the 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 De Laval Company in the sum of \$19,925.05 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 De Laval Company.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

The Assistant City Manager submitted the request from DR. RICHARD BOWLES, Principal of Brentwood School, and for the P.T.A. asking that the City put sidewalks around Brentwood Park. It was decided that Dr. Bowles be notified that this was not in this year's budget.

The Council recessed at 11:00 A.M. until 2:30 P.M.

Recessed Meeting

2:30 P.M.

The Council resumed its business.

The Council had before it the appeal filed by MR. M. C. RENFRO and others from the decision of the City Planning Commission, granting permission for the establishment of a utility service yard at the southeast intersection of Koenig Lane and Sunshine Drive. The Director of Public Works explained the proposal of the service yard, which would take care of the North Austin district. It was discussed that the Reservoir would be painted, that there would be a planting strip, and a metal screen would be erected; that the whole yard would be kept clean and attractive, and that it would be an improvement in the neighborhood. Mr. Renfro stated he would not approve of the metal screen. After a long hearing, the Mayor asked those who wished to affirm the action of the Departments in selecting this area; and agree to tie down the plans as pointed out by the Director of Public Works; and to sustain the granting of the special permit, to vote "aye"; those opposed to vote "no". Roll call showed the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Palmer, Pearson, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the granting of the special permit had been sustained.

The Council informally agreed to the request for a few personnel to help in getting the Coliseum set up for the Livestock Show.

The Council informally agreed to grant the University of Houston permission to have a parade in connection with their Frontier Fiesta, subject to details being worked out with the Police and Traffic Departments.

The Council made a review of the three tax appeals pending. (LOUIS JOSEPH, 1019 East 50th Street; AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY and UNIVERSAL STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY.) The Mayor asked that the Attorney for the Insurance Companies be called to see if he wanted further hearing. The City Attorney called Mr. Rankin and Mr. Rankin is to report back the following week.

The Assistant City Manager submitted a request for additional Childrens' Concerts by the Symphony. The City has appropriated \$8,500 a year for several years, and the request was for two more concerts to include the Junior and Senior High students. This would make a total of \$12,750. The Mayor stated that this additional amount was not in this year's budget, and that the Council would review the matter for the next budget.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 5:00 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

Tom Miller.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Elain Mosley
City Clerk