



# Austin City Council MINUTES

JANUARY 7, 1993 - 1:00 P.M.

## MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - 1:00 P.M.

Mayor Todd called to order the meeting of the Council, noting the presence of all members except Mayor Pro Tem Urdy, who, he said, would arrive at 5:00 P.M.

## MINUTES APPROVED

1. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 3 and 10, 1992

On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 5-0 Vote, Councilmember Nofziger out of the room, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

## CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

2. Mr. Calvin Williams, to discuss City Manager's Office and OMBA.
3. Mr. Richard Dabeyko, to discuss help for the homeless.
4. Mr. Lance Winters, to discuss Channel 6 issues with Council and the need for Council support for Citizenry.
5. Mr. Henry Ratliff, to engage in dialogue with City Council on important Austin issues.
6. Mr. Ron Kessler, to give the 1993 Austin Chamber of Commerce outlook.
7. Mr. Norman Kieke, to respond to comments made at the December 17 City Council meeting regarding the Architectural Barrier Removal Program.
8. Mr. Mike Workman, to discuss posting procedures for meetings of Boards and Commissions.

9. Mr. Charles Bullock, to discuss Council action in regard to State of Colorado decision not to grant minority status to individuals based on their orientation.

ORDINANCES

10. Amend the 1992-93 Capital Budget for the Environmental and Conservation Services Department to increase the appropriation for the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan from \$8,000,000 to \$18,860,000.

Motion

Councilmember Garcia made a motion, seconded by Mayor Todd to waive the requirement for three readings and finally pass an ordinance amending the 1992-93 Capital Budget for the Environmental and Conservation Services Department to increase the appropriation for the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan from \$8,000,000 to \$18,860,000.

Substitute Motion- FAILED

Councilmember Epstein offered a substitute motion, seconded by Councilmember Larson, "to amend the Capital Budget, changing that from \$8,000,000.00 to \$9.310 million". Motion Failed by a vote of 2-4-0, Councilmembers Garcia, Nofziger and Reynolds and Mayor Todd voted No, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

Roll Call on Main Motion

5-1-0 Vote, Councilmember Epstein voted No, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

11. Amend Ordinance No. 920922-E, the 1992-1993 operating budget, for the Brackenridge Hospital Disproportionate Share Fund by reducing revenues from Medicaid Dispro Funds to \$23,666,553, reducing the unfunded health care transfer to the Brackenridge operating fund to 0, increasing the appropriation for capital to \$9,804,376 and providing for a transfer to the Special Revenue Fund for Indigent Services of \$5,000,000, increasing the Ending Balance to \$22,753,645; amend the Brackenridge Hospital Operating Fund by eliminating the transfer of \$17,163,324 from the Disproportionate Share Fund and the transfer of \$14,624,000 to the Capital Improvement Program and providing for the transfer of \$14,624,000 to the Disproportionate Share Fund, reducing the Ending Balance to \$1,567,769; create a new Special Revenue Fund for Indigent Services for the Health and Human Services Department, appropriate \$307,400 for the purchase of certain equipment and structural improvements for the neighborhood clinic resulting in an Ending Balance of \$4,692,600; amend Ordinance No. 920922-A, the 1992-93 Capital

Budget, to eliminate the appropriations for the following Brackenridge Hospital projects in the total amount of \$14,624,000: Main Hospital Tower, \$5,386,000; Oncology Unit, \$1,000,000; Rewaterproofing subgrade at main entry, \$188,000; Sabine Site Asbestos Demolition, \$2,300,000; and Strategic Medical Equipment, \$5,570,000. (related to item 12)

Pulled off agenda.

12. Authorize acceptance of \$587,815 in reimbursements from the Texas Department of Human Services for the State Legalization Impact Assistance Grant (SLIAG); amend Ordinance No. 920922-E, the 1992-93 Operating Budget, amending the Special Revenue Fund by appropriating \$337,815 to the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund. (related to item 11)
13. Authorize acceptance of \$185,820 in additional grant funds from the Texas Department of Health Ryan White II/HIV Grant, for HIV services; amend Ordinance No. 920922-E, the 1992-93 operating budget, amending the Special Revenue Fund by appropriating an additional \$185,820 for a total grant amount of \$761,426 in the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund. (related to item 14)

#### RESOLUTIONS

14. Approve execution of contract amendments with ten (10) agencies to increase contracts for HIV services in the following amounts: AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, \$74,414; COMMUNITY ACTION, \$22,500; PEDIATRIC AIDS LEAGUE, \$5,000; PROJECT TRANSITIONS, \$30,300; WATERLOO COUNSELING CENTER, \$12,000; CTMF HIV STUDY GROUP, \$8,790; ALGO/InformeSIDA, \$3,100; HIV WELLNESS CENTER, \$5,194; A/TCMHMR CARE UNIT, \$1,500; and REGIONAL AIDS INTERFAITH NETWORK, \$5,194, for a total increase in contracts in the amount of \$167,992. (Funding in the amount of \$761,426 from Texas Department of Health grant.) (related to item 13)
15. Approve negotiation and execution of a twelve (12) month contract with AUSTIN DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC ASSOCIATION, Austin, Texas, for renal dialysis services for patients at Brackenridge Hospital, in an amount not to exceed \$728,000, with three (3) twelve (12) month extension options, in an amount not to exceed \$800,000 per extension option, for a total amount not to exceed \$3,128,000. (Funding in the amount of \$606,666.67 available in the in the 1992-93 operating budget of Brackenridge Hospital; funding for the final two (2) months of the original contract period and the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) Sole Source. No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. (Projected revenue to City in 1992-93 is \$1,182,008.64) [Recommended by Brackenridge Hospital Board] Reference No. BC8-150.

16. Approve negotiation and execution of a twelve (12) month contract with AUSTIN DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC ASSOCIATION, Austin, Texas, for kidney transplant program services at Brackenridge Hospital, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, with three (3) twelve (12) month extension options, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 per option, for a total amount not to exceed \$500,000. (Funding in the amount of \$104,166.67 is available in the 1992-93 operating budget of Brackenridge Hospital; funding for the final two months of the original contract period and the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) Sole Source. No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. (Projected revenue to City is \$800,000 per year) Reference No. BC9-156.
17. Approve execution of a six (6) month supply agreement with ABBOTT LABORATORIES, Abbott Park, Illinois, for non-vented administration sets used to administer fluids intravenously to patients at Brackenridge Hospital, in an amount not to exceed \$91,250, with one (1) six (6) month extension option, in an amount not to exceed \$91,250, for a total amount not to exceed \$182,500. (Funding available in the 1992-93 operating budget of Brackenridge Hospital; funding for the extension option is contingent upon approval in future budgets.) Low bid of two (2). No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. Reference No. BS2-229.
18. Approve execution of twelve (12) month contract with MIDMARK CORPORATION, Versailles, Ohio, for ten (10) stretcher beds to be used for patient transport at Brackenridge Hospital, in an amount not to exceed \$43,702.90. (Funding available in the 1992-93 operating budget of Brackenridge Hospital.) Low bid of six (6) meeting specifications. No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. Reference No. BH2-400.
19. Approve execution of a contract with WAUKESHA-PEARCE INDUSTRIES, INC., Austin, Texas, for a twelve (12) month rental of a motorgrader for use at the City landfill in an amount not to exceed \$35,400, with one (1) twelve (12) month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$35,400, for a total amount not to exceed \$70,800. (Funding available in the 1992-93 operating budget of Solid Waste Services; funding for the extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) Low bid of four (4). No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. Reference IFB No. 930103-3SA.
20. Approve negotiation and execution of a contract with COMPU-COLOR, INC., Waterloo, Iowa, for the purchase, installation, and one (1) year of maintenance for a digital imaging video identification system and system software to be used at the Austin Police Department, in an amount not to exceed \$117,869. (Funding in the amount of \$58,934 available from State of Texas Criminal Justice

Division grant; \$58,935 available from Austin Police Department forfeited funds.) Best proposal of five (5). No MBE/WBE subcontracting opportunities were identified. (System will generate yearly savings of \$32,466.) Reference RFP No. 920895-3JR.

#12-20 on Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

21. Approve execution of a six (6) month supply agreement with ALAMO DATA SYSTEMS, INC., San Antonio, Texas, for the purchase of approximately three hundred and thirty two (332) personal computers in an amount not to exceed \$594,093, and computer hardware and software peripherals in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, with an option to extend the agreements for an additional six (6) month period for approximately seventy five (75) personal computers in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, and peripherals in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$994,093. (Funding available in operating and capital budgets of various City departments. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) Low bid of six (6) meeting specifications. 41.07% MBE, 0% WBE Subcontractor participation. Reference IFB No. 930075-3JR.

On Councilmember Epstein's motion, Councilmember Garcia's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

22. Authorize the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (TCHFC), in cooperation with the Austin Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), to originate mortgage loans within the corporate limits of the City of Austin under TCHFC's proposed 1993 Residential Mortgage Bond Purchase Program and to file an application for allocation of Private Activity Bond Authority with the Texas Bond Review Board in the amount of approximately \$28,820,350. (No fiscal impact.) [Recommended by Housing Subcommittee]

On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

23. Approve the 1993-94 City Council Priorities and the 1993 Master Planning Schedule.

On Councilmember Reynolds' motion, Councilmember Garcia's second, approved 1993-94 City Council Priorities, adding libraries to the list; and canceled the June 24, 1993 regular Council meeting. 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

RECESS - Council recessed from 3:06 to 4:06 P.M.

24. Set a public hearing regarding consent to the creation of Travis County Municipal Utility Districts (MUD) 3-9. Suggested date and time: January 14, 1993 at 6:45 P.M.)

On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

25. Direct the City Manager to initiate a street name change of Arroyo Seca to Arroyo Seco. (Councilmember Gus Garcia)

On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Larson's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

26. Approve creation of an industrial zoning and expansion task force. (Councilmember Gus Garcia)

Postponed to January 14, 1993.

4:00 P.M. - ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES

27. C14-92-0121 - REALTRUST SERVICES, INC., by Thurman Blackburn), 700-762 Simonetti Drive and 700-752 Yarsa Boulevard. From SF-2 to SF-3. Planning Commission Recommendation: To Grant SF-3, Family Residence.  
ORDINANCE

28. C14-92-0114 - JACK S. MOORE, by Gore Real Estate Services (Albert Gore), 10,000 Manchaca Road. From SF-2 to GR. Planning Commission Recommendation: To Grant GR-CO, Community Commercial-Conditional Overlay, zoning subject to dedication of up to fifty feet (50') of right-of-way from the existing centerline of Manchaca Road, and prohibition of access to Allred Drive and limitation of development to a maximum of 0.53 floor-to-area ratio.  
FIRST READING

29. C14-92-0115 - BEN WHITE JOINT VENTURE (Buford Stewart), by Meyer/Lytton/Allen/Whitaker (Glenn Hadel), 6633 to 6651 E. Ben White Boulevard. From DR to LI. Planning Commission Recommendation: To Grant LI-CO, Limited Industrial Services-Conditional Overlay, zoning limiting the square footage for retail and personal services uses to a maximum of 13,000 square feet, and restaurant uses to a maximum of 2,600 square feet.  
ORDINANCE

30. C14-92-0123 - PAULINE B. SPILLMAN, by Feliciano Lopez, 1900 Fort View Road. From LR to GR-MU. Planning Commission Recommendation: To Grant GR-MU, Community Commercial-Mixed Use, zoning subject to dedication of up to 35' of right-of-way from the existing centerline of Fort View Road.  
FIRST READING

31. C14-92-0129 - BENCHMARK LAND DEVELOPMENT (Steve Tucker), by Powers Engineering Group, Inc. (Forrest T. Powers), West William Cannon and Escarpment Boulevard. From LO, LR, RR & SF-6 to SF-2 for Tracts 1, 2 & 3, and LR for Tract 4. Planning Commission Recommendation: To Grant SF-2, Single Family Residence (standard lot) for Tracts 1, 2, & 3 and LR-CO, Neighborhood Commercial-Conditional Overlay for Tract 4, subject to posting if fiscal for traffic signals at William Cannon Drive and Escarpment Blvd., and Escarpment Blvd. and Convict Hill Rd.; and approval of floodplain study by Stormwater Management, Department of Transportation and Public Works.  
FIRST READING

#27-31 On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Epstein's second, 6-0 Vote, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy absent.

TO BE HEARD BY PLANNING COMMISSION 1-5-93, RECOMMENDATION TO FOLLOW

32. C14-92-0133 - FIRST CITY TEXAS (Glenda K. White)/SHERRY OSBORNE/JESSE & MILADY SKRIVANEK, by Barry Campbell Engineering (Barry Campbell), 11610, 11648 (odd numbers only) Jollyville Road and 11309-11319 (odd numbers only) Taylor Draper Cove. From SF-2, SF-3, SF-6, LO & GO to MF-2, Multifamily Residence (low density).  
Postponed to January 21, 1993.

RECESS - Council recessed from 4:16 to 5:30 P.M.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers were Al St. Louis, Paul Robbins, Henry Ratliff, John Corry and Roger Baker.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

33. 5:00 P.M. - Appeal by Mr. William F. Driscoll of the Historic Landmark Commission's decision on a sign permit under Section 13-2-866 of the Land Development code (LDC) for the structure located at 602 Brazos Street.

Postponed to January 21, 1993 at 5:00 P.M.

34. 5:30 P.M. - Full purpose annexation of the Gaines Ranch annexation area (C7a-93-001).

Public Hearing closed, on Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Epstein's second, 6-0 Vote, Councilmember Reynolds out of the room.

Brackenridge Hospital (items 35-37)

RECESS - Council recessed from 6:05 to 6:45 P.M.

35. 6:45 P.M. - Amend Chapter 6-1 of the City Code to create the Austin Hospital Authority to operate Brackenridge Hospital. (Recommended by Brackenridge Hospital Board)

The Council, on Councilmember Garcia's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Urdy's second, passed through Second Reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 6-1 of the City Code to create the Austin Hospital Authority to operate Brackenridge Hospital. (Mayor Pro Tem Urdy's version #2, with a word change in Section 6-1-72, Part 2 to read "No person shall be denied necessary [instead of emergency] medical care at Brackenridge Hospital because of the source of payment or the inability to pay; and...")(7-0 Vote)

36. Amend Chapter 2-4 of the City Code to reduce the number of Brackenridge Hospital Board members from nine (9) to seven (7). (Recommended by Brackenridge Hospital Board)

No Action.

37. Approve negotiation and execution of a contract with the Austin Hospital Authority in an amount not to exceed \$818,500 for expenses related to planning and effecting the transfer of operation of Brackenridge Hospital to the Austin Hospital Authority. (Funding available in the 1992-93 operating budget of Brackenridge Hospital) (Recommended by Brackenridge Hospital Board)

No Action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (No Public Discussion on These Items)

Council did not hold an executive session.

The City Council will announce that it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Article 6252-17, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation and personnel matters. No final action will be taken on any subject or matter unless specifically listed on the agenda for this meeting.

Pending Litigation - Section 2, Paragraph e

38. Discussion of Save Our Springs Legal Defense Fund and Save Barton Creek Association v. City of Austin, 201st Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas, Cause No. 92-16982.

Land Acquisition - Section 2, Paragraph f

39. Review and Discussion of real property acquisitions for the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan.

8:15 P.M. - ADJOURN - On Councilmember Garcia's motion, Councilmember Reynolds' second, 7-0 Vote.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by a valid receipt or invoice. This ensures transparency and allows for easy verification of the data.

In addition, the document highlights the need for regular audits. By conducting periodic reviews, any discrepancies can be identified and corrected promptly. This proactive approach helps in maintaining the integrity of the financial information.

Furthermore, it is advised to use standardized accounting practices. This includes following established guidelines for recording and reporting. Consistency in these practices is crucial for providing reliable and comparable financial statements.

The second section of the document focuses on the role of technology in modern accounting. It explores how software solutions can streamline various processes, from data entry to report generation. This not only saves time but also reduces the risk of human error.

Cloud-based accounting systems are particularly noteworthy. They offer the advantage of real-time data access and collaboration. Multiple users can work on the same system simultaneously, ensuring that everyone has the most up-to-date information.

However, the document also addresses the security concerns associated with digital data. It stresses the importance of implementing robust security measures, such as encryption and secure access protocols. Protecting sensitive financial information is a top priority for any organization.

The final part of the document discusses the impact of regulatory changes on accounting practices. It notes that staying current with the latest regulations is essential for compliance. This may involve updating internal policies and procedures to align with new requirements.

The document also touches upon the importance of professional development for accountants. Continuous learning and staying abreast of industry trends are necessary to maintain expertise. This can be achieved through attending seminars, workshops, and pursuing further education.

In conclusion, the document provides a comprehensive overview of key accounting principles and practices. It serves as a valuable resource for anyone involved in financial management, offering practical advice and highlighting the latest developments in the field.