



Austin City Council MINUTES

For SPECIAL CALLED MEETING - MAY 9, 1988 - CANVASSING
11:45 A.M.

Council Chambers, 307 West Second Street, Austin, Texas

Memorandum To:

Mayor Cooksey called to order the special called meeting of the Council, noting the absence of Councilmembers Carl-Mitchell and Humphrey. Mayor Cooksey announced the purpose of the meeting was to canvass the returns and declare the results of the May 7, 1988 General Municipal Election, and to consider calling a runoff election for Saturday, May 28, 1988.

Motion

The Council, on Mayor Pro Tem Trevino's motion, Councilmember Shipman's second, adopted a resolution canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the May 7, 1988 General Municipal Election. (4-0 Vote, Councilmembers Carl-Mitchell and Humphrey absent, Councilmember Urdu out of the room)

(See resolution attached)

Motion

The Council, on Councilmember Shipman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Trevino's second, waived the requirement for three readings and finally passed an ordinance calling a runoff election for Saturday, May 28, 1988. (5-0 Vote, Councilmembers Carl-Mitchell and Humphrey absent)

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned its meeting at 12:09 P.M.

R E S O L U T I O N

A RESOLUTION by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, canvassing returns and declaring the result of an election held in said City on the 7th day of May, 1988

WHEREAS, this governing body ordained that an election be held within this City on the 7th day of May, 1988, for the purpose of electing the Mayor and three Council Members of the City of Austin, and for the purpose of submitting one Proposition relating to a proposed amendment of the City Charter to the resident electors of the City; and,

WHEREAS, it is hereby found and determined that said election was held in accordance with the authorizing proceedings, that notice of the election was duly given in the form, manner and time required by law, and that said election was in all respects legally held and conducted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas applicable thereto; and,

WHEREAS, the returns of the said election have been made to this governing body and said returns, duly and legally made, show the following votes were cast for the offices of Mayor and Council Member and the Proposition submitted at said election, to wit:

	Votes
Mayor	
Carl Hickerson-Bull	455
Jeff Friedman	14,287
Richard Shield	812
Rick Martinez	498
Mike Poulson	1,600
Frank C. Cooksey	19,769
Lee Cooke	25,082
William Michael "Bud" Ashwood	158

Council Place No. 2

Ronney Reynolds	24,167
Smoot Carl-Mitchell	31,287
Fred Ebner	6,063

Council Place No. 5

Sam Guzman	14,633
Diana H. Castaneda	3,113
Chris "Kit" Pearsall	3,072
Robert Barnstone	23,565
James Austin Pinedo	10,460
Ezekiel "Zeke" Romo	967
Peggy Vasquez	2,930

Council Place No. 6

Vernon E. Webb	14,687
Charles Urdy	34,966
Cleveland Moore	8,141

PROPOSITION NUMBER 1

"SHALL THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNCIL COMPOSED OF NINE COUNCIL MEMBERS, THE MAYOR TO BE ELECTED FROM THE CITY AT LARGE AND ALL REMAINING COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED FROM A SEPARATE DISTRICT IN WHICH EACH RESIDES; PROVIDE FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF THE CITY INTO DISTRICTS BY THE COUNCIL UPON THE RECOMMENDATION(S) OF A CITIZENS' COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERMS OF ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL BE TWO YEARS, BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY OF EACH EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR; TO PROVIDE FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 5,, 1991, TO ELECT THE FIRST SET OF NINE COUNCIL MEMBERS, WHO SHALL SERVE A TERM OF OFFICE FROM JANUARY 1, 1992 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1993; AND TO AMEND RELATED PROVISIONS?"

FOR	25,457
AGAINST	34,398
TOTAL VOTES CAST	59,955

AND WHEREAS, it appears that Smoot Carl-Mitchell and Charles Urdy have received a majority of all votes cast at said election for the respective offices of Council Member, Place No. 2 and Place No. 6; and

WHEREAS, no candidate received a majority of all votes cast at said election for the office of Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Austin provides that where, in an election to a place on the Council, no candidate receives a majority of all votes cast, the Council shall, immediately upon declaring the official results of the election, issue a call for a run-off election for the office to which no one was elected; Now, Therefore,

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

That all of the recitals contained in the preamble of this resolution are found to be true and adopted as findings of fact by this governing body and as part of its judgment;

It is further found and determined that the results of the election as canvassed and tabulated in the preamble hereof reflect the expressed desires of those persons voting at said election; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

That in accordance with said return, the following persons are hereby declared to be the two candidates who received in said election the highest number of votes cast for the offices indicated:

Mayor

Frank C. Cooksey

Lee Cooke

Place No. 5

Sam Guzman

Robert Barnstone

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

That in accordance with said return, as received and canvassed, the Council hereby accepts and approves same, and the following named persons are hereby declared duly elected and authorized to qualify for the offices indicated for three-year terms commencing June 15, 1988:

Council Place No. 2

Smoot Carl-Mitchell

Council Place No. 6

Charles Urdy

ADOPTED: May 9, 1988.

ATTEST: James E. Aldridge
James E. Aldridge
City Clerk

JD:rjf