

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Recessed Meeting

July 24, 1947
8:00 P.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order, with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call

Present: Councilmen Bartholomew, Johnson, Mayor Miller, and Councilman
Thornberry - 4

Absent : Councilman Glass - 1

Present also: Guiton Morgan, City Manager; J. E. Motheral, Director
of Public Works; W. E. Seaholm, Director of Public Utilities; Trueman E.
O'Quinn, City Attorney;

Present also: Members of the City Plan Commission.

The Mayor announced that the meeting was called at the request of the
City Plan Commission to discuss certain traffic problems, and other matters.

The proposal to establish a one-way passage for traffic at the inter-
section of Barton Springs Road and Fredericksburg Road on the south side,
the closing of the old Fredericksburg Road from Barton Springs Road north
to Butler Road, and a cut-off at the northeast corner of the intersection
to permit the free movement of traffic making a right turn from Barton
Springs Road onto Lamar Boulevard was then discussed at length, following
which the matter was taken under further advisement by the City Council.

The matter of the sale of part of the Butler tract came up for dis-
cussion. Mayor Miller gave a brief outline of the transaction involving
its purchase, pointing out that it was stated publicly at that time that
the City would sell off part of the tract and use the money received from
such sale for the development of the remaining part, that to date only a
small part of it had been sold and it was the purpose of the Council to
call for bids should the City decide to sell any more of it.

C. A. Schutze, speaking individually and not as a member of the City
Plan Commission, read a letter of protest to the City Council against the
sale of any city property.

Geo. Sandlin, Member of the City Plan Commission, also voiced opposi-
tion to the sale of any part of the Butler tract, declaring that same was

of Austin, under various departments, including such individuals as Guiton Morgan, City Manager, J. E. Motheral, Director of Public Works, Charles Granger, Planning Consultant to the City Council and City Plan Commission, Glenn M. Dunkle, Planning Supervisor, Walter E. Seaholm, Director of Utilities, Albert R. Davis, Superintendent of the Water Department, Thos. C. Green, City Chemist in charge of the Filtration Plant, C. G. Levan-der, Sanitary and Storm Sewer Engineer, W. T. Williams, Acting City Tax Assessor-Collector, whose duties include collection of taxes for the School Board, J. D. Huffman, Finance Director, John Woody, Fire Chief, W. L. Heaton, Fire Marshal, Raymond D. Thorp, Chief of Police, W. W. Blackman, Director of Traffic, and Trueman E. O'Quinn, City Attorney, whose duties include enforcement of all ordinances such as Zoning, Building Codes, and other regulatory measures; and

WHEREAS, the School Board, as a matter of course, cannot plan to finally select school sites in their long-range program without considering all of the elements of planning represented by the persons and departments heretofore enumerated; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT we respectfully request the City Council to tender the services to the School Board of the aforementioned experts and individuals of the City administration, in order that the School Board may have the benefit of the knowledge of these experts and engineers with the idea of coordinating the several branches of city government into a harmonious working group, a group that will render Austin citizens what they have every right to expect; that is, the concerted, intelligent and unselfish service and cooperation on behalf of all the residents of our fast-growing city.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) H. F. Kuehne
Chairman, for the
City Plan Commission. "

(See Original Resolution
for copies of letters
attached)

After considerable discussion of the City Plan Commission's request as contained in the foregoing resolution, the Mayor advised said Commission that the School Board were aware that the services of the City's technical experts were available to them whenever needed, and therefore that no further proffer of services should come from the City at this time.

Upon motion, seconded and carried, the meeting was then recessed, subject to call of the Mayor.

Attest:

Helene M. Kuehne

City Clerk

Approved: *Tom Miller*

MAYOR