

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

May 15, 1952
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Drake presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake
Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Present also: W. E. Seaholm, City Manager; W. T. Williams, Jr., City Attorney; C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works.

Councilman Johnson moved that the minutes of the last meeting be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

MR. DAVID WRIGHT appeared in the interest of rescinding the ordinance which established no-parking on the south side of West 37th from Guadalupe to Home Lane. The City Manager stated the cost of widening this street would be about \$8,000 to the property owners, or about \$4.00 per foot, plus cost to the city--overall cost of about \$12,500. The City Manager stated there was a fire hazard on this street and it would be hard to get the fire equipment through. He pointed out the Childrens' Home with about 30 children there. Councilman Long moved that since the property owners do not feel they would be endangering their homes in case of fire, that the Council rescind the action requiring the people not to park on the south side of West 37th. Councilman Long then withdrew her motion until next week when all members of the Council would be present, and then moved that the City Attorney be instructed to draw the proper ordinance to protect the parking around the Childrens' Home. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

MR. W. V. GEPPERT, and MR. L. G. WHITEHEAD, appeared representing 400-500 members of the Austin Golf Association, endorsing the site near the airport (approximately 100 acres, a portion of the A.W. Canefield Survey and a portion of the James Burleson Survey) as a location for another golf course, as it would be a convenient and ideal location.

MR. KURT MEYER, JR., stated he had to unload furniture in front of his store and had to use the space between the sidewalk and street, and the police would come down and raise Cain about it about four or five times a day. His location was at 715 Red River, but he stated the condition was the same from the 600 block to the 1100 block. Later in the meeting, C. R. BLEVENS, 911-13-51 Red River, stated they had been asked not to put items between the sidewalk and curb. He recited an instance about a lawn-mower being placed there, and a patrolman telling his wife to move it. The Mayor stated this would be referred to see what could be done about it.

MR. RAYMOND CANION appeared asking that separate bids be taken for excavation of the Water Plant near Mount Bonnell, rather than letting general contractors bid on all of the work, and sub-contracting the excavation part. The City Manager explained there would be two plans submitted--one would employ more mechanical equipment and less concrete, and the other more concrete and less mechanical, and it was not known what the excavation would be. He stated it could be a separate excavation bid and a general contract bid, and then a combination bid.

MISS JOSEPHINE ELLIOTT referred to an article in the Statesman about a little dog that was beaten and choked, and that the Police Department had told them nothing could be done about it. Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be instructed to have the City Attorney send a memorandum to the Police Department informing them of the laws concerning humane treatment to animals; also informing the Police Department of the availability of the dog warden at all times to the general public when needed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

MR. JACK ROBBINS appeared before the Council to ask what action had been taken on the charges he made last week about the Policemen. Councilman White suggested that the policemen be asked to come down. The Mayor suggested having a special meeting, as Mr. Harris would like to have an opportunity to appear. Councilman Long stated there were discrepancies in the report from the City Manager. The City Attorney pointed out there was a limit to what testimony should be required from the policemen, as the Council was not a court of inquiry. The Mayor asked him to write him a memo regarding the legal status of this matter. The City Attorney explained that the charges might lead to disciplinary action, and the matter would be reviewed by the Civil Service Commission. The Mayor stated the action of the officers would be guided by what their legal counsel advised. Later in the meeting, the Council set a hearing on this matter for 10:00 A.M., Friday morning, May 23rd. Mr. Jack Robbins stated he would be present.

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, H. P. Ross is the Contractor for the demolition of an awning on a building located at 3911-15 Guadalupe Street and desires a portion of the street space abutting on the Fannie Bailey Tract (Unplatted), in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the demolition of an awning on a building such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

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

1. THAT space for the uses hereinafter enumerated be granted to said H. P. Ross, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk Working Space

Beginning at the southwest corner of the above described property; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Guadalupe Street to a point 6 feet west of the east curb line; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the centerline of Guadalupe Street approximately 50 feet to a point; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Guadalupe Street to the northwest corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said H. P. Ross, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall construct a 4-foot walkway within the outer boundaries of the above described working space, such walkway to be protected on each side by a guard rail at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored, and without wood strips or obstructions of any kind along the pavement within the walkway, and at any time in the opinion of the City officials it becomes necessary for any reason to install a board floor within the walkway, the Contractor shall upon notice from the Building Inspector immediately place such a wood floor and substantially support same to prevent sagging under load.

(2). That "NO PARKING" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(3). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(4). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(5). That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(6). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk, or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than May 23, 1952.

(7). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(8). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs, and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(9). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(10). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, T. A. Webb is the Contractor for the alteration of a building at 139-43 East 6th Street and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street working space abutting the east 90 feet of Lot 7 and 8, Block 56, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the alteration of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

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

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said T. A. Webb, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street WorkingSpace

Beginning at the northeast corner of the above described property; thence in a northerly direction and at

right angles to the centerline of East 6th Street to a point 5 feet south of the south curb line; thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the centerline of East 6th Street approximately 90 feet to a point; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of East 6th Street to the northwest corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said T. A. Webb, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall erect within the above described working space a solid fence built of not less than one-inch material and at least 8 feet in height (or extending from the sidewalk to the underside of the present awning) substantially braced and anchored and to maintain same in good condition at all times while the work is in progress. The Contractor will be permitted to put a door in the barricade that will either open in or slide parallel to the barricades, and at all times that material is being delivered or taken away from the building, a watchman shall be provided to warn pedestrians of approaching danger. The Contractor will also be permitted to use two parking meter spaces for the delivery or removal of materials during construction work.

(2). That "NO PARKING" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(3). That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(4). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(5). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(6). That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(7). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than July 20, 1952.

(8). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(9). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(10). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(11). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, T. A. Webb is the Contractor for the alteration of a building located at 905 Congress Avenue and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting the south 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 111, in the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the alteration of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

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

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said T. A. Webb, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

Beginning at the southwest corner of the above described property; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Congress Avenue to a point 5 feet east of the east curb line; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the centerline of Congress Avenue approximately 23 feet to a point; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Congress Avenue to the northwest corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said T. A. Webb, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall erect within the above described working space a solid fence built of not less than one-inch material and at least 8 feet in height (or extending from the sidewalk to the underside of the present

awning) substantially braced and anchored and to maintain same in good condition at all times while the work is in progress. The Contractor will be permitted to put a door in the barricade that will either open in or slide parallel to the barricades and at all times that material is being delivered or taken away from the building, a watchman shall be provided to warn pedestrians of approaching danger. The Contractor will also be permitted to use two parking meter spaces for the delivery or removal of materials during construction work.

(2). That "NO PARKING" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(3). That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(4). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(5). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(6). That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(7). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than June 20, 1952.

(8). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(9). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs, and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(10). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(11). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction

work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, J. F. Johnson is the Contractor for the addition to a building located at 1108-10 Lavaca Street and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street working space abutting on the north 80 feet of Lot 7 and the East 27.95 feet of the north 80 feet of Lot 8, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the addition to a building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

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

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said J. F. Johnson, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

Beginning at the northwest corner of the above described property; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 12th Street to a point 4 feet north of the south curb line; thence in an easterly direction and parallel with the centerline of West 12th Street approximately 75 feet to a point; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 12th Street to the northeast corner of the above described property:

Thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Lavaca Street to a point 12 feet east of the west curb line; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the centerline of Lavaca Street approximately 80 feet to a point; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Lavaca Street to the southeast corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said J. F. Johnson, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall erect and maintain continuously in good condition during the use of said space hereby allotted, a substantial walkway at least 4 feet wide in the clear on the inside and at least 8 feet high, the same to be covered solidly on the street side with boards to a height of 4 feet above pavement and on the building side to be covered solidly with boards to a height of 8 feet. The top of the walkway shall be covered solidly with boards at least 2 inches thick, which shall be supported at intervals sufficiently close to prevent sagging of the roofing boards. The roof of said walkway shall

be covered with a roofing material which will prevent leaking of the roof and provide a dry walkway at all times. No wood strips or obstructions of any kind shall be permitted along the pavement within the walkway, and at any time in the opinion of the City officials it becomes necessary for any reason to install a board floor within the walkway, the Contractor shall upon notice from the Building Inspector immediately place such a wood floor and substantially support same to prevent sagging under load.

(2). That the Contractor is permitted to construct in his working space a substantial gate which shall be kept closed at all times when not in use, and at all times that such gate is open, the Contractor shall maintain a person at this gate to warn pedestrians and vehicles of approaching trucks. This gate is not to open out so as to impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(3). That no vehicles in loading or unloading material at the working space shall park on any part of the street outside of the allotted working space.

(4). That "NO PARKING" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(5). That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(6). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(7). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(8). That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(9). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than December 31, 1952.

(10). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(11). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs, and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(12). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(13). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond

in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

MR. JOHN M. BOTELLO, 2300 Santa Rita, expressed appreciation for the Recreation Hall which was being planned, and that the whole neighborhood was well pleased.

DR. C. D. PEAVY thanked the Council stating the equipment for getting the water lines was out in the vicinity. Also the weeds were cut down as he requested.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin has heretofore by Ordinance duly enacted on the 17th day of April, 1952, determined the necessity for and ordered the improvement of West 6th Street and sundry other streets in the City of Austin, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to such Ordinance the City Manager advertised for bids for the construction of such improvements, and bids were received and opened, all as provided by the Charter of the City of Austin and the laws of the State of Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of John L. Andrews in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Ten and 12/100 (\$35,510.12) Dollars was the best and lowest responsible bid; Now, Therefore

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

That the bid of John L. Andrews in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Ten and 12/100 (\$35,510.12) Dollars be and it is hereby accepted and that the contract for the construction of the improvements ordered by the Ordinance passed April 17, 1952, be and it is hereby awarded to the said John L. Andrews.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Councilman White moved that the following resolution be introduced and laid over for one week:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, by Ordinance duly passed on April 17, 1952, and recorded in Book "R", pages 253 through 257, inclusive, of the Ordinance Records of the City of Austin, the City Council ordered the permanent improvement of certain portions of public streets designated therein, by widening such streets ten feet (10') on the side or sides of such streets indicated in such Ordinance, such widening to include the excavating, grading and paving of the same, the installation of drainage facilities therein, and the construction of curbs and gutters where adequate curbs and gutters are not now in place, all in accordance with plans and specifications on file with and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such Ordinance the City Manager advertised for bids for construction of such improvements, and bids were received and opened and the bid of John L. Andrews being the lowest and best responsible bid, the contract for the construction of such improvements has been awarded by the City Council to the said John L. Andrews; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has estimated that the part of the contract price for such work to be paid by the City of Austin is the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars; Now, Therefore,

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

That the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from the General Funds of the City set apart in the current budget for street improvements to defray the cost of construction under such contract which is to be paid by the City of Austin.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Discussion was held on the list of thoroughfares submitted. MR. LATSON gave the status of individual requests: MR. R. A. GREEN, 4306 Avenue G, whose petition was left out in this program, will be picked up next fall; Thirty-ninth Street between Red River and East Avenue will be included in the next letting, he thought. He stated there was confusion on the Chelsey Lane and Mission Ridge, as these people signed up for curb-and-gutter, and not for paving. It was an independent matter. The Council made a study of each of the 19 Units submitted.

The Mayor then introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR AND ORDERING THE PAVING AND IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SUCH WORK, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF ESTIMATES, INVOKING THE PROCEDURE PROVIDED BY ARTICLE XXIV OF THE CITY CHARTER AND CHAPTER 106 OF THE ACTS OF THE FIRST CALLED SESSION OF THE 40TH LEGISLATURE OF TEXAS, DETERMINING THAT A PART OF THE COSTS SHALL BE BORNE BY THE CITY AND THAT A PART SHALL BE BORNE BY THE ADJUTING PROPERTIES AND THE OWNERS THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PORTION OF THE COSTS TO BE BORNE BY PROPERTY OWNERS, AND FOR THE FIXING OF A LIEN TO SECURE PAYMENT OF SUCH ASSESSMENTS, STATING THE TIME AND MANNER PROPOSED FOR PAYMENT OF ALL SUCH COSTS, DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO CAUSE A NOTICE OF THE ENACTMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE TO BE FILED IN THE MORTGAGE OR DEED OF TRUST RECORDS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

Councilman Long inquired about a water line in Govalle stopping just short of some property, 1149 Shady Lane, because there was a creek between the line and the property. The property belonged to Hugo Anderson.

Councilman Johnson made inquiry about the Stacy Swimming Pool. The City Manager stated the pool was being cleaned up before being opened.

Councilman Long stated the Little League Baseball Field north of the Doris Miller Auditorium had not been lighted, and they had requested lights. The City Manager stated the area north of Doris Miller had lights; and that the City had not lighted any of the little league parks, and it was his understanding the various clubs had done the lighting. Councilman White thought the lighting of these fields would disqualify the teams from playing out of state.

The Council noted the Memorandum from the City Attorney, dated May 13, 1952, pertaining to the liability of the city with regard to the Pitch and Putt Golf Course, leased by Mr. Kinser. (This matter was brought before the Council by Mr. H.E. Towery, May 8, 1952)

Councilman White submitted a petition from Mr. G. E. Laborde, signed by about 106 citizens, asking for a playground in southwest Austin. The City Manager stated the play area around Zilker School was planned, and that the necessary property was now in the course of being condemned.

The Mayor brought up the matter of purchasing additional land near the airport property for a golf course. Councilman Long thought development of parks and playgrounds should come first, and there was the Latin American Center to be built and developed--the Incinerator will have to be moved and rebuilt. The Mayor stated the City owned 60 acres already, and would need to purchase only 100 acres more. The City Attorney stated building on this property would be very limited because of its proximity to the Airport. After discussion, Councilman Johnson moved that if the property could be obtained at the present for \$10,000 or \$15,000 now, two years with more payment that we go ahead; the property being 100 acres of land, more or less, a portion of the A. W. Canefield Survey and a portion of the James Burleson Survey, lying partly within and partly without the City of Austin, and also being a portion of those two certain tracts of land conveyed to Lambert Berkman by Decree of Court dated April 14, 1947, etc. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: Councilman Long
Absent: Councilman MacCorkle

O. C. HOUSTON presented a drainage problem he had on 12th and Cedar. The Assistant Director of Public Works was familiar with the problem and explained the situation and what would be needed to correct it. The City Manager stated that the matter could be gone into to see what might be done to help Houston's problem.

Councilman White stated the Electrical Union had inquired of him about putting an office on the City-owned land from Lamar to the River Bank. The City Manager stated that ultimately one of the boulevards would go along there as an underpass, and all that area would be used.

MR. CHARLIE ROBINSON, Lakeside Camp, asked that a speed limit be set on the lake at the City Park Area, as speed boats and surfboard riders were making it very dangerous for the swimmers. He suggested an eight mile speed zone. He asked that a limit of eight miles an hour be set. MR. W. N. ALEXANDER also spoke about the dangers from the speed boats, and that their pilots were rude, and tried to scare people.

No action was taken on the application of TED WALSH for Boat Dock on Lake Austin. Mrs. Leo Blackstock came up in opposition. The City Attorney stated there were some complex matters to be worked out. Mrs. Blackstock asked that people be notified when this matter was to be considered again. The Mayor stated everyone within 300' would be notified.

The Council received notice from the City Manager that the following application for change of zoning had been referred to the Zoning Commission:

J. H. PITTSFORD, MISS M. I.	114 Pleasant Valley	From "A" Residence
MIDDLETON, MRS. RUBY ELLER,	Road and 2707-2715	To "C-2" Commercial
AND JAMES A. BOYD	East 2nd Street	and "D" Industrial

There being no further business, the Council adjourned subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED: _____

Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk