MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN. TEXAS

Regular Meeting

January 5, 1950 10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Glass presiding.

Roll Call:

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

Present also: Guiton Morgan, City Manager; Trueman E. O'Quinn, City Attorney; C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works; R. D. Thorp, Chief of Police.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and Councilman Johnson moved that they be approved as read. The motion, duly seconded, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Council greeted a group of students from the government class at PEASE SCHOOL.

MISS LOUISE CRAWFORD, and seven other citizens appeared before the Council asking for a bridge on Houston Street; that it was impassable in wet weather. The Director of Public Works stated this year's budget included cutting a channel through and building a culvert when these property owners signed certain easements. It was stated that this work would begin as soon as the easements were signed, and that these easements were being prepared now. It was brought out in the discussion that bus service might be discontinued due to the impassable condition of this street. MRS. RUSS DENSON, also in this group, stated that concrete tiles placed in this area around Houston Street by the County, had been taken out by the City and she would like to have them replaced to help the drainage on Jim Hogg Street. She also requested that JIM HOGG be opened from Houston to North Loop sometime in the future. These requests were referred to the Department of Public Works to consider. The group was assured that the culvert would be worked out for them just as soon as all easements were signed.

MR. NICK HORNSBY appeared before the Council inviting the Council and City Manager to be the guests of the North Austin Civic Club's Annual Banquet Friday evening, January 13, 1950. The husbands and wives are included in this invitation also. The Mayor accepted the invitation and extended the appreciation of the Council to Mr. Hornsby for the invitation.

MR. J. K. LYLES from the Traffic Meter Advertising Company, appeared before the Council stating they hadbeen asked by the Polio National Committee to place "Fight Polio", "Save a Child" signs on the parking meters on Congress Avenue. He stated the clearing house of the four banks is going to finance the cost of these signs and the Traffic Meter Advertising Company will supervise the installation of the signs and furnish the material to the Polio people at cost. These are to be installed for two weeks. MR. LYLES was asking for the approval of the Council to place these signs on the parking meters on Congress Avenue—possibly from 10th to 4th Streets, and include them from Colorado to Brazos on 7th Street rather than on Congress Avenue only from 10th to 1st Streets. He stated they carried a \$20,000 liability policy that would be in effect on this particular assignment. Councilman Drake moved that permission be granted to place these signs on the parking meters for a period of two weeks from January 15th to January 31, 1950. The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The City Manager presented the matter of amendments to the Building Code. He stated much information had been gathered from other cities, and there was nothing uniform or consistent about their charges, and that he was submitting an ordinance which had been drawn up which provided something simple and easy to administer. He stated an Inspection Division had been set up, and this consolidation of inspection services will be self-sustaining under the fees charged. He stated the inspection reports will also be filed in the Tax Department.

The Mayor then introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION. ENLARGEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, MOVING, REMOVAL, DEMOLITION, CONVERSION, OCCU-PANCY, EQUIPMENT, USE, HEIGHT, AREA, LOCATION AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THERE-FOR; DECLARING AND ESTABLISHING FIRE DISTRICTS; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF OR-DINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH", PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL APRIL 30, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 387-536, INCLUSIVE, OF THE OR-DINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BY AMEND-ING SECTION 203 IN PART I, CHAPTER 2, SO AS TO

PROVIDE FOR A SCHEDULE OF FEES TO BE CHARGED AND COLLECTED FOR BUILDING PERMITS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The City Manager presented the matter of making certain charges for applications for zoning changes. He stated there was no uniformity between cities on fees charged for zoning changes. He recommended that the Council consider a \$10.00 filing fee where one lot was involved, and that there be an additional \$2.00 charge for each additional lot in a single application by one applicant with a maximum fee of \$25.00. The City Manager stated this would cover the advertising and a part of the clerical work. Councilman MacCorkle moved that the City Manager instruct the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance covering this recommendation on fees to be charged for zoning applications and have it prepared for the next meeting of the Council. The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Mayor suggested a study of the building code to see if fire rates could be cut down. The City Manager stated the building code could be amended to provide only fireproof construction in Fire Zone 1, and that some extensions be made in Fire Zones 1 and 2. He stated he would have maps to the Council for The Mayor suggested appointing a group of citizens to study this Code. The City Manager stated that the Building Inspectors Association had been working on a building code, for approximately seven years, and that this code would be available in March or April; and although not all parts of this code would apply, it would be something to work on. Councilman MacCorkle stated the National Lumbermen's Association had compiled information on building codes. In the discussion it was brought out that MR. WALTER SCALES would be excellent to serve as an Advisor to this proposed committee. The City Manager stated that some building codes have been so strict that it would run the costs of buildings up, and that out building code, although it needs modernizing, had been reasonable. He stated the Council could consider the two changes in the code, however, with reference to fire-proof construction in Fire Zone 1, and extension of Fire Zone 2, and that this amendment was necessary now, and that this was something the Committee would not have to work on. He stated a survey of shingle roofs could be made of each Councilman MacCorkle block, and it might be a credit would be given there. moved that the City Manager instruct the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance covering these changes suggested and present it at the next meeting. The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Councilman Johnson moved that a seven-man committee including representatives from the insurance field with experience in fire rates; representatives from the construction and material industries; representatives from the property owners; and the Building Inspector and Fire Marshall as ex-officio members, be appointed to make this study of the Building Code revision. The motion, seconded by Councilman Drake, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The City Manager submitted a report on a meeting held with the wrecker companies regarding regulation of wreckers. He stated there were 14 operators present. Some had taken off their two-way radios and were not intercepting police calls, but only answering private calls. It would be legally impossible to set up some regulation restricting wrecker service to one company. It would cost the City about \$40,000 a year to go into the wrecker system. The City Manager stated the suggestion of setting up a system in the Police Department where the wrecker calls would come through that department, and no wrecker go on short-wave interception. The Police Officer would ask the owner, if possible, which wrecker to call, and the officer would radio this back to the desk and the wrecker be called from the police desk. If the owner is not in a position to say, the call would be in rotation from the list on file. Probably only six or seven companies would be interested in placing their names on the list filed at the Police Desk. The City Manager stated this plan suited most of the wrecker people and also the Police Department. He said this plan could be written up and sent to the interested parties and put in ordinance form. It would be voluntary as far as the list of operators was concerned. Copies of the officer's report would be filed to avoid charges that an officer favored some particular company. Theordinance would make it unlawful for a wrecker to be at the scene of an accident unless it had authority from the owner of the car or through the rotation method from the Police Desk. Emergencies where people would be pinned in a car and wreckers called in by outsiders, would be recognized; but the plan in general would take care of from 80 to 90% of the cases. The City Manager stated he had promised to send the wrecker companies a complete set of the rules and regulations and the forms that would be used to enforce the ordinance. Councilman MacCorkle moved that the City Manager instruct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance covering this plan and have it ready for the next meeting. The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

MR. BILLY SUMNER appeared before the Council appealing the administrative decision of his application to drive a taxi-cab. Councilman Johnson moved that due to the fact he has a suspended sentence, that the Council uphold the recommendations of the Chief of Police and CityAttorney, and not grant him a permit to drive. The motion, seconded by Councilman Brake, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Councilman Drake offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, J. M. Odom is the Contractor for the addition and alteration of a building located at 900 Congress Avenue and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting Lot 1, Block 10, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the addition and alteration of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials 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. M. Odom, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street working Space

Beginning at a point on the north curb line of West 9th Street approximately 68 feet west of the west right-of-way line of Congress Avenue; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 9th Street 12 feet; thence in a westerly direction and parallel to the centerline of West 9th Street approximately 70 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 9th Street to the north curb line of said street; thence in an easterly direction to the point of beginning.

- 2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said J. M. Odom, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:
- (1). That the Contractor shall construct a guard rail within the boundary line along the north, east, south and west lines of the above described space, such guard rail to be at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored.
- (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
- (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 May 1, 1950.
- (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 (\$5,000.00) Dollars, 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.

Which motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

obstruction of any such storm water.

Councilman Drake offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Hugh D. Reich is the Contractor for the addition to a building located at 1510-14 Lavaca Street and desires a portion of the alley space abutting on Lot 5, Block 38, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the addition 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 Hugh D. Reich, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Alley Working Space

Beginning at the northeast corner of the above described property; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Lavaca Street approximately 10 feet to a point; thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the centerline of the alley approximately 50 feet to a point; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of the alley to the north line of the above described property.

- 2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said Hugh D. Reich, hereinafter termed "Contractor" upon the following express terms and conditions:
- (1). That the Contractor shall construct a guard rail within the boundary line along the north, east, south and west lines of the above described space, such guard rail to be at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored.
- (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 May 1, 1950.

- (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 Pollars (\$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 accruente 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 or a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

Which motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Mayor introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "L", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DIS-TRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "K", PAGES 301-318. INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT ON (1) LOTS 34 THROUGH 44, BLOCK 4, HERMAN BROWN ADDITION, AND (2) A 3.3 ACRE TRACT OUT OF ISAACDECKER LEAGUE BEING PROPERTY CONVEYED TO BRADFORD PAINT COMPANY JULY 19, 1948, BY DEED RECORDED VOL. 932, PAGES 371-372, TRAVIS COUNTY DEED RECORDS, SAVE AND EXCEPT THAT PORTION OF SAID 3.3 PRESENTLY ZONED "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT. AND (3) A PORTION OF THE OLD "WATER SLED EASEMENT" AS DESCRIBED

IN DEED TO D. C. BRADFORD, SEPTEMBER 1, 1948, RECORDED VOL.
912, PAGE 595, TRAVIS COUNTY DEED RECORDS; AND CHANGING THE
USE DESIGNATION FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT
AND AREA DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND SECOND HEIGHT
AND AREA DISTRICT ON BLOCKS 75 AND 76, FAIRVIEW PARK; ALL OF
SAID PROPERTY BEING IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS;
ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGES
HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING
OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the rule be suspended, and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The ordinance was read the second time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the rule be suspended, and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The ordinance was read the third time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman Mac-Corkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Mayor then announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Drake offered the following resolution and moved its adoption: (RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on August 8, 1949, the City of Austin entered into a contract with R. B. George Equipment Company, Inc., of Dallas, Texas, by the terms of which said company leased to the City of Austin certain equipment therein described for a term ending December 31, 1949; and,

WHEREAS, by the terms of said lease an option was provided in the City of Austin to renew said contract for the year 1950; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin deems it advisable and proper to renew said contract; Now, Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That Guiton Morgan, City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed ed to execute on behalf of the City the contract extending and renewing said/contract for the year ending December 31, 1950.

Which motion, duly seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Councilman MacCorkle 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 as a filling station site the property located at the northwest intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Airport Boulevard, which property fronts 54.07 feet on Wilshire Boulevard and 73.77 feet on Airport Boulevard, and being a portion of Lot 16, Block E, Delwood, Section 1, within the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said J. C. Akin to construct, maintain and operate a drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct curbs, ramps and sidewalks in conjunction therewith, subject to the same being constructed in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations and plans; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this filling station 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 J. O. Akin has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

Which motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Mayor introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ENTITIED "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE

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VIOLATION OF SAME; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," WHICH ORDINANCE WAS PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN MAY 6, 1937. AND IS RECORDED IN BOOK "K", PAGES 159-179, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BY AMENDING SECTION 12(b) OF ARTICLE III RELATING TO STOP SIGN LOCATIONS AND SECTIONS 18(c) AND 23(d) OF ARTICLE IV RELATING RESPECTIVELY TO NO PARKING ZONE AND LOADING ZONE LOCATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Drake moved that the rule be suspended, and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Drake moved that the rule be suspended, and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The ordinance was read the third time, and Councilman Drake moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, duly seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The Mayor then announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

The City Manager presented the plan and estimate of extension of 19th Street from Robbins Place to Lamar Boulevard, as follows:

"This estimate is based on a pavement width of 54 consisting of double asphalt surface treatment and an 8" gravel base. The cost of the excavation and fill on this section of street is indeterminate due to the fact that the street for the greater portion of its length will be in a ravine on a fill up to 20' in depth. A certain amount of this fill material will be obtained from the excavation of the side banks; however, the greater part of the fill will be hauled in. The cost of this hauled in fill will be determined by the length of haul.

"We have estimated at 5,000 yards of material will be required at from \$0.40 to \$1.00 per cubic yard = \$2,000.00 to \$5,000.00

"Following are estimates of the fixed items:

300' of 36" storm sewer pipe at \$8.00 \$2400.00 3,600 s.y. graveling at \$0.50 1800.00 3,600 s.y. double asphalt surface at \$0.30 1080.00

"Total estimated cost \$7,280.00 to \$10,280.00."

He stated this would be done with city equipment. The City Manager stated it would involve a traffic light at Lamar and 19th, but this could be done in this year's budget and that this would divert a lot of traffic and help the congestion at 12th and Parkway. He stated the City could do it more economically as contractors would bid pretty high on this job, due to the roughness of the land. Councilman MacCorkle moved that this extension be authorized as recommended by the City Manager. The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

The suggestion of the Shoal Creek Boulevard cut-off, connecting Shoal Creek Boulevard one block south into 11th Street was submitted by the City Manager. He stated lights would be placed at 11th Street, and the traffic light system would need to be synchronized. The Mayor inquired into the possibility of running the street under the bridge and taking the traffic under the bridge. The Council did not take action on the Shoal Creek connection, but instructed the City Manager to get estimates for running the street under the bridge and have the figures ready for next week's meeting to see if this latter plan could be worked out practically and economically.

HANCOCK PARK. The question of dedicating all of this land for park purposes was raised. After discussion, the Council instructed the City Attorney to redraw the resolution naming the property HANCOCK PARK in honor of LOUIS HANCOCK, but not dedicating it as park property. This resolution was to be submitted at the next meeting of the Council.

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Mayor Glass introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING RATES AND FARES THAT MAY BE DEMANDED AND CHARGED FOR TAXICAB SERVICES IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN BEGINNING THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH. 1950, AND THEREAFTER: REQUIRING THAT RATES AND FARES FOR TAXICABS SHALL BE MEASURED BY TAXIMETERS AS DE-FINED: REQUIRING INSPECTION OF TAXINETERS FOR ACCURACY AND PROVIDING FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES EVIDENCING ACCURACY: PRESCRIBING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE USE, INSPECTION, AND OPERATION OF TAXIMETERS; MAKING CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS FROM TAXIMETER REQUIREMENTS FOR VEHICLES OPERATING UNDER CONTRACT TO AND FROM THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT ONLY: DEFINING CERTAIN WORDS AND PHRASES: REPEALING ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT BUT MAKING THIS ORDINANCE CUMULATIVE OF OTHER ORDINANCES ON THE SAME SUBJECT WHERE NOT IN CON-FLICT: PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS OR-DINANCE; PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING ORDINANCES TO BE READ ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Councilman Drake moved that a public hearing be held on the taxi-cab ordinance just introduced at 10:00 A.M., January 19th, 1950. The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Planning Board, to serve for a 2-year term beginning January 25, 1950:

Mr. Walter Guttman Mrs. Jane Y McCallum Mr. Hugo Kuehne Mr. George Sandlin

Mr. C. A. Schutze Mr. Tom Graham

Mr. Harry D. Pruett Mr. George L. Walling

Mr. L. A. Smith

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass then moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, to serve for a term of two years ending December 31, 1951:

Mr. Hugo F. Kuehne Mr. V. D. Sylvester Mr. Murray P. Ramsey

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass then moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Navigation Board;

Mr. Marien Fewler 1 year period beginning January 1, 1950
Mr. A. N. McCallup, Jr. 1 year period beginning January 1, 1950
Mr. Joe B. Taylor 1 year period beginning January 1, 1950
Mr. Bob Armstrong 2 year period beginning January 1, 1950
Mr. Armin H. Ritter 2 year period beginning January 1, 1950

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass then moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Electric Board:

Master Electricians:

Mr. W. K. Jennings

Mr. R.L.Busby

Mr. Dean Johnston

Mr. Carl A. Feuerbacher

Mr. E. D. Grimmer

Mr. Marcos Loftis

Vacancy

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass then moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Library Commission, to serve for a term of two years beginning January 1, 1950:

Mrs. Chas. Stephenson
Mrs. Arnold Romberg
Mrs. A. W. Harris
Mrs. Lomis Slaughter
Mrs. W. T. Mather
Mrs. George Hawley
Mr. Coleman Gay
Mrs. O. Douglas Weeks
Mrs. H. H. Luedecke
Mrs. Claude Hill

Mrs. Ben H. Powell, Jr. Mrs. L. C. Procter Mr. Donald C. James

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes:

Absent: Councilman Long

Mayor Glass then moved that the following citizens be appointed as members of the Motion Picture Board:

> Mr. E. P. Ischy Mr. Cecil Kelso

Which motion carried by the following vote:

Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass Ayes:

Noes:

None

Absent: Councilman Long

Councilman Johnson moved that the following application for change of zoning be referred to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for consideration and recommendation:

MRS. VIRGIL SOUTHWORTH

1920 E. 1st

From "C" Commercial "C-2" Commercial

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

Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Long

There being no further business, Councilman Johnson moved that the Council recess, subject to call of the Mayor. Councilman Drake seconded the motion, and it carried by the following vote:

> Councilmen Drake, Johnson, MacCorkle, Mayor Glass Ayes:

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmen Long

APPROVED: Mayor Russ

ATTEST:

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