

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Special Meeting

May 11, 1950
2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Glass presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Johnson, Long, and Mayor Glass

Absent: Councilmen Drake and MacCorkle.

Present also were: City Manager, Guiton Morgan, City Manager-Elect Walter E. Seaholm, City Attorney Trueman E. O'Quinn, Assistant City Attorney W. T. Williams, Jr., City Clerk Elsie Woosley, and the following members of the City Plan Commission: Walter Guttman, Chairman, H. F. Kuehne, George Sandlin, Tom Graham, C. A. Schutze, and H. D. Pruett; also present were Charles Granger, Planning Consultant, and William Parker, City Planning Engineer. The press was represented by Mr. Wray Weddell of the American-Statesman Staff.

Colonel Albert A. Horner, executive officer, Headquarters Texas Military District (at Austin) presented to the City Council a request for the cooperation of the City of Austin in acquiring a suitable site for the location of an Armed Forces Center to be located in Austin at an estimated cost in excess of \$300,000.00. Present with Colonel Horner were Colonel Alexander McNabb, Instructor, Organized Reserve Headquarters of Austin; Lt. Col. H. G. Stein, S-4, Texas Military District; Mr. E. A. Pearson, representing Galveston Office District Engineers, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; and Mr. D. A. McKenzie, representing Real Estate Section of Galveston District Office (stationed in San Antonio).

After a full presentation, numerous sites were considered by the City Council.

On motion of Councilman Johnson, duly seconded by Councilman Long, the question being put by Mayor Glass, the Council unanimously voted to acquire Lot 15, Block C, Highland Park West (a subdivision of the City of Austin) as the location for a street and to construct on Lot 15, Block C, Highland Park West, an extension of Fairview Drive southerly from Perry Lane to the northerly boundary line of a 200 acre United States government tract out of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey, acquired by the United States Government from the Deison Heirs

(conveyance recorded in Volume 239, page 82 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas) in order to afford entry by a public street to the Government tract when the tract is designated as the site for the proposed Armed Forces Center.

It was pointed out by Mr. Seaholm, Director of Utilities for the City of Austin, that city owned water and sewer utilities and city owned three-phase electric utility service was available for the proposed Armed Forces Center at the northerly property line of the 200 acre United States Government tract.

If the Site at Camp Mabry was not available, the Council felt it could locate another site for consideration, and instructed the Planning Commission to look over the available land and recommend a location to offer.

The Council then recessed subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED: 
Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk