MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Recessed Hearing of the SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY Request for Rate Increase

November 8, 9, 10, 1954

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor McAden presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden Absent: None

Present also: W. E. Seaholm, City Manager; W. T. Williams, Jr., City Attorney.

The Mayor announced that this was a recessed meeting from June 25th, and the Council would continue studying the operations of the Telephone Gompany in regard to their plea for relief.

MR. JAMES M. HONAKER gave a statement of his review. The following City Exhibits were filed and discussed:

> CITY EXHIBIT No. 4 - RATE OF RETURN REQUIRED ON BELL SYSTEM NET TELEPHONE PLANT AND OTHER INVESTMENTS IN 1953 TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EARNINGS PER AVERAGE SHARE OF AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY OUT-STANDING COMMON STOCK.

CITY EXHIBIT NO. 5 - CITY OF AUSTIN SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COM-PANY FEDERAL INCOME TAX SAVING UNDER ASSUMED DEBT RATIOS Base on December 31, 1953 Data.

CITY EXHIBIT NO. 6 - CITY OF AUSTIN SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COM-PANY SEPARATION OF TELEPHONE FACILITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1953.

CITY EXHIBIT NO. 7 - and 7 Revised - SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY ADJUSTMENT OF WESTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY CHARGES YEARS(1951) 1952 and 1953. CITY EXHIBIT NO. 8 - CITY OF AUSTIN SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COM-PANY ELEMENTS OF VALUATION AND RETURN THEREON Dec ember 31, 1953.

Representatives of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company were present and discussed the Exhibits as presented by Mr. Honaker in his recommendation.

A complete transcript of the hearings on November 8, 9, and 10, 1954, was made by MRS. OPAL LOOKE.

The Council recessed this meeting until a date after the transcript is completed.

Ua mak APPROVED:

ATTEST:

<u> Elsie Trosley</u> City Clerk