

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, January 26, 1933.

The Meeting was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; absent, Councilman Steck, 1.

The Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and Councilman Gillis moved the adoption of same as read. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

Mayor McFadden nominated the following as members of the Board of Adjustment for the term of two years, beginning January 1, 1933, and ending January 1, 1935:

Dr. W. A. Harper;
Louis H. Blendermann;
Victor H. Pannell.

The above nominations were confirmed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following communication:

"Austin, Texas, January 20, 1933.

Hon. City Councilmen of City of Austin,
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

We respectfully request change of the use designated under the City Zone Ordinance from residence "B" to Commercial "C" on the property owned by us, being Lot No. 22, in Outlot 23, Division "D" in the City of Austin located at the corner of West 19th Street and San Antonio Street.

This property fronts 123 feet on West 19th Street. The property to the East and the property to the West on 19th Street is designated as business property.

Trusting you will grant this request, we are,

Yours very truly,

A. Lassberg & K. Schmedes,

By C. Wendlandt & Sons, Agents,

(Sgd) Chas. Wendlandt. "

The Mayor then laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the owners of Lot No. 22, in Outlot 23, Division "D", of the City of Austin, said property being located at the northwest corner of the intersection of San Antonio Street with Nineteenth Street, have petitioned the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance so as to change the Use designation of said Lot No. 22 hereinabove described from "B" Residence District to "C" Commercial District; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Zoning Ordinance, such matters must be referred to the Board of Adjustment for its consideration and action and that a public hearing be held at which opportunity shall be given the public to offer any objections to said amendment; therefore,

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

THAT said matters be referred to the Board of Adjustment for its consideration and report to the City Council; and that a public hearing be held thereon at the City Hall at 11:00 A. M. on Thursday, February 16, 1933, and that notice of such hearing be completed by publication as required by the terms of said Zoning Ordinance.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

Chas. Wendlandt, Agent, submitted to the Council a proposition to sell or lease the property owned by the City at the corner of 11th and Red River Streets. After a discussion of the matter, the Council deferred action on same and instructed the City Manager in the meantime to advertise for sale, for thirty days, all surplus property belonging to the City except that included in the Shoal Creek project.

Councilman Mueller nominated the following as members of the Library Commission for the term of two years beginning July 1, 1932, and ending July 1, 1934:

Mrs. Chas. Stephenson;
Mrs. D. L. Clark;
J. Bouldin Rector;
Mrs. W. T. Mather;
Mrs. Arnold Romberg;
Mrs. Lomis Slaughter;
Mrs. Claude Hill;
H. H. Luedecke;
Rev. Harris Masterson;
Prof. O. D. Weeks;
Prof. E. W. Winkler;
Mrs. T. H. McGregor;
Wm. J. Weeg;
F. W. Sternenberg;
Victor H. Pannell.

The above nominations were confirmed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, IN THE CERTAIN PARTICULARS STATED, "AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION, AND DEFINING ITS MEMBERSHIP, PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS. "

The above ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Mueller moved a suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Gillis and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Mueller moved a further suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Mueller moved that same be finally passed. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

City Manager Johnson advised the Council that, with the approval of the Library Commission, he had appointed the following personnel on the Library staff:

Miss Darthula Wilcox, Librarian;
Mrs. W. A. Cooke, Assistant Librarian;
Miss Lettie Condit, Assistant Librarian.

Mayor McFadden moved that the Council approve the above appointments of the City Manager. Motion was seconded by Councilman Gillis and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

A report by Jac L. Gubbels, Park Engineer, showing the progress of the Shoal Creek and Zilker tract development projects, was read and filed.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the 1933 budget governing the operations of the new City Library will not become operative until the Library is moved into the new building; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board has represented that during the interim between January 1st, 1933, and the time of the completion of the new City Library, they will be unable to take care of the operating expenses of the present Library unless they are given an appropriation of \$500.00 to supplement their present revenues; now, therefore,

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

THAT the sum of \$500.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the contingent fund of the General Revenues of the City of Austin for the purpose herein stated.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Park Board of the City of Austin has requested the City Council to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Seventy-two Dollars (\$672.00) to be used for drainage pipe and cedar posts for the development of a boulevard in Shoal Creek Park; and

WHEREAS, said request has been favorably considered by the City Council; therefore,

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

THAT the sum of Six Hundred Seventy-two Dollars (\$672.00) is hereby appropriated out of the Parks and Playgrounds Bond Fund for the purpose of purchasing drainage pipe and cedar posts to be used in the development of a park boulevard in Shoal Creek Park.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following:

"Austin, Texas, January 19, 1933.

Mr. Adam R. Johnson
City Manager
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Having served as secretary pro tem of the Park Board at its meeting held January 18, 1933, I was advised to submit the attached budget recommendation for the year 1933 to you and the City Council.

A portion of the Park Board Minutes accompany this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) Orin E. Metcalfe,
City Engineer."

(Excerpt from Minutes of the Park Board meeting)

"The 1933 budget study, led by Vice-Chairman H. F. Kuehne, was taken up. A motion was made by Mr. Martin and seconded by Mrs. Pressler that the following budget be approved and be presented to the City Council for consideration:

PARK BOARD BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

For Six Months Ending June 30th, 1933.

SALARIES & WAGES

Joe L. Gubbels, Landscape Engineer, 6 mos. ----- \$ 1,425.00

SUPPLIES

Zilker Tract Map ----- \$ 250.00
Shoal Creek Map ----- 500.00 750.00

LAND PURCHASES

Shoal Creek (Joe Gilbert) ----- \$ 198.50
D. A. Gregg ----- 1,200.00
J. W. McClendon Tract ----- 754.50 2,153.00

Forward -

\$ 4,328.00

Park Board Budget - Cont'd -**\$ 4,328.00****DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Shoal Creek -----	\$ 2,000.00	
East Avenue Boulevard -----	75.00	
East 12th Street Parkway -----	72.62	
East 15th Street Parkway -----	60.00	
San Jacinto Park -----	300.00	
Hyde Park Playground - Water Line -----	150.00	
South Austin Park -----	411.98	
Palm School Playground -----	6,349.48	
West Austin Playground -----	219.04	
Shoal Creek Pipe -----	672.00	
Austin Athletic Club -----	13.53	
		10,323.65
		\$14,651.65

Cash Balance - Unincumbered ----- **\$16,567.32**
 Appropriations Requested ----- **14,651.65**

Reserve for Contingencies - **\$ 1,915.67**

The vote was as follows: Ayes, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Pressler, H. F. Kuehne, Mrs. Smith, Gillespie Stacy and Mr. Caswell, Nays; Mr. Garrison and Mr. Metcalfe. The motion carried ".

Councilman Gillis moved that the above budget recommendations of the Park Board be approved. Motion was seconded by Mayor McFadden and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, 3; nays, Councilman Mueller, 1; absent, Councilman Steck, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, H. B. Starkey, Manager of the Capital Hotel, failed to make a rendition for the year 1931; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of a rendition the City Assessor & Collector of Taxes, in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, assessed the furniture and fixtures of said hotel at \$3,200.00, the assessment on same for the previous year; and

WHEREAS, said H. B. Starkey claims that he asked the Board of Equalization to look into the value of said furniture and fixtures, and said Board of Equalization failed to do so; and

WHEREAS, the request to inspect the furniture and fixtures of the Capital Hotel was repeated for the year 1932 when said Board of Equalization reduced the assessed value of same to \$2,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed fair and equitable to make a like reduction for the year 1931; now, therefore,

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

THAT the City Assessor & Collector of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized to change the assessed valuation of the furniture and fixtures of the Capital Hotel for the year 1931 from \$3,200.00 to \$2,000.00, provided the taxes on same are paid immediately.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the L. E. Whitham & Company failed to make a rendition for the year 1932; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of said rendition, the City Assessor and Collector of Taxes, in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, made an assessment against said concern, using the previous year's values for trucks and passenger cars of \$5,500.00; and

WHEREAS, H. L. Goldstucker, Agent for L. E. Whitham & Company, makes affidavit hereto attached that a large portion of the motor equipment had been removed from Austin prior to January 1, 1932, leaving only twelve old 1923, 1924, and 1925 model Wichita Trucks which have since been abandoned; and

WHEREAS, an assessed valuation of \$100.00 apiece, or a total assessment of \$1,200.00, is fair and equitable; now, therefore,

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

THAT the City Assessor and Collector of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized to change the assessed valuation of the motor equipment of the L. E. Whitham & Company from \$5,500.00 to \$1,200.00 for the year 1932.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, L. A. Palmer, an employe of the City of Austin, is dead, after a long and faithful public service;

Therefore,

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

THAT we recognize in his death the loss to the City of a valuable and efficient servant, and hereby express to his widow our sympathy in her bereavement.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following:

"Austin, Texas, January 19, 1933.

Honorable City Council,
City of Austin,
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I hereby make application for a change in the use designation of my property located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Avenue "B" and 41st Streets from Residence "A" to Commercial "C", according to the City Zoning Ordinance. This property is described as Lots 17 and 18, Block 4, Hyde Park Addition #2.

Respectfully,

(Sgd) Mrs. Emma F. West. "

Attached to the above petition were communications from C. D. Shafer; Mrs. R.H. Griffin; H. A. Wroe; R. C. Stevall, Sr.; Alonzo Robinson; B. C. Houghton; Sarah Houghton; J. W. Fariss; W. C. White; O. L. Canady and wife; W. E. Linder and wife; adjacent property owners, agreeing to the proposed change in classification.

The Mayor then laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the owner of Lots 17 and 18, Block 4 of the Hyde Park No. 2 Addition to the City of Austin, said property being located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Avenue "B" with Forty-first Street, has petitioned the City Council to amend the Zoning Ordinance so as to change the Use designation of said Lots 17 and 18 hereinabove described from "A" Residence District to "C" Commercial District; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Zoning Ordinance such matters must be referred to the Board of Adjustment for its consideration and action and that a public hearing be held at which opportunity shall be given the public to offer any objections to said amendment; therefore,

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

THAT said matters be referred to the Board of Adjustment for its consideration and report to the City Council; and that a public hearing be held thereon at the City Hall at 11:00 A. M. on Thursday, February 16, 1933, and that notice of such hearing be completed by publication as required by the terms of said Zoning Ordinance.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The application of Theo. P. Meyer for permit to rebuild the sidewalk and set the curb back in front of his property on Lavaca Street between 6th and 7th Streets was read.

The Mayor then laid before the Council the following:

"Austin, Texas, January 25, 1933.

Mr. Adam R. Johnson,
City Manager,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

The request of Theo. P. Meyer, owner of the south 60 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 72, of the Original City of Austin, and locally known as 620-626 Lavaca Street, for a permit to set his curb back and construct a ramp in front of his property, has been investigated and considered and the following facts are presented:

Theo. P. Meyer's property is located within the "C" Commercial Use District.

Mr. Meyer is constructing a store building on the west side of Lavaca Street between West Sixth Street and West Seventh Street. The area created by the setback will be used chiefly by customers parking in front of his new place of business and will act as a widening of the paving on Lavaca Street and will be of benefit to the users of Lavaca Street by allowing a greater width of travel way.

I recommend that this permit be granted subject to the following conditions:

(1) That reconstruction of the setback area on Lavaca Street shall be constructed in accordance with the accompanying plan marked 2-H-301 and that all such widened area, ramps and curbs and a sidewalk between the property line and the curb line shall be constructed of concrete at the expense of the applicant.

(2) That all such concrete shall be not less than 6 inches in thickness and shall be of the following proportions: 1 part of cement, 2 parts of sand, and 4 parts of screened gravel or rock.

(3) That the concrete curb adjacent to the sidewalk area shall be not less than 6 inches high and an expansion joint not less than 3/4 inch thick shall be placed between the curb and the sidewalk as shown on the plan hereto attached marked 2-H-301.

(4) That all such expansion joints shall be of the premoulded type.

(5) That all concrete work within the street area shall be done by a bonded sidewalk contractor.

(6) That all work shall be done in accordance with lines and grades furnished by the Engineering Department of the City of Austin and under the direction of the City Engineer.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) Orin E. Metcalfe,
City Engineer. "

WHEREAS, Theo. P. Meyer, owner of property situated on the west side of Lavaca Street between West Sixth Street and West Seventh Street, legally described as the south 60 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 72, of the Original City of Austin, and locally known as 620-626 Lavaca Street, has presented a request to be granted permission to set the curb back adjacent to his property so as to provide more parking space on Lavaca Street; and

WHEREAS, a plan has been presented showing the proposed layout and said plan has been considered and approved by the City Council of the City of Austin; therefore,

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

THAT permission is hereby granted to Theo. P. Meyer, owner of the property situated on the west side of Lavaca Street between West Sixth Street and West Seventh Street, legally described as the south 60 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 72, of the Original City of Austin, and locally known as 620-626 Lavaca Street, to set the curb back adjacent to his property, subject to the same's being constructed in accordance with the plan approved by the City Engineer, which plan is hereto attached and marked 2-H-301, and in accordance with the following conditions:

(1) That the reconstruction of the setback area on Lavaca Street shall be constructed in accordance with the accompanying plan marked 2-H-301 and that all such widened area, ramps and curbs and a sidewalk between the property line and the curb line shall be constructed of concrete at the expense of the applicant.

(2) That all such concrete shall be not less than 6 inches in thickness and shall be of the following proportions: 1 part of cement, 2 parts of sand, and 4 parts of screened gravel or rock.

(3) That the concrete curb adjacent to the sidewalk area shall be not less than 6 inches high and an expansion joint not less than 3/4 inch thick shall be placed between the curb and the sidewalk in accordance with the plan hereto attached marked 2-H-301.

(4) That all such expansion joints shall be of the pre-moulded type.

(5) That all concrete work within the street area shall be done by a bonded sidewalk contractor.

(6) That all work shall be done in accordance with lines and grades furnished by the Engineering Department of the City of Austin and under the direction of the City Engineer.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, IN THE CERTAIN PARTICULARS HEREINAFTER STATED, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND REGULATING AND DISTRICTING THE HEIGHT, NUMBER OF STORIES AND SIZE OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES, THE PERCENTAGE OF LOT THAT MAY BE OCCUPIED, THE SIZE OF YARDS, COURTS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES, THE DENSITY OF POPULATION, THE LOCATION AND USE OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND LAND FOR TRADE INDUSTRY, RESIDENCES AND OTHER PURPOSES; AND DIVIDING THE CITY OF AUSTIN INTO DISTRICTS OR ZONES, AND REGULATING AND DISTRICTING THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, REPAIR AND USE OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES OR LAND WITHIN SUCH DISTRICTS OR ZONES; AND PROVIDING UNIFORM REGULATIONS FOR THE SEVERAL CLASSES AND KINDS OF BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES AND USES WITHIN THE DISTRICTS OR ZONES; AND ADOPTING TWO ZONING MAPS, DISCLOSING RESPECTIVELY THE SEVERAL USE DISTRICTS AND THE SEVERAL HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICTS AND THE RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS AND PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO SUCH DISTRICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR A BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND DEFINING THE POWERS OF SAME; AND PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REMEDIES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY."

The above ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Mueller moved a suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Mueller moved a further suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Mueller moved that same be finally passed. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING VENDING ON THE PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AND PRESCRIBING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

The above ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Mueller moved a suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its second reading. Motion was

seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Mueller moved a further suspension of the rule and the placing of the ordinance on its third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Mueller moved that same be finally passed. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alford and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Annual Report of the Board of Adjustment for the year 1932 was read and ordered filed.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is assessed on the tax rolls of the City of Austin for the year 1927 taxes amounting to \$61.68 on the improvements on Lot 2, Outlot 9, Division "A", H&TC Sub-division, Plat 26; and

WHEREAS, said improvements belonged to The Travis County Cotton Growers Association on January 1, 1927, and was not acquired by the Farmers & Ginners Oil Company until sometime during the year 1928, since which time the taxes have been paid; and

WHEREAS, the tax records of the City of Austin do not reveal an assessment on said improvements during the years that it was the property of The Travis County Cotton Growers Association, same having been exempted; now, therefore,

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

THAT the Tax Assessor and Collector be and he is hereby authorized to charge said tax levy off the tax rolls for the year 1927.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The application of J. E. Haire, 209 East 13th Street, for permit to operate as a taxicab a 1929 Nash automobile, Motor No. 1623375, State Highway License No. M 36-141, was read. Councilman Mueller moved that the application be granted. Motion was seconded by Mayor McFadden and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax rolls of the City of Austin taxes assessed and levied against Lot 8 and the East two-thirds of Lot 7 (J) in Original City Block No. 111 for the years 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, and 1932; and

WHEREAS, for all of said years said property has been owned and operated by Young Women's Christian Association, member of the Young Women's Christian Association of United States of America, for the purposes of said first named Association, and is and has been during said years conducted as a home for working girls of the City of Austin and County of Travis, and for the benefit of such girls said Association, the owner of said property, furnishes and has furnished for said years housing and food entirely without profit; and

WHEREAS, it appears from these facts, and it is so deemed by the City Council, that said property should have been exempted from taxation by the City of Austin during said years; therefore,

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

THAT the City Assessor and Collector of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized and directed to strike from the tax rolls of the City of Austin said property for taxation for