

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, November 25, 1930.

The Council was called to order at 7:40 P. M. by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; absent, Councilman Reed, 1.

The Mayor stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of hearing further requests and protests on the general provisions of the proposed Zoning Ordinance, and declared the hearing open.

D. B. Barrow and M. L. Pearson stated that they were the owners of Lots 73 and 72, respectively, in the south one-half of Outlot 1, Division "X" and wished this property designated as Commercial "C", and gave the following reasons in support of their request: That the location of this property is ideal for business, being situated at the intersection of the proposed Boulevard and Twenty-Sixth Street; that no traffic hazard will be created as the property sets back a short distance from the Boulevard; that the greater part of the property contiguous to these two lots is owned by the University and the City of Austin and that the residential property adjacent is either vacant or so situated that the rear of same abuts this property. In view of these facts, they stated they could see no valid objections to this property's being used as business property.

A written communication from the Mutual Deposit & Loan Company, by Fred C. Morse, Vice President, protesting against the property at 29th and Rio Grande Streets being changed from residential, as is designated in the original zoning plan, was read. In this connection, a petition signed by Charles Stephens and a large number of other residents protesting against a gasoline filling station being allowed at 29th and Rio Grande Streets, was also read.

Mrs. H. D. Koch of 2830 Rio Grande Street, asked that the Council grant her permission to sell her lot at the corner of 29th and Rio Grande Streets for a filling station site, and stated that there were business houses all around this property, there being four on that portion of the street at this time; that there was a real need for a filling station at this point to serve the traffic going to the new additions; that her property would bring a much better price if sold for this purpose; that on account of business houses being near same she could not sell this property for residential, or even rent same; and that she is greatly in need of the money that would be realized from the sale of same for a filling station.

H. R. Bruck stated that he did not see any need for a filling station in the twenty-ninth block on Rio Grande Street; that same would create a traffic hazard, and that thirty-two tax payers affected would like to see the City Council reserve this block as residential.

W. E. Ware stated that Rio Grande Street is a residential street and should be preserved as such.

Walter Bonugli, W. E. Riddle and W. R. Schulze, representing the property owners on East First Street, asked that this street be designated as a business street.

A written communication from W. G. Rissman, 2311 Red River Street, asking that Lots 15 and 16 in Block "E", Bouldin Addition, at South First and West Johanna Streets

be changed from residential to business property, was read. He stated that the property on the north and south of this property was business property; that his property is situated on one of the principal through streets and was bought for the purpose of using same for business, and thought no mistake would be made in extending the business zone to include this block, and one or more to the south of it, as this district is growing rapidly.

A written communication from Flury Advertising Company and Duplex Advertising Company, Inc., was read. They asked that the Council reconsider the proposed restricted districts for poster and bulletin boards, stating that same were neither fire nor traffic hazards and should not be classed with laundries, boiler factories, dry-cleaners, etc. They also stated that a business which brought into the City some seventy-five thousand dollars annually should be considered as an asset and not legislated into extermination.

Fred C. Morse, in a written communication, asked that West Seventh Street be kept as a business street as designated in the zoning plan, stating that business houses are already being located there and that it is logically a business street.

Mayor McFadden then asked if there were any other protestants present, or if there were any other matters on file for consideration in relation to zoning, and there being none, he declared the meeting adjourned subject to call.

Approved: 
MAYOR.