

Councilman Barker moved that the expense account of R. D. Thorp and J. E. McClain of the Austin Police Department, in the amount of \$48.16, incurred in their visit to Houston in the investigation of a negro suspect in the Engler Murder Case be approved and ordered paid. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Barker moved that the accounts against sundry parties for asphalt treatment of streets in front of their residences, including East 12th Street and other streets, be retired as active assets of the City, and hereafter carried on the Suspense Account.

Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller and Pannell, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Mueller moved that City Attorney, J. Bouldin Rector, be appointed to act as City Manager in the absence of City Manager Johnson, while in attendance upon the City Managers Convention at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, Pannell, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Pannell moved that the Council adjourn, subject to the call of the Mayor. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

The Council then adjourned.

P. H. McFadden
Mayor

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, September 23, 1926.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; absent, Councilman Reed.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

A motion was made by Councilman Pannell and seconded by Councilman Mueller that the Mayor, acting for the City Council, extend an invitation to the Southwestern Water Works Association to hold their next annual convention in October, 1927, in the City of Austin. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; nays none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Pannell moved that the bid of Brydson Lumber Company for the construction of a jail as per plans and specifications of the Architect, for the amount of \$7,223.00, same being the lowest and best bid for said work, be accepted, and the City Manager be instructed to enter into a contract with said Company, provided that said work shall not be paid for until on or before March 15th, 1927, and upon payment by the City of \$125.00 as carriage charges until said date.

Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, and Pannell, 3; naves, Councilman Barker; absent, Councilman Reed .

Councilman Pannell moved that the bid of Southern Steel Company for jail equipment, in the sum of \$7447.00, same being the lowest and best bid for said work, be accepted, and that the City Manager be instructed to enter into a contract for said equipment, as per terms of said bid, with the Walter Tips Company, said company being the assignee of the Southern Steel Company with reference to said work and said assignment is hereby recognized, payment for said equipment not to be made until on or before March 15th, 1927, without further charge to the City. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, and Pannell, 3; naves, Councilman Barker; absent, Councilman Reed.

Mayor McFadden introduced the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That because of the erroneous assessment of the improvements on Lots 54 and 55, Block 6, Outlot 3, Division "O" for 1923, the City Assessor is hereby directed and authorized to correct such assessment by placing the taxable value at \$500.00 for 1923, the amount ascertained by the Board of Equalization to be the just and correct valuation for the year of 1924, the evidence showing there had been no decrease of value between 1923 and 1924.

Councilman Barker moved that the above resolution be adopted and the Tax Assessor be instructed to change the assessment on his rolls. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, and Pannell, 4; naves, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Councilman Reed entered the Council Chamber.

Councilman Mueller moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with J. O. Andrewartha for the installation of a heating system for the new jail and vault, in the amount of \$1666.00, same to be paid for on or before March 15th, 1927, without further charge to the City. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pannell. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell and Reed, 4; Councilman Barker present but not voting.

Mayor McFadden introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, G. B. Cook has made application that the established grade of the sidewalk on Colorado Street in front of his premises, at the corner of Colorado Street and West Eleventh Street, be depressed for the purpose of carrying the water out of his entrance driveway, and for the further purpose of relieving the grade at this place as occasioned by a special feature of the City drainage on Colorado and Lavaca Streets; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant City Engineer has recommended that such application be granted, and that the grade of the sidewalk as now established be depressed to the extent of 6 inches on the west edge and 9 inches on the east edge of said walk, and that said grade be gradually sloped for a reasonable distance north and south from said driveway up to the original established grade; therefore,

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

That the recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer be adopted and that said grade at said point be established as modified.

Councilman Barker moved that the above resolution be adopted. Councilman Reed seconded the motion. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 5; nays, none.

Councilman Pannell moved to defer further consideration of the matter of paying the claim of Dr. Bolton, in the amount of \$500.00 for additional services, until the matter is again introduced by the Mayor. Councilman Barker seconded the motion. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Barker, Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 5; nays, none.

The Council then adjourned subject to call of the Mayor.

P. H. M. Fadden
Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, September 27, 1926.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 4; absent, Councilman Barker.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following resolution:

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

That the action of the City Council, at its regular meeting on September 23, 1926, in accepting the bid of Brydson Lumber Company for the construction of a jail, for the amount of \$7223.00, and instructing the City Manager to enter into a contract with said company to said effect, be and the same is hereby rescinded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the bid of said Brydson Lumber Company for said work be accepted, upon the express condition, however, that the City Council shall hereafter determine, in its consideration of the appropriations for public purposes in the budget for the year 1927, whether or not the City will have resources available for such purpose after determining the relative importance of such work with other public needs.

The above resolution failed of adoption by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden; nays, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 3; absent, Councilman Barker.

Mayor McFadden introduced the following resolution:

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

That the action of the City Council, at its regular meeting on September 23, 1926, in accepting the bid of the Southern Steel Company for jail equipment, for the amount of \$7447.00, and instructing the City Manager to enter into a contract with said company to said effect, be and the same is hereby rescinded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the bid of said Southern Steel Company for said work be accepted, upon the express condition, however, that the City Council shall hereafter determine, in its consideration of the appropriations for public