

Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas February 22nd 1917:

The Council was called to order by the Mayor : Roll called :

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Anthony:

This being a legal Holliday, the Council recessed until tomorrow, Feby 23rd 1917.

February 13rd 1917; All present:

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adopted:

Reports of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the Assessor & Collector, the Health Officer and the Fire Marshall for the month of January 1917, which were read and ordered filed:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, the corner of the large building at the northeast corner of Congress Avenue and 8th street in this City is finished diagonally instead of squarely ; and

Whereas, the Tobin Book and Stationery Company which is about to occupy this building, will improve the exterior as well as the interior of the same quite extensively , making among other improvement an expensive awning in front of and upon the south side of said building; and

Whereas, the present ordinances of this City call for an awning 12 feet wide on Congress Avenue and 10 feet wide on 8th street and

Whereas, to insist upon different widths of awnings at the intersection of Congress Avenue and 8th street where there is a diagonal cover to the building, in view of the very handsome awning to be erected at said street intersection, XXXX would , in the judgement of the City Council , be unreasonable.

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the Tobin Book Company be and it is hereby authorized to erect a street awning at the Bremond Building at the northeast corner of Congress Avenue and 8th street of the uniform width of 10 feet.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the minutes of the City Council held on February 8th 1917, shall be so amended as to show that Councilmen Haynes and Bartholomew moved to amend the Budget of the City of Austin submitted by the Mayor for 1917 by striking out of the list of appropriations the item of \$ 75.00, per month for the salary of the Secretary of the Board of amusement censors, which amendment was , however, lost by the following vote

*Minutes Book the
Awning
Congress Ave 14th St*

*Minutes amended
by B. and
Q. and M.*

Yeas Councilmen Bartholomew & Haynes 2

Nays Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony & Powell 3

N B . In justice to the Clerk who wrote up the minutes would say that the minutes as recorded ,were furnished by the Mayor, and recorded just as furnished.

The following communication from the Mayor was read:

Austin, Texas, Feby 23rd 1917:

Honorable City Council,

City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I here beg leave to amend my budget for the City of Austin for the year 1917 and insert in said budget as receipts for the Street and Sewer departments as on the The sum of \$ 1,344.21 received from the sale of steel owned by the City of Austin but not needed in its present works.

This credit is for permanent street work.

Respectfully ,

A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 405.32 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the unappropriated funds in the Permanent Street department to assist in paying for the finishing of the Little Shoal Creek Storm Sewer, together with the necessary connections, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ pavements, curbs and sidewalks connected with such project.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 364.15, unused surplus in the budget item, " To finish the City Hospital storm sewer" and 43 Cts. unused surplus in the budget item, "To complete the paving of Post Office alley" in the budget of the City of Austin for the year 1917, be and the same are hereby transferred to the appropriation item, "To finish Little Shoal Creek Storm Sewer" in said budget.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Feby 23rd : All present:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 62.00, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the unappropriated balance in the Permanent street fund to cover an overdraft in that amount for wages of teamsters at the pipe works.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Budget Amended

Little Shoal
Creek Storm
Sewer approved

Transfer funds for
App Little Shoal
Creek Storm Sewer

Approved for the same

Paving Work
Avenue.
Passed.

Specification
Paving W Ave.

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution ordering the improvement of a certain part of West Avenue in the City of Austin, and approving specifications, proposal, contract and bond therefor, which had been read the first time on the 16th of Feby and laid over for one week. The resolution was read the second time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none. None

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

(1) That the specifications attached hereto prepared by the City Engineer and made a part thereof, for Light Standard Bitulithic Wearing surface, and for concrete foundation and cement gutters therefor, respectively, shall be and are hereby adopted as the specifications under which such work shall be done for the City.

(2) That this specification be entered in the minutes with this resolution:
The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none,

Approved J Bouldin Rector, City Attorney.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Standard Bitulithic Wearing Surface

The wearing surface of light standard Bitulithic pavement shall be composed, constructed, laid and finished in accordance with the specifications heretofore adopted by the City of Austin for wearing surface for Bitulithic pavement, except that light standard Bitulithic wearing surface shall be not less than one and $\frac{1}{2}$ (1 $\frac{1}{2}$) inches thick after compression.

Concrete foundation for light standard Bitulithic pavement.

The concrete foundation for light standard Bitulithic pavement shall be composed, constructed, laid and furnished in accordance with general specification heretofore adopted by the City of Austin for concrete foundations, Section 13, but shall be not less than four (4) inches thick.

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Specifications for cement gutters, with light standard Bitulithic pavement
Cement gutters in connection with light standard Bitulithic pavement shall be not less than one and a half (1 $\frac{1}{2}$) inches thick on a concrete foundation four (4) inches thick, but shall otherwise be composed, constructed, laid and finished in accordance with the general specifications adopted by the City for cement gutters, Section 14.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the bid of the Texas Bithulithic Company to pave West Avenue from 6th to 19th streets in this City with light standard Bithulithic pavement of four inch gravel concrete base and the wearing surface of not less than one and one-half inches in thickness, at the price of \$ 1.75 per square yard, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council and the contract to do this work at the price above named be and the same is hereby awarded to the Texas Bithulithic Company.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Feb 24th 1917:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That leave be and is hereby granted to Brundage shows to exhibit without charge ,so far as rent of the premises is concerned, upon the Auditorium Square in this City for the week beginning Saturday ,February 24th 1917. and

Be it further resolved:

That the said Brundage shows are hereby permitted to enclose for the purpose of this show SanAntonio street from 4th to 5th streets, save and except a p assway of ten (10) feet in width from 4th to 5th streets.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony presented application of Herby Taggart for Albepresent driver of service car, which was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony & Haynes 3

Absent Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

February 26th 1917: All present :

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement, dated November 7th 1946, made by Solomon Brasfield, and agreed to by H B Barnhart, then Assistant City Attorney, and J D Copeland, Clerk of the Corporation Court, that the said Solomon Brasfield, was erroneously fined in cause No 10184, State of Texas vs Solomon Brasfield, in the total amount of fine and costs of \$ 34.80,

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That \$ 7.50, the amount of cash paid upon said judgement of conviction be and the same is directed to be refunded to the said Solomon Brasfield, and the balance of the \$ 34.80, or \$ 27.30, be and the same is hereby remitted; and it appearing that the \$ 7.50, cash paid by the said Solomon Brasfield, has been deposited in the Treasury of the City of Austin, Texas, Therefore,

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the sum of \$ 7.50, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, and instructed to be paid over to the said Solomon Brasfield.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement of Neil Hampton, Manager of the Neptus show of the S W Brundage shows, that he has given employment to Eugene Grubbs who will within a few days leave Austin with him, the said Neil Hampton,

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the charge of Vagrancy filed against the said Eugene Grubbs in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, is requested to be withdrawn by the Assistant City Attorney prosecuting same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the balance of the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 11.80, in case No 11667 State of Texas vs Magnolia Pierce in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, for the offense of fighting, be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That for good and sufficient causes unto the City Council moving, the balance of the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 19.30, in case No 11619, State of Texas vs Clarence Feller, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, for gaming, be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That for good and sufficient causes unto the City Council moving, the balance of the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 51.80, in case No 11670, State of Texas vs Andy McWhirter, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

*Neil Hampton
fine remitted
Grubbs.*

*Magnolia Pierce
fine remitted*

*Clarence Feller
fine remitted*

*Andy McWhirter
remitted*

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The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Feby 24th 1917:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

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Be it further resolved:

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The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony presented application of J O Taggart for license as driver of service car, which was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony & Haynes 3

Absent Councilmen Bartholomew & Powell 2

February 26th 1917: All present :

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement, dated November 7th 1916, made by Soloman Brasfield, and agreed to by H B Barnhart, then Assistant City Attorney, and J D Copeland , Clerk of the Corporation Court, that the said Soloman Brasfield, was erroneously fined in cause No 10184, State of Texas vs Soloman Brasfield, in the total amount of fine and costs of \$ 34.80,

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That \$ 7.50, the amount of cash paid upon said judgement of conviction be and the same is directed to be refunded to the said Soloman Brasfield, and the balance of the \$ 34.80, or \$ 27.30, be and the same is hereby remitted; and it appearing that the \$ 7.50, cash paid by the said Soloman Brasfield, has been deposited in the Treasury of the City of Austin, Texas, Therefore,

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the sum of \$ 7.50, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, and instructed to be paid over to the said Soloman Brasfield.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Brundage shows, Rents for Auditorium

J O Taggart Driver License

Soloman Brasfield refunded

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

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The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

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The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That for good and sufficient causes unto the City Council moving, the balance of the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 51.80, in cause No 1160, State of Texas vs Andy McWhirter, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin, Texas, be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

*Neil Hampton
fine remitted
E. Grubbs.*

*Magnolia Pierce
fine remitted*

*Clarence Feller
fine remitted*

*Andy McWhirter
fine remitted*

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Councilman Anthony presented application of R L Hickman for license as driver of service car which was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew & Haynes 3

Absent Councilmen Anthony & Powell 2

Feby 28th 1917:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

A resolution finally accepting the re-inforced concrete arch Bridge across Waller creek at East 19th street.

Whereas, the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements has filed his report with the City Council to the effect that the McDonald Concrete Company and Nalle & Company, their assignees, have completed the work of constructing the re-inforced concrete Bridge across Waller creek on East 19th street under contract with the City of Austin and that said work has been done in accordance with the contract, plans and specifications adopted by the City ,

Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the said work of improvement be finally accepted by the City and that the final estimate due by the City to said contractor be paid.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The following resolutions passed by the Council on the 16th day of February, were handed the Clerk on the 23rd of February, and are now here entered:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the petition of Mrs J H Pope to construct a new sidewalk along Guadalupe street from 12th street to the alley, connecting with the walk the City is now putting down on 12th street and placing said walk the same distance from the curbing on Guadalupe street that it is on West 12th street, be and the same is hereby granted; provided that the cost of removing the old sidewalk now in place and the building the new walk on Guadalupe street shall be born by Mrs J H Pope.

This arrangement is recommended by the City Engineer, M C Welborn, whose recommendation is attached hereto and largely made the basis of this resolution.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of \$ 30.32, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Cost and damage appropriation in the appropriations of the Water & Light department for the year 1917 and made payable to The Dallas Lime & Gravel Company in payment of damages caused by water turned loose from hydrants and overflowing the work done by the Dallas Lime and Gravel Company in its construction of the Little Shoal Creek Storm Sewer in this City,

*R L Hickman
Driver license*

*Bridge
Waller Creek
at 19th st
accepted*

*Mrs J H Pope
sidewalk*

*Dallas Lime
& Gravel Co.
Dallas, Tex.*

as is fully set out in the attached statement of M C Welborn, City Engineer, dated February 16th 1917, which statement is the basis of this appropriation.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

February 26th 1917: All present except

Bartholmew

Councilman Anthony nominated Roger Prior, to be Hose man of Engine Company No 1

to fill a vacancy caused by the assignment of Ed Talloch to be Engineer of the Pumper recently purchased by this City.

The nomination was confirmed by the following vote:

Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Haynes & Powell 3

Absent Councilman Bartholomew 1

Not voting Councilman Anthony 1

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. J. Johnson
City Clerk

*Rogan Prior
Hoseman*