

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, February 22, 1918.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: all members present.

The Mayor read to the Council the annual report of the Austin Gas Light Company ^{for 1917} made to the Secretary of State of Texas, a copy of which is supplied to the city. It was ordered received and filed.

A communication from the Railroad Commission of Texas dated Feb. 13, 1918, and relating to the dismissal of the petition of the I. & G. N. Railway for authority to take up the track on the "Sand Beach Reserve" in this city, was read.

The City Attorney read to the Council an application to the State Board of Water Engineers for the appropriation of water from the Colorado river and its tributaries.

A committee appeared before the Council on behalf of the S. W. Brundage Shows asking permission to use certain of the downtown streets. This was denied, but assurance was given that East Avenue, north and south of Sixth Street, might be used for the purposes of the carnival.

The Council then adjourned.

*J. A. Warren
City Clerk*

*R.R. Commission:
Sand Beach for
Train Division?*

*Brundage Shows
use of streets*

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, February 25, 1918.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor: all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council the matter of contagious diseases, referring to threatening conditions at the present time. He declared that one cause of epidemics is the coming and going, at will, of numerous Mexican families. These people, in addition to spreading disease, he said, often become objects of charity and a burden on the community.

The Mayor discussed the question as to how the various funds of the city should be carried on the books of the Treasurer, but no action was taken.

The Council then adjourned.

*J. A. Warren
City Clerk*

*Contagious
diseases
discussion*

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, February 26, 1918.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council the question whether each department of the city government should bear the expense of the telephone service used by such department. No action taken.

The Mayor then laid before the Council the following Resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

I. That the Assessor and Collector of Taxes of this city and the Cashier of the Water, Light and Power Department of this city, be and they are hereby instructed to deposit with the Treasurer of the City of Austin, Texas, all municipal collections of every character and description which may come into their custody as Assessor and Collector of Taxes and Cashier of the Water, Light and Power Department, respectively.

II. That the Assessor and Collector of this city be and he is hereby authorized to distribute or assign, as the case may be, on special deposit slips or on assignment sheets, as may be most acceptable to the City Treasurer of this city, all municipal collections of taxes and other incomes of the city in the following manner, in the following percentages and to the credit of the following funds, to-wit:

(a) Sixty-five per centum (65%) of one per centum (1%) of ad valorem taxes shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.

(b) Sixty-five per centum (65%) of ad valorem taxes, or such other percentage of ad valorem taxes, or such other incomes as may properly belong to the Interest and Sinking Fund from past or future rates of taxation for account of the Interest and Sinking Fund, shall be deposited to the credit of the Interest and Sinking Fund.

(c) Forty-five per centum (45%) of ad valorem taxes, or such other past or future rates of municipal taxes as have been or shall hereafter be levied in the interest of the Austin Public Free Schools shall be deposited or credited to the account of the Public Free Schools of this city and such other funds as shall properly belong to the Public Free Schools, especially such funds as may arise from the sale of bonds issued in the interest of the Public Free Schools of this city, shall also be deposited to the credit of the Public Free Schools of this city.

(d) Thirty per centum (30%) of one per centum (1%) of ad valorem taxes shall be deposited to the credit of the General Street Improvement Fund of this city.

(e) All funds arising from any source from permanent street work of this city shall be credited to the Permanent Street Improvement Fund.

(f) Three per centum (3%) of one per centum (1%) of ad valorem taxes shall be deposited to the credit of the Park Fund.

(g) Two per centum (2%) of one per centum (1%) of ad valorem taxes shall be deposited to the credit of the Cemetery Fund.

(h) All funds accruing from the sale of cemetery lots in Oakwood Cemetery Annex shall be deposited to the credit of the Cemetery Purchase Fund.

(i) All funds accruing in any way from the operation of the Sanitary Sewer Department shall be credited to the Sanitary Sewer Fund.

(j) All funds belonging to the Sanitary Sewer Earnings Fund shall be deposited to the credit of this account, as directed by the budget or resolution from time to time passed by the City Council.

(k) All interest accruing from daily balances on special funds of the City of Austin shall be deposited by the Assessor and Collector of Taxes of this city or the Cashier of the Water, Light and Power Department to the credit of the fund producing said interest.

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city funds
Department*

(1) All funds going by assignment in the budget or otherwise by resolution of the City Council or by present practice of the city government shall be deposited to the credit of the department to which said funds belong.

(m) All miscellaneous incomes of every character and description not otherwise appropriated by this resolution shall be deposited by the Assessor and Collector of Taxes to the credit of the General Fund.

III. That the City Treasurer of the City of Austin be and he is hereby expressly exempted from every legal or other responsibility for the correct apportionment, assignment or deposit of funds in detail as set out in Section II of this resolution. The only requirement made of the City Treasurer in receiving municipal deposits is that he shall see that the gross deposits made to his credit as Treasurer of the City of Austin, Texas, shall be as shown on the several deposit slips or assignment sheets as made to his credit as Treasurer by either the Assessor and Collector of this city or the Cashier of the Water, Light and Power Department, and which deposits in detail, without responsibility as to the correctness of same, he shall direct to be entered upon his ledgers in the manner, form and amount as set out in the assignment sheets submitted by the Assessor and Collector of this city.

IV. It is hereby resolved that it shall be optional with the City Treasurer to receive assignment sheets of the various funds to be distributed as set out in Section II of this resolution or to insist upon special deposits covering said distributed items.

The Resolution was adopted by the following vote: Yeas-- Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 5; nays, none.

APPROVED, February 26, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

J. A. Warren
City Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, February 27, 1918.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: all members present.

After discussion, the Council agreed that the Mayor should issue a permit to the local agent of the I. & G. N. Railway authorizing him to place a car on the spur track which traverses the "Sand Beach," now controlled by the city, for the purpose of loading and removing the machinery and equipment of the Austin Sand and Gravel Company.

The Mayor then read to the Council a communication signed by himself as Mayor, in which he explained the transaction by which, in the fall of 1917, an automobile was purchased for the Chief of the Fire Department, at the cost of \$800.00, the Street Department

*Sand Beach
car to run over
the machinery*

agreeing to take the Fire Chief's old Ford car at the price of \$125.00. In the same connection, the Mayor offered the following Resolution:
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

That the proposal of the Mayor to amend the budget of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1918 so that he can add to the receipts of the General Fund the warrant of the Street Department in the amount of \$125.00 issued by that department in part pay of the automobile of the Fire Chief, which amount he recommends be at once appropriated in the budget for the year 1918 to the account of the purchase of an automobile for the Fire Chief, making the total appropriation for said purpose of \$800.00, be and the same is hereby accepted, approved and adopted.

The Resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas.

APPROVED, February 27, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor offered the following Resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

That the Mayor of this city be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to draw a warrant upon the City Treasurer of the City of Austin, Texas, in favor of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Austin Public Free Schools for the sum of Fifty Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars (\$50,375.00) in payment of the proceeds of the recent sale of \$50,000.00 of Austin 5 per cent Funding Bonds sold to William R. Compton Company of St. Louis, Mo., for the benefit of the Austin Public Free Schools.

This Resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas.

APPROVED, February 27, 1918: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

A communication from the Austin Rotary Club in the interest of cheaper water rates for the irrigation of gardens was read.

H. A. Wroe and W. E. Long, president and secretary, respectively, of the Austin Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Council asking its co-operation in the matter of providing a landing field for airplanes. They explained that the Government desired the use of a tract immediately south of St. Edward's College. After discussion it was agreed that the Council would appropriate the sum of \$100.00 toward clearing off this tract and putting it into condition to be used as a landing place.

The Council then adjourned.

J. A. Warren
City Clerk

Street Dept.
Feb 27 1918

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Landing
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for planes