

Regular meeting of the City Council: Astin, Texas, May 26th 1910.

Hon A P Wooldrige, Mayor presiding: Roll called:
Present Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Absent none.

The minutes of the last regular and adjourned meeting were read and approved.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended, and the matter of the purchase of ground for Park purposes in East Austin, taken up. Citizens for and against the proposition to purchase the property known as the Robertson Hill property, addressed the Council, but no action taken. The Council then recessed until 2,30 oclock P M.

May 26th 3, P M

The Council was called to order by the Mayor, with all members present. The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from J A Littleton for permission to erect a small building on East 5th and Red River streets, within the Fire Limits, for a lunch stand, which was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Reports of City Officers:

Councilman Bartholomew presented a substitute Annual report as Supt of the Water & Light Dept for the year 1909, also Monthly reports for the months of January, February, March and April 1910, which were ordered filed. Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution, viz:

Whereas the City of Austin on April 1st 1910 paid \$ 22,500.00 on the purchase price of the Old water & Light plant, out of the General fund, and,

Whereas, the City of Austin on the 1st day of April 1910, owed the Water & Light department the sum of \$ 24,024.00, for water & light furnished the twelve months preceeding April 1st 1910, therefore,
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the Superintendent of Parks & Public Property be authorized to credit the City of Austin with \$ 22,500.00, on the \$ 24,024.00 account the City owes the Water & Light Department.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Unfinished business:

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance regulating traffic across the Avenue bridge across the Colorado River at the foot of Congress Avenue, etc:

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote
Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5.
Nays none.

The Mayor offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the Superintendent of the Department of Parks and Public Property be and he is hereby instructed to purchase from the owners thereof,

Park East Austin

J A Littleton building permit

Substitute Annual report water & light Dept 1909

City of Austin to be credited on account due for water & light by amt paid on old water & light plant \$ 22,500.00

Ordinance regulating traffic on Colorado Bridge

*Part Exhibit
Robertson property*

a tract of land in East Austin, known as the west p. part of Robertson's Hill, and consisting of about four acres of land; provided that upon prpexamination, the title in the vendors of this property shall be shown to be good, and the area of about four acres of land or say twenty one and one-half (21 1/2) lots of ground of the dimensions of 46 feet by 125 feet, in addition to streets and alleys there; and provided further, that the purchase of said property be made for \$ 7,500. all together, \$ 2,500. of which \$ 7,500. shall be cash, about \$ 1,500. in receipted taxes; and that an option be given to the City for the purchase of the remaining unpaid part of said tract of land, about \$ 3,500., payable one year hence, and without interest on the deferred payment.

The resolution was lost by the following vote :
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge 1
Nays V Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 4

New business :

*H. L. Raven, damages
for horse killed*

Councilman Bartholomew presented a bill of H L Raven for \$ 125.00 for horse killed by the City, which was allowed and ordered paid by the following vote :
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution, viz:

*Accounts for power
to be computed
under new schedule for
certain back months*

Resolved that the Superintendent of Parks and Public Property be authorized to compute accounts for power for the months of Feb'y, March & April in accordance with the schedule now existing, and he is further authorized to rebate the extra amount that may have been paid by any consumers of power for three months in excess of the present schedule.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Bartholomew presented to the Council, a bill of Costs of Court in the Abadie case, which was ordered paid by the following vote:

*Costs Court Case
Abadie vs City
ordered paid*

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none. The Mayor laid before the Council a report of the City Attorney, in matter of petitions for Spur tracks, etc of different parties which was read & filed. On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

May 27th 1910.

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

**Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution, viz:
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:**

That three hundred and eighty four dollars (\$ 384.) of the two thousand eight hundred and eighty four dollars (\$2,884) appropriated by the City Council to the beginning of the purchase of a Park for East Austin, be and said \$ 384. is hereby transferred to and made a general contingent fund of the City for Park purposes.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the appropriation of \$ 600.00 in the budget of the Waterlight & Sewer Dept for the present year: part pay of salary of Assistant City Clerk at \$ 50.00 per month

*Opinion City Attorney
Spur tracks, etc*

*Transfer of Park
fund.*

Payment of salaries City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk

be amended so as to read as follows:

" For part pay of City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk in equal proportions of \$ 25.00 each per month \$ 600.00 "

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

May 25th 1910.

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

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

~~That an election be held, and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be held on the first day of June, 1910, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Austin.~~

That the resolution of the City Council of the City of Austin, passed May 19th 1910, calling an election of the qualified voters of the City of Austin, which election was to have been held first on the first day of June, and afterwards, by resolution passed ^{June} May 21st, 1910, changed to June 15th, to pass an ordinance, granting to Claud V Burhead and Associates, their Successors and Assigns the right to construct and operate a line or lines of street railway in the City of Austin, Texas, be and said resolution is in all things repealed, cancelled and annulled.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That an election be held, and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be held in the City of Austin, on Wednesday, the twenty-second day of June, 1910, from eight A M to seven P M, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Austin.

Proposition.

Shall the City Council of the City of Austin pass the following ordinance, to wit:

Here follows the ordinance.

The resolution was passed by the following Vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

May 30th 1910.

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

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the salaries for the month of May 1910, and thereafter, of the Nurses and Attendants at the City Hospital be and the same are hereby continued as heretofore established until further order of the City Council.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Election ordinance franchise Burhead, et al annulled, repealed

Election on franchise of Burhead, et al ordered

Salaries Nurses and Attendants City Hospital fixed

Ordinance Creating
Office of Fire Marshal

Councilman Hart offered the following ordinance:

An ordinance, creating the Office of Fire Marshal, prescribing the duties thereof, providing for its maintenance, and prescribing penalties for delinquents.

The ordinance was read the first time and the clerk suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

The ordinance regulating public vehicles for hire came up.

Vehicle Ordinance

Mayor Weeldridge moved that the vote by which this ordinance was placed upon its third reading on May 19th be reconsidered. The vote was reconsidered - 5 yeas - no nays. Mayor Weeldridge then moved to amend said ordinance by striking out section three and to amend section four, so that section four should hereafter read as follows:

"That it also hereby made unlawful for such public vehicles as is described in this ordinance to stand upon any of the other streets of this City in addition to Congress Avenue and 12th street, unless the owner, lessee or other person having legal control of the property adjacent to any such street or streets shall consent thereto in writing."

Amended & passed

Councilman Bartholomew then moved to amend the amendment offered by Mayor Weeldridge, so that public vehicles for hire could stand upon any of the streets of Austin with the consent of the persons owning or controlling the adjacent property. Vote was then had upon Councilman Bartholomew's amendment to Mayor Weeldridge's amendment, with the following result: In favor of the amendment, as offered by Councilman Bartholomew - Councilmen Bartholomew and Powell. Against said amendment of Councilman Bartholomew - Mayor Weeldridge and Councilmen Gracy and Hart.

The matter then came up for the adoption of the amendments offered by Mayor Weeldridge, and said amendments were adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell, 4

Nays Councilman Gracy.

The ordinance as amended was then read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Gracy, Hart & Powell 4

Nays Councilman Gracy - Bartholomew 1

Petition of Maud et al
to open street
Refused

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from Hudson Maud et al, asking to have a certain street opened, which was on motion refused by the following vote:

Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Austin, Texas June 1st 1910.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor.

Present Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Gray and Hart 2

Absent Councilmen Bartholemew and Powell 2

The Mayor laid before the Council the Council the resignations of Mallery and Bustin, which were accepted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Gray and Hart 3

Absent Councilmen Bartholemew & Powell 2

Councilman Bartholemew entered the Council chamber and answered to his name

Councilman Hart nominated J C White as Mounted Policeman, which nomination

was confirmed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholemew & Gray 3

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Present not voting Councilman Hart 1

Councilman Hart nominated G O Maddox as foot Strelman, which nomination

was confirmed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholemew & Gray 3

Absent Councilman Powell 1

Present not voting Councilman Hart 1

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from Robt Walling asking to have his Assessment for taxes corrected, together with his

affidavit in regard to same, which petition was granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholemew Gray and Hart 4

The Assessor and Collector of taxes was directed to make the correction as prayed for and credit Walling on his rolls.

On the recommendation of the City Marshal, Councilman Hart moved that a fine assessed in the Recorders court against B Sullivan, amounting to \$ 11.25, be remitted, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholemew & Hart 3

Nays Councilman Gray 1

Councilman Powell entered the Council chamber and answered to his name.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following offers for sale of City

Bonds, viz:

F W Mason & Co Boston \$ 3000.00 at 94 1/2 cents and Interest

F W Mason & Co Boston \$ 2,000.00 at 95cents and Interest.

Jas G Cahill St P. Louis \$ 6,000.00 at 93 1/4 & Interest

W W Halsey & Co Chicago \$ 5,000.00 at 95 1/2 & Interest.

Fiel Lengath & Co Cin \$ 10,000.00 at 94cents & Interest.

Councilman Bartholemew moved that the Council accept all offers of Bonds

offers up to 95 cents & interest, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge, Councilmen Bartholemew, Gray, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

On motion the Council recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Resignations of Policemen Mallery & Bustin

J C White Confirmed as Mounted Policeman

G O Maddox Confirmed as Policeman

Robt Walling to correct Assessment

Fine of B Sullivan remitted

Bonds for sale of Bonds to sinking fund.

Bonds for Bonds accepted

Austin, June 2 PM

Councilman Hart submitted to the Council the following bids for building Stable, Sheds, etc, viz.

Bids for building Stable in ...

E S Slaughter	\$ 745.00
J I & J L Pearce	1, 095.00
Sam Payne	750.00
W Grimmer	1,250.00

Councilman Hart moved to accept the bid of E S Slaughter provided he add "the work to be done according to plans and specifications and enter into bond of \$ 300.00 for the faithful performance of the contract", which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution, viz :

In the budget of the Police department for the year 1910 an additional mounted patrolman was allowed at a salary of (\$ 85.00) eighty five dollars per month, or \$ 1020.00 per year, and it being suggested by the Superintendent of Police and Public Safety that a foot patrolman at a salary of \$ 70.00 per month would answer the purpose desired.

Budget 1910 Amended -

Be it therefore resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that said change be made and the same is hereby granted and that a foot patrolman at a salary of (\$ 70.00) seventy dollars per month be substituted in said budget for a mounted patrolman at \$ 85.00 per month, and that the difference between said amounts and the same is hereby transferred to the miscellaneous item of said Police department. The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy & Hart 4
Absent not voting Councilman Powell 1

Applications for Appointment Dog Catcher

Los Evans Examined Dog Catcher

The following applications for appointment for the position of dog catcher were read Los, Evans, C H Stelfox, W H Pittsford, H Ries & —Sauls.

Councilman Hart nominated Los Evans for appointment as Dog Catcher, which nomination was confirmed by the following vote,:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy & Powell 4
Not voting Councilman Hart 1

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved that contractors building cement sidewalks in the City of Austin, be required to impress in walk at the corners of each street the names or numbers of such street. The resolution was read and laid over.

N B .The following proceedings of the Council were had on the 25th day of May 1910 but were not reported to the Clerk until after the foregoing minutes were recorded.

Pure Food Ordinance

May 25th 1910.

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

By Councilman Hart an ordinance providing for the exposing for sale and for the sale of pure food stuffs within the City of Austin; providing for the issuance of permits for the sale of dairy products; etc, etc.

The ordinance was read the first time and the rule suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

The ordinance was read the second time and laid over.

At a time the Council adjourned,

City Clerk.