

The report of Koch & Fowler covering a sanitary sewer survey of the City of Austin was submitted to the Council and Councilman Reed moved that the report be received and filed and City Warrant be issued to said Koch & Fowler in accordance with the contract for such work heretofore entered into between the City of Austin and Koch & Fowler. Motion was seconded by Mayor McFadden and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 4; nays, none, Councilman Steck absent.

Mayor McFadden moved that the account of Dr. Will Watt, in the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for professional services rendered a city employe in an emergency, be allowed and ordered paid. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Reed, 4; nays, none, Councilman Steck absent.

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

The Council then recessed.

Approved: 
Mayor.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, December 1, 1927.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; absent, none.

Mrs. R. C. Walker and Mrs. Jno. K. Donnan appeared before the Council and requested that the city include in its budget for 1928 an appropriation of Six Hundred Dollars for the Children's Home. The matter was referred to the City Manager,

Messrs. Horace Barnhart, representing the Lions Club, and Oswald Petit, Representative of the National Playgrounds Association of America, were heard with reference to the establishment of a Playgrounds and Recreation Department for the City of Austin. The Council advised them that the matter would be taken under advisement with a view to determining the best means for providing same.

Judge Wheeler and Messrs. Fuller and Bowman, Bond Buyers, were heard with reference to the sale at this time of the issue of Hospital Bonds. The matter was taken under advisement.

Hugo Kuehne, Architect for the new hospital building, gave the Council a report on the progress of his work.

Councilman Reed introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there was assessed against the Scottish Rite Holding Association certain improvements on Block 32, in Division "E", of the City of Austin, at the value of \$650.00, for the years 1924, 1925 and 1926; and

WHEREAS, it is shown that said improvements consisted during said times of old, dilapidated, stone walls which are the remnants of a house that formerly

stood upon said property, and during said years same had practically no taxable value; therefore,

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

THAT the City Tax Assessor & Collector be and he is hereby instructed to strike from his rolls said item for each of said years, and to cancel the taxes computed against same, and to take credit accordingly.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

The mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has heretofore acquired tax title to Lots Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9, of a Subdivision of a part of the Isaac Decker League, Abstract 8, Survey 28, Travis County, Texas, consisting of 9 acres of land, more or less; and also 1-1/2 acres of land, more or less, out of a part of Subdivision 4, of 64-1/2 acres of land set apart to Bettie Goodrich, in the partition of the Estate of S. W. Goodrich, deceased, and being a part of the Isaac Decker League in Travis County, Texas, all of said tracts of land being described by metes and bounds in the certain deed, dated November 22, 1926, to the City of Austin, from the Sheriff of Travis County, Texas; which property was sold the City of Austin for city taxes due thereon for the years 1908 to 1925, both inclusive, and which taxes, together with interest and penalties, amount to approximately \$400.00; and

WHEREAS, Victor Gleckler proposes to pay to the City of Austin the sum of \$400.00 in cash for a quitclaim deed from the City of Austin to said property; therefore,

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

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to said Victor Gleckler the quitclaim deed of the City of Austin, conveying said property to said Victor Gleckler, upon payment by him to said city of the sum of \$400.00 in cash.

Councilman Mueller moved the adoption of the above resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Reed and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is now of record in Book "2", at page 605, of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, a plat endorsed "Plat in Addition D for Dr. Graham", which plat indicates that the maker thereof intended to dedicate and set aside as an alley a strip of land extending from Salado Street to San Pedro Street, and between the parcels of land marked "Wilkins" and Lot Number 6 on said Plat, which lands are according to said plat in Division D of the City of Austin; and

WHEREAS, there is also of record in Book No. 2 at page 191 of the Plat Records of Travis County, a plat or drawing which is accompanied by the Affidavit of J. W. Graham, which plat or drawing likewise shows that an alley 20 feet in width extends from Salado Street to San Pedro Street, through the strip of land lying between what are now West 26th and West 28th Streets, of the City of Austin and that said alley was dedicated as such by the owner of said land; and

WHEREAS, it has been conclusively made known to the City Council that all of said parcel of land designated as an alley or passageway on said two plats has been held, used and possessed for more than forty years prior to this date

by Mrs. Emily Miller of Travis County, Texas, and by her vendor's and assignor's adversely to the City of Austin, same having been enclosed by fences and occupied and used during all of said time by said parties, and that the title thereto by reason of the statutes of limitation of the State of Texas has been acquired by the said Mrs. Emily Miller as against the City of Austin;

Therefore,

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

THAT for the purpose of removing from the title, as acquired and held by the said Mrs. Emily Miller, any cloud that may have been cast thereon by reason of the record of said plats, the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to execute and deliver to said Mrs. Emily Miller the quitclaim deed of the City of Austin to said strip of land above described.

Councilman Reed moved the adoption of the above resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

A letter from the Community Welfare Association of colored women, asking that the city provide a colored public health nurse for the colored people, was received, read, and referred to the City Health Officer for attention and recommendation to the Council.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

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

THAT for good and sufficient reasons unto the City Council shown, the costs, amounting to Ten Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$10.80) in each of the following numbered causes, convicted in the Corporation Court of Austin, Texas, for violation of the parking ordinances of the City, be and the same are hereby remitted:

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. 24020 | - Pete Balagia - Parking auto on paved street at night after midnight | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24021 | - Bruno Flores | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24077 | - Charlie Poteet | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24080 | - Dewitt Loveless | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24086 | - E. T. Gieson | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24087 | - John Nimskey | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24092 | - M. P. Spearman | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24093 | - Jack Conway | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24094 | - H. C. McRoe | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24085 | - Elmore A. Page | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24118 | - A. H. Ritter | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24119 | - J. E. Cling | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24120 | - R. T. Slaughter | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24142 | - Ernest Parker | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24143 | - C. C. Insall | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24166 | - Arthur Walchez | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24167 | - J. J. Saeb | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24168 | - P. J. Carrigan | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24169 | - H. H. Gomnitz | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24170 | - Dale Miller | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24171 | - A. E. McKean | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24172 | - Jim Browning | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24173 | - D. A. Webb | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24174 | - D. B. Lacy | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| No. 24175 | - Lillian Armstrong - Hour Parking Automobile Ordinance | | | | | | | | | |
| No. 24200 | - Ned Barker - Parking Auto on paved street after midnight. | | | | | | | | | |

Councilman Reed moved the adoption of the above resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pannell and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

The City Manager submitted to the Council the matter of building a bridge on East 12th Street leading to Evergreen Cemetery, the City's proportionate part of the cost of same to be approximately One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The Council agreed with the City Manager that this work was necessary to be done and authorized City Manager to proceed with same.

A communication from property owners asking for one hour parking law on west side of Colorado Street from 5th to 7th Streets, was read and the matter referred to the City Manager.

Councilman Reed moved that the Council recess, subject to call of the Mayor. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pannell, and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, Reed, and Steck, 5; nays, none.

The Council then recessed.

Approved: *J. M. McFadden*
Mayor.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, December 8, 1927.

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

Mayor McFadden moved that Ed R. Kone, Judge of the Corporation Court, be granted a leave of absence for ten days, beginning December 19th. Motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and Councilman Mueller moved the adoption of same. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pannell and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council the following resolution:

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

That the following alley of the City of Austin be paved with 6-inch concrete pavement at the earliest possible time:

Alley running east and west between Tenth and Eleventh Streets and Congress Avenue and Brazos Street, Block 123, Original City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to notify W. E. Dozier to include said alley in his program for construction in accordance with his contract of October 27, 1927.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, Pannell, and Steck, 4; nays, none, Councilman Reed absent.

Meadames C.P. Kinney and Ed Newton, representing the Parent-Teachers Association, asked that the Council assist them in their program for Christmas decoration by having the spruce tree on West 12th Street between Junior High School and Pease School strung with electric lights. The matter was referred to the City Manager, with instructions to include same in the City's plan for Christmas lighting, if it were at all possible.

Mayor McFadden laid before the Council a communication from the Girls Settlement Club, asking for a remission of taxes on property owned by them,