

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, November 25, 1932.

The Council met for a further consideration of tax appeals. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; absent, Councilman Steck, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. Prudence Bailey, filed by L. A. Robbins, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements situated on Lot 6, Block 29, Original City, Plat 11, the Council sustained the recommendation of the Tax Department that the two-thirds taxable valuation on said improvements be placed at \$13,085.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Felix Cherico from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 510 Congress Avenue, on 18 feet of Lot 3, Block 55, Plat 8, the Council authorized no change in the existing valuation of \$4575.00, but on the improvements located on Lot 5 and the north one foot of Lot 4, Block 29, Original City, Plat 11, a change in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$8800.00 to \$7020.00 was authorized by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of E. C. Gaines from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements on Lot 3, Block 37, Plat 1, Original City, located at 16th and Guadalupe Streets, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$600.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Albert R. Davis from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 702-702½ West 25th Street, on 44x120 feet of the south one-half of Outlot 52, Division "D", Plat 49, the Council sustained the recommendation of the Tax Department that the two-thirds taxable valuation on same be placed at \$7035.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz on behalf of Addie Jones, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 2410 Grandview, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation on same from \$115.00 to \$65.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz on behalf of Charles Dunk from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the property located at 1410 East 19th Street, the Council authorized no change in the valuation of the lot, but authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation on the improvements from \$1515.00 to \$1235.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz on behalf of the Taylor National Bank from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the property located at 720 East 6th Street, the Council authorized no change in the valuation of the land, but authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation on the improvements from \$200.00 to \$100.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz on behalf of the Austin Saengerrunde Home Company from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on its property, the Council authorized no change in the land value, but authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation on the improvements from \$4280.00 to \$3850.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on property owned by him located on the International & Great Northern Railroad tracks across from the Tips-Heierman Company, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation on the land of \$100.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. J. Von Koenneritz from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on his home place at 1333 West 6th Street, and described as 110x396 feet of the west part of Outlot 1, Division "2", Plat 101, the Council authorized no change in the existing land valuation of \$3115.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of N. J. Johnson from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 210<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> East 22nd Street, on Lot 3, Block 15, Outlot 46, Division "B", Plat 42, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation on the improvements from \$268.00 to \$180.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of George H. Thomas from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on property owned by him at 4500 Avenue "E", being Lot 8, Block 4, Hyde Park Annex, Plat 85, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation on the land of \$845.00 and a two-thirds taxable valuation on the improvements of \$860.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. Alice V. Garman from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements at 19th Street and Whitis Avenue, located on Lot 11, Block "C", Outlot 20, Division "D", Plat 45, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation on same of \$12,645.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Ernest H. Vaughan from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 3412 Cedar Street, on Lot 2, Block 4, Outlot 77, Inman Heights, Plat 71, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation on the new building of \$1850.00, and a two-thirds taxable valuation on the old building of \$1195.00, the valuation on the new building for the year 1932 being based on a 66-2/3% completion, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. J. Silberstein from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements located at 415-417 East 6th Street, on part of Lot 3, the north one-half of Block 59, Original City, Plat 9, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$3840.00;

On the improvements located at 502 East 7th Street, on the East 23 feet of Lot 1, and the west 25 feet of Lot 2, Block 88, Original City, Plat 9, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$2055.00;

On the improvements located at 309 East 6th Street on the East One-half of Lot 11, Block 58, Original City, Plat 9, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$4615.00;

On the improvements located at 213 East 6th Street on the West One-half of Lot 9, Original City, Plat 8, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$4710.00; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of M. & S. Silberstein from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements on part of Lots 5, 6, 7, Block 37, Original City, Plat 10, located on East Avenue between 4th and 5th Streets, and consisting of ten houses, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$1665.00;

On the improvements located on Rainey Street, Lot "G", Block 6, Outlots 72-73, Plat 13, consisting of seven houses, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$2935.00;

On the improvements located on Rainey Street, Lot 18, Block 1, Outlots 72 and 73, Plat 13, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$430.00; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Max Silberstein from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements located at No. 7 Palma Plaza, on Lot 56, Outlots 7 and 8, Enfield "B", Plat 92, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$2065.00;

On the improvements located at 319 East 6th Street on the west 23 feet of Lot 8, Block 58, Original City, Plat 9, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$2355.00; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Jake Silberstein from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located on Lot 49, Outlots 7 and 8, Enfield "B", Plat 92, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$3865.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Louis Silberstein from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements, consisting of five houses, on Lot 4, Block 140, Original City, Plat 4, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$865.00 to \$670.00;

On the improvements, consisting of five houses, on Lot 5, Block 140, Original City, Plat 4, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$1165.00 to \$950.00;

On the improvements on part of Lot 2, Block 66, Original City, Plat 9, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$955.00 to \$575.00;

On the improvements on Lot 9, Block 3, Outlot 3, Division "A", Plat 30, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$755.00 to \$490.00;

On the improvements on Lot 10, Block 3, Outlot 3, Division "A", Plat 30, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$480.00 to \$205.00;

On the improvements on Lot 12, being three houses, Block 3, Outlot 3, Division "A", Plat 30, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$920.00 to \$770.00;

On Lots 3 and 4, Block 1, Outlot 11, Division "Z", Plat 103, the Council authorized no change in valuations on either the lots or the improvements; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Sam Silberstein from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 1317-1319-1321 Garden Street and 66 and 68 Navasota Street, on Lots 75, 76, and 77, Outlot 45, Canterbury Square, Plat 21, consisting of five houses, the Council authorized a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$710.00 each, making a total of \$3550.00 instead of \$2840.00, as previously assessed, due to the fact that said Sam Silberstein was charged on four houses instead of five; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. M. K. Lane, filed by L. B. Shaw, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at No. 30 Palma Plaza on Lot 10, Enfield "E", Plat 90-B, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$4135.00 to \$3730.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Ben Walker on behalf of Mrs. Ben Walker Estate, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 505 San Jacinto Street, on parts of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 58, Original City, Plat 9, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$10,145.00 to \$8,665.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of H. E. Seekatz from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements located at 4007 Avenue "D", on Lots 9 and 10, Block 33, Hyde Park No. 1, Plat 78, no change in the two-thirds taxable valuation of \$2,460.00;

On the improvements located at 3413 and 3415 West Avenue, on Lots "Q" and "K", Block 7, Outlot 76, Division "D" unplatted, Plat 72, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation of each from \$1210.00 to \$910.00;

by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. R. W. Castleman from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements located at West 6th and Colorado Streets, on part of Lots 7, 8, and 9, Block 55, Original City, Plat 8, the two-thirds taxable valuation be maintained at \$5260.00;

On the improvements situated at 215 West 6th Street, on Lot 11, Block 54, Original City, Plat 8, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$2,430.00 to \$965.00;

On the improvements located at 910 West 26th Street, on Lot "D", Outlot 59, Division "D", Plat 58, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$4,205.00 to \$3,735.00; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Mrs. Jennie Boothe, filed by Del Boothe, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 1509 Travis Boulevard, on Lot 8, Block 31, Travis Heights Addition, Plat 133, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$5885.00 to \$4590.00, same to be retroactive for the years 1930 and 1931, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Dr. W. F. Bryan, filed by T. B. Walling, from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the lot located at the corner of Hemphill and 33rd Streets in Aldridge Place, and described as part of Lots 91, 93, and 95, Block 5, Outlots 73 and 74, Division "D", Aldridge Place, Plat 64, the Council authorized that the present two-thirds taxable valuation of \$1625.00 be maintained, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of J. L. Sampley from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 1106 West Avenue, on 46x128 feet of Outlot 5, Division "E", Burlage Addition, Plat 93, the Council authorized that the two-thirds taxable valuation on same be set at \$825.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Dr. S. H. Johnston from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 416 Westover Road on Lot 10, Block 4, Edgemont Addition, Plat 61, the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$3180.00 to \$2815.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of James Belger, Sr., from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements on part of Lot 30, East One-half of Outlot 55, Plat 32, the Council authorized that the full valuation be reduced from \$528.00 to \$395.00 and that the full valuation on the improvements on Lot 31, Outlot 55, Plat 32, be reduced from \$1520.00 to \$1210.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Swift & Company from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 311 Congress Avenue on the North 28 feet of Lot 3, Block 30, Original City, Plat 11, the Council authorized that the two-thirds taxable valuation on same be placed at \$12,700.00; this valuation to cover only the building and not the refrigeration equipment, for which the Tax Assessor and Collector is to secure a rendition - by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of Magnolia Petroleum Company from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements on part of Lot 8, Block 118, Original City, Plat 4, located at Red River and East 11th Streets, the Council authorized that the two-thirds taxable valuation be raised from \$1,000.00 to \$1,745.00 in order to equalize same with other filling stations of like construction and size; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of G. H. Lloyd from the valuation placed by the Board of Equalization on the improvements located at 1701 Palma Plaza, on Lot 17, Enfield "E", Plat 90-B,

the Council authorized a reduction in the two-thirds valuation on same from \$2,460.00 to \$2,050.00, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of S. D. Burratti from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization on the following property, the Council authorized the following valuations placed on same:

On the improvements located on the East 23 feet of Lot 2, and the West 42 feet of Lot 3, Block 143, Original City, Plat 4, located at 606 East 12th Street, a reduction in the two-thirds taxable valuation from \$1250.00 to \$315.00;

On the improvements located at 1802 East 6th Street, on Lot 19, North One-half of Outlot 6, Division "A", Plat 29, a two-thirds taxable valuation of \$600.00;

On the land value of Lot 9, East One-half of Lot 8, Block 2, Outlot 2, Division "A", Plat 22 or 31, no change in the two-thirds taxable valuation; by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilmen Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

In considering the appeal of J. B. Robertson, Margaret Robertson, W. T. Robertson, Mrs. Zeno C. Ross and husband, from the valuations placed by the Board of Equalization, the Council sustained its action of 1931 in making no change in the valuations of said property, by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

Councilman Alford moved that the Council recess, subject to call of the Mayor. Motion was seconded by Councilman Gillis and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The Council then recessed.

Approved:   
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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Austin, Texas, December 1, 1932.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; absent, Councilman Steck, 1.

The Minutes of the regular meeting of November 23rd were read and Councilman Gillis moved the adoption of same as read. Motion was seconded by Councilman Mueller and same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor McFadden, Councilman Mueller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Steck absent, 1.

The claim of F. O. McKinsey, in the amount of \$300.00, for damages sustained to his automobile on November 9, 1932, in a collision with a city truck at the intersection of East Eleventh and Trinity Streets, was read and filed.