

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL; Austin, Texas, Apr. 3, 1919.

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 5; absent none.

The minutes of Mar. 27, 28, 29 and April 1 were read, and were adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas, the American National Bank of Austin, Texas, in the year 1918 purchased the following described real estate from C. A. Ellingson, to-wit, the north sixty (60) feet of Lot No. 30, Outlot 20, Division "D"; and

Whereas, said American National Bank at the time of said purchase for the year 1918 taxes due on said real estate the sum of Eighty-three Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$83.60), which the American National Bank stands ready to pay; and

Whereas, there were Six Dollars and Five Cents (\$6.05) of taxes against personal property also owing by the estate of the said C. A. Ellingson, which not needing to be a charge against the real estate purchased by said bank, it asks both in law and good conscience that the personal property taxes of Six Dollars and Five Cents (\$6.05) on said real estate be released as a lien thereon;

Now, therefore,

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

That the north 60 feet of Lot No. 30, Outlot 20, Division "D", of the City of Austin, Texas, be and is hereby released and relieved from any personal property taxes owing by the estate of C. A. Ellingson, now deceased.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, April 3, 1919: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the whole of the fine and costs, amounting to \$21.80, assessed against W. C. Arnett, for assault, in Cause No. 13267, Corporation Court of the City of Austin, be and the same is hereby remitted; this for the reason that the evidence in the case failed to show that any blows were struck or any abusive language used.

The resolution was passed by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, Apr. 3, 1919: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

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

That as supplemental to the permit heretofore given to the Magnolia Petroleum Company to establish and maintain a supply station at the corner of Fourteenth and Lavaca Streets in this city, permission and authority is hereby given to the said Magnolia Petroleum Company to install and maintain on said premises two 12-barrel, 12-gauge steel tanks, each of the capacity of six hundred and fifty gallons (650 Gals.)

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, Apr. 3, 1919: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

C. A. Ellingson  
property released  
from personal  
property taxes  
(for Am. Nat Bank)

W. C. Arnett  
fine

Magnolia Petro-  
leum Co.  
Authority  
granted

*Ref. 12*

The March reports of the Public Weigher, Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Assessor and Collector, also a special report of the City Engineer on the progress of construction at the sewage disposal plant with an estimate of cost, were read and ordered filed.

(Mayor Pro Tem P. W. Powell presiding).

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution:

Whereas, in our opinion, Hon. A. P. Wooldridge, at this time Mayor of the City of Austin, Texas, and now terminating his fifth consecutive term of service as Mayor, has since he has been Mayor, and for a generation of time before he became Mayor, been an exceptionally useful citizen of Austin, and one whose services to Austin, especially before he became Mayor, were largely disinterested as well as useful and important; and

Whereas, it can be truthfully claimed for Mayor Wooldridge that he is a man of foresight as well as a man of action; and

Whereas, among the many large and useful things accomplished by Mayor A. P. Wooldridge for Austin was the location by popular vote of the University of Texas in this city in the fall of 1881, to which work it is represented to us, and we believe the representation to be a fact, that he gave the bulk of his time from March to September of that year, and in addition to his time and labor, gave liberally of his means, all of which facts we are informed and believe are of record in the archives of the University of Texas; and

Whereas, said A. P. Wooldridge on the 1st day of January, 1888, and subsequently on the 25th day of June, 1889, as is evidenced by the files of the newspapers of this city, originated the idea of a power dam across the Colorado River at Austin and out of his personal means liberally contributed to the expense of the necessary surveys and other preliminary work upon which to base a plan for the construction of said dam, and which dam, although now in a state of incompleteness, will yet, in our judgment, if properly completed prove to be of great benefit to Austin; and

Whereas, for neither of said public services has any definite expression of public gratitude or appreciation been made to Mayor Wooldridge; and

Whereas, this Council desires to recognize the value of the public services of Mayor A. P. Wooldridge before he retires from public life; and

Whereas, the road from the International & Great Northern Railroad crossing over West Sixth Street to the Dam has no official name and passes chiefly through the University's lands,

Now, therefore,

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

That in recognition of the value of the public services of A. P. Wooldridge to the City of Austin in the idea of the Dam, in recognition of the great value of his work in the location

*Wooldridge Roman  
named for Mayor  
Wooldridge*

of the State University in this city, and in recognition of his other public services, the public roadway from the International & Great Northern Railway crossing at the western extension of West Sixth Street to the site of the Austin Dam in the City of Austin, Texas, be and the same is hereby named and shall hereafter be perpetually known and called Wooldridge Avenue.

When he had finished reading the foregoing resolution, Mr. Bartholomew spoke in terms of praise of Mayor Wooldridge, and in particular referred to the pleasant associations of the ten years during which he and Mr. Wooldridge and Mr. Powell had served together in the Council.

Councilmen Haynes and Anthony seconded the motion to adopt, and expressed their pleasure at being able to vote for such a resolution.

Mr. Powell before ordering the roll call addressed the Council, expressing his high estimate of the services rendered by Mr. Wooldridge to the City of Austin and his pleasure at having been associated with him during the past ten years.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Yeas, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 4; Mayor Wooldridge not voting.

APPROVED, Apr. 3, 1919: P. W. Powell, Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Wooldridge expressed feelingly his gratitude to his colleagues for this compliment paid him, and commented on the harmony and good-will that had prevailed in the Council, in spite of occasional differences of opinion, during the whole time of his service as Mayor.

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Engineer and the City Assessor and Collector be and they are hereby instructed to correct all their maps of the city by substituting for "Dam Boulevard" the name "Wooldridge Avenue" to describe the extension of West Sixth Street from the point where it crosses the I. & G. N. Railroad to the Austin Dam.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Yeas, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell, 4; Mayor Wooldridge not voting.

APPROVED, Apr. 3, 1919: P. W. Powell, Mayor Pro Tem.

Afternoon Session. Mayor Wooldridge presiding.

Councilman P. W. Powell moved to reconsider the action of the City Council taken on Mar. 28, 1919, ordering sidewalk and curbing to be put down on the north side of Fifth Street between San Antonio and Nueces Streets in this city. On this motion Mayor Wooldridge voted nay and Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes, and Powell yea.

Councilman Bartholomew then moved that the matter of the resolution adopted on Mar. 28, 1919, ordering the putting in of sidewalk and curbing on the north side of Fifth Street between Rio Grande and Nueces Streets, as reconsidered by the action of the Council of this

Wooldridge  
Avenue to be  
substituted for  
"Dam Boulevard"  
on the maps

Side walks  
Curbs on N. side  
of 5th St.  
between  
San Antonio  
and Nueces

reconsidered  
by the Council  
of this

day be referred to the incoming Council for its action thereupon.

This motion prevailed by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

The Council then adjourned.

*J. E. McDaniel*

City Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: Austin, Texas, Apr. 4, 1919.

The Council met with all members present.

There was laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas, 62x220 feet out of the northwest corner and

*Mrs. Annie C. McDaniel*

*has assumed*

*the duties of*

59½x220 feet out of the southeast corner of Lot No. 4, Block No. 4, Outlot 34/46, Division "O" of the Welch Subdivision of this city are, in the judgment of the City Council, overassessed by comparison with the adjacent similarly situated property by the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) in each instance, or One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) altogether,

Now, therefore,

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

That the assessment fixed against said 62x220 feet out of the northwest corner and also the assessment against the said 59½x220 feet out of the southeast corner of Lot No. 4, Block No. 4, Outlot 34/46, Division "O" of Welch's Subdivision be cancelled as excessive, and the Assessor and Collector is hereby instructed to make credits on the assessment of said special pieces of property in accordance with the terms of this resolution.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

APPROVED, Apr. 4, 1919: A. P. Wooldridge, Mayor.

Austin, Texas, Apr. 5, 1919.

There was laid before the Council the application of

J. R. Reed, 715 West 22nd Street, for public service car license on his Ford truck, No. 289057, which was granted by a vote of 5 yeas, no nays.

*J. R. Reed*

*Sevier*

*has assumed*

Austin, Texas, Apr. 7, 1919.

The Council met with all members present except Councilman Anthony.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

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

That the statement attached hereto and made the basis of

*Statement of Bonds*

*destroyed*

*On 8 March*

this resolution, which statement sets forth the numbers, description and amounts of certain Bonds, in the total sum of Four Hundred and Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$417,000.00), this day destroyed by burning in the furnace at the City Hall at Austin, Texas, be and the same is hereby ordered to be recorded in full in the minutes of the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas,