

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

August 20, 1953  
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor McAden presiding.

## Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Absent: None

Present also: W. E. Seaholm, City Manager; W. T. Williams, Jr., City Attorney; C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Invocation was delivered by MR. WALTER E. LONG.

MRS. F. C. STRONG, William B. Travis High School PTA asked the Council to immediately fix the street that leads up to the school as it was too muddy to use. The City Attorney explained the necessary delay under the Assessment Paving program. Councilman Long wanted to hasten this program and pass the ordinance next week, but Councilman White suggested graveling the street and getting it ready to use right now as a temporary measure at least. Councilman Pearson believed graveling to be the best solution at this time. It was suggested by Councilman Thompson to gravel the street now and wait until next summer to pave. The City Manager stated if the people would sign up under a voluntary paving program, paving could be started the following week. Councilman Pearson understood the problems of some of the owners who did not want to sign up under the voluntary paving program, as some had donated the property and paved one street already. Councilman White asked the group if they felt this graveling would be

the best thing to do now. MRS. C. A. DYE stressed the importance of getting the children to the school. After more discussion, Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be instructed to give temporary relief by using his best engineering ability to get it so it will be passable until the assessment program could be pushed through, contract let, and the street paved. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Names of the owners of the property were submitted, and this group was asked to contact the Director of Public Works who could help them on the procedure to follow in getting the owners to sign up on a voluntary basis.

MR. C. A. DYE stated in connecting with the grading of the streets around this School that something be done to provide a roadway to their ball park. The Mayor referred him to the Director of Public Works to work this out.

MAYOR McADEN asked this P.T.A. group from William B. Travis School if they would be interested in helping out in an ARBOR DAY project, whereby the Civic Clubs would be asked to furnish trees for the three new high schools, the Recreation Department to prepare the grounds, and the pupils to plant the trees. MR. C. A. DYE stated if the School Board would allow, they would be glad to participate.

MR. HENRY MAUFRAIS appeared before the Council concerning an answer to the water problem of WATER DISTRICT NO. 5. The Mayor outlined the meeting with the board and their decision that they could get by for the next two years with 300,000 gallons of water per day in their reservoir, and this would be adequate if there were no drought next year. Councilman Long stated her primary purpose in going along with this was to serve the people in South Austin that are not now getting sufficient water pressure, and asked if this expenditure of \$130,000 to supply water to the district would give the people of South Austin ample supply of water. The City Manager replied that this \$130,000-140,000 was the minimum expenditure that could be made in order to be able to rectify the situation of water pressure in South Austin. When that is done, it would then be possible to furnish the district through that six inch line 300,000 gallons. Councilman Long asked if the people of South Austin would not be expecting to have ample supply of water. The City Manager replied that they would have ample water, but the district would not. Councilman Long then wanted for the record the statement that Mr. Seaholm said that the people of South Austin would have an ample supply of water with this expenditure of \$100,000 which would extend the line out to the city limits to give the water district No. 5 water. Councilman Pearson clarified for the record that the \$130,000 which will be necessary to spend is only continuing the plan as the City now has planned to serve the people within the city limits. It is the extension of a line that now exists, and the building of an additional pump station which is already in the plan. He did not want to leave the people of Austin under the impression that this Council was authorizing \$130,000 to be spent to serve the district, but this is already in the

plan, and it is possible that after this money is spent that they can serve the District. Councilman Long then stated if the City puts water in that Water District No. 5 tank, a certain amount of pressure would be had in South Austin that we would not have had otherwise and which would cost \$85,000 to build a reservoir to supply.

Councilman Thompson asked if when this  $1\frac{1}{2}$  million gallon reservoir that the District is going to construct is filled, that there would be enough back pressure to hold the pressure in the lines in South Austin. The City Manager replied that it would, but would not be as effective as a pump station. The pump station would have to be built, and this reservoir would give the limited amount of pressure in the back feed of the 6" line. Councilman Long asked if it was the intent of the Council to give this temporary relief and try within the budgeting of the next two years or sooner to enlarge that line to a 20" line out to the city limits which would give the water district all the water they wanted. The City Manager stated the justification of the 20" line from the pump station out is to fully utilize the reservoir that will be installed in the District. Councilman Thompson stated this would help the whole situation. Councilman Long asked how much money the city would spend anyway in solving the water problem of South Austin and building a pump station and the lines. The City Manager explained the expenditure of the minimum \$130,000 was an alternate figure for a 20" line instead of a 30". If the 30" was used to the pump station that would be around \$170,000. That would be the cost of the pump station and a 30" line. The City Manager explained that if the Water district did not exist, this expenditure would be necessary anyway. Also, in addition it would be necessary for the city to put up the reservoir--the second reservoir in that area. That the one he mentioned of 6,000,000, which will have to come within the next three years. Councilman Pearson asked MR. MAUFRAIS if everything had been done in his opinion to expedite the rapid movement of this District, and Mr. Maufrais stated it had.

Councilman Thompson stated that if the Council makes this agreement here and tells these people that next summer the City would be ready to hook on to their lines, the Council had committed itself to put in next year's budget an item of 130 to 200,000 dollars. He did not want the Council to make a promise to anyone and then some months later say it could not do it. Councilman Pearson moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract to supply approximately 300,000 gallons of water per day to Water District No. 5, and that the city work toward being ready to supply them at the completion of their district. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Pursuant to published notice thereof, the Council publicly heard the following zoning request:

L. L. McCANDLESS

120 The Circle

From "B" Residence  
To "C-1" Commercial  
RECOMMENDED by the Plan  
Commission

MR. KAY MILLER represented Mr. McCandless, and stated it was desired to move the present cafe to the location covered in this application. MR. ROY STAUTZ was concerned over the exact location of the cafe and stated if it were going to be adjacent to the east property line, he would have objection. Mr. Miller stated it was not going to be--that a row of cabins would be located there, besides a roadway going all the way around. The Mayor asked that those who favored upholding the recommendation of the Planning Commission and granting the requested change to vote "aye"; those opposed to vote "no". Roll call showed the following:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the requested change had been granted, and the City Attorney was instructed to draw up the necessary ordinance.

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MISS LILLIE HOERMANN, 1043 West 39th, on August 17th, fell from a little bridge on 39th and Tonkawa, and almost fractured both legs. She stated this was the second time she had fallen from this faulty bridge, and it was due to negligence of the city in inspecting and fixing the bridge which was in need of repair. This was referred to the City Attorney to explain to her the procedure to follow in filing a claim.

MR. M. J. THOMPSON presented a combination report--report on location of hangars at the Airport and review of the report of the Aviation Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. (Report on file in City Clerk's Office under AIRPORTS) Councilman Thompson expressed appreciation to this committee for this most intelligent report. Councilman Long inquired about the bond money for the airport, and it was brought up there was \$35,000 now available and \$350,000 to be sold. The City Manager explained that the City was waiting for the Federal Government to match the funds. Councilman Pearson suggested that the Council follow Mr. M. J. THOMPSON'S recommendation and appoint this Advisory Committee two weeks from this date, September 3rd. Councilman Thompson suggested that the Committee submit a list of from 15 to 25 people who are qualified from experience and interest, etc., to serve on this Commission. It was suggested by Councilman Long that the purpose and duties be drawn up before the members accepted. It was brought out by Councilman Thompson that the Chairman of the Planning Commission or City Planning Engineer would be on the Committee and that would keep the planning in the over-all plan. MRS. BROWNING was present and MR. MARK MASON made a statement about the executive type air craft having to use a short runway and mixing in with smaller aircraft, or using the longer runways and taxi-ing across the field to the hangars on the north side. He thought both ways were dangerous, and the executive fleet had grown more than the airlines.

Councilman Pearson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**(RESOLUTION)**

WHEREAS, bids have been received by the City of Austin for furnishing materials for 10 Aircraft Multiple Type T-Hangars, and for the erection of such hangars, and the construction of a floor slab; and,

WHEREAS, the combined bid of J. E. Ricks Construction Company, in the amount of \$18,271.00 for furnishing such materials, and of Garon Beverly, in the sum of \$9,221.15 for the erection of such hangars and the construction of a floor slab, in the total sum of \$27,492.15, is the lowest and best combined bid; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of J. E. Ricks Construction Company for the furnishing of materials for such hangars, and the bid of Garon Beverly for the erection of such hangars and the construction of a floor slab, be and the same are hereby accepted, and W. E. Seaholm, City Manager, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with the successful bidders for the purchase and erection of such hangars and the construction of such floor slab.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

Councilman White inquired about the traffic light on the Dallas Highway and Brentwood. The City Manager stated some of the materials had been received for this installation.

Councilman Long suggested that the City Manager make a study of the area around the Capitol on the Brazos Street side at the entrance, and see if that 20 feet over which the city has jurisdiction could be used for parking; see if the curb line could be broken to provide head-in parking. Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be instructed to make a study of the available parking area or footage around the capitol grounds over which the City has jurisdiction to see if those streets could be widened by breaking down the curb line and providing head-in parking. The motion, seconded by Councilman Thompson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

Councilman Thompson suggested that a study be made by the Traffic Department of West 34th Street, with the idea of widening 34th back two or three blocks and adding some signal lights similar to those on 24th and Lamar. He suggested that even though there was not too much right-of-way left over, that if the curbs could be set up to the sidewalk, that another line of traffic would be added and parking could be permitted.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Southern Union Gas Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its gas mains in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named, and said maps or plans have been considered by the City Council; therefore

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

THAT Southern Union Gas Company be and the same is hereby permitted to lay and construct its gas mains in and upon the following streets:

(1) A gas main in POSSUM TROT, from Quarry Road northerly 141 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said POSSUM TROT.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet.

(2) A gas main in WALNUT AVENUE, from East 12th Street northerly 125 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 6.5 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said WALNUT AVENUE.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet.

(3) A gas main in HAMPTON ROAD, from East 30th Street southerly 115 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 4 feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said HAMPTON ROAD.

Said gas main described above shall have a cover of not less than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet.

The Southern Union Gas Company is hereby put upon notice that the City of Austin does not guarantee that the space assigned above is clear from other underground utilities, but is based upon the best records we have at hand, and that the minimum depth stated does not have any reference to the fact that greater depths may not be required at special points. When the Southern Union Gas Company requires definite information upon the ground as to elevations or working points from which to base the location of their assignments, they shall apply to the Department of Public Works not less than three (3) days before such information is required. The Southern Union Gas Company is further put upon notice that they will be required to bear the expense of repairs or replacement of any underground utility damaged during the construction of lines named in this resolution.

AND THAT whenever pavement is cut in the vicinity of a fire plug, water must be used at intervals during the course of backfilling of the ditches.

THAT the work and laying of said gas mains, including the excavation in the streets, and the restoration and maintenance of said streets after said

mains have been laid shall be under the supervision and direction of the City Manager, and under all the pertinent terms and conditions of the certain franchises granted to said company by the City of Austin.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "L", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "C-1" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO "C-2" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON LOT 7, BLOCK 10, FIFTH ADDITION, OUT-LOT 73, DIVISION D, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGE HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "L", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON THE EAST 60 FEET OF LOT 5, BLOCK 169, ORIGINAL CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGE HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

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ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE USE DESIGNATION FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "D" INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT ON A 1.06 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 5015-5021 EAST 1st STREET, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGES HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Long moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Long moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the final plat of the subdivision known as "Edgewood Section One", approved by the City Planning Commission of the City of Austin on July 30, 1953, be and the same is hereby accepted and authorized to be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Texas, and the ordinances of the City of Austin, and that this action of the City Council be indicated by appropriate notation, signed by the Mayor, on the original plat of said subdivision prior to its recording in the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the final plat of the subdivision known as "Tarrytown River Oaks, Section Two", approved by the City Planning Commission of the City of Austin on August 6, 1953, be and the same is hereby accepted and authorized to be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Texas, and the ordinances of the City of Austin, and that this action of the City Council be indicated by appropriate notation, signed by the Mayor, on the original plat of said subdivision prior to its recording in the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 14, 1953, for the construction of driveways at Central Stores site on Webberville Road; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of Raymond Canion in the sum of \$5,818.00 was the lowest and best responsible bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works of the City of Austin, and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

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

That the bid of Raymond Canion in the sum of \$5,818.00 be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. E. Seaholm, City Manager of the City of Austin is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with Raymond Canion for the construction of driveways at the Central Stores site on Webberville Road.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Thompson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden

Noes: None

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with E. A. Lock in

accordance with the terms and provisions of a certain contract, copy of which is attached to this Resolution, and marked by the City Clerk for purposes of identification, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to file for permanent record in the office of the City Clerk the attached copy of said contract without recordation in the Minutes of the City Council. (On File Under WATER MAIN EXTENSIONS - Contract File No. 740-C )

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with W. A. Burns in accordance with the terms and provisions of a certain contract, copy of which is attached to this Resolution, and marked by the City Clerk for purposes of identification, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to file for permanent record in the office of the City Clerk the attached copy of said contract without recordation in the Minutes of the City Council. (On File Under WATER MAIN EXTENSIONS - Contract File No. 717-C )

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE  
ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC  
UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN;  
PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SAME;  
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES  
IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY,"  
WHICH ORDINANCE WAS PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF AUSTIN, MAY 6, 1937, AND IS RECORDED IN BOOK  
"K", PAGES 159-179, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RE-  
CORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN BY AMENDING SECTION 12(b)  
OF ARTICLE III RELATING TO STOP SIGN LOCATIONS;  
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN  
CONFLICT HERewith; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND SUS-  
PENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES  
ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Thompson moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Thompson moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Thompson moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SAME, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," WHICH ORDINANCE WAS PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN MAY 6, 1937, AND IS RECORDED IN BOOK "K", PAGES 159-179, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BY AMENDING SECTION 22(f) OF ARTICLE IV RELATING TO TWO HOUR PARKING ZONE LOCATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman White moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Thompson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

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Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

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Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor McAden introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SAME, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," WHICH ORDINANCE WAS PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN MAY 6, 1937, AND IS RECORDED IN BOOK "K", PAGES 159-179, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BY AMENDING SECTION 22(f) OF ARTICLE IV RELATING TO TWO HOUR PARKING ZONE LOCATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin has found that public necessity requires the opening, construction and maintenance of an additional street, highway, and freeway in the City of Austin extending from its north limits to its south limits, said street, highway and freeway being commonly known as "Interregional Highway"; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has found and determined that the hereinafter described land is suitable for such purpose and that it is necessary to acquire said land for such street, highway and freeway; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has negotiated with the owner of such land and has been unable to agree with such owner as to the fair cash market value thereof; Now, Therefore,

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

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to file or cause to be filed against all owners and lienholders, a suit in eminent domain to acquire fee simple title for said purpose to the following described tract of land:

All of Lot 14, Block 1 of the Elm Grove Addition, a subdivision of Government Outlots 54 and 55, Division "O", of the Government Outlots adjoining the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Government Outlots on file in the General Land Office of the State of Texas, a map or plat of said Elm Grove Addition being of record in Book 2, page 241, Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, which Lot 14 was conveyed to Frank Kunshick and wife, Katie Schmidt Kunshick by warranty deed dated December 4, 1945, of record in Volume 776, page 445, Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The City Manager submitted the following certificate from the City Tax Assessor and Collector:

"TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

"I certify that the tax assessments for the property hereinafter described in the name of Diamond Bar are incorrect for the following reasons:

"According to amended personal property inventories for the years 1951 and 1952 submitted on August 12, 1953 by the owner of the Diamond Bar, the original assessed values were excessive.

"I recommend that I be authorized to reduce the assessed valuations on such property as follows:

| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY</u>    | <u>ORIGINAL ASSESSED VALUE</u> | <u>RECOMMENDED VALUE</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1951        | Merchandise                       | 90                             | 0                        |
| 1951        | Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment | 7,780                          | 550                      |
| 1952        | Merchandise                       | 90                             | 0                        |
| 1952        | Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment | 8,750                          | 590                      |

(Sgd) T. B. Marshall  
City Tax Assessor and Collector"

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the City Tax Assessor and Collector has made a special investigation of the tax assessments hereinafter set forth in the name of Diamond Bar and has found the same to be erroneous for the reasons stated in his certificate delivered to the City Council and filed with the City Clerk, and

WHEREAS, in such certificate the City Tax Assessor and Collector has recommended the adjustments, Now, Therefore,

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

That the following tax assessments for the years shown be, and the same are, hereby adjusted and corrected to fix the assessed values therein as indicated.

| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY</u>    | <u>ORIGINAL ASSESSED VALUE</u> | <u>RECOMMENDED VALUE</u> |
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| 1952        | Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment | 8,750                          | 590                      |

And the City Tax Assessor and Collector is authorized and directed to make such change in the tax rolls.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

Councilman White inquired about the light at 19th and Lamar Boulevard. The City Manager stated it had been authorized, and was to be installed.

Councilman White asked about the property on 19th Street and Lamar that the City was to sell. He suggested that the City sell a lot of its property scattered over the City. Councilman Pearson joined Councilman White in this and suggested putting in utility lines and improve the streets with the revenue obtained from the sale of such property.

Councilman Long brought up the report on the Excessive Water and Light Bills dated August 13th. She stated she had many calls from people who felt their bills were excessive and the meter readings were wrong. She had a summary of one complaint of meter readings where it was 164 in September, 1953; down to 58 in April of 1953, 88 in June, 434 July, and 244 in August. MR. J. A. NELSON on Swisher Street, three people in a four room house, had a bill of \$25.72. Councilman White had had some calls, but he did not believe the mistakes to be in the IBM machines. Councilman Thompson stated the publicity on this matter had caused people to compare their bills to see if they were increased. He suggested

that the Water and Light Department show these people who come to them where the trouble is and find out the true situation as to their bills. Councilman Pearson felt that the people would be in for a pleasant surprise this month when their utility bills would be down due to the cool weather and rain. The people who had called him had been very few and fair, and he thought the calls had been few compared to the number of people in Austin and the amount of publicity on the subject.

MR. BOW WILLIAMS complained about being on a commercial rate for having his office in his home, while others in the same category were not on this rate. His gas bill was \$2.35 while his electric bill was \$17.93. After discussion Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be instructed to check all commercial establishments that are not paying a commercial rate and see that those people are put on a commercial rate. The motion, seconded by Councilman Thompson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White  
Noes: Mayor McAden

Councilman Long asked that the City Manager bring in a report next week on the following:

1. Whether or not the water line has been extended to Ledesma Lane; if not, when that will be done.
2. When water will be taken to Blessing Street in St. John's Street, as they have up their deposits and are waiting for water.
3. What is the situation in the 3400 Block of Pennsylvania Avenue where the people have put up their deposits and are waiting for water.

The City Manager explained the request of Water District No. 7 on the north end of the city. Councilman Long asked if that would drain the north Austin area of water pressure. The City Manager stated it would not with the new Water Plant. Councilman Thompson moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract to supply water to District No. 7 on the north. The motion, seconded by Councilman Pearson, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Long, Pearson, Thompson, White, Mayor McAden  
Noes: None

The City Manager stated the plans were ready on the Hospital and he would like to call for bids on October 13th. Councilman Long wanted to see the plans the following week.

Regarding refund utility contracts, Councilman Long asked that the Council be furnished a standard copy of a refund contract.



There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 1:25 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED:

CA M Eddy  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Elsie Hoosley  
City Clerk