

Councilman Gillis went on record as favoring the completion of the Austin dam as a city-owned project for power purposes, if practicable, declaring that if only one-half the amount of power used were generated thereby a saving of at least forty thousand dollars a year in fuel alone would be effected.

Mayor Miller then moved that the City Manager be instructed to write a letter to Congressman Buchanan, asking him to advise the best means to pursue to obtain federal funds for the rebuilding of the Austin dam as an independent project, either for power or recreational purposes, as may be determined best after a survey of same by the Reclamation Division, without cost to the City. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Bartholomew, Gillis, and Mayor Miller, 4; nays, none; Councilman Wolf absent, 1.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 1:00 P. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

Approved: Tom Miller
Mayor.

Attest:

Hallie McKee
City Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, August 27, 1936.

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 A. M., with Mayor Tom Miller presiding. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen C. F. Alford, Simon Gillis, Mayor Tom Miller, and Councilman Oswald G. Wolf, 4; absent, Councilman C. M. Bartholomew, 1.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with.

A letter of thanks from Mrs. Clark Campbell, President Austin City Council PTA, for the increased police protection against traffic hazards in the school areas was received and filed.

The following order of the Commissioners Court of Travis County was received and ordered copied into the Minutes:

*No. 4438 :
ROAD NAME : In Commissioners Court, Travis County,
LYDIA STREET changed : Texas.
to Kennelwood Road :

On this the 19th day of August, 1936, came on be considered the resolution of the

Austin City Council requesting this Court to change the name of Lydia Street in Commissioners Precinct No. 2 to Kennelwood Road;

And it appearing that said street is located in Laurel Heights Addition, and the streets therein have been dedicated to public use, as is shown in the deed records of Travis County, Texas, Volume 333, page 461, and Vol 360, page 432;

And it appearing that there is another street in the City of Austin named "Lydia" street;

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the name of the said "Lydia Street" as described and identified above, be hereafter known as "Kennelwood Road."

(Signed) Geo. S. Matthews
County Judge and Ex-Officio
Chairman Commissioners
Court of Travis County,
Texas.

Attest:

(Signed) Emilie Limberg
County Clerk and
Ex-Officio Clerk
Commissioners Court of
Travis County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS :

COUNTY OF TRAVIS. :

I, Emilie Limberg, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Travis County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an order of the Commissioners Court of Travis County, Texas, as the same appears of record in the minutes of said Court.

Witness my hand and seal of the said Court, on this the 19th day of August, A. D. 1936.

(Signed) Emilie Limberg
County Clerk and Ex-
Officio Clerk Commis-
sioners Court, Travis
County, Texas.

Seal By Stuart Farris, Deputy. "

Councilman Alford moved that the following named persons be granted taxicab driver's permits, in accordance with the recommendation of Roy J. Smith, Captain of Police, Traffic Division: Heamon Alton Cluck, 908 West 10th Street; Robert (Bob) Collier, 806 Brazos Street; and Guadalupe B. Rodriguez, 2418 East 6th Street. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Councilman Gillis offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, bids were received, opened and publicly read aloud at 10:00 A. M., August 12, 1936, on PWA Docket Tex-1300R, Contracts 45, all in accordance with PWA approved contract documents, plans, specifications, and advertisements, by the officials of the Austin Independent School District and the architects and representatives of the Public Works Administration; and

WHEREAS, the result of the architects study was submitted to the School Board, and was accepted by the Board at a special meeting thereof on August 13, 1936; and

WHEREAS, a technical error in the recommendations of the architects has been called to the attention of the said Architects by the PWA, which error affects the matter of award upon certain items as set forth in the amendment to the Architects' recommendations

attached hereto and identified as exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, acting for and in behalf of the Austin Independent School District, approves the award of the contracts so indicated, subject to the approval of the State Director of the Public Works Administration; now, therefore,

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

THAT the City Manager be authorized and is hereby directed to sign the resolution of the School Board, approving said resolution on the part of the City of Austin.

(Resolution of School Board attached)

WHEREAS, bids were received, publicly read aloud, and tabulated at 10:00 P. M., August 12, 1936, on PWA Docket Tex-1300R, Contracts 45, all in accordance with PWA approved contract documents, plans, specifications, and advertisements; and

WHEREAS, the Architects were requested to, and did, make a study of the bids which were received, and recommended to the Board the result of their study; and

WHEREAS, the result of the Architects study was submitted to the Board, and was accepted by the Board at a special meeting thereof on August 13, 1936; and

WHEREAS, a technical error in the recommendations of the Architect has been called to the attention of the said Architect by the PWA, which error affects the matter of award upon certain items as set forth in the amendment to the Architect's recommendations attached hereto and identified as exhibit "B"; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of the Austin Independent School District, with the approval of the City of Austin, thru its City Manager, hereby recommends the award of contracts as listed in Exhibit "A", dated August 12, 1936, which such changes as are set forth and described in Exhibit "B" attached hereto, and as above referenced.

I hereby certify that the above resolutions were introduced and passed at a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Austin Independent School District, August 21, 1936, at which the following members were present:

E. A. Murchison
Eleanor H. Wells
L. H. Blenderman

A. Harris Gardner
R. G. Mueller

(Signed) Eleanor H. Wells
Secretary

Approved:

CITY OF AUSTIN

By Guiton Morgan
City Manager "

" August 20, 1936

(Exhibit "B" attached)

Docket: Tex-1300R-45
Austin Schools Furniture
and Equipment

Honorable E. A. Murchison, President
Board of Trustees, Austin Ind. School District
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Murchison:

It has been brought to our attention that a certain peculiarity of statement in General Letter No. 4, as a part of the instructions governing the award of bids upon the above listed docket, gives to you the authority to award item 13, Group A, being Auditorium Chairs, to the lowest bidder upon this particular item of Group A, regardless of the bid upon the remainder and of the total bid upon Group A, Recitation Room Equipment.

Under this interpretation, the award upon these auditorium chairs may be made to the American Seating Company upon this item only, at their unit price of \$3.35 per unit, for 619 units, instead of necessity of awarding this item of bid in combination with opera chairs, Group E, at the unit price of \$3.65 each to the Bickley School and Church Furniture Company.

We, therefore, amend our recommendation of August 12 in connection with this docket as follows:

1. With regard to Item 3, strike out the following: "...together with 619 units Item 13, Group "A" (Auditorium Chairs) for the added sum of TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY NINE DOLLARS and Thirty-five Cents (\$2,259.35) (it is necessary that these Auditorium Chairs be awarded either under Group "A" or in connection with Group "E", under the terms of the specifications, and this bid is low at the greater unit price in combination with this Opera Chair proffer as compared with the bid of the American Seating Company at the lower unit price on Auditorium Chairs in combination with their higher proffer on Opera Chairs, and that awards be made on these amounts. "

2. With regard to Item 5 of the same letter, add the following statement at the end of this paragraph: "... in this amount; and that the bid of the American Seating Company (C. A. Bryant Company, Dallas, Texas, Agent) be considered the lowest and best bid received upon Item 13, Group A, Auditorium Chairs, and in the sum of \$2,073.65, and that award be made in this amount, under the privilege of Article 5, General Letter No. 4, dated July 31, 1936.

3. Otherwise no change.

Sincerely yours

GIESECKE & HARRIS, Architects

By (Signed) A. W. Harris. "

The foregoing resolution of the City Council was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Councilman Alford offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Marvin Braswell is the Contractor for the construction of a store building located at 1716 South Congress Avenue and desires a portion of the sidewalk space abutting Lots 4 and 5, Block 27, of the Swisher Addition to the City of Austin, Texas, during the construction of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

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

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said Marvin Braswell, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk Working Space

Beginning at a point in the east line of the above described Lot 5, distant 71 feet north of the north line of West Annie Street; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of South Congress Avenue a distance to a point 4 feet west of the west curb line of South Congress Avenue; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the centerline of South Congress Avenue a distance of 48 feet; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of South Congress Avenue a distance to the west line of South Congress Avenue; thence in a southerly direction along the west line of South Congress Avenue to the place of the beginning.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to said Marvin Braswell, hereinafter termed "Contractor," upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1) That the Contractor shall construct a guard rail around the above described working spaces, such guard rail to be at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored.

(2) That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such guard rail.

(3) That provision shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm waters.

(4) That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness.

(5) That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(6) That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and

other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than October 1, 1936.

(7) That the Contractor shall restore all public and private property injured during the use of such space to as good condition as the same existed before the use of such space began.

(8) That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(9) That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars, which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims for damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Councilman Gillis offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Texas Public Service 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 Texas Public Service 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 WEST TWENTY-NINTH STREET, beginning at a point on the east line of Oakhurst Avenue and $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet south of the north line of West 29th Street;

Thence in a westerly direction with a gas main, the centerline of which shall be $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet south of and parallel to the north line of said West 29th Street, for a distance of 295 feet.

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

(2) A gas main in OAKHURST AVENUE from West 29th Street to West 30th Street, the centerline of which gas main shall be $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet west of and parallel to the east line of said Oakhurst Avenue.

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

(3) A gas main in WEST THIRTIETH STREET from Oakhurst Avenue westerly to a point 130 feet west of the west line of Harris Boulevard, the centerline of which gas main shall be $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet south of and parallel to the north line of said West 30th Street.

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

(4) A gas main in CATALPA STREET, beginning at a point 85 feet west of the west line of Waller Street and 11 feet north of the south line of said Catalpa Street.

Thence in a westerly direction with a gas main, the centerline of which shall be 11 feet north of and parallel to the south line of said Catalpa Street, for a distance of 100 feet.

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

(5) A gas main in WATHEN AVENUE from the east line of Harris Boulevard easterly 162 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be $8\frac{1}{2}$ feet south of and parallel to the north line of said Wathen Avenue.

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

The Texas Public Service 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 Texas Public Service 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 City Engineering Department not less than three (3) days before such information is required. The Texas Public Service 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 out 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 franchise granted to said Company by the City of Austin.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote : Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Councilman Wolf introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE STANDING OF VEHICLES IN THE ALLEY EXTENDING EAST AND WEST FROM COLORADO STREET TO LAVACA STREET AND BETWEEN WEST SEVENTH STREET AND WEST EIGHTH STREET, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL OTHER ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE PARKING OF VEHICLES IN THE ALLEYS, PUBLIC STREETS OR OTHER PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Wolf moved, seconded by Councilman Gillis, that the rules be suspended and the ordinance be passed to its second reading. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Wolf moved, seconded by Councilman Gillis, that the rules be further suspended and the ordinance be passed to its third reading. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Wolf moved, seconded by Councilman Gillis, that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Councilman Wolf introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, E. G. and E. C. Kingsbury, owners of part of Lot 1, Block 140, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, which property abuts the east side of Red River Street and the north side of East 11th Street and being situated at the northeast corner of the intersection of said streets, have made application to the City Council of the City of Austin for permission to set the curb back from the established

curb line on the east side of Red River Street at the above described location, thereby relieving traffic conditions at this location by creating a greater width of travelway on Red River Street; and

WHEREAS, a plan has been prepared showing the proposed layout of the above described curb setback and said plan has been considered and approved by the City Council of the City of Austin; therefore

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

THAT permission is hereby granted E. G. and E. C. Kingsbury, owners of part of Lot 1, Block 140, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, which property abuts the east side of Red River Street and the north side of East 11th Street and being situated at the northeast corner of the intersection of said streets, to set the curb back from the established curb line on the east side of Red River Street adjacent to the above described property.

Permission to construct the above described curb setback is granted subject to the same's being constructed in accordance with the plan approved by the City Engineer of the City of Austin, which plan is hereto attached marked 2-C-630, and made a part hereof, and in accordance with the following conditions:

(1) That the construction of the setback area on Red River Street shall be carried out in accordance with the accompanying plan marked 2-C-630 and that all such widened areas, driveways or ramps and curbs shall be constructed of concrete at the expense of the applicant.

(2) That all such concrete shall be not less than 6 inches in thickness and shall be of the following proportions: 1 part cement, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ parts of sand, and 4 parts of screened gravel or rock.

(3) That the concrete curbs adjacent to the sidewalk area shall be not less than 6 inches high and that an expansion joint not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick shall be placed between the curb and the sidewalk as shown on the plan hereto attached marked 2-C-630.

(4) That all such expansion joints shall be of the pre-moulded type.

(5) That all concrete work within the street area shall be done by a bonded sidewalk contractor.

(6) That the applicants shall be required to clean the newly created ramp area at least twice per week and shall dispose of the debris at their expense.

(7) That all work shall be done in accordance with lines and grades furnished by the Engineering Department of the City of Austin and under the direction of the City Engineer.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

W. T. Caswell, Chairman of the Park Board, submitted a request from the Park Board for the improvement of Shoal Creek Driveway with a permanent topping. The matter was referred to the City Manager to have the work done if funds are available.

Councilman Gillis moved, seconded by Councilman Wolf, that the City Manager be instructed to issue no permits for garages or outhouses where same are on lines prohibited by the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regulating garage setbacks while said ordinance is being prepared. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

A letter from the Negro Citizens Council thanking the City Council for the assistance given them in staging their pageant at Rosewood Park on the evening of August 21, 1936, was received and filed.

Councilman Wolf offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Oscar Cage has been compelled to recover from J. G. Mason all of Lot 1, less 113'x140' and 27'x140', plus 80'x140', and the west 1/2 of Lot 2 (A), Block 189,

Original City of Austin, Plat 13, on which there are delinquent taxes for the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935, in the aggregate amount of \$159.60, plus penalties of \$7.98 and interest of \$28.60, which have accrued while said property was under the ownership of his debtor; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed equitable and expedient that, under the above facts, the penalties on said taxes, amounting to \$7.98, should be remitted; therefore,

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

THAT said penalties, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$7.98, for the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, and 1935, be and the same are hereby remitted, provided that said Oscar Cage pays all of said taxes, together with interest, by September 15, 1936.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf, 4; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent, 1.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 12:30 P. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

Approved: Tom Miller
M a y o r .

Attest:

Harris McKeever
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, September 3, 1936.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A. M., with Mayor Tom Miller presiding. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen C. F. Alford, Simon Gillis, and Mayor Tom Miller, 3; absent, Councilmen C. M. Bartholomew and Oswald G. Wolf, 2.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with.

A committee of residents living on East 44th Street east of Red River Street, represented by Geo. S. Dowell, Attorney, came before the Council to request that the City's sanitary sewer lines be extended to their premises. The matter was referred to C. G. Levander, Superintendent of the Sewer Department, who, in company with the committee, went out to make an investigation on the grounds.

J. E. Haire petitioned the City Council for permission to put two additional taxicabs in operation for the school rush. A representative of the Owl Taxi Company protested the raising of the maximum number allowed. The matter was deferred until the next regular meeting in order that all owners and operators of taxicabs might be given a hearing.

The following communication from Clarence McDonough, General Manager of Lower Colorado River Authority, was received and ordered spread on the minutes: