

Upon motion, seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 11:40 A. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

Approved Tom Miller  
Mayor

Attest:

Harris McKeen  
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Austin, Texas, June 13, 1940.

The City Council convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place in the Council Room at the Municipal Building, on Thursday, June 13, 1940, at 10:30 A. M., with Mayor Tom Miller presiding. Roll call showed the following members present: Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; absent, Councilman Bartholomew.

The Minutes of the regular meeting of June 6, 1940, were read, and upon motion of Councilman Wolf, were adopted as read by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

The City Manager submitted to the City Council the detailed plans of the Associated Hospital Architects for the improvements and additions to Brackenridge Hospital, as revised by Dr. L.R. Wilson of Galveston, Texas. In connection therewith, the following communications were also received and ordered spread on the Minutes:

"Austin, Texas  
June 12, 1940

Mr. Guiton Morgan :

At the meeting of the Staff of Brackenridge Hospital on June 11th a motion was made by Dr. J. C. Thomas that, outside of a few interior changes, the plans presented by the architects to the Medical Society be approved. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

/s/ G. F. Thornhill, M. D.  
Secretary. "

"Austin, Texas  
June 13, 1940

Mr. Guiton Morgan  
City Manager  
City of Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Morgan:

The Associated Hospital Architects have employed the following Consulting Engineers to prepare the necessary structural and mechanical plans and specifications for the improvements and additions to Brackenridge Hospital:

Munsey Wilson, Austin, Texas, Structural Engineer, for the north wing of the present hospital;

W. E. Simpson Company, San Antonio, Texas, Structural Engineer, for the additions to the Nurses Home;

Lloyd D. Rover, San Antonio, Texas, Mechanical Engineer, for the heating, plumbing, wiring, and air-conditioning of the entire project.

We hope that these consultants will be acceptable to you and the City Council.

Very truly yours,

ASSOCIATED HOSPITAL ARCHITECTS

By /s/ H. F. Kuehne "

" June 12, 1940.

Memorandum of the meeting of Dr. Wilson  
The Medical Staff  
The Architects  
The Hospital Superintendent, and  
The City Manager on June 8 and 9, 1940.

Observations of Dr. Wilson:

Corridors should not be closed at the ends but should be left open for light and proper circulation of air.

The pediatric and isolation wards should not be set up on the plans as separate hospital services but should be shown as one pediatric ward with 3 rooms and wards therein to permit the isolation of contagious diseases by medical technique.

Provision for air ducts or tubing should be made for the future air conditioning of operating rooms.

An incinerator should not be located on each floor, but a central incinerator for the burning of refuse should be built into the stack of the Hospital heating plant.

Most of the hopper rooms are too large and result in waste space.

Baths in each nursing station unit should be provided for both sexes

A tel-autograph for accuracy and the proper recording of the furnishing of supplies from the Central Service Room would be desirable.

The nursery should not be located in front of the elevators but at the end of the corridor in the obstetric ward.

All doors should be 3 feet 6 inches wide at least.

In the pay patient area, more rooms are needed with private baths.

In the internes quarters bath room facilities at the ratio of one complete unit for each 4 internes should be provided.

The Social Service Worker should be located at or adjacent to the Admitting Clerk's Station in the Clinic.

The obstetrical room should not be located on the same floor with the operating rooms for the reason that this confuses two distinct types of nursing services and is otherwise objectionable and poor hospital planning.

Five operating rooms - 2 major, 2 minor, and 1 cystoscopic - are too many for a hospital of approximately 200 beds as the John Sealy Hospital, a 504 bed hospital, has only 2 major and 1 minor operating rooms. Recommends 2 major, 1 minor, and 1 cystoscopic at the very most, and the addition of a surgical ward on the operating room floor as the number of surgical beds is not adequate and too much space is wasted in so many operating rooms, and the cost of so many operating rooms from an operating standpoint would be prohibitive.

A mattress sterilizer is not needed and the emergency room is far larger than necessary.

The pediatric treatment rooms in the clinic are too small.

The only thing needed to handle radium is provision for lead shields and a safe or vault.

Too many toilets and washroom facilities are provided throughout the building and reductions were indicated.

Regarding the laundry, 2 washers, 1 mangle, 1 tumbler, and 4 presses should be adequate and would cost approximately \$10,000.

Regarding x-ray, a deep therapy and fluoroscopic installation costing approximately \$11,000 are all that are necessary in addition to the present equipment.

The architectural treatment of the outside should be such as to permit harmonizing of the new part with the old part without spending any more money than is necessary in changing the present exterior.

Two entrances are all right provided both are adequately controlled.

The out-patient department is very wasteful of space as nearly all clinics apparently are being given separate floor space which could be eliminated if the doctors could agree to hold their clinics at different times - some in the morning, some in the afternoon - and thereby duplicate the use of equipment and clinic space. Apparently the doctors cannot agree to this and the rather large assignment of space for clinic purposes appears to be unavoidable.

Quinton Morgan  
City Manager "

Although no formal approval of the aforesaid plans was given by the City Council, the City Manager was directed to have the Associated Architects proceed with same accordingly.

The City Attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the \$450,000 Hospital Bonds recently voted, for passage at the next regular meeting.

The sale of said \$450,000 Hospital Bonds, at par, with interest rate being specified by bidder, and a 30-day delivery stipulation, was authorized for August 15 next.

Melvin Shelton, 208 Leland Street, appeared before the Council and asked for the remission of the fine recently assessed against him in the Corporation Court for an affray. The matter was taken under advisement for a review of the case.

Councilman Alford moved that a taxicab driver's permit be granted to Thearn Ray Montgomery, 205 East Avenue, in accordance with the recommendation of the City Manager. The motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Gillis:

WHEREAS, the Gibbard Investment Company, acting by and through Rex D. Kitchens Construction Company, owner of a portion of Outlet 34, Division "E" of the Government Outlots adjoining the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, which property is situated on the north side of West 18th Street at a location east of San Antonio Street, and being locally known as 408-418 West 18th Street, has made application to the City Council of the City of Austin for permission to construct commercial driveways across the north sidewalk area of said West 18th Street adjacent to the above described property; and

WHEREAS, a plan has been prepared showing the location of said driveways, which plan is hereto attached, marked 2-C-878, and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the granting of said request has been favorably considered by the City Council of the City of Austin; therefore

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

THAT the Gibbard Investment Company, acting by and through Rex D. Kitchens Construction Company, owner of a portion of Outlet 34, Division "E" of the Government Outlots adjoining the Original City of Austin, which property is situated on the north side of West 18th Street at a location east of San Antonio Street, is hereby permitted to construct commercial driveways across the north sidewalk area of said West 18th Street adjacent to the above described property, subject to the construction of concrete ramps, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and expansion joints as shown upon the plan marked 2-C-878, which plan is hereby made a part of this resolution, and further subject to the condition that all concrete curb, ramp and driveway construction done within the City streets shall be done by a bonded sidewalk contractor under the direction and supervision of the City Engineer of the City of Austin and in accordance with lines and grades furnished by the Engineering Department of the City of Austin.

Upon motion of Councilman Gillis, the resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Wolf:

WHEREAS, L. L. McCandless is the Contractor for the erection of a building located at 207 East Tenth Street and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting Lots 7, 8, 9, and 10, Block 112, of the Original City of Austin, Texas, during the erection 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 L. L. McCandless, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

BEGINNING at a point on the north property line opposite the east side of present steps leading to the street; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of East Tenth Street to a point 6 feet north of the south curb line; thence in an easterly direction and parallel to the centerline of East Tenth Street approximately 90 feet to a point; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of East Tenth Street to the north property line of the above described property.

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

(1) That the Contractor shall construct a 4-foot walkway within the outer boundaries of the above described working space, such walkway to be protected on each side by a guard rail at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored, and without wood strips or obstructions of any kind along the pavement within the walkway, and at any time in the opinion of the City officials it becomes necessary for any reason to install a board floor within the walkway, the Contractor shall upon notice from the Building Inspector immediately place such a wood floor and substantially support same to prevent sagging under load.

(2) That the Contractor is permitted to construct in his working space a substantial gate, which shall be kept closed at all times when not in use, and at all times that such gate is open, the Contractor shall maintain a person at this gate to warn pedestrians and vehicles of approaching trucks. This gate is not to open out so as to impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(3) That no vehicles in loading or unloading material at the working space shall park on any part of the street outside of the allotted working space.

(4) That "No Parking" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(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 in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(7) That provisions 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 water.

(8) That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(9) 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 November 1, 1940.

(10) 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.

(11) That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs, and the City, in making such grant, reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(12) That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(13) That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00), 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.

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

Mayor Miller moved that the City Manager be instructed to accept the offer of Henry L. Seekatz to sell the City approximately 14 acres of land adjoining the Municipal Airport, for a consideration of \$300 per acre, plus \$600 cash for removing houses off the land - the balance of \$4200 to be paid February 1, 1941, without interest - subject to approval of the purchase by Councilman Gillis after an inspection of the land with the City Engineer. The motion prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

A petition, signed by a large number of Mexican citizens, asking that a grand stand be built at Zaragoza Park, was submitted by the Mexican Consul, Honorable F. Soria B. It was the sense of the meeting that this work could not be done unless same could be paid for out of the gate receipts at said Park; but that improvements, in the way of a rock shelter house, shower baths, and toilets, for which a WPA grant is now pending, would be made.

Councilman Gillis moved that the following applications for licenses to operate private boats on Lake Austin be approved, subject to the approval of same by the Lake Austin Navigation Board:

<u>Name and Address of Applicant</u>	<u>Description of Boat</u>
Guenzel, A. W. - Bartlett, Texas	Thompson, Outboard, Speedster, 1940 Model, "Woof Woof", 4-passenger
Jennings, Wilton and Dewitt, 2008 Kenwood Avenue 3902 Avenue B	Home-made, V Bottom Utility, Inboard, 1940 Model, Osco V8, 5-passenger
Peisker, F. J.- 904 Theresa Avenue	Century, Outboard, 1940 Model, "Sportfour" Evinrude, 6-passenger
Reed, Jack F.- (for Dr. W.M. Brook) Austin, Texas	Century, Inboard, 1939 Model, 6-passenger

The motion was seconded by Councilman Alford, and the same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

Councilman Wolf moved that the following applications for licenses to operate commercial boats on Lake Austin be approved, subject to the approval of same by the Lake Austin Navigation Board:

<u>Name and Address of Applicant</u>	<u>Description of Boat</u>
Reed, Jack F. - Driskill Hotel	Century, Inboard, 1939 Model, 8-passenger
Reed, Jack F. - Driskill Hotel	Richardson, Inboard, 1938 Model, 25-passenger

The motion was seconded by Councilman Alford, and the same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

Councilman Gillis moved that the following named applicants be granted commercial pilot's licenses, in accordance with the recommendation of the Lake Austin Navigation Board:

Bennett, James Anderson - 2804 Rio Grande Street

Amaro, Trinidad Joe - Lake Austin

Walsh, Ted Charles - 4101 Ash Street

The motion was seconded by Councilman Alford, and the same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

Councilman Wolf moved that the application of Jack F. Reed, for permission to increase the carrying capacity of commercial boat CAPRICE, License No. 104, from 30-passenger to 40-passenger, be approved, subject to the approval of same by the Lake Austin Navigation Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alford, and the same prevailed by the following vote: Ayes, Councilmen Alford, Gillis, Mayor Miller, and Councilman Wolf; nays, none; Councilman Bartholomew absent.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Alford:

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 BEVERLY ROAD from a point 119 feet north of West 30th Street, northerly 254 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7½ feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said Beverly Road.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (2) A gas main in BRYKER DRIVE from West 30th Street to West 32nd Street, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7½ feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said Bryker Drive.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (3) A gas main in BEVERLY ROAD 281 feet north of West 32nd Street, northerly 580 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7½ feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said Beverly Road.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (4) A gas main in WEST 11th Street from Nueces Street westerly 110 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 25 feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said West 11th Street.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (5) A gas main in NUCES STREET across West 11th Street intersection, the centerline of which gas main shall be 5 feet west of and parallel to the west property line of said Nueces Street.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (6) A gas main in DAWSON ROAD from Ramona Street northerly 86 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7½ feet west of and parallel to the east property line of said Dawson Road.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (7) A gas main in RAMONA STREET from Dawson Road easterly 53 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 7½ feet south of and parallel to the north property line of said Ramona Street.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ feet.

- (8) A gas main in EAST 46th STREET from a point 218 feet east of Harmon Avenue, easterly 250 feet, the centerline of which gas main shall be 15 feet north of and parallel to the south property line of said East 46th Street.

Said gas main described above shall have a covering of not less than 2½ 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 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 franchise granted to said Company by the City of Austin.

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

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Wolf:

WHEREAS, City of Austin taxes were assessed in the name of T. A. Bryant Estate for the years 1931 through 1938, inclusive, on Lots 1 through 16, in Block 9, and Lots 1 through 12, in Block 10, Camp Mabry Heights, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, together with personal property, said taxes being for the sum of \$1163.85; and for non-payment of same at maturity, penalty in the sum of \$58.19 has been assessed, and interest in the sum of \$302.17, making the total amount of taxes, penalty and interest \$1524.21; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin deems it just and equitable to remit said penalty in the sum of \$58.19; therefore,

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

THAT the aforesaid penalty in the sum of \$58.19 is hereby remitted, and the Tax Assessor and Collector of the City of Austin is authorized and directed to charge off his rolls said penalty in the sum of \$58.19, and to issue to the party entitled to receive same a receipt in full, upon the payment of said taxes and interest, as aforesaid.

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

The public hearing on the change in zoning, from "A" Residence District to "C" Commercial District, of the property of H. E. Martin at the northeast corner of the intersection of South First Street and Live Oak Street, in South Austin, known as Lot 1, Block 3, Davis & Dawson Addition, which was continued from the last regular meeting, was continued to the next regular meeting.

Upon motion, seconded and carried, the meeting was recessed at 11:30 A. M., subject to call of the Mayor.

Approved: Tom Miller  
Mayor

Attest:

Walter McKeen  
City Clerk