

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

September 10, 1970
9:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL

The meeting was called to order with Mayor LaRue presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

The Invocation was delivered by REVEREND DAVID C. PAUL, Crestview Methodist Church.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION DISCUSSED

Mr. Volma Overton, representing the Human Relations Commission, noted that the Commission had been without a full-time Director since the resignation of Mr. Charles Meyers. He stated that there was a great need for a replacement. He requested that the Council direct the City Manager to immediately look into this situation and hire a full-time Director.

Mr. Gus Garcia stated that Mr. Tony Ojeda of Model Cities, was not able to give full time to the Human Relations Commission in his position as Acting Director of the Commission. He mentioned some incidents which had not received the full attention which they should have by the Human Relations Commission. He also requested that the Council ask the City Manager to make a vigorous effort to hire an Executive Director. Mr. Garcia introduced other members of the Commission present. He also requested that the Council make appointments to fill vacancies on the Commission, recommending that the Commission stay at its full 15 membership level. In response to Councilman Gage's question, he stated that there were 3 vacancies at present, and about 9 members would be going off the Commission in the next month. Councilman Gage requested that the Commission make recommendations for individuals to fill these vacancies.

Councilman Janes urged that the Council instruct the City Manager to proceed immediately with the hiring of a full-time Executive Director. City Manager Andrews noted that funds for a full-time Director were included in the budget recommended to the Council for the fiscal year starting on October 1.

Mr. Garcia requested that members of the Human Relations Commission be allowed to work closely with the City Manager in the process of selecting an Executive Director. Councilman Gage agreed with Councilman Janes that this matter should receive immediate attention.

Dr. Edgar Roy, a member of the Commission, endorsed the idea of a full-time Director, stating that the situation of a part-time or acting director might appear to the public that the City was not adequately giving the support which it should to the Commission. Mr. William Koen, Jr. concurred, stating that the Director ought to be a person who wanted the job full-time, which was not the case now with Mr. Ojeda. Mr. Garcia concurred that Mr. Ojeda did not really wish to be in the position that he was at present.

In response to Councilman Janes' request, Mr. Garcia stated that Mr. Janes would be put back on the mailing list for Minutes of the Human Relations Commission.

Mrs. Janet Reed also requested that the Council and City Manager secure a full-time Executive Director as soon as possible.

ITEM REFERRED TO BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Councilman Price moved the Council refer the item of Mrs. Lynn Bennett appearing regarding parking requirement at 507 West 10th Street to the Building Department for study and report back to the Council. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

PICTURES DISCUSSED

Mr. C. T. Johnson stated that it had been brought to his attention that pictures of the former Mayors of Austin had been removed from City Hall for transferral to the Austin Public Library. He recommended that the pictures of all former and future Mayors, as well as the first and last City Commissioners prior to the change to the City Manager form of government, be put on display in the Council Chamber in City Hall.

Councilman Gage believed that the pictures should be displayed prominently in City Hall, whether in the Council Chamber or in the halls. Councilman Price thought the front hall of City Hall would be the best location. Councilman Atkison agreed. Councilman Gage requested that the City Manager be instructed to investigate the best location in City Hall for displaying the pictures prominently. Mayor LaRue noted that it was the will of the Council that the City Manager check into this.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Price moved the Council approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of August 20, 1970, and August 27, 1970. The motion, seconded by Councilman Gage, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

REQUEST FOR USE OF LAND

Mr. Ed J. Reznicek, President of University Hills Optimist Club, requested use of City-owned land on St. Johns between Guadalupe and Isabelle for organized and supervised baseball, football, and other youth activities. He noted that a pony league organization had been started in conjunction with the Capital Club for boys aged 13-16, and they were having to turn some away because of the number of youths interested.

He presented a petition signed by residents in the neighborhood supporting this request. He stated that of 31 families visited, 26 favored the request, 4 had no comment, only 1 objected. He requested that the land be allocated to Parks and Recreation for recreational use with the Optimist program to receive first priority in use through a lease arrangement.

In response to Councilman Gage's question, Mr. Reznicek stated that they were willing to consider a privacy fence or buffer zone if necessary and to discuss items of noise and lighting. He stated that games were usually over by 10:00 P.M.

Councilman Janes asked that the City Manager investigate this matter and make a recommendation to the Council. There was discussion as to the value of and access to this particular piece of property. In response to Councilman Janes' question, Mr. Reznicek stated that the Optimist Club would provide the necessary improvements on the land and would be willing to undertake the responsibility for providing parking facilities if necessary. There was discussion as to whether this would be integrated with the regular Parks and Recreation Department program.

Mayor LaRue noted that it was the consensus of the Council that the City Manager investigate this request and report back to the Council with his recommendation.

USE OF LAND AUTHORIZED

Councilman Janes moved the Council grant the request of Mr. Luther W. Mills, Jr., President of South Austin Optimist Club, for use of City-owned property for sale of Christmas trees. The motion, seconded by Councilman Gage, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

STREET CLOSED TEMPORARILY

Councilman Gage moved the Council grant the request of Mr. Robert A. Pfaffman, of the Board of Education of Christ Lutheran Church, for temporary closing of 200 feet of Brackenridge Street north of East Monroe Street. The motion, seconded by Councilman Price, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

AUSTIN BALLET DISCUSSED

Mayor LaRue noted receipt of a letter from Mrs. J. H. Means, Secretary to Parks and Recreation Board, regarding the Austin Ballet Society. Councilman Gage noted that the Board had approved the request of the Ballet Society. He also believed that it was the consensus of the Council that the City Manager contact representatives of the Ballet Society to ascertain what would be provided for the money. Mayor LaRue stated that this item would be discussed again in public hearing on the Budget scheduled for September 14.

ITEM POSTPONED

Mr. Mike Wallick requested that the item of Mr. Charles Cairn requesting a parade permit for the Student Mobilization Committee for October 31, 1970, be postponed until the next Council meeting. Mayor LaRue asked the City Manager to place this item on the Agenda for September 17, 1970.

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE - FINAL PASSAGE

Mayor LaRue brought up the following ordinance for its third reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 6.07 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE WILLIAM CANNON LEAGUE IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Out of Room at
 Roll Call: Councilman Atkison
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ZONING ORDINANCES

Mayor LaRue introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA AND CHANGING THE USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 45 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) LOTS 1-A THROUGH 8-A, BLOCK C AND LOT 14, BLOCK D, FIRST RE-SUBDIVISION OF SOUTHERN OAKS, SECTION 7, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 2605-2621 EKTOM DRIVE; 5301 WEST GATE BOULEVARD; 5300 AND 5301 INDO DRIVE, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "BB" RESIDENCE DISTRICT;
 - (2) LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 14, HYDE PARK ADDITION 2, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 501 WEST 39TH STREET AND 500 WEST 38-1/2 STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;
 - (3) A 5.1 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 9414-9532 NORTH I.H. 35, FROM INTERIM "A" RESIDENCE AND INTERIM FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL AND 5TH HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;
 - (4) THE EAST 62.25 FEET OF LOTS 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 AND ALL OF LOTS 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, AND BLOCK 8, HYDE PARK ADDITION, NO. 1, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 4400-4410 AVENUE B AND 400 WEST 44TH STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;
 - (5) A 3 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE J. C. TANNEHILL LEAGUE, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 6713-6803 MANOR ROAD, FROM "LR" LOCAL RETAIL TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT;
 - (6) A 5.3 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF OUTLOT 25, DIVISION C OF THE GOVERNMENT OUTLOTS ADJOINING THE ORIGINAL SAID GOVERNMENT OUTLOTS ON FILE IN THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 700-752 PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD; 2700-2728 GONZALES; 2726-2750 EAST 7TH STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE AND "C" COMMERCIAL AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL AND THIRD HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;
 - (7) LOT 13, ROSEWOOD VILLAGE, SECTION 2; ROSEWOOD VILLAGE, SECTION 3; LOTS 2, 3, 4, ROSEWOOD VILLAGE, SECTION 4; DRAINAGE AND UTILITY DEDICATIONS; PUBLIC DEDICATIONS; AND A 3,150 SQUARE FOOT TRACT, ALL PART OF ROSEWOOD VILLAGE, SECTION 4, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 1170-1190 HARGRAVE STREET; 1187-1/2-1199-1/2 CHESTNUT AVENUE; 2300-2350 ROSEWOOD AVENUE; 1150-1152 WALNUT AVENUE; 2603-2903, 2301-2413 AND 2503 EAST 12TH STREET, FROM "A" RESIDENCE, "B" RESIDENCE, "GR" GENERAL RETAIL, "C" COMMERCIAL AND "C-2" COMMERCIAL AND FIRST AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA AND "E" INDUSTRIAL AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "A" RESIDENCE AND "O" OFFICE AND FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA AND "B" RESIDENCE AND SECOND HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT;
- ALL OF SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor LaRue introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA AND CHANGING THE USE AND HEIGHT AND AREA MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 45 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1967 AS FOLLOWS: A 2.3 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE GLEN RIDGE ADDITION, LOCALLY KNOWN AS 3501-3705 CRAWFORD AVENUE; 1501-1525 WEST 35TH STREET CUT-OFF; 3500-3718 MILLS AVENUE; 1500-1520 WEST 35TH STREET; 1501-1507 WEST 37TH STREET; AND 1500-1506 WEST 37TH STREET; FROM "O" OFFICE, "GR" GENERAL RETAIL AND "C-2" COMMERCIAL, FIRST AND THIRD HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT TO "GR" GENERAL RETAIL, FIRST HEIGHT AND AREA DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

ANNEXATION HEARING SET

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That a public hearing be held at 9:30 o'clock A.M., in the City Council Chambers of the City of Austin on the 24th day of September, 1970, for the purpose of providing an opportunity for all interested persons to be heard on consideration of the institution of annexation proceedings with respect to the below described property, to-wit:

32.63 acres of land, same being partly out of and a part of the George W. Davis Survey and partly out of and a part of the John Applegait Survey in Travis County, Texas, which 32.63 acres of land are more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin on the present corporate limit line of the City of Austin as adopted by ordinance dated June 12, 1969, which point of BEGINNING is the northeast corner of Quail Creek West, Section Three, a subdivision of record in Book 47 at page 74 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, same being a point in the proposed corporate limit line of the City of Austin, and from which point of BEGINNING THE INTERSECTION OF THE south line of Rundberg Lane and the east line of Hunters Trace East bears southwesterly 150 feet, more or less;

THENCE, with the proposed corporate limit line of the City of Austin, N 29° 56' E 191.52 feet to an iron pin at the most westerly northwest corner of the herein described tract of land;

THENCE, continuing with the proposed corporate limit line of the City of Austin in a southeasterly direction with the following six (6) courses:

- (1) S 59° 52' E 119.06 feet to an iron pin;
- (2) N 30° 08' E 30.00 feet to an iron pin;
- (3) S 59° 52' E 170.00 feet to a concrete monument;
- (4) S 30° 08' W 316.68 feet to an iron pin;

(5) S 80° 32' E 90.51 feet to an iron pin;

(6) S 59° 51' E 981.23 feet to an iron pin at the most easterly north-east corner of the herein described tract of land, same being a point in the present corporate limit line of the City of Austin as adopted by ordinance dated April 10, 1969;

THENCE, with said present corporate limit line of the City of Austin as adopted by said ordinance dated April 10, 1969, ordinances dated March 30, 1967, July 21, 1966, January 25, 1968, and the aforesaid ordinance dated June 12, 1969, in a southerly, westerly and northerly direction to the point of BEGINNING.

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

That the City Clerk be authorized and directed to cause a notice of such hearing to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in this City and in the area proposed to be annexed, such publication to be made not more than twenty (20) days, nor less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

LICENSE AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED

Councilman Price 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 License Agreement on behalf of the City of Austin with Missouri Pacific Company, for the installation of a 42-inch reinforced-concrete sanitary sewer interceptor beneath eleven tracks of the Missouri Pacific Railroad in San Antonio Street between West 2nd Street and West 4th Street; and in accordance with the terms and provisions of that certain license agreement exhibited to the City Council; and,

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

That the City Clerk is hereby directed to file a copy of said license agreement in the permanent records of her office without recordation in the Minutes of the City Council.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

WIRE LINE CROSSING AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED

Councilman Price 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 certain Wire Line Crossing Agreement with Southern Pacific Transportation Company for the construction of 69KV transmission wires over and across Railroad property, in accordance with the terms and provisions of that certain Wire Line Crossing Agreement exhibited to the City Council;
and;

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

That the City Clerk is hereby directed to file a copy of said Wire Line Crossing Agreement in the permanent records of her office without recordation in the Minutes of the City Council.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL BED UTILIZATION DISCUSSED

Dr. Bud Dryden, representing the Medical Staff of Brackenridge Hospital, stated that representatives of the Hospital Medical Staff would appear before the Council in budget hearings on September 14 with some specific questions and recommendations but wished to discuss matters concerning the Hospital at this time. He questioned whether the Hospital would continue to be run by the City, and if not, who would take up the burden. He questioned whether the City was going to close out all of the old beds, using only the new hospital bed area. If so, the taxpayers would have spent bond money to gain a net addition of only 5 beds. He noted that the Medical Staff had adopted a resolution asking the Council not to open the new wing until the new beds were regarded as additions to, not replacements for, old beds.

Dr. Dryden believed it was dangerous to move patients to the new building, at least 10 minutes away from ancillary services which were all located in the old building and which were vital to the protection of the health of over 50% of Brackenridge patients.

He strongly recommended that funds be allocated to provide for the recruitment of another class of professional student nurses at the School of Nursing, noting that this had been excluded from the proposed budget.

He understood that the old wings were to be closed down, renovated, and then reopened for public use. While the funds for renovation were included in the budget proposal, he found no expanded allowances to handle extra beds and personnel. He inquired into the nature of the renovations to be made.

With regard to the nursing shortage, Dr. Dryden recommended that the Hospital be permitted to use half-time staff personnel. A second possible solution was a day care center where nurses with children could leave them at nominal cost while working at Brackenridge. He did not believe that the nursing shortage was over, but in fact that it would worsen.

He stated that in a number of areas salaries were far too low and asked that the Administrator be given leeway in setting salaries at a more competitive level. He also requested that the Council provide the Medical Staff at Brackenridge with information through the normal channels rather than through the newspaper.

Mayor LaRue requested that the Council be given copies of the questions and recommendations offered by Dr. Dryden so that answers could be provided by the meeting on September 14.

City Manager Andrews stated that all of the applicants to the School of Nursing who met the requirements had been accepted, contrary to Dr. Dryden's statement that some qualified applicants had been turned away. Dr. William Turpin, member of the Brackenridge Medical Staff and Chairman of the liason committee working with the faculty of the Nursing School, estimated that from 25 to 30 potential students had been lost because of the delay in admitting students.

Councilman Janes noted receipt of a letter from Mrs. Hasso which he asked that Dr. Dryden include in the presentation next Monday. Councilman Gage inquired about the status of construction on the top floor of the new facility. Mayor LaRue believed that the partial completion of Phase I-B had been approved by the Council upon the recommendation of all those involved. In response to City Manager Andrews' question, Dr. Dryden stated that the doctors opposed opening the new wing if utilizing the new beds amounted only to a replacement of old beds.

Dr. Raleigh Ross stated that the Surgical Service had voted to remain in the old building because of proximity to necessary facilities. He also stated that the voters in approving the bond issue had voted for additional beds. City Manager Andrews stated that he had personally observed that it took less than 3 1/2 minutes to go from the recovery room to the 6th floor of the new wing. He questioned why, if the move to the new wing were bad medical practice at present, it would not continue to be so. Dr. Ross discussed some of his suggestions for what units should be moved to the new wing. Mayor LaRue discussed with Dr. Ross how the renovation might be done without the closing of any beds.

City Manager Andrews stated that efforts were being made to increase staffing in order to handle additional beds. Mayor LaRue expressed the hope that all of the new section of Brackenridge would be utilized as soon as feasible to allow the renovation of the old rooms.

City Manager Andrews stated that Dr. Dryden's statement that no half-time personnel were being hired was in error. Mr. Ben Tobias stated that the Hospital had 106 part-time nursing employees. Councilman Atkison believed that a survey had been done three years earlier which found that 50 additional nurses could be secured if day care facilities were installed in the Hospital. Mr. Tobias was unaware of this survey and stated that he was opposed to the Hospital operating such a day nursery. He stated that they intended to pursue on a pilot basis the using of Aunt Alita's Nursery which would take care of children on a 24-hour basis.

Councilman Gage stated that he interpreted the statement presented to the Council by Dr. Dryden as a request for the Council to make a policy decision regarding a time schedule for the opening of new beds, the renovation of old beds, and some general guidelines for the total operation of Brackenridge and its School of Nursing. Dr. Dryden stated that this was a correct interpretation. He stated that the Hospital had hired very few part-time registered nurses. Mr. Tobias stated there were 61 part-time registered nurses now employed.

In response to Mayor LaRue's question, Dr. Dryden stated that it was not the intent of the doctors to refuse to utilize the new facilities so long as no additional personnel were hired. All the doctors wanted was an understanding as to when they would have new beds or some old beds renovated and available. Councilman Atkison believed that the Council wanted to dispel the notion that the old portion of Brackenridge would never be reopened again. Mayor LaRue believed it was clearly the will of the Council at their previous work session that the old portion of Brackenridge be renovated.

City Manager Andrews stated that the only way any beds would be "lost" was that staff would be moved from the old wing to the new facilities, and until additional personnel were hired, the old beds could not be maintained. He stated that they were doing their best to hire the additional personnel needed.

There was discussion as to how many new beds would be provided when the additional floors of the new wing were completed. In response to Councilman Gage's question, City Manager Andrews stated that completion of the Master Plan would make for about 100 additional beds.

Dr. John Garcia stated that the proposed City budget would provide for only a very few additional personnel, not the doubling of personnel that would be required to open the new beds. He was concerned that the closing of ward-type rooms for renovation into more expensive rooms would be a hardship on low and lower middle income people not falling into the Medicare or Medicaid categories. He stated that 3 1/2 minutes was far too long a time to wait for a doctor to arrive in cases of cardiac resuscitation, for example. Consequently, he did not want the surgical beds moved to the new wing until ancillary services were available there.

Mayor LaRue believed that these questions should have been raised by the doctors 3 1/2 years earlier. Councilman Atkison did not believe these things could have been foreseen then. Both Councilmen Atkison and Price expressed their views that the Council had no intention of closing down the Hospital.

Mr. Bill Collier, of the State Health Department, recognized the problems which the City and Hospital had to work out.

Dr. Robert Dennison, Acting Chief of Staff at Brackenridge, inquired how much was proposed in the budget for renovation, and City Manager Andrews stated that \$57,000 was proposed. The increase in the total budget recommended was \$1,568,500 in addition to the \$57,000, which would come out of the Capital Improvements Budget. \$1,052,305 of the proposed increase would be for salaries. There was discussion as to a timetable for Phase I-B of construction. In response to Councilman Gage's question, City Manager Andrews believed the funds would be available to hire additional staff to man the renovated beds if the personnel could be found. City Manager Andrews stated that in November the Council would determine

the priorities for the spending of bond and other moneys for capital outlays for the next three years. Mayor LaRue stated that the architects for Phase I-B would be selected at this meeting or at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Mr. C. T. Johnson suggested that staff be increased by reducing the graduate program from four to two years and by using ex-members of the Medical Corps as male nurses. He stated that American Legion Post #76 had a large reservoir of ex-Corpsmen which they would be happy to provide.

Dr. Dryden stated that the doctors wanted to work with the City Manager and the Council on these matters.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 26, 1970 for one (1) 95' and one (1) 98' galvanized steel transmission line poles with one hundred thirty (130) removable pole steps, to be used by Electric Distribution Division; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of A. B. Chance Company in the sum of \$9,778.00 was the lowest and best bid therefor and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent 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 A. B. Chance Company in the sum of \$9,778.00, be and the same is hereby accepted and that L. H. Andrews, City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City with A. B. Chance Company.

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

- Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
- Noes: None
- Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Price moved the Council award the following contract:

IBM CORPORATION

Electronic computer equipment for IBM
\$800 Traffic Control Computer -
\$6,384.45

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

Ayes: Councilmen Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle
Out of Room at
Roll Call: Councilman Atkison

SALE OF HOUSES AUTHORIZED

Councilman Janes offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 31, 1970, for the sale of six (6) City-owned houses to be moved; and,

WHEREAS, the bids of E. A. Bradford in the sum of \$287.88 for the house located at 604 Therasa, in the sum of \$287.88 for the house located at 405 Rio Vista and in the sum of \$387.87 for the house located at 1410 Newfield; the bid of Roy Sorenson in the sum of \$750.00 for the house located at 805 Winsted; the bid of Lois H. Sutherland in the sum of \$777.77 for the house located at 1402 Newfield; and the bid of Thomas B. Pool in the sum of \$1,327.00 for the house located at 1712 Newfield, were the highest and best bids therefor, and the acceptance of such bids has been recommended by the Building Official 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 bids of E. A. Bradford, Roy Sorenson, Lois H. Sutherland, and Thomas B. Pool, be and the same are hereby accepted, and that L. H. Andrews, City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the City with said named parties.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Out of Room at
Roll Call: Councilman Atkison
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Price offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 31, 1970 for the sale of five (5) City-owned houses to be removed from the premises by demolition; and,

WHEREAS, Cullen & Cox has bid in the sum of \$289.00 to remove the house located at 815 West 10th Street, in the sum of \$239.00 to remove the garage apartment located at 815 West 10th Street, in the sum of \$495.00 to remove the house located at 1003 Winsted, and in the sum of \$259.00 to remove the house located at 2004 Sunset; and Jesse Torres has bid in the sum of \$847.00 to remove the house located at 2112 Lake Austin Boulevard; such sums being the lowest and best bids therefor, and the acceptance of such bids has been recommended by the Building Official 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 above enumerated bids of Cullen & Cox and Jesse Torres, be and the same are hereby accepted, and that L. H. Andrews, City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute contracts for the payment of said sums, on behalf of the City, with said named parties.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Out of Room at
 Roll Call: Councilman Atkison
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Gage requested that the City Manager provide the Council with information on how much it would cost the City to demolish houses as opposed to bid prices which were offered. City Manager Andrews stated that he would get such an estimate from his staff.

TEMPORARY ONE-WAY STREETS

Councilman Price offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, after an engineering and traffic investigation, the City Council has found that the free flow and expeditious handling of traffic under conditions existing at the locations described below requires that traffic upon such streets move only in a one-way direction during the following times:

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 12:01 A.M., September 19, 1970 | 9:00 P.M., September 19, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., October 3, 1970 | 9:00 P.M., October 3, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., October 31, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., October 31, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., November 26, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., November 26, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., December 5, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., December 5, 1970; |

such locations and streets being described as follows:

| <u>STREET</u> | <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>DIRECTION OF ONE-WAY MOVEMENT</u> |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Red River Street | 15th Street | 32nd Street | Southbound |
| San Jacinto Street | Trinity Street | 30th Street | Northbound; |

and,

WHEREAS, after an engineering and traffic investigation, the City Council has found that the free flow and expeditious handling of traffic under conditions existing at the location described below requires that traffic upon such streets move only in a one-way reversible direction as indicated below during the following times:

WESTBOUND

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 12:01 A.M., September 19, 1970 | 5:00 P.M., September 19, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., October 3, 1970 | 5:00 P.M., October 3, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., October 31, 1970 | 3:00 P.M., October 31, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., November 26, 1970 | 3:00 P.M., November 26, 1970 |
| 12:01 A.M., December 5, 1970 | 3:00 P.M., December 5, 1970 |

EASTBOUND

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 5:00 P.M., September 19, 1970 | 9:00 P.M., September 19, 1970 |
| 5:00 P.M., October 3, 1970 | 9:00 P.M., October 3, 1970 |
| 3:00 P.M., October 31, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., October 31, 1970 |
| 3:00 P.M., November 26, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., November 26, 1970 |
| 3:00 P.M., December 5, 1970 | 7:00 P.M., December 5, 1970; |

such location and street being described as follows:

| <u>STREET</u> | <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|---------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Manor Road | Red River Street | West Service Road of I.H. 35 |

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

That traffic is designated to move only in the directions above indicated at the locations and times therein indicated, and that the City Clerk be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to record this finding in Section 21-39 of the Traffic Register.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS

Councilman Gage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the Master Plan of the City of Austin, duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Austin on the 8th day of June, 1961, contemplated the development of Missouri-Pacific Boulevard (now Loop 1) as an indispensable component of the Circulation Plan for the City of Austin; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has found and determined that public necessity requires the acquisition in fee simple of the hereinafter described property for the development and construction of said Missouri-Pacific Boulevard, together with overpasses, underpasses, access roads, connecting, and interconnecting streets and other public facilities and improvements in connection therewith; and for other public purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has negotiated with the owner of said 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 the owner and lienholders, a suit in eminent domain to acquire fee simple title for said purposes to the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Lots Nos. Eight (8) and Nine (9) and the South Nine (9) feet of Lot No. Seven (7), in Block No. Two (2), in Sunset Heights, a subdivision in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the map or plat of record in Book 3, Page 86, of the Travis County Plat Records, and subject to boundary agreement as set out in instrument of record in Volume 2466, Page 527, of the Travis County Deed Records.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

SALE OF LAND TO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

Councilman Gage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONVEY CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of April, 1968, the City of Austin and the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin entered into a Cooperation Agreement for the carrying out of the Brackenridge Urban Renewal Project; and,

WHEREAS, as a part of said Cooperation Agreement, the City agreed to convey to the Urban Renewal Agency certain City-owned property situated within the Brackenridge Urban Renewal Project; and,

WHEREAS, the parcel of land described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof is a portion of the said land to be conveyed to the Urban Renewal Agency as required by said Cooperation Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the fair market value of said parcel aggregates the sum of \$56,250.00, which sum will be paid to the City of Austin as consideration for said conveyance; NOW, THEREFORE:

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

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute a general warranty deed to the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin conveying title to the property in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That the consideration for such conveyance is the sum of \$56,250.00

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

ACQUISITION OF LAND

Councilman Price offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of \$2,500.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED
(1308 Anderson Lane)

(See original Resolution for Exhibit A)

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Price offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of \$2,500.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED
(1306 Anderson Lane)

(See original Resolution for Exhibit A)

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Price offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of \$3,000.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED
(1907 Anderson Lane)

(See original Resolution for Exhibit A)

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Mr. Joseph Morahan, Public Property Manager, explained that these prices were not always the average of the appraisals made.

ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR MO-PAC

Councilman Gage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

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

That the offer of the owners and claimants of the hereinafter described tract of land to convey unencumbered fee simple title thereto to the City of Austin in consideration of the cash payment of \$810.00 therefor be accepted, and that the City Manager or his designate be and he is hereby authorized to consummate purchase of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED
(2102 and 2110 Newfield Lane)

(See original Resolution for Exhibit A)

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Jãnas, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

SALE OF STRUCTURES

Councilman Gage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS APPROVING THE PRICES AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE BID OF CHARLIE AREVALO FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE STRUCTURE LOCATED ON PARCEL 19-5, BRACKENRIDGE NDP PROJECT NO. TEX. A-11-1.

WHEREAS, on August 18, 1970, the Board of Commissioners of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin adopted Resolution Number 239-70, by which the Board accepted the bid of Charlie Arevalo for the purchase of the structure located on Parcel No. 19-5, situated in the Brackenridge NDP Project No. Tex. A-11-1, and more particularly described in said Resolution; and,

WHEREAS, said Resolution Number 239-70, as an official action of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin, is a public record on file in the office of said Agency at 614 West 6th Street, and said Resolution is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes; and,

WHEREAS, an executed copy of said Resolution was forwarded to the City Council on the 2nd day of September, 1970, by the Executive Director of the Urban Renewal Agency for approval of the prices and conditions of the proposed sale of said structures; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds nothing objectionable concerning the prices and conditions of said bid as submitted, and the recommendation of said Urban Renewal Agency Board as contained in said Resolution Number 239-70.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN That the prices and conditions set forth in the bid of Charlie Arevalo for the purchase of structures located on Parcel No. 19-5, Brackenridge NDP Project, Tex. A-11-1, are hereby approved.

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

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Gage offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS APPROVING THE PRICES AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE BID OF R. C. LITTLEFIELD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A STRUCTURE LOCATED ON PARCEL 10-3, UNIVERSITY EAST PROJECT NO. TEX. R-103.

WHEREAS, on August 18, 1970, the Board of Commissioners of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin adopted Resolution Number 244-70, by which the Board accepted the bid of R. C. Littlefield for the purchase of a structure located on Parcel No. 10-3, situated in the University East Project, No. Tex. R-103, and more particularly described in said Resolution; and,

WHEREAS, said Resolution Number 244-70, as an official action of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin, is a public record on file in the office of said Agency at 614 West 6th Street, and said Resolution is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes; and,

WHEREAS, an executed copy of said Resolution was forwarded to the City Council on the 2nd day of September, 1970, by the Executive Director of the Urban Renewal Agency for approval of the prices and conditions of the proposed sale of said structures; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds nothing objectionable concerning the prices and conditions of said bid as submitted, and the recommendation of said Urban Renewal Agency Board as contained in said Resolution Number 244-70.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN That the prices and conditions set forth in the bid of R. C. Littlefield for the purchase of the structure located on Parcel No. 10-3, University East Project, Tex. R-103, are hereby approved.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Atkison, carried by the following vote

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

CONTRACT AWARDED

Councilman Gage moved the Council approve a contract with The University of Texas School of Social Work to place six students on assignment with the Austin-Travis County Health Department. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

SELECTION OF ENGINEERING FIRM DELAYED

The Council had before it for consideration the employment of an Engineering Firm for Consulting and Design Services in conjunction with the following project:

Helms Street - Water Line

City Manager Andrews presented three recommended firms, and Councilman Gage inquired about the status of Hale and Associates which was not on the list. Mr. Al Eldridge, Director of Construction Engineering, stated that they had a slightly smaller crew than the firms recommended. He noted that Hale and Associates was currently engaged in \$700,000 worth of projects outside the City. Councilmen Janes and Gage requested that in future cases, the Council be provided with a list of jobs in which recommended firms were currently engaged.

Councilman Janes moved the Council select National Engineering as Engineering Consultant for the project in question. The motion, seconded by Councilman Gage, failed to carry by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Gage, Janes, Mayor LaRue
Noes: Councilmen Atkison, Price
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Councilman Janes moved the Council reconsider this item on the Agenda for September 17. The motion, seconded by Councilman Gage, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
Noes: None
Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

Mayor LaRue noted that this item would be placed on the next week's Agenda. Councilman Atkison requested that the information on current work load and available manpower for each firm also be given to the Council.

GAS SERVICES DISCUSSED

City Attorney Butler reported that as a result of negotiations with Southern Union Gas Company, he anticipated having a preliminary report to the Council on the Company's application and a fair rate base within the next ten days.

Mr. Daniel Crowley, Vice President of Southern Union Gas Company, requested that the Council set next Thursday or the following Thursday as a definite date for action on their application. Mayor LaRue stated that he did not favor restricting the City Attorney to such a timetable. Councilman Gage urged that a public hearing be held within two weeks, and City Attorney Butler stated that they were aiming for that.

AGENDA ITEM DISCUSSED

City Manager Andrews noted that Financial Statements had been distributed to members of the Council without being placed on the Agenda. Councilman Gage requested that these statements continue to be placed on the Agenda as they had been for the past year and a half. The City Manager stated that this would be done.

APPOINTMENTS DEFERRED

Mayor LaRue noted that the Council would defer making appointments to fill board vacancies.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Atkison moved the Council adjourn. The motion, seconded by Councilman Janes, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Atkison, Gage, Janes, Price, Mayor LaRue
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilmen Johnson, MacCorkle

The Council then adjourned.

APPROVED: _____
 Mayor

ATTEST: _____
 City Clerk