

Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas, Oct 3rd 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: Roll called :

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent excused Councilman Powell 1

The regular order of business was suspended temporarily.

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance levying an assessment for part of the payment of the cost improving Colorado street in the City of Austin between the north property line of 4th street and the north property line of 7th street and to fix a charge and lien against the owners of property and their property abutting said street and providing for the collection and enforcement thereof.

The ordinance was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent excused Councilman Powell 1

The Mayor laid before the following resolution :

A resolution declaring and fixing the amount per front foot and total amount of the cost of improvement on Colorado street in Austin, Texas, between the north property line of fourth street and the north property line of seventh street to be paid by each owner of property abutting thereon who has agreed with the City Council concerning the same .

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the hearing to property owners concerning an assessment to be made against them and their property for the improvement of Colorado street between the north property line of fourth (4) street and the north property line of seventh street having been closed, and the said property owners having been fully heard as to the said assessment, the benefits thereof and all matters connected with the proceedings with reference to said improvements, and the property owners whose names given below having in writing consented with the City and agreed to the amount of the proportion of said cost to be assessed against them respectively and their property.

1st. That the said Council does declare and fix the total amount of said improvement to be paid by each of the said owners who have agreed with the City Council concerning the same and the amount per front foot as hereinbelow set forth opposite the name of the said property owners and the description of their property, the names of the said owners, the description of their property, the amounts to be assessed against each of them and the amount per front foot to be assessed being as follows, to-wit:

Name of Owner, .NO L t., .	Blk & NO.	NO front feet	Amt per front foot	Total amount.
Mrs L J Storey, Ex t Will of				
L J Storey Decd. Lot 9 Blk 43,		.46 feet	\$ 7.59 1/3	\$ 349.29
C M Cabaniss So 1/2 Lot 6, Blk 44,		.64,	.7,59 1/3	.485.97
Mary P Taylor, and her Hisband				
H H Taylor and Walter Taylor, North 1/2 Lot 6, Blk 44, 64 feet ,		.759.1/3	.485.97.	
Joseph Stumpf, North 60 feet of Lot 6, Block 54, 60 feet,		.7,59 1/3	.455.60	
Henry Petri , .Lot 6, Block, 71,		128 feet,	7,59 1/3	971.95.

Approved: *J. Bourdin* Recm, City Attorney

2nd That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :  
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4  
Absent Powell 1

*Assessment  
Improving  
Colorado St*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolution designating owners and their property on Colorado street in the City of Austin ,Travis County,Texas, between the north property line of fourth street and the north property line of seventh street,who have failed or refused to agree with the City Council as to the special benefits of improvement on said Colorado street and apportionment of the cost of such improvement to be assessed against them ,and directing the City Attorney to file with the County Judge of Travis County a statement thereof ,and rescinding a resolution relating to the same matter passed on Sept 19th 1912

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

Whereas, the City Council has heretofore ordered the improvement of Colorado street between the north property line of fourth street and the north property line of seventh street by grading and paving and guttering the same and has given a notice and hearing to the owners of property abutting thereon ,concerning the benefits of the said improvement and the amount and proportion of the cost thereof to be assessed against them ; and,

Whereas, the said hearing has been held and all of said owners have been given an opportunity to be heard before the City Council concerning the

said matters; and,  
Whereas, some of said owners have agreed and consented with the City Council concerning the benefits of said improvement to their property and the amount to be assessed against the same ; and,

Whereas, others have failed or refused to agree with the City Council as to the special benefits of said improvement and the amount and apportionment of the cost thereof to be assessed against them and their property; and,  
Whereas, said improvements have been fully completed and accepted by the City of Austin on April 15th 1912; and,

Whereas, on Sept 19th 1912, the City Council passed a resolution purporting to designate the owners and their property on Colorado street in the City of Austin, Travis County,Texas, between the north property line of fourth street and the north property line of seventh street,who have failed or refused to agree with the City Council as special benefits of improvement on said Colorado street and apportionment of the cost of such improvement to be assessed against them ,and directing the City Attorney to file with the County Judge of Travis County a statement thereof ,which said resolution failed to correctly describe the owners of a portion of said property ,and which resolution is recorded on pages 322 & 323 of Book 5 of the minutes of said City Council ;

1st . The said resolution of Sept 19th ,1912, is hereby rescinded and set aside; 2nd. The said City Council does hereby designate the following property owners and their property who have failed and refused to agree with the City Council concerning the said matters,the names of the said property owners ,the description of their property by lot and block number and the amounts proposed to be assessed against them and their property, being as follows, to-wit:

Name of owner

Estate of Philip Hatzfeld,decd,Peter J Lawless and

F A Hatzfeldbeing Executors thereof,) and Joseph Hatzfeld.,

Wilmuth Hatzfeld,Arinda Grain,Dorchen Wellhoefer,Wife of \_\_\_\_\_ Wellhoefer ( whose given name is unknown)

and Kathie Nastragel, Wife of \_\_\_\_\_ Nastragel, ( whose given name is unknown )  
. South 1/2 of Lot 10, and all of Lots 11 & 12 Block 43,  
115 front feet, at \$ 7.59 1/3 per front foot, Amount \$ 873.23

Mrs R W ( Lena ) Castleman , R M Castleman, Maggie Bull and her Husband R P Bull, Josephine Mitchell  
( Minor ) Jos B Mitchell (Minor) and J B Mitchell, Guardian of Josephine Mitchell and Jos B Mitchell  
Minors, West 50 feet of Lots 7, 8 & 9 Block 55, 138 front feet, \$ 7.59 1/3 per ft foot \$ Total \$  
\$ 1,047.88

A J Zilker & <sup>his</sup> Wife Ida Zilker , Lot 7, Block 44, 128 feet front, \$ 7.59 1/3 per front foot  
Total \$ 971.95

. The above parties , including the Executors of the Will of Philip Hatzfeld , deceased, are all  
citizens of and reside in Austin, Travis County, Texas, except Josephine Mitchell and Joseph B  
Mitchell, Minors, and J B Mitchell , their Guardian, all three of whom reside in and are citizens  
of the city of Denver in the State of Colorado, and except Joseph Hatzfeld, Hermann Hatzfeld  
Maria de Grain, Dorchon Wellhoefer and her Husband \_\_\_\_\_ Wellhoefer and Kathie Nastragel and  
her Husband \_\_\_\_\_ Nastragel , all of whom are non-residents of the State of Texas and whose  
residence is unknown .

3rd. That the City Attorney is hereby directed to file with the County Judge of Travis County,  
Texas, a statement hereof as provided by Section 4 of an ordinance in such case made and  
provided, passed by the City Council of the City of Austin , February 23 , 1911; and further ,  
to take such steps for the appointment of Commissioners , and for the determination of the  
amounts of said assessments as are provided by the said ordinance.

4th . That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.  
The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4  
Absent excused Councilman Powell 1

The Council then resumed the regular order of business:  
The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adopted:  
Mr Chas Wolf made application for permission to erect a shed , against brick wall, to be  
covered with corrugated iron, on Lot 5 Block 58 , within the fire limits, which was granted  
by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, & Haynes 4  
Absent Councilman Powell 1

Reports of City Officers :

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports Of the City Sexton and Of the City Auditor ,  
for the month of Sept 1912, also those of the Supt of the Water & Light Plant for the months  
of June & July 1912, which were ordered filed.

Unfinished business:

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance to amend Articles 807, 808, 809, 810 & 811  
of the Revised ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, and to repeal certain conflicting  
provisions in said Articles 807, 808, 809, 810 & 811, of said Revised ordinances of the City of  
Austin :

The ordinance was read the second time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place  
it on its third reading and final passage, which motion prevailed by the following vote  
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4  
Absent Councilman Powell 1

The ordinance was read the third time and passed by the following vote :  
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4 Nays none.

*Amending Revised Ordinances*  
*Street Fund*

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

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Whereas, on the 15th day of November A D 1910, the City Council of the City of Austin passed a resolution cancelling or attempting to cancel the assessments for City taxes for the year 1907 against the Standard Mutual Insurance Company, of Houston, Texas, and the Union Bank & Trust Co of Dallas, Texas, and for the year 1906, against the Standard Mutual Fire Insurance Co, of Houston, Texas, and the Globe Mutual Fire Insurance Co, of Waco, and for the year 1908, against the State Mutual Life Insurance Co, of Rome, Georgia, and Directing the City Assessor and Collector to cancel same on his records; and, Whereas, the City Council is advised and is of the opinion that said action was illegal or erroneous, and should be rescinded;

Therefore, Be it resolved, by the City Council of the City of Austin that each of the aforesaid resolutions and said action of the City Council be and the same is hereby rescinded, vacated and set aside, insofar as the same cancelled or attempted to cancel the said assessments and instructed the Assessor and Collector to cancel the same on his records; and that the City Clerk notify the Assessor and Collector of this action at once.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Absent excused Councilman Powell 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the City Assessor and Collector be, and is hereby instructed to assess all foreign and domestic Corporations having monies, bonds or other securities ( Except United States Bonds ) deposited in the Treasury of the State of Texas for 1912 and previous years, and that the Assessor shall assess such securities of whatever nature they may be against said Corporations in conformity with the information he may receive from the Treasurer of the State of Texas,

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Hart, Bartholomew & Haynes 4

Absent excused Councilman Powell 1

Approved Oct 4th 1912,

A P W Oldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

It appearing to the Council from the attached statement of V V Warwick, that four head of stock belonging to him were impounded, for which he paid the sum of six dollars for their release, that he further states in addition to this statement at the time the last three head were impounded that the gate to his enclosure was removed from its fastenings and carried to the middle of the street, which must have been done by some malicious or mischievous persons to him unknown for the purpose of causing him trouble and expense. For the reasons stated the Supt of Police and Public Safety recommends that the pound fees paid for the last three head of stock, amounting to \$ 4.50, be and the same is hereby remitted, and said money being still in the hands of the

Texas Insurance Co.

Resolution repealed & Assessment ordered

Corporations ordered assessed

V V Warwick pound fee

. the Clerk of the Corporation Court, said Officer is hereby authorized and directed to refund same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4  
Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from the Manager of the Austin Business University, asking permission to place a sign on the third floor of the Sampson Building, corner of 7th street and Congress Avenue.

*Austin Business University for permission for sign*

The Petition was read and on motion same was refused by unanimous vote of the Council. Councilman Haynes presented the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That in order for the location and purchase of additional cemetery grounds be decided wholly by the people, and that any citizen who has ground to offer be given a fair chance to submit the same; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the question for ballot to be placed before the voters as follows, to-wit :

1st. Shall the \$ 50,000. be expended in extending and improving additional ground adjoining and East of the present cemetery.

2nd. Shall the \$ 50,000. be expended in the purchase and improvement of about 4 acres south of and adjoining the present cemetery and the purchase of additional grounds elsewhere, said additional ground to be selected by ballot of the people in the event of the defeat of extension on the East of the present cemetery.

The resolution was lost by the following vote :

Yeas Councilman Haynes 1.  
Nays Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew & Hart 3

The Council then recessed subject to call.

Friday Oct 4th 1912.

The Council was called to Order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Powell.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the propositions to be submitted to the voters of the City of Austin, for the selection of a public cemetery shall read substantially as follows :

Proposition No 1. In favor of investing the \$ 50,000. proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds in purchasing and improving grounds for cemetery purposes due east of the present City Cemetery.

Proposition No 2. In favor of investing the \$ 50,00. proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds in the purchase and improvement of a tract of four (4) acres of ground immediately south of the present cemetery, and in connection therewith, in the purchase and improvement of a tract of land in East Austin of ninety-eight and a third acres, known as the Ford and Eilers tract.

Proposition No 3. In favor of investing the \$ 50,000. proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds in the purchase and improvement of a tract of four (4) acres of land immediately south of the Oakwood Cemetery, and in connection therewith, in the purchase and improvement of a tract of eighty acres of land on the Cameron road, about one-half mile due north of the Roman Catholic cemetery, and known as the Eck tract.

*Location City Cemetery form of ballot.*

The resolution was lost by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilman Haynes ,under protest.

Nays Councilmen Bartholomew & Hart 2

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the propositions to be submitted to the voters of the City of Austin for the selection of a public Cemetery shall read substantially as follows  
Proposition No 1. In favor of investing the \$ 50,000., proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds ,in purchasing and improving grounds for cemetery purposes due East of the present City Cemetery.

Proposition No 2. In favor of investing the \$ 50,000., proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bands ,in the purchase and improvement of a tract of four (4) acres of ground immediately south of the present cemetery, and in connection therewith ,in the purchase and improvement of a tract of land in East Austin of ninety eight and a third acres, known as the Ford and Eilers tract.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew Hart & Haynes ( Haynes under protest)

Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Council then recessed subject to call .

Saturday Oct 5th 1912.

The Council was called to Order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Powell ;

Mayor Wooldridge Offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council Of the City Of Austin :

Section 1. That an election Of the qualified voters Of the City Of Austin, Texas, be and is hereby called and directed to be held at the usual voting places in the City Of Austin ,Texas, On Thursday, the 17th day Of October 1912, between the hours of eight (8) oclock A M ,and seven (7) oclock P M, at which election the following propositions shall be submitted to the voters for their action thereupon.

Proposition No1.

In favor of investing the fifty thousand dollars ,proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds, in purchasing and improving grounds for cemetery purposes due East of the present Oakwood Cemetery; Or,

Proposition NO 2.

In favor of investing the fifty thousand dollars, proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds ,in the purchase and improvement of a tract of four acres of ground immediately south and immediately adjacent to Oakwood Cemetery, and in connection therewith ,in the purchase and improvement of a tract of land in East Austin of ninety-eight and a third acres of land, known as the Ford and Eilers tract.

Section 2. That said election shall be held at the following named places and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers Of said election ,to-witt:

*Election held  
proposition ordered  
for Oct 17 1912*

(1) For the 1st Ward, the place of election shall be South Austin Fire Hall, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election, to-wit:

- W E Ketchum, Presiding Judge,
- William Jackson, Clerk,
- J D Talley, Clerk.

(2) For the second Ward, the place of election shall be the Hamilton building 205 West 6th street, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

- C E Anderson Sr, Presiding Judge,
- James Perry, clerk,
- W W Harris, Clerk,

(3) For the 3rd Ward the place of election shall be the City Hall, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of election:

- W L Vining, Presiding Judge,
- H M Little, Clerk,
- W D Shelley, Clerk,

(4) For the 4th Ward, the place of election shall be Morris Bros Store, at 26th & Guadalupe streets, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

- Geo W Mendell, Presiding Judge,
- Dennis Quinn, Clerk,
- W B Harper, Clerk,

(5) For the 5th Ward, the place of election shall be Wellmers store, at the corner of 16th and Sabine streets, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

- S E Kinney, Presiding Judge,
- Robert Bright, Clerk,
- Louis Kreiacke, Clerk,

(6) For the 6th Ward, the place of election shall be the County Court House, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

- R P Bull, Presiding Judge,
- W P Reilly, Clerk,
- W J McNamara, Clerk,

(7) For the 7th Ward, the place of election shall be the 10th Ward Fire Hall, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

- N A Turner, Presiding Judge,
- Geo S Dowell, Clerk,
- Henry Wukasch, Clerk.

Section 3. That the ballots to be used at said election shall be printed and furnished by the City of Austin, as provided by law, and each ballot shall have printed thereon the following:

Official Ballot.

Proposition No 1. In favor of investing the fifty thousand dollars, proceeds of the sale of Cemetery bonds, in purchasing and improving grounds for cemetery purposes due East of the present Oakwood City Cemetery; or,

Proposition No 2. In favor of investing the fifty thousand dollars, proceeds of the sale of cemetery bonds, in the purchase and improvement of a tract of four acres of ground immediately south and immediately adjacent to Oakwood Cemetery, and in connection therewith,

in the purchase and improvement of a tract of land in East Austin of Ninetyeight and a third acres of land , known as the Ford and Eilers tract.

Attest, Jno O Johnson ,City Clerk.

Section 4. That each voter shall prepare his ballot by marking over with black pencil or black ink one of the foregoing propositions ,thus leaving the other as expressing his vote .

Section 5. That a proclamation signed by the Mayor shall serve as proper notice of said election ,and said Mayor shall issue said proclamation, calling said election, which shall contain a copy of this resolution ,and and he shall cause the same to be posted for full ten (10) days prior to the date of said election,at the places designated for the holding said election,and the City Clerk shall cause a true copy of this resolution to be published three(3) times in a daily newspaper published in the City of Austin,Texas.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew,Hart & Haynes 4

Absent excused Councilmen Powell 1

The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the Fire Marshal for the month of Sept 1912, which was read and ordered filed.

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following resolution :

Resolved that the Supt of Parks and Public Property be authorized to employ A C Champion at a salary of \$ 4.00 per day ,or \$ 100 .00 per month ,to superintend the cutting of the timber from the land along the Colorado River which will be flooded by the erection of the Dam across the river,and also to negotiate with parties owning property adjoining the river as to damages that may accrue on account of the additional 5 feet of height of the proposed Dam above the former dam.

Mr Champion to report to the Council for approval or disapproval any negotiations he may make for damages.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew,Hart & Haynes 4

Absent Councilman Powell 1

The Council then recessed subject to call.

Monday October 7th 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Powell .

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That permit be and is hereby granted A E Blitch to erect and maintain a cloth awning upon iron brackets or supports securely attached to the wall in front of which the same is placed at No 407 Congress Avenue.

Said awning is to be placed under the supervision ,inspection and approval of the City Engineer of this City.

The permit here granted is to be deemed revocable in the judgement of the city Council.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew,Hart & Haynes 4

Nays none.

*A. C. Champion  
Appointed Supt  
Timber Cutting etc  
on River above  
Dam*

*A. E. Blitch  
City Engineer*



The Council then adjourned.

*Frederic Stearns*  
City Clerk.