

3 Oct 1912

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL: AUSTIN TEXAS: OCT 3 1912

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

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none.

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings wre read and adopted .

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

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

That the City Water Power Co pf Hartford ,Conn, has furnished the City Council satisfac-  
-tory evidence of its having expended in the rebuilding of the Austin Dam since August 1st  
past, the sum of \$ 49,536.53.

Be it resolved further:

That said City Water Power Co, by reason of floods and other causes not within their contr  
has, since the 1st day of August, legitimately lost twelve days of time, therefore the fifth  
peroid of the contract between the City of Austin and the City Water Power Co of Hartford  
Conn, to rebuild the Austin dam is declared to begin on the 12th day of Oct 1912.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge laid before the Council an ordinance ,granting to E W Brown, W B Dunlap,  
J M Abbott, Jno W Maxey, Walter J Crawford, their successors, heirs and Assigns, the right,  
privilege and franchise to build and construct a single and double line track, and necessary  
switches, and turnouts, over certain streets in the City of Austin, and over along and  
across the tracks of other railway companies, and over and along the tracks across the  
bridgespanning the Colorado river in the City of Austin, for the purpose of operating  
interurban cars over and along same.

The ordinance was read the 2nd time and a motion made to suspend the rule and place it on  
its third reading ,which motion prevaded by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

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

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Mayor Wooldridge laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas petitions have been presented to the City Council of the City of Austin, proposing  
and submitting the certain ordinance herein after set out ,requesting the same to be  
enacted into into law in accordance with the terms of the Charter of the City of Austin; and  
Whereas the City Clerk has examined the listaof qualified voters attached to said petition  
and has certified to the City Council that same contains the requisite per cent of the  
entire vote cast for Mayor at the last preceeding general election;

Now therefore, the following ordinance is the ordinance ,without alteration, set forth in  
said petitions, to-wit:

" An ordinance providing for the qualified voters of the City of Austin by special election  
to determine as to whether the present Oakwood Cemetery be extended eastward ,or whether  
four and a half acres, of thereof, and a new Cemetery tract be favored, that all such tracts p  
proposed to the City for cemetery purposes not less than 50 acres in size be thereupon

*Austin Dam  
Contract extended*

*Interurban  
R.R. franchise*

submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Austin, and repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith.

Section No 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Austin; that That there shd be submitted to the vote of the qualified voters of the City of Austin, Texas, by special election to be held at the usual voting places in the City of Austin, not exceeding twenty days after the final passage of this ordinance, and it shall be the duty of the Mayor of the City of Austin, immediately after going into effect of this ordinance, to fix the time of holding of a such special election, etc, by proclamation as provided by law, the following questions:

1. Shall the \$ 50,000. be expended in extending an improving additional grounds adjacent to and east of the present cemetery?
2. Shall the \$ 50,000. be expended in the purchase of about four acres south of and adjacent to 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 the extension on the east of the present cemetery : ?

Section No 2. Should at said special election the proposition to extend the old cemetery to the east be defeated and a majority of the qualified voters favoring the purchase of additional grounds elsewhere, then it shall be the duty of the Mayor by proclamation to order another special election to be held at the usual voting places at a time not exceeding thirty days from the time of holding of said first election for the qualified voters of the City of Austin to select what acreage tract of land shall be purchased by the City of Austin, for cemetery purposes, and at said election each tract proposed shall be placed upon the ballot, giving name and location of tract, number of acres and price the owner has bound himself or herself to sell for in case elected, the ballot shall state "for" and "against." each such tract.

Section No 3. That the tract receiving the majority votes at such election shall be purchased as such additional cemetery not adjacent to old cemetery.

Section No 4. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed.

The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the rule was suspended and it placed on its second reading by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

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 & Powell 5

Nays none.

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

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

By Mayor Wooldridge, An ordinance ordering an election to obtain the consent of the qualified voters of the City of Austin to the passage of an ordinance by the City Council of the City of Austin, granting to E W Brown, W B Dunlap,

*Election on  
Cemetery Proposals  
Ordered  
Also  
Interurban Ry*

J M Abbott, Jno W Maxcy, Walter J Crawford, their associates, successors and assigns, a franchise to use certain streets, alleys and other property in the City of Austin and to use the bridge across the Colorado river at the foot of Congress Avenue, as a part of an interurban railway system between this City and Lockhart, Texas, or some point on the San Marcos river, which ordinance is hereinafter set out in full.

The ordinance was read the first time, and a motion made to suspend the rule and place it on its second reading, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

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 & Powell 5

Nays none.

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

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

Resolution designating owners and their property on 10th street in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, between the west line of Brazos street and the east line of Colorado street, who have failed or refused to agree with the City Council as to the special benefits of improvements on said 10th street and apportionment of the cost of such improvements to be assessed against them and directing the City Attorney to file with the County Judge of Travis County a statement thereof.

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

Whereas, the City Council has heretofore ordered the improvement of 10th street between the west line of Brazos street and the east line of Colorado 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 the said improvement and the amount and the 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 October 31st 1911;

1st, That said City Council does hereby designate the following property owners and to their property who have failed and refused to agree with the Council concerning the said matters, the names of the said property owners, the description of their property by lot and block number and the amount proposed to be assessed against them and their property, being as follows, to-wit:

*Paving  
10th Street  
City Atty to  
file with  
application  
for apportionment  
Commission*

Name of Owner,	Lot No,	Block No,	No front feet ,	Amount per ft for <i>valuation</i>
Martyn Elliott and his Wife				
Jeannie P Elliott	East 80 feet of 7	110,	80,	\$ 7,591/3 \$ 607.46 1/2
Martyn Elliott and his Wife,				
Jeannie P Elliott	West 80 feet lot 7,	110,	80,	7,591/3 .607,46 1/2
Mrs Ida Haggerty Snell, and her Husband E E Snell	E 41 1/2 ft	6, 124.	41 1/2,	7,591/3 315.12
Alfred Smith and E P Wilmot	1,	124,	160,	7,591/3, 1214.93

All of said parties above named being citizens of ,and residing in ,Austin Travis County ,Texas, except Mrs Ida Haggerty Snell and her Husband ,E E Snell, who reside in and are citizens of San Antonio, Texas Co ,Texas.

2nd. 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.

3rd. That this resolution take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

The Council then recessed subject to call.

Nov 4th 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

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

That from satisfactory evidence submitted to us by Mrs S E Morgan ,of this City, especially in the proven fact that certain members of her family have been buried upon the premises hereinafter described and monuments to the said members of her family are now to be found upon the premises hereinafter described ,the City Council declares the said Mrs S E Morgan entitled to personal burial and the burial of the members of her family on a lot of ground twenty feet one way by thirty feet another, as next here described, to-wit:

Beginning at the north east corner of the wood curbing around the lot belonging to Mrs Mary Mussett, which corner is on the old fence line on the west side of Oakwood Cemetery, about one hundred and fifty feet north of the iron fence around Beth Israel Cemetery; thence eastwardly at right angles to fence, twenty feet to a corner; thence northely parallel to fence ,thirty feet to corner; thence westerly twenty feet to corner in said fence; thence southerly along said fence thirty feet to the place of beginning.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

*Secretary Sat  
Mrs S E Morgan*

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

(1) That Red River street from 6th to 21st street is hereby directed to be curbed.

(2) That the curbs shall be upon the permanent lines and grades.

(3) That the width of the roadway shall be forty (40) feet.

(4) That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements ,be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to adopt all necessary ,proper and legal methods for carrying this resolution into effect.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

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

That East Avenue from 16th to 19th streets ,be sidewalked and curbed on each side.

Be it further resolved :

That the width of the paved sidewalks shall be five (5) feet.

Be it further resolved :

That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements is hereby authorized and instructed to take all necessary, proper and legal modes for the enforcing of this resolution .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, that the Supt Streets and Public Improvements ,be authorized to employ Frank Mathews as Engineer and Inspector on the construction of the Sanitary Sewer at a salary of \$ 80.00 permonth, time commencing November 4th 1912.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Haynes 4

Not voting Councilman Powell 1

The Council then recessed subject to call.

Austin Nov 5th 1912.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present:

The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance levying Municipal taxes for the year 1912.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. Johnson  
City Clerk

Resolution  
Ordering Curbing  
Red River St

East Avenue  
16 to 19th  
Sidewalked  
Curbed

Frank Mathews  
appointed as  
Engineer on  
Sewer.

This ordinance  
1912