

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, May 14th 1914.

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

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

Absent none.

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

The following reports of City Officers were presented, read and ordered filed :

Sanitary Inspector, City Sexton and Inspector of Weights and measures:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, it has been made apparient to the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, that lots 2 & 3, Block 16, outlet 1, Div "O" of the City of Austin, Texas, were in fact the property of the Austin Baptist Association prior to the 1st day of January, 1912, and the details only of the contract were lacking completion at that date, and were, as a matter of fact, completed on February 22nd, 1912,

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

Upon the advice of the City Attorney, Mr J Bouldin Rector, that Lots 2 & 3, block 16, Outlet 1, Div "O" were used wholly for religeous purposes on the 1st day of Jan 1912, and subsequent ythereto, the same be and are hereby declared to be exempt from taxation for the year 1912.

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

That said Lots 2&3, Block 16, Outlet 1, Div "O" for the reason hereinabove set forth, be stricken from the assessment rolls of the City of Austin for the year 1912.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the advice of the City Attorney and J W Maxwell, special tax Collector of the City of Austin, that the costs accrued in suit No 22474, City of Austin vs Henry Black, amounting to \$24.16, and the costs in cause No 24149, City of Austin vs Henry Black, amounting to \$ 23.06, are both barred by the statutes of limitation.

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That upon payment of all taxes, interest upon taxes, penalties and all costs other than those hereinabove waived, now due and owing upon lot No 9, in Block No 4, Out Lot No 4 Div "O" of the City of Austin,exas, the City Assessor & Collector of taxes be and he is hereby authorized to settle for taxes with the present owner of said lot No 9 in Block No 4. Out Lot No 4 Div "o", of the City of Austin, Texas.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none,

*Austin Baptist Assoc
Property Non-assessed*

*Henry Black
Costs of suits
Cancelled*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, it has been made evident to the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, that the boathouse heretofore authorized by the City Council to be constructed, operated and maintained by Messrs Huck & Wright in the Lake 150 feet above the Dam, should for various reasons, and particularly for the reason that upon occasion of great floods in the River, when the gates on the crest of the dam will automatically and perhaps suddenly open, thus causing a great drop in the water of the river at points near the dam, and thereby creating a danger to careless or ignorant boatmen immediately above the dam, be located farther away from the dam.

*Messrs Huck & Wright
Boat House*

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the contract made by the City of Austin with Messrs Huck & Wright on the 11th day of June 1913, to conduct, operate and maintain a boat house in the lake above the dam, with the consent and at the request of said Messrs Huck & Wright, which consent and request are the basis of this resolution, be amended in this single particular only, to-wit, that said boat house and the gang way leading to same shall be erected 450 feet above the dam instead of 150 feet above the dam, as is now provided in said contract of June 11th 1913,

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The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Whereas, Mrs Mary A Robinson of Austin, Texas, on the 30th day of October 1912, by contract at that time entered into with the City of Austin, Texas, granted a permit to the City of Austin, Texas, to construct a sanitary sewer in and across her premises situated on Out Lot No 52, Division "O" of this City, for a distance of about five hundred feet, giving to the City of Austin, Texas, the perpetual right of maintaining said sanitary sewer in and across said premises without compensation to herself for such perpetual permit, which privilege was and is of large pecuniary benefit and advantage to the City of Austin, Texas; and,

*Mrs M A Robinson
sewer rights granted
City*

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Whereas, said Mrs Mary A Robinson now desires sewer service to be furnished at her home place situated on Lots Nos 1 & 2, Block No 1, of the Riverside Subdivision of Outlots Nos 35 & 36, Division "O" of this City.

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That a perpetual permit free of charge be and is hereby granted to the said Mrs Mary A Robinson to construct a sanitary sewer and to enjoy the benefits of perpetual free sewer service at said premises on Lots Nos 1 & 2, Block 1, of the Riverside subdivision of Outlots Nos 35 & 36, Division "O" of this City.

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That the terms of this resolution be incorporated into a contract to be duly executed by the Mayor of this City with the said Mrs Mary A Robinson.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

The Mayor laid before the Council the following declaration and resolution :

I, A P Wooldridge, Mayor of the City of Austin, Texas, and I, H L Haynes, Supt of the Dept of Receipts , Disbursements and Accounts, and I, E C Bartholomew Supt of the Dept of Parks and Public Property, and I, P W Powell, Supt of the Dept of Streets and Public Improvememnts, and I, W B Anthony, Supt of the Dept of Police and Public Safety, do each declare that on the 13th day of May ,1914, the City of Austin Destroyed by burning in the furnance at the City Hall of this City the following numbered Refunding bonds of the City of Austin, Texas, to-wit:

✓ 1591	✓ 765	✓ 1403	✓ 1020	✓ 1414	✓ 312
✓ 1592	✓ 525	✓ 1404	✓ 1129	✓ 1415	✓ 313
✓ 1593	✓ 526	✓ 1405	✓ 1130	✓ 1416	✓ 314
✓ 1594	✓ 585	✓ 1406	✓ 1131	✓ 1417	✓ 315
✓ 1595	✓ 586	✓ 1407	✓ 1167	✓ 1418	
✓ 1596	✓ 587	✓ 1409 (8)		✓ 1419	
✓ 1597	✓ 698	✓ 1409		✓ 1420	
✓ 1598	✓ 943	✓ 1410		✓ 1421	
✓ 1599	✓ 1123	✓ 1411		✓ 1422	
✓ 1600	✓ 1174	✓ 1412		✓ 1423	
✓ 1601	✓ 1588	✓ 972			

Destruction of Bonds

together with the coupons to said bonds attached , beginning July 1st, 1914, and terminating with the maturity of said bonds, July 1st, 1931,

We, and each of us, do hereby further declare that said bonds were the property of the City of Austin, Texas, acquired by purchase in redemption of the same at various dates during the months of January, February and March of the present year.

Now, therefore, in view of the foregoing statement ,

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

That the City Clerk of the City of Austin, Texas, is hereby instructed to copy this declaration and resolution into the minutes of the City Council of the City of Austin and to credit upon the bond register of the City of Austin and mark off as paid , the bonds enumerated in this foregoing statement.

A P Wooldridge. Mayor

H L Haynes, Supt Receipts, Disbursements and Accounts, P W Powell Supt Streets and Public Improvements

E C Bartholomew, Supt Parks and Public Property, W B Anthony, Supt Police and Public Safety

May 15th 1914.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present *Bartholomew* Councilman P Owell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements be and he is hereby authorized to cut throgh through the alley be tween 8th & 9th streets from Brazos to San Jacinto streets at an approximate cost of \$ 1759.86, as per his communication to the City Council of date May 12th 1914.

Opening alley between 8th & 9th Mayor to San Jacinto

The res olution was adopted by the following vote: Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5 Nays none.

May 16th 1914: Council called to order, with all present, except Anthony & Bartholomew

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Whereas, T A Martin and Martha Martin, husband and wife of Travis County, Texas, have proposed to give and grant to the City of Austin the right and easement to enter at any and all times that certain portion of the 8 acres of land, more or less, described in the deed from Joseph Spence and his wife, Mary M Spence, to Mrs Martha Martin dated _ day of May 1906, and recorded in book 209, at page 163, of the deed records of Travis County, Texas, to construct and perpetually maintain thereon and there- in a double line of sewer pipes, same to enter said premises at a point in the north line of the first road that branches off in an easterly direction. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ from south Congress Avenue after leaving the Congress Avenue Bridge, 2165 feet along said road from the center line of said South Congress Avenue, and running in a northeasterly direction across said premises toward the foot of East Avenue to a point in the north or east boundary line of said prem- ises, all in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas;

Now, therefore,

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

That in consideration of such conveyance and easement, the City of Austin hereby gives and grants to said Martha Martin and T A Martin the right at all times to con- nect the property hereinafter described, or any portion thereof, with the sanitary sewer system of the City of Austin, and to use same without charge to said parties, and to their vendees, perpetually; the property to be included in this grant being that 14 acres of land described in the certain deed from Joe J West and husband William S West, dated May 5th 1906, and recorded in book 208, at page 274- 276, both inclusive, of the deed records of Travis County, Texas, and that 8 acres of land, more or less, described in the certain deed from Joseph Spence and wife, Mary M Spence to Mrs Martha Martin, dated May _ 1906, and recorded in book 209, at page 163, of the deed records of Travis County, Texas, to both of which deeds and the records thereof reference is here made for particulars.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Haynes & Powell 3
Absent Councilmen Anthony & Bartholomew 2

May 14th 1914.

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the sum of \$ 553.18 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, for the year 1914, in payment of a bill for commissions at various per cents of charge made by J W Maxwell gainst the City of Austin for services in collecting \$ 2, 716.83 taxes, as per the attached list verified by the signature on each of the two pages thereof of A P Wooldridge, Mayor, dated May 14th 1914.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

J.A. Martin & Martha Martin
for sewerage
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J W Maxwell
apprs for Com Cal
John Maxwell
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Councilman Anthony presented the following resolution :

Whereas, after a full hearing of the facts in the case of the State of Texas vs Sam Posey ,No 8532 in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin,Texas, these facts in the judgement of the City Council make it proper that the fine and costs imposed in the case of the State of Texas,vs Sam Posey amounting to \$ 14.80, and imposed upon the said Sam Posey on the 6th day of May 1914, should be remitted,

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 14.80, in the case of the State of Texas vs Sam Posey, No 8532, in the Corporation Court of the City Of Austin, Texas, be and the same are hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Whereas, after a full hearing of the facts in the case of the State of Texas vs Walter Metzenthin ,No 8489, in the Corporation Court of the City of Austin,Texas, the City Council deemes there are many extenuating circumstances sufficient to justify the remission of the penalty heretofore imposed in this case,

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the fine and costs in the case of the State of Texas vs Walter metzenthin, No 8489, imposed on the 18th day of April 1913, amounting to \$ 19.80, be and the same are hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

The Council then adjourned.

J. A. Johnson
City Clerk.

*Sam Posey
Fine remitted*

*Walter Metzenthin
Fine remitted*