

Minutes of a Called Meeting of the City Council.
Austin, Texas, July 23rd 1896.

Hon. Lewis Hancock, Mayor, presiding.

Roll called.

Present Aldermen Glass, Simm, Platt, Powell, Roberdeau, Rosengran, Schneider, Shelley, Taylor, Tobin and Townsend. 11.

Absent Aldermen: Geaty, Fischer, Glascock, Goeth, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Nitschke, Redd, Stumpf and Zilker 11

Alderman Roberdeau moved a call of the Council, which was ordered.

Alderman Schneider moved to take a recess of ten minutes, Carried.

At the expiration of the recess the Council was called to order.

Roll called.

Present Aldermen Glass, Goeth, Horton, Simm, Platt, Powell, Roberdeau, Rosengran, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin and Townsend. 14.

Absent Aldermen: Geaty, Fischer, Glascock, Haynes, Lawless, Nitschke, Redd and Zilker 8.

Alderman Simm moved to suspend the call of the Council, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye Aldermen Glass, Horton, Simm, Platt, Powell, Rosengran, Schneider, and Townsend. 8.

Nay Aldermen Goeth, Roberdeau, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor & Tobin 6.

Alderman Goeth moved a call of the Council, which was ordered.

Aldermen Zilker and Geaty appeared in the Council Chamber and answered to their names.

Alderman Roberdeau moved that the Council take a recess of ten minutes. Carried.

At the expiration of the recess the Council was called to order.

Roll called.

Present Aldermen Geaty, Glass, Goeth, Horton, Simm, Platt, Powell, Redd, Roberdeau, Rosengran, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend and Zilker 17.

Absent Aldermen: Fischer, Glascock, Haynes, Lawless and Nitschke 5.

Alderman Powell moved to suspend the call, which motion prevailed.

The following call was then read:

Austin, Texas, July 23rd 1896.

Hon. Lewis Hancock, Mayor, and Board of Aldermen, City of Austin:

Gentlemen: The undersigned members of the City Council of the City of Austin hereby call a special meeting of the City Council to convene at 5 P.M. this 23rd day of July, 1896, for the purpose of considering an ordinance amending certain sections of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for the management and operation of the Water Works, Electric Light and Power plants of the City, of Austin and establishing rules and regulations for the government thereof and fixing rates of service, and for such other matters in relation thereto that may be submitted.

Very respectfully,
Thomas J. Taylor, J. M. Geaty,
Wm. S. Simm, W. C. Goeth, H. D. Shelley, J. Zilker

Call of Council

Call suspended

Call for special meeting read

Austin, Texas, July 23rd 1896, 4 PM.

City Marshal's Certificate of serving notice of called meeting

I hereby certify that the following named Aldermen have been served with the above call by having it read to each of them in person, viz: Beatty, Glass, Goeth, Haynes, Horton, Lawless, Linn, Platt, Powell, Redd, Roberdrau, Rosengran, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend and Zilker, and that Aldermen Fischer and Kitchel have been served by a true copy being left at each of their respective places of business, they being out of the City, and that Alderman Glascock has been served by a true copy having been left at his last known place of residence in the City.

Ord. amending certain sections of an Ord. providing for management & operation of the W. & Power plants

The Mayor then laid before the Council an ordinance amending certain sections of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance providing for the management and operation of the Water Works, Electric Light and Power plants of the City of Austin," etc. The ordinance was read a third time.

Amendment to Sec. 4

Alderman Stumpf offered the following amendment to section 2: Strike out of the ordinance the following: "The Mayor shall appoint a standing committee, composed of three members of the City Council," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "There shall be a standing committee of the City Council, composed of three members, who shall be elected by the Council."

Alderman Powell moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "three" and inserting the word "four", which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes Aldermen Glass, Powell and Schneider 3.
Nays Aldermen Beatty, Goeth, Horton, Linn, Platt, Redd, Roberdrau, Rosengran, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin, Townsend and Zilker 14

Amendment to Sec. 2 adopted.

The amendment of Alderman Stumpf was then adopted by the following vote:

Ayes Aldermen Beatty, Glass, Horton, Linn, Platt, Powell, Redd, Roberdrau, Rosengran, Schneider, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor & Townsend 14.
Nays Aldermen Goeth, Tobin and Zilker 3.

Alderman Glass offered the following: Amend section 1, line 1 by striking out the word "Mayor" and inserting the words "Water and Light Committee", which was lost by the following vote:

Ayes Aldermen Glass, Horton, Linn, Powell, Redd, Rosengran, Schneider and Townsend 8
Nays Aldermen Beatty, Goeth, Platt, Roberdrau, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin and Zilker 9.

Previous question ordered

Alderman Tobin moved the previous question on the final passage of the ordinance, which was ordered.

Ord. failed to pass

The ordinance was then lost by the following vote:
Ayes Aldermen Goeth, Platt, Roberdrau, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Tobin & Zilker 6
Nays Aldermen Beatty, Glass, Horton, Linn, Powell, Redd, Rosengran, Schneider and Townsend 9.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

Geo. B. Garrison
City Clerk