

Regular Meeting of the City Council
Austin, Texas, Oct 17th 1904

John C. White Mayor, presiding
Roll called

Present Aldermen Crooker, Hayes, Kume, Macken,
Maddox, Miller, Moore, Newcomb, Radd, Schneider
Shumate Smith & Whit

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Absent Alderman Shelley

On motion the Minutes were approved as recorded
by the Clerk, without reading.

Petitions, Memorials etc

Petition on the
part of Miller
Sherrill

By the Mayor, petition of Geo Miller for permission to
erect a Corrugated Iron shed within the fire limits

Read and on motion referred to the Fire Commission
By Alderman Radd Pet of Geo. White to erect a
Corrugated ware room within the fire limits

Read and on motion referred to the Fire Commission

By Mayor Hancock who invited to a seat with the
Mayor

By Alderman Miller, by request, Petition of Phil Hatfield et al
to open street in South Austin Read and on
motion referred to the Street Committee

The following communication was read and
ordered filed

Children's Home of Austin
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To the Honorable City Council of the City of Austin, Texas,
Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Children's Home, we beg
to tender you our sincere thanks for your appropriation
covering amount of taxes due the City for the year 1903
on property of the Home. Your generous action will be
of substantial help in maintenance of our work,
for which we are very grateful

Respectfully
Mrs E. M. Davis Pres
Mrs G. H. Littlefield
Mrs M. A. Taylor
Mrs J. J. Brown
Mrs M. H. Gilfillan
Mrs J. K. Conner
Mrs W. H. Tracy Secy for Com

Board of Managers, Children's Home of Austin

Alderman Shelley entered the Council Chamber
Reports of City Officers

The Mayor laid before the Council the reports of the
City Treasurer and Engineer, which were on motion
referred to their appropriate committees, without reading.

Reports City Committee

Reports of Chauding Committee
Alderman Kume for the ordinance Committee to whom was referred the Plumbing ordinance, presented a substitute for said ordinance; On motion the report was laid over to come up with the substitute under the head of unfinished business

Ordinance

City, let

Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of C. B. Card for permission to erect a wagon scale on Danfascino & Fifth Street, presented a report recommending that the petition be not granted, for the reason that there is already a scale on the intersection of said streets and the petitioner is not doing business at that point.

Pernell et al

On motion the report was adopted
Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of T. D. Pernell et al, asking that the side walk on E 5th from Pragas to Trinity Streets be properly graded, presented a report, recommending that the petition be granted, and that the City Engineer be instructed to notify the property owners accordingly

F. E. Wistrick to erect
awning, etc

On motion the report was adopted
Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred the application of F. E. Wistrick for permission to erect an awning & show window on W 5th street, presented a report recommending that the petition be granted for the awning and stating that the petitioner has abandoned the show window

Hierman et al
for scales

On motion the report was adopted
Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Frank Hierman & Co for permission to erect a wagon scale on Pragas and Fifth streets, presented a report stating that the Committee has given them the authority

Ord appx \$75.00
work

On motion the report was adopted
Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$75.00 for the purpose of repaving W 10th street between Guadalupe & San Antonio Streets, presented a report stating that "we are informed that this is to be used in cutting down the side walk at the corner of said streets and we return the ordinance with the recommendation that it be referred to the City attorney, as we doubt the power of the Council to appropriate money for working the side walk." On motion the report was adopted
Alderman Nitschke for the Street Committee to whom was referred the report of the Physician and Matron of the Hospital

Fire - 314050.16
referred to 27 11

In the month of Sept 1904, presented a report, stating that same had been examined and found correct. On motion the report was adopted.

Alderman Schneider for the Fire Committee, motion was referred an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$650.00 for the purpose of retaining the 8th street fire hall, asked for further time in which to make their report. On motion the request was granted.

Unfinished business
The Mayor laid before the Council the substitute offered by the Ordinance Committee for the plumbing Ordinance, which was read the first time and discussed after which a motion was made to suspend the rule and place it on its second reading which motion was lost by the following vote

Yeas Aldermen Brooks, Kame Macken, ^{Madison} Wilken Moore
Shelley, Phumate & Smith 9
Nays Aldermen Haynes, Nitschke, Redd, Schneider, Ullert 5

New Business
Mrs Lewis Hancock, owner of the Hancock Opera House addressed the Council requesting the Council to pass ordinance defining more specifically, the requirements of owners and operators of Opera Houses. Alderman Shelley moved that the matter be referred to Ordinance Committee and City Attorney, together with the special committee heretofore appointed to inspect Opera Houses and other public buildings regarding fire escapes.

Special Com.
Committee to draft
Ordinance on opera

Alderman Ullert offered the following as a substitute for the motion of Alderman Shelley. Resolved that a committee of six to be appointed by the Mayor, three members to be from the Aldermen of the City Council, one to be the City Attorney and two from citizens of the City whose duty shall be to prepare an ordinance or ordinances fully covering the proper construction, management, control & use of all playhouses or opera houses, and to report such ordinance to the City Council at the next regular meeting together with such recommendations as the said committee may deem necessary.

On motion the substitute was adopted. The Mayor has since appointed the following as the committee provided for in the above resolution, viz Aldermen Schneider, Moore & Nitschke, Citizens Geo. Reed, J. A. Cooper, and the City Attorney. The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from H. L. Lee, City Engineer asking an appropriation

City Engineer in
office - for street work

of \$150. for improvement of Chicon Street and Penn Avenue, which was read and on motion referred to the Street Committee

Complaint, missing
pipe

Alderman Hume stated that Complaint had been made to him that some pipe that had been put in by private parties on August + 20th Street had been removed by some one, and asked that the matter be investigated

Officer James Quinlan tendered his resignation as a policeman, which was on motion accepted

City Marshal + Montgomery submitted the following names to the Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Officer Quinlan viz

- J. Meadows.
- Quinn Shooter
- Sam Lee
- Tom Sanders

Alderman Macken moved that the Council ballot upon the names submitted until one has received a majority of the votes of the Council, which motion prevailed

Aldermen Nitche and Hume were appointed tellers.

The tellers announced the following as the result of the first ballot, viz

Meadows 4 - Shooter 9 - Lee 1 - Sanders 0.

J. Shooter Confirmed
as Policeman

The Mayor declared J. Shooter duly Confirmed as a Policeman of the City of Austin,

Alderman Maddox offered the following resolutions which were read and adopted

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, that there be and is hereby transferred from the Bonded Indebtedness account to the sinking fund Water Light Bonds account the amount of Seventeen thousand five hundred and ninety seven dollars and nine cents (\$17,597.97)

Transfer of funds

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, that there be and is hereby transferred from the General Fund account to the account of Interest on Bonds issued prior to May 1st 1890, the amount of Ninety seven dollars and fifty cents (\$97.50)

By Alderman Maddox An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$50,100.00 for the purpose of purchasing bonds for the sinking fund of Water and Light bonds. The Ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules in the following Vote
Yeas Aldermen Proctor, Hume, Macken, Maddox, Miller, Moore
Nitschke, Redd, Simons, Wheeler, Drumate, Smith, T. Whit
None None

City Council
approved

By Alderman Maddox An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Eight hundred and forty dollars for the purpose of purchasing one bond for the interest on bonds prior to May 1st 1890.

The Ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote Yeas Aldermen Brooker Hayes Kume Macken Madox Miller Moore Nitche Padd Schneider Shelby Shumate Smith & Witt Nays None.

6100. 2nd 1890

By Alderman Shumate An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of completing improvements on East Sixth Street between Robertson & Walker Sts. The ordinance was read the first time, and on motion was referred to the streets Committee.

By Alderman Nitche An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$100. for the purpose of building a new house for the Bridge Keeper.

The Ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following Vote Yeas Aldermen Brooker Hayes Kume Macken Miller Moore Nitche Padd Shelby Shumate Smith & Witt 12 Nays Aldermen Maddox & Schneider 2

Approved accounts Ordinance

By Alderman Maddox An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$1639.65 for the purpose of paying approved gas. The ordinance was read the first time and on motion the rule was suspended and the ordinance placed on its second reading by the following Vote Yeas Aldermen Brooker Hayes Kume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitche Padd Schneider Shelby Shumate Smith & Witt 11

Nays None. The ordinance was read the second time. Alderman Schneider moved to amend same by adding "for the purpose of" for the words "25". The amendment was adopted, and the ordinance as amended was then passed under suspension of the rule by the following Vote Yeas Aldermen Brooker Hayes Kume Macken Maddox Miller Moore Nitche Padd Schneider Shelby Shumate Smith & Witt 14 Nays None.

On Motion the Council adjourned
Geo. D. Purson
City Clerk