Nays— Ald. James, Robinson and Sheeks.
Ald. Chandler moved to suspend the rules to put the ordinance on its second reading.
Lost, by the following vote,
Yeas— Ald Chandler, Cook, Deffenbaugh, Goodale, Larmour and Taylor.
Nays— Ald James, Robinson and Sheeks.
Ald. Taylor introduced the following;
Be it resolved by the City Council of the city of Austin; That the City shall in no case be responsible to the Officers for fines adjudged against person or persons for infraction of the law who are not able to pay the same
On motion the resolution was referred to the special Committee who have the matter under consideration, and report at the next regular meeting.
The Printing Committee, reported that they had recorded the printing of the advertisements and ordinances, to John Cardwell and asked further time to report on the Job work, Granted.
On motion the Council adjourned.
Fred Sterzing, Recorder.

Regular Meeting of the City Council.
Council Chamber.
Austin Texas, Dec. 6th 1875
Present. Mayor T. B. Wheeler in the chair. Aldermen C. Bremond, A. H. Cook, A. Deffenbaugh, T. O. Goodale D. A. James, J. H. Robinson, D. Sheeks and H. A. Taylor.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
Petitions read and disposed of;
H. C. Bengener, and five other residence and property owners of the first Ward, stating that the saloon situated on the corner of Lavaca & Live Oak streets had become a nuisance to that neighborhood— asking to revoke the license on said saloon and suppress said nuisance.
Referred to the City Attorney to prosecute the parties causing the nuisance.
Charles Sabath, M. Williams and twenty-nine

other merchants, stating that the ordinance passed imposing a license on the occupation of "Street Drummer" had aggravated the evil it was designed to cure — that said license tax being to insufficient in amount — that it is calculated to be detrimental to the interest of legitimate trade and commerce — Showing that in nearly all the commercial communities and business cities in this country had long since abolished the occupation of Street Drummer — that no licenses were granted to such persons in any City having at heart the promotion and encouragement of legitimate trade, and asking further that said ordinance ~~ordinance~~ licensing Street Drummers be repealed, and some decisive and positive action be taken to prevent the carrying on of said occupation, and that all licenses granted under the ordinance be revoked.
On motion the petition was referred to the ordinance Committee.
Reports of Officers presented and disposed of:
City Marshal's, for the month of November 1875.
Received.
City Physician's, for the month of November 1875.
Received.
City Sexton's, for the month of November 1875.
Received.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Austin Dec. 6/75.

To the Hon. T. B. Wheeler, Mayor.
We the Police Committee recomend that no change be made at present in the Police Department. And that any person having complaint to make against any member of the Police Force make the same to the City Marshal, and he shall present the same to the Police Committee for action
J. H. Robinson, E. Bremond, and T. O. Gordale,
On motion the report was received and adopted.

Austin Texas, Dec. 6/75.

Hon T. B. Wheeler, Mayor.
Your Committee on Streets, to whom was referred a petition from Many Citizens asking that the Bridge over Waller Creek, on Pecan street be enlarged to the full width of the street,

have examined the same, and recommend that the work asked for, be done as soon as the City has the money to do the same.

J. H. Robinson, Chairman, M. A. Taylor, D. A. James.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Austin Tex, Dec. 6th 1875.

Hon T. B. Wheeler, Mayor,

The Committee to whom was referred the case of L. H. Meyer, have the honor to report as follows, After visiting the said Meyer we find him in such a state of health as to require some attention The said Meyer presents the appearance of a young man of about 20 years, and is now laboring under Chronic Chills, and by a little help will be able to make a support for himself

M. A. Taylor, Chairman

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Austin Dec. 6th 1875.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler Mayor

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Greenberg — have the honor to report that the have examined the facts set fourth and find them correct The Committee feel willing to grant the license provided it does not apply to the retailing of spirituous liquors.

M. A. Taylor, Chairman, A. H. Cook Jr.

The report was received and adopted by the following vote,

Yeas — Ald Bremond Cook Deffenbaugh, Goodale, James, Robinson and Taylor

Nays — Ald, Sheeks

Austin Tex, Dec. 6th 1875.

Hon T. B. Wheeler Mayor

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the petition of B. Offenheimer, beg, leave to report to your honor, That we find the asking of the petition is clearly contrary to law and hence not within our power to grant

M. A. Taylor Chairman A. H. Cook Jr.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Austin Tex, Dec. 6th 1875.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler, Mayor,

Your Committee on Streets, to whom was referred

the petition of Pendley asking the privilege of erecting a scale on the south have of Block No 59 recommend that the petition be granted. The Scale to be located und the discretion of the Street Committee.

J. H. Robinson Chairman, M. A. Taylor, D. A. James,

On motion, the report was received & adopted.

Mr Banks came forward and made a proposition with reference to renting the City Hall for school purposes.

On motion the matter was referred to the Committee on Market House.

The Committee on Printing, reported that they had awarded the printing of job work, to the proprietor of the State Gazette, he having the lowest bid.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Mr. J. D. Elliotts bond for the faithful complyance of the awarded bid for the job printing, was presented and adopted.

A motion was made and carried, requiring Mr. John Cardwell to file his bond for the faithful compliance of his bid awarded for the printing

Austin Texas Dec. 6th 1875.

To his Hon. the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the city of Austin.

Gentlemen — Your select Committee, to whom was referred the duty of examining into the receipts of the office of City Attorney, after careful consideration respectfully beg leave to submit the following report.

Having examined into the fees and emoluments of the office of City Attorney. We find that the total receipts of said office, for four months passed, including both fees and salary, amount to an average of $123 72/100 per month. We have, therefore, to respectfully recommend that the fees for services of the City Attorney, be continued the same as heretofore.

Ald. Taylor moved to refer the report to the Committee on Finance. Lost.

Alder. Bremond moved to adopt the report. Carried.

Alderman James introduced An Ordinance

to be entitled: "An Ordinance leasing a portion of the River Walk to the City Water Company" The ordinance was read. A motion was made, that the ordinance be referred to the Committee on Streets with power to act in the premises. Carried by the following vote:
Yeas — Alds. Bremond, Cook, Deffenbaugh, Goodale, James, Larmour, Robinson and Taylor.
Nay — Ald. Sheets.
Ald. James introduced the following: An ordinance No. 68. to be entitled, An Ordinance supplimentary of and amendatory of an Ordinance passed Nov. 20th 1875 in reference to dance houses.
The ordinance was read the first time. On motion the rules were suspended, the ordinance read the second time. On motion the rules were further suspended the ordinance read the third time, and passed by the following vote:
Yeas — Bremond Cook Deffenbaug Goodale, James, Robinson, Sheets and Taylor.
Nays — none.
The Ordinance introduced at the last meeting; Authorizing H. A. Cook Sr. his assigns, his tenants, or the assigns of his tenants, to erect steps descending and ascending to the payment on the south side of block No. 70. to the alley on the west, was taken up, read and passed its second reading by the following vote: Yeas:
Ald. Bremond, Cook, Deffenbaugh, Goodale, and Taylor.
Nays — Ald. James, Sheets, and Robinson.
Alder. Bremond moved to strike out the words "ninety-nine years". Carried. Yeas-six. Nays-two.
The ordinance was read the second time.
Ald. Sheets introduced the following protests which were read, to wit:

Austin November 1875

We the undersigned Citizens and property owners of Austin, having seen with regret the apparent disposition of the City Council to allow an encroachment upon the public pavement near the corner of Congress Avenue and Pecan Street.

in order to allow Mr. Cook to encroach upon the side-walk by digging a stair-way to the basement of his new building, Do hereby protest against such action on the part of the City Council as being an infringement upon the rights of Citizens and property holders, and in violation of the organic law which created the City of Austin.

D. Beall, C. S. West, John Bremond, H. H. Haynie, E. A. Beall.

Austin Tex. Nov. 30th 1875

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Austin;

The undersigned citizens of the City of Austin respectfully protest against the appropriation of any part of the streets, side-walks and alleys in the city to the separate use of individuals and respectfully ask that the same be kept open and free from obstruction, so that they may at all times, in all their parts, be used by the public as highways, according to the legal rights of the public.

J. H. Robinson Sr. Alonzo Robinson, R. J. Swancoat, J. A. Cunningham, H. Thompson, L. R. Hillebrand, John Stelfox, A. B. Neumann, Hugh A. Haralson, J. P. Kirk, J. T. Pendly, Geo. F. Keller, A. Junck, H. L. Levy, Geo. Lobyson, E. T. Eggleston, John Bremond, J. W. Howard, Seth Mabry, E. Moses, A. Biberstean, B. Melasky & Son, L. Seligman, J. S. Penn & Co. Thos. E. Sneed, W. H. Bell, T. Weaver, C. Potosky, R. R. Robertson, W. W. Mooney, J. H. Burkes, W. F. Bengener, B. Shumann, Ben Henricks, Alf. H. Robinson, Davidson McK Walker, John Neff, R. M. Castleman, Jos. A. Nagle, Mathews & Truccox, M. D. Miller, M. M. Rosenfeld, Wedieg & Bonnefeld, Ed. Tillman, Peter Smith, J. G. Wheeler, Meyer & Hirsh, M. Williams, C. C. Worthington.

Alder. Bremond moved the suspension of the rules to put the ordinance on its third and final reading.

Ald. Bremond withdrew his motion.

Ald. Sheets moved the suspension of the rules to put the ordinance on its third reading.

The motion ~~motion~~ was put and lost by the following vote;
Yeas — Ald. Bremond, Cook, Deffenbaugh, Goodale and Taylor.
Nays — Ald. James, Robinson and Sheeks,
No two thirds vote,
Ald. Taylor offered the following; which was referred to the ~~following~~ Committee on Fire Department, to wit
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin; That the Fire Bell be mounted to the Market House if it is considered safe to place the same on the Market House, or Market Hill, as soon as possible.
Ald. ~~Bremond~~ Robinson moved to adjourn. Lost.
Ald. Bremond moved that the Street Commissioner be instructed to take charge of the City's Carts, and repair, or put the bridge on West College Avenue in a condition to keep it from going to distruction. Carried
On motion, the Council adjourned.

Fred Stenzing
Recorder,

Called Meeting of the City Council.

Austin Texas, Dec. 11th 1875.

Mayor T. B. Wheeler in the chair called the meeting to order. Roll called Present: Aldermen A. H. Cook A. Deffenbaugh, T. O. Goodale, D. A. James J. Larmour, J. H. Robinson, D. Sheeks and M. A. Taylor.
The Mayor stated that the meeting was called to consider a petition from T. R. Tool, Agent of Howes Great London Circus and Hippodrome — To received the report from the Committee on Market House in reference to renting the City Hall to Mr Banks for school purposes, and to provide some means to meet the coupons due on the first day of January 1875.
The Committee on Market House, having under consideration Mr. Banks proposition, asked for further time to make their report. Granted.