

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

May 3, 1951  
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Drake presiding.

## Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Absent: None

Present also: Walter E. Seaholm, City Manager; Trueman E. O'Quinn, City Attorney; C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works; R. D. Thorp, Chief of Police.

Councilman Johnson moved that since copies of the minutes of the last meeting of the City Council have been furnished Council members by the City Clerk, the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and that the minutes be adopted as read in the Clerk's report. Upon being duly seconded by Councilman Long, the motion was unanimously adopted by the Council and the minutes so approved.

MR. J. H. RABY, 2104 Rountree Drive, complained of a creek which overflows during heavy rains and washes part of his yard away. He reported that the City through MR. LATSON had been working on this, running levels and planning a bridge across 19th Street. The Director of Public Works said field notes were being worked out so that easements could be obtained; that to correct the problem at his place meant working from 19th to 12th Streets; and to complete the project, a bridge would have to be constructed. He figured it would be completed sometime this summer. The Mayor told Mr. Raby the City would try to get his problem worked out this summer or before the year was out.

MR. J. B. MALONE, President of the South Austin Lions Club, and MR. ADOLPH AGUREN, Secretary, South Austin Lions Club, presented the following letter under date of May 3, 1951, and addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Distinguished Members of the City Council of Austin, Texas:

"We, the Board of Directors of the South Austin Lions Club, have been asked by several residents of the area around Gillis Park to help them in obtaining sewerage facilities for the park and better sewerage disposal for the neighborhood.

"Some of our own club members live in this area and we therefore have obtained very detail information of the conditions there. Gentlemen, these conditions are bad. In view of this fact, our Board of Directors voted unanimously to help the residents by having our club represented at the meeting of the City Council on May 3, 1951.

"It is our hope that these residents who will attend this meeting will go home knowing the exact time when the city will begin work on this emergency project."

(S) Adolph Aguren, Secretary  
South Austin Lions Club

MR. MALONE stated that a large number of children going to Gillis Park used neighborhood vacant property for toilet facilities. When told this sanitary sewer work would be started in July, Mr. Malone thought that was pretty late in the summer, and there would be a health problem there. The City Manager stated this was a major project, and bids would be taken for work in July.

In the discussion of sewerage facilities at Gillis Park, MRS. P.D. GREELEY, 2410 Forest Avenue, reported the sewer line stopped at her property; and during rainy weather, it overflowed. The Director of Public Works stated a temporary measure here was what was being objected to--that the sewer line stopped at her property--and that when there was an overflow, it goes into the man-hole and not in her house. Septic tanks in the area were not successful, it seemed. It was stated by the City Manager that when this sewer line is completed to the Park, it will cover this whole area for sanitary facilities; but not for drainage.

MRS. I. H. PETERMAN, 2506 Wilson, reported a pasture where cattle and horses were kept, and water from this lot drained into her yard. She stated also that when the road was scraped, the ditches were not cleaned out, and if that were done, it would help. Councilman White asked if some of these complaints couldn't have priority. Councilman Long stated work was being done on an ordinance concerning livestock, not prohibiting them, but corralling them, and she would like to have this ordinance brought out next week. About the grading of the road and the ditches at the side, MR. LEVANDER said it would take a major storm sewer project to take care of the drainage in this area, and what we are working on now is the sanitary sewer.

MRS. NORENE BECK stated a PEARL BRUST would give right-of-way to make a ditch to the creek to take care of some of the drainage. Councilman Long suggested the group get together and try to get these easements and confer with MR. LEVANDER and possibly get a ditch made to take care of this drainage and solve the problem until a big drainage program could be put over. MR. LEVANDER stated it would take several ditches. MAYOR DRAKE asked the group to follow Councilman Long's suggestion on trying to get the easements for this program, and that the sanitary sewer project would be started in July.

MR. ALLEN POST submitted the following petition signed by approximately 33 citizens:

April 28, 1951

"To the City Council, City of Austin, Austin, Texas

"The undersigned citizens, taxpayers, and business operators in the neighborhood of 12th Street and Lamar Boulevard respectfully request the City Council to direct the discontinuance of recently-inaugurated traffic signals and signs that prevent motorists from turning left at 12th Street and Lamar.

"We believe that persons who wish to stop at the community center at 12th Street, after traveling south on Lamar at 12th Street, should be permitted to make a left turn for that purpose. It is clear that persons traveling south on Lamar Boulevard who plan to go into downtown Austin will make the turn now provided by "buttons" on Lamar, and enter 12th Street at the new traffic light near the H.E. Butt Grocery. Installation of this light alone has effected relief of congestion at 12th and Lamar, because the light permits persons going directly to town to enter 12th Street without interference from 12th Street traffic.

"We request the City Council to order:

1. Removal of signs on Lamar Boulevard forbidding left turns at 12th Street.
2. Installation of left-turn green arrows on the traffic lights at 12th Street and Lamar to permit left hand turns.

"The arrangement requested will allow persons wishing to trade on 12th Street near Lamar Boulevard to turn left at 12th Street, but will still allow southbound Lamar traffic to proceed directly to town (via new traffic light at 12th and Shoal creek Boulevard) without adding to congestion at 12th and Lamar. This will do away also with the necessity of keeping a police officer at 12th and Lamar to enforce the present rule.

Respectfully submitted,"

Approximately 33 signatures.

MR. ALLEN POST stated his business had been hurt by this signal pattern. MR. GARNET LEWIS said he had lost 11% of his business by this new arrangement; MR. FRED SCHRIEBER stated his business had been hurt; MR. EDDIE SIMMONS, Simmons Motor Company was opposed to the new traffic signals. Mayor Drake asked the group to watch this for another week until the people got used to the turns and educated to the change. Councilman Long stated she would like to see the signals changed, as 30 merchants were showing from 10 to 35% loss; and this reflected the public too was being affected. She suggested eliminating the "no-left-turn" and trying it out with the left turn and seeing how traffic got along. The City Manager stated it would all work itself out after the public got used to it; and that to change one light, would affect the whole set-up. Mayor Drake suggested turning this back to the Traffic Engineer and let him study this to take care of this situation, and report back to the Council; that he would have a transcript of the statements made attached to their petition so that he would have all facts and suggestions.

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on April 27, 1951, bids were received by the City of Austin for the resurfacing of a portion of West 12th Street from West Avenue to Colorado Street and West 7th Street from Guadalupe Street to Colorado Street and the resurfacing of West 5th Street from west property line of Congress Avenue to the west property line of Colorado Street; such bids being as follows:

Collins Construction Company	\$ 6,006.00
Brown & Root, Inc.	6,195.00

and

WHEREAS, the bid of Collins Construction Company in the sum of \$6,006.00 was the lowest and best bid, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the bid of Collins Construction Company be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. E. Seaholm, City Manager, is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Collins Construction Company for the resurfacing of a portion of West 12th Street from West Avenue to Colorado Street and West 7th Street from Guadalupe Street to Colorado Street and the resurfacing of West 5th Street from the west property line of Congress Avenue to the west property line of Colorado Street on the basis of their bid of \$6,006.00.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:  
 Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
 Noes: None

Councilman Johnson asked that a time limit be insisted upon so the streets will not be torn up any longer than necessary. Councilman MacCorkle inquired as to the time this work would begin. Mr. Levander stated it would begin within 10 days of the time the Council approved it. The City's estimate amounted to \$6,300.00.

Councilman MacCorkle offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on April 27, 1951, bids were received by the City of Austin for the widening of West 12th Street from West Avenue to Colorado Street; such bids being as follows:

Maufrais Bros.	\$ 12,291.30
John R. Andrews	13,198.38
Ross Anglin	13,357.30
Earl Rogers	14,436.25
Joe Fuhrman	14,891.45

Collins Construction Co.	15,734.71
Brown & Root, Inc.	16,773.90
Karl Wagner	16,937.48

and

WHEREAS, the bid of Maufrais Bros. in the sum of \$12,291.30 was the lowest and best bid, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the bid of Maufrais Bros. be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. E. Seaholm, City Manager, is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Maufrais Bros. for the widening of West 12th Street from West Avenue to Colorado Street on the basis of his bid of \$12,291.30.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

The City's estimate amounted to \$12,750.00.

Councilman MacCorkle offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approves as a filling station site the property located at the northeast corner of the intersection of East Avenue and East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  Street, which property fronts 125 feet on East Avenue and 125 feet on East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  Street and being known as a portion of the Thomas Hawkins Survey in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said Humble Oil and Refining Company to construct, maintain and operate a drive-in-gasoline filling station and to construct curbs, ramps and sidewalks in conjunction therewith, subject to the same being constructed in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations and plans; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this filling station after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted and accepted to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of the proper police, Traffic and Fire regulations; and the right of revocation is retained, if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said Humble Oil and Refining Company has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

May 3, 1951

Mr. Walter Seaholm  
City Manager  
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

"We, the undersigned, have considered the application of the Humble Oil and Refining Company for permission to construct, maintain and operate a drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct commercial driveways in conjunction therewith upon the property located at the northeast corner of the intersection of East Avenue and East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  Street which property fronts 125 feet on East Avenue and 125 feet on East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  Street and being known as a portion of the Thomas Hawkins Survey in The City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and the property upon which this filling station is to be located is owned by The Humble Oil and Refining Company and we hereby advise that the following conditions exist:

"The property upon which this filling station is to be located is designated as "C" Commercial Use District upon the Zoning maps of the City of Austin.

"There is a storm sewer in East 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  Street adjacent to the above location.

"We recommend that the Humble Oil and Refining Company be granted permission to construct, maintain, and operate said drive-in gasoline filling station and to construct curbs, ramps and sidewalks in conjunction therewith, subject to the following conditions:

"(1) That all buildings and equipment shall be placed inside of the property line, correct lines to be obtained before construction starts or equipment is installed. Lines and grades to be obtained from the Department of Public Works for entrances and driveways, building lines to be approved by the City Building Inspector. That the applicant shall confer with the Department of Public Works as to future grades of the sidewalks and gutters on the adjacent streets before he starts any construction relative to the filling station.

"(2) That only underground tanks shall be used and that all pumps shall be so located that it will be impracticable to service motor vehicles therefrom while said motor vehicles are standing on any part of a sidewalk, street or alley.

"(3) That the gasoline tanks, pumps, and all equipment used in connection with the storage and handling of gasoline shall be an approved type and shall bear the label of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.; that all construction of the filling station improvements shall be in accord with the Building Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance, the Filling Station Ordinance, and in accord with the ordinance prohibiting the disposal of commercial water or oils upon the City streets.

"(4) That the grades of the station shall be such that no waste water or oils or any floor washings shall ever pass over the City sidewalk area and that all of said oils and water shall be concentrated into a combined grease and sand trap which shall be constructed in accordance with our standard plan 2-H-146.

"(5) That all filling station improvements, pump islands, driveways, ramps, gutters, sidewalks and curbs shall be constructed of concrete at the expense of the applicant as set forth upon the plan hereto attached, which plan bears the Department of Public Works file number 2-C-1439.

"(6) Expansion joints shall be constructed as shown upon the plan hereto attached marked 2-C-1439 and shall be of the pre-moulded type.

"(7) When the owner considers that he has complied with all the requirements of the City of Austin for filling stations, he shall apply for a final inspection and upon approval, the Building Inspector shall issue a Certificate of Operation before such filling station can be put into service.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Sgd) C. G. Levander  
Director of Public Works

J. C. Eckert  
Building Inspector "

The motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS:

WHEREAS, the City of Austin, has paid bonds amounting to \$591,500.00 together with matured interest coupons on its bonded debt in the aggregate amount of \$479,025.30, as follows:

YEAR	- DESCRIPTION	BONDS		INTEREST COUPONS	TOTAL
		NUMBER BOTH INCL.	AMOUNT		
1910	School	66-75	\$10,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$10,500.00
1918	Sewage Disposal Plant	156-160	2,500.00	1,112.50	3,612.50
1921	Hospital	25	1,000.00	360.00	1,360.00
1924	Garbage Incinerator	41-42	2,000.00	450.00	2,450.00
1924	Schools	198-211	14,000.00	14,750.00	28,750.00
1924	Water Filtration	216-230	15,000.00	3,875.00	18,875.00
1926	School	95-101	7,000.00	2,660.00	9,660.00
1928	Hospital	59-63	5,000.00	1,742.50	6,742.50
1928	School	164-175	12,000.00	2,340.00	14,340.00
1928	School			4,271.25	4,271.25
1928	Street Improvements	98-104	7,000.00	1,395.00	8,395.00
1928	Street Improvements			2,231.25	2,231.25
1928	Airport	42-44	3,000.00	630.00	3,630.00
1928	Airport			850.00	850.00
1928	Fire Stations	42-44	3,000.00	630.00	3,630.00
1928	Fire Stations			1,020.00	1,020.00
1928	Parks & Playgrounds	42-44	3,000.00	585.00	3,585.00
1928	Parks & Playgrounds			892.50	892.50
1928	Hospital	29-30	2,000.00	360.00	2,360.00
1928	Hospital			595.00	595.00
1928	Sanitary Sewer	21-23	3,000.00	212.50	3,212.50
1929	Street Improvements	265,271-285	16,000.00	12,326.25	28,326.25
1929	Sanitary Sewer	127-136	10,000.00	5,842.50	15,842.50
1929	Parks & Playgrounds	101-108	8,000.00	4,750.00	12,750.00
1929	Fire Stations	16	1,000.00	475.00	1,475.00

1929	Street Improvements	277-299	23,000.00	14,843.75	37,843.75
1929	Sanitary Sewer	82-88	7,000.00	4,275.00	11,275.00
1929	Parks & Playgrounds	70-75	6,000.00	3,633.75	9,633.75
1929	Abattoir	36-38	3,000.00	1,923.75	4,923.75
1931	Street Improvements	303-327	25,000.00	18,358.75	43,358.75
1931	Sanitary Sewer	44-47	4,000.00	2,612.50	6,612.50
1931	Parks & Playgrounds	87-93	7,000.00	5,248.75	12,248.75
1932	Public Library	60-64	5,000.00	4,425.00	9,425.00
1932	Fire Stations	20-21	2,000.00	1,500.00	3,500.00
1935	Public Market	46-49	4,000.00	1,120.00	5,120.00
1936	Schools	205-223	19,000.00	4,095.00	23,095.00
1936	Parks & Playgrounds	51-55	5,000.00	300.00	5,300.00
1937	Fire Stations	61-65	5,000.00	1,100.00	6,100.00
1938	School Refunding	56-60	5,000.00	300.00	5,300.00
1938	School	184-202	19,000.00	4,800.00	23,800.00
1939	School	165-183	19,000.00	427.50	19,427.50
1939	School			3,840.00	3,840.00
1940	Hospital			4,357.50	4,357.50
1940	Hospital	179-200	22,000.00	495.00	22,495.00
1942	Airport	136-156	21,000.00	5,512.50	26,512.50
1947	Airport Hangar Improvements			137.50	137.50
1947	Airport Hangar Improvements			255.00	255.00
1947	Airport Hangar Improvements			140.00	140.00
1947	Electric Plant			1,842.50	1,842.50
1947	Electric Plant			2,535.00	2,535.00
1947	Electric Plant			2,852.50	2,852.50
1947	Highway Rights-of-Way			2,777.50	2,777.50
1947	Highway Rights-of-Way			3,795.00	3,795.00
1947	Highway Rights-of-Way			4,427.50	4,427.50
1947	Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation			137.50	137.50
1947	Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation			165.00	165.00
1947	Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation			227.50	227.50
1947	Sanitary Sewer			2,667.50	2,667.50
1947	Sanitary Sewer			3,660.00	3,660.00
1947	Sanitary Sewer			4,130.00	4,130.00
1947	School			5,720.00	5,720.00
1947	School			7,935.00	7,935.00
1947	School			8,942.50	8,942.50
1947	Street Improvement			1,072.50	1,072.50
1947	Street Improvement			1,455.00	1,455.00
1947	Street Improvement			1,645.00	1,645.00
1947	Water Plant			935.00	935.00
1947	Water Plant			1,260.00	1,260.00
1947	Water Plant			1,435.00	1,435.00
1947	Airport Hangar	2	1,000.00	127.50	1,127.50
1947	Electric Plant	7-12	6,000.00	1,395.00	7,395.00
1947	Electric Plant			1,715.00	1,715.00
1947	Hospital	4-6	3,000.00	697.50	3,697.50
1947	Hospital			857.50	857.50
1947	Sanitary Sewer	9-17	9,000.00	1,912.50	10,912.50
1947	Sanitary Sewer			2,476.25	2,476.25
1947	Street Improvements	4-6	3,000.00	697.50	3,697.50
1947	Street Improvements			857.50	857.50
1947	Water Plant	5-8	4,000.00	960.00	4,960.00
1947	Water Plant			1,225.00	1,225.00



1948	Bridge Below Lake Austin	3-4	2,000.00	120.00	2,120.00	
1948	Bridge Below Lake Austin			540.00	540.00	
1948	Bridge Below Lake Austin			475.00	475.00	
1948	Electric Plant	6-10	5,000.00	330.00	5,330.00	
1948	Electric Plant			1,710.00	1,710.00	
1948	Electric Plant			1,950.00	1,950.00	
1948	Fire Station	4-6	3,000.00	180.00	3,180.00	
1948	Fire Station			1,035.00	1,035.00	
1948	Fire Station			1,062.50	1,062.50	
1948	Parks, Playgrounds & Rec.	9-16	8,000.00	480.00	8,480.00	
1948	Parks, Playgrounds & Rec.			2,497.50	2,497.50	
1948	Parks, Playgrounds & Rec.			2,875.00	2,875.00	
1948	School	56-111	56,000.00	3,390.00	59,390.00	
1948	School			17,527.50	17,527.50	
1948	School			19,925.00	19,925.00	
1948	Street Improvement	10-19	10,000.00	600.00	10,600.00	
1948	Street Improvement			2,992.50	2,992.50	
1948	Street Improvement			3,350.00	3,350.00	
1948	Water Plant	17-32	16,000.00	960.00	16,960.00	
1948	Water Plant			5,017.50	5,017.50	
1948	Water Plant			5,725.00	5,725.00	
1948	Highway-Rights-of-Way	1-10	10,000.00	750.00	10,750.00	
1948	Highway-Rights-of-Way			4,601.25	4,601.25	
1948	Highway-Rights-of-Way			2,100.00	2,100.00	
1948	Highway Rights-of-Way			405.00	405.00	
1948	Parks & Playgrounds	1-3	3,000.00	225.00	3,225.00	
1948	Parks & Playgrounds			1,372.50	1,372.50	
1948	Parks & Playgrounds			625.00	625.00	
1948	Parks & Playgrounds			112.50	112.50	
1948	Street Improvements	1-3	3,000.00	225.00	3,225.00	
1948	Street Improvements			1,395.00	1,395.00	
1948	Street Improvements			687.50	687.50	
1948	Street Improvements			135.00	135.00	
1948	Water Plant	1-19	19,000.00	1,455.00	20,455.00	
1948	Water Plant			8,651.25	8,651.25	
1948	Water Plant			3,950.00	3,950.00	
1948	Water Plant			742.50	742.50	
1949	Airport Hangar	1-2	2,000.00	195.00	2,195.00	
1949	Airport Hangar			536.36	536.36	
1949	Airport Hangar			476.74	476.74	
1949	Public Free Schools	1-23	23,000.00	2,275.00	25,275.00	
1949	Public Free Schools			7,265.24	7,265.24	
1949	Public Free Schools			7,952.89	7,952.89	
1949	Police & Courts Building			495.00	495.00	
1949	Police & Courts Building			1,560.00	1,560.00	
1949	Police & Courts Building			709.02	709.02	
1949	Public Free Schools			2,115.00	2,115.00	
1949	Public Free Schools			6,540.00	6,540.00	
1949	Public Free Schools			2,888.60	2,888.60	
1950	Hospital Improvements			3,241.20	3,241.20	
1950	Parks, Playgrounds & Rec.			219.00	219.00	
1950	Public Free Schools			3,285.00	3,285.00	
TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION				\$511,500.00	\$361,025.30	\$872,525.30
ELECTRIC, WATER & SEWER REVENUE BONDS:						
1949	Electric, Water & Sewer	1-80	\$ 80,000.00	\$118,000.00	\$198,000.00	
TOTAL GENERAL & REVENUE				\$591,500.00	\$479,025.30	\$1,070,525.30

WHEREAS, such payments of Bonds and Interest Coupons have been duly recorded on its bond registers and other books of account, and verified by the examination and audit of certified public accountants,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT, the City Manager be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to destroy or cause to be destroyed, by cremation in the City Incinerator, before witnesses, all such bonds and interest coupons having been fully recorded and verified as above stated.

The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

Councilman Johnson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the final plat of the subdivision known as "Crestview Addition, Section 7", approved by the City Plan Commission of the City of Austin on November 14, 1950, be and the same is hereby accepted and authorized to be filed of record in the office of the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Texas, and the ordinances of the City of Austin, and that this action of the City Council be indicated by appropriate notation, signed by the Mayor, on the original plat of said subdivision prior to its recording in the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

The City Manager submitted the following memorandum:

"May 1, 1951

Memorandum to: Walter Seaholm, City Manager

Memorandum from: C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works

Subject: Brown Express Company building encroachment on San Jacinto street and on alley south of East 1st Street.

"I recommend that the Brown Express Company be granted permission to encroach on that portion of San Jacinto Street and the alley south of East 1st Street now being occupied by their building.

"This encroachment amounts to approximately one (1") inch on both the street and the alley.

(Sgd) C. G. Levander "

Mayor Drake then introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BUILDING LINE ON THE WEST SIDE OF SAN JACINTO STREET FROM WILLOW STREET ALLEY TO FIRST STREET, AND ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WILLOW STREET ALLEY WEST FROM SAN JACINTO STREET A DISTANCE OF 89.94 FEET, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WAIVING ANY CLAIM WHICH THE CITY OF AUSTIN MAY HAVE FOR ANY REAL OR SUPPOSED ENCROACHMENT ON SAID STREET AND ALLEY; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time, and Councilman Johnson moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman Johnson moved that the following applications for change of zoning be set for public hearing May 24, 1951, at 11:00 A.M.

F. M. Del CURTO, by John  
Francis, Agent

2304-06 South Lamar Blvd.  
Ne 80' of the Lizzie  
Bouldin 1.008 acre tract  
of the Decker Unplatted  
property, fronting 100' on  
South Lamar Blvd.

From "C" Commercial  
To "C-1" Commercial  
RECOMMENDED by the Zoning  
Board of Adjustment  
on April 23, 1951

JOE B. TORRES

2211 Santa Rita  
Lot 6, Blk. 1, Outlot  
26, Div. "B", Buena  
Vista Subdivision

From "B" Residence  
To "C" Commercial  
NOT Recommended by the  
Zoning Board of Adjust-  
ment on April 30, 1951.

<p>JACK H. KEY, ET AL</p>	<p>Property on the west side of Morningside Avenue from W. 42nd to W. 45th (Lots 4-6, Blk. 3, and Lots 4-6, Blk. 6, Henry B. Seider's Subd; Lots 1-16, Blk. 1, and Lots 1-15, Blk. 3, Lee's Hill Add'n.; Lots 9-16, Blk. 11, Lots 9-16, Blk. 8, and Lots 12-22, Blk. 4, Alta Vista Addn.</p>	<p>From "B" Residence To "C" Commercial RECOMMENDED by the Zoning Board of Adjustment on August 8, 1950.</p>
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The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:  
 Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake  
 Noes: None

No action was taken on the resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase from Seagraves Corporation some fire equipment. MR. JAMES BECKER, OREN ROANOKE CORPORATION, questioned the awarding of the contract. There was an argument regarding bronze or iron pumps. CHIEF WOODY stated the bronze pump had been in use, and the machinery was smooth, while the iron pump was rough; and he felt the bronze pump was better, and he would not recommend economizing on the pump and ruining the efficiency on the apparatus by asking for a cheaper pump. Councilman MacCorkle asked that no action be taken this week and that this be reconsidered the following week.

Councilman Johnson requested that when the Council authorized certain work done, that a completion report be sent back to the Council. The City Manager stated that such a report would be brought back to the Council.

Councilman MacCorkle said he, after the hearing on the one-way street, was of the opinion that the City was lax in its traffic enforcement. He meant no criticism, but would like to know what it would take to do the job right, as it was the Council's responsibility to handle the traffic. Mayor Drake stated that officers handling traffic and directing it from the middle of the street could not stop to check meters and move double-parkers. Councilman Long stated people were parking in loading zones; and as one man said, park all day on a meter without police interference; and that this might not be a matter of more police, but a matter of their being more alert and enforcing the law. She stated that when people learn they will have to obey the laws that are made by this Council for the best interest of the City that they will cooperate a little more. The City Manager stated he would get with the Chief and bring an estimate to the Council and also alert the policemen to give out tickets where there was double parking. He said it was difficult, but more tickets would have to be given out.

Councilman White commended the traffic officer at 1st and Congress as being able to move a heavy load of traffic there all the time, and that he handled it well and is friendly while doing it. Councilman White also reported a bad condition of people double parking at the Post Office. (The officer commended was Ralph Beton)

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 11:20 A.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED:

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk