

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, July 16th 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:

Unfinished business:

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution directing the Supt of Streets and Public Improvements to advertise for bids and arrange for paving the alleys between Congress Avenue and Colorado street, from 7th to 10th street and the alleys between Congress Avenue and Braxos street from 7th to 10th street with concrete pavement in accordance with the specifications of the City Engineer attached to this resolution, which specifications are hereby adopted for the aforesaid alleys.

*Handwritten note:* Supt of Streets to ask for bids to pave alleys.

The resolution was read the second time and passed by the following vote :  
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution ordering the improvement of a certain part of East 9th street in the City of Austin, and approving specifications, proposals, contract and bond therefor:

*Handwritten note:* City ask improving E 9th

The resolution was read the second time and passed by the following vote :  
Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Bakers of the City in regard to regulation of Bakers Bread, which was read, but no action taken:

*Handwritten note:* Protest of Bakers.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following reports of City Officers: Inspector Weights & Measures, the City Sexton, for the month of June 1914, also the report the Supt of the Water & Light Plant for Feby 1914, and that of the Supt of Streets for the month of May 1914, which were read and ordered filed:

Councilman Bartholomew presented a petition from Citizens on Red River street, asking to have electric lights placed upon said street from 4th to 11th streets, which was read and referred to Councilman Bartholomew:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement of J Gregg Hill, special Tax Collector of the City of Austin, with notes adjoined thereto of Fred Sterzing, City Assessor and Collector, that Mrs Mollie Mc Lemore assessed credits upon the basis of 80 cents on the dollar in the amount of \$ 2,000.00, 80 % of which is \$ 1,600.00; and, Whereas, this \$ 1,600.00, was 80 % of credits voluntarily rendered by Mrs Mollie Mc Lemore, leaving, upon the same principal of valuation, \$ 1,440.00 not voluntarily assessed by the said Mrs Mollie Mc Lemore, but assessed by J Gregg Hill, special tax Collector.

*Handwritten note:* Assessment Mrs M - Mollie Mc Lemore Corrected

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the credits rendered upon an 80% valuation by J Gregg Hill to the City Assessor & collector against the said Mrs Mollie Mc Lemore for the year 1912 should be the sum of but \$ 1,440.00 and not \$ 3,040.00, as hertofore claimed by him.

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

That the City Assessor & Collector is authorized to change his assessment rolls in accordance with the terms of this resolution ;

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 attached statement of J Gress Hill, special tax collector of the City of Austin, Texas, that the assessment of credits against Mrs Franziska Mittman for the year 1912 should be \$ 3,200.00 instead of \$ 4,200.00

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the assessment of credits against Mrs Franziska Mittman for the year 1912 in the amount of \$ 4,200.00 be cancelled and annulled and an assessment of \$ 3,200.00 substituted therefor.

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 resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement of J Gregg Hill, special tax collector of the City of Austin, Texas, that the credits assessed against the estate of T P Robinson for the year 1912, in the amount of \$ 1,520.00, were assessed in error.

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That said assessed credits against the estate of T P Robinson, in the amount of \$ 1,520.00, for the year 1912, be and the same are hereby cancelled and annulled.

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 resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the attached statement of J Gregg Hill, special tax collector of the City of Austin, Texas, that the assessment against Geo W Loney for the year 1913 should, by reason of an interest bearing obligation owing by him, be \$ 1,100.00 instead of 1,600.00 .

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the credits assessed against the said Geo W Loney for the year 1913 in the amount of \$ 1,600.00 be cancelled and annulled and an assessment of \$ 1,100.00 substituted therefor.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

*Assessment  
Mrs P Mittman  
Cancelled*

*Assessment  
T P Robinson  
Cancelled*

*Assessment  
Geo W Loney  
Cancelled*

The Mayor laid before the Council the following vote :

Whereas, J Gregg Hill, for Hill, Long and Maxwell, special taxcollectors of credits for the City of Austin, Texas, advises that there is no just cause for assessing \$ 2,400.00 , of credits against Mrs Susan G Phillips ,as is set out in the attached statement of the said J Gregg Hill.

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the assessment against the said Mrs Susan G Phillips for credits in the amount of \$ 2,400.00, for the year 1913, be and the same is hereby cancelled and annulled:

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears from the statement of J Gregg Hill, for hill, Long and Maxwell, special tax collectors of credits for the City of Austin, Texas, that the credits assessed against B Badger & Sons in the amount of \$ 560.00, for the year 1912, were assessed in error, as appears from the attached statement of the said J Gregg Hill.

Now, therefore,

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That said credits in the amount of \$ 560.00, assessed against the said B Badger & Sons for the year 1912, be and the same are hereby cancelled and annulled.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

Councilman Powell offered the following ordinance:

An ordinance amending Section 5 of an ordinance creating and establishing the Sanitary Sewer Dept of the City of Austin; prescribing rules and regulations for the conduct of the business of said department; and adopting a schedule of rates for sewer service.

Approved February 20th 1914.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldrige, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes and Powell 5

Nays none.

Assessment  
Mrs S G Phillips  
Cancelled

Assessment  
B Badger & Sons  
Cancelled

Sewer Ordinance  
Amended

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

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

That the following grades for center line of 16th street from Congress Avenue to Sabine street be and are hereby established as grades to be used in paving the street :

East Side of Congress Avenue 559.9 Unchanged  
 East side of alley between Brazos & San Jacinto streets 522.4 Unchanged

The above gives a uniform grade of 5.15 % between the two points named. The proposed grade follows closely the present grade of the street, the maximum change being a raise of 3/10'

550' East of center line of Congress Avenue 520.3 Unchanged  
 700' " " " " " " 518.3' "  
 755' " " " " " " 516.0 "

( being west line of San Jacinto street )

East curb line of San Jacinto street 513.9 Fill .55'  
 10' East of East curb line of San Jacinto street 513.55 " .6'  
 134' East of San Jacinto street 505.3 " .35  
 182' " " " " " 502.7 " .3'  
 227' " " " " " " 501.2 " 2'  
 30' West of Trinity street 500.2 Unchanged  
 West side of Trinity street 499.5 "  
 165' East of Trinity street 497.2 "

( Maximum cut between last two points 1.3' )

215' East of Trinity street 497.0 Cut .1'  
 245' " " " " 497.25 Cut .17'  
 287' " " " " 498.0 Unchanged  
 315' " " " " 498.9 Fill .3'  
 340' " " " " 499.0 Unchanged  
 365' " " " " 500.2 Unchanged  
 415' " " " " 504.8 "

West curb line of Red River street 523.7 Fill .9'

This gives a uniform grade of 7.8 % between the last two points. Maximum Cut . 1.0'  
 Maximum Fill . .9'

Center of Red River street 524.7 Fill .4'  
 145' East of Red River street 533.2 Cut .5'  
 245' " " " " 537.5 Unchanged  
 West side of Sabine street 538.9 Unchanged

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

*Grades.  
 to 16th street*

July 16th 1914:

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That A P Wooldridge, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized to execute to G G Shuford of Austin, Texas, upon the payment of fifty (\$ 50.00) dollars, a cemetery lot in the old part of Oakwood Cemetery, which said lot is to be 12 1/2 feet one way by 25 feet the other way.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Nays none.

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

July 20th 1914.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor:with all members present:

Councilman Haynes presented the resignation of Mr C P Ledbetter as a member of the Board of Equalization, which was accepted by the following vote :

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

Nays none

Councilman Haynes nominated Mr J B Webb to be a member of the Board of Equalization, vice Mr C P Ledbetter resigned, which nomination was confirmed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew & Powell 4

Not voting Councilman Haynes 1

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That permission be and is hereby granted for the period of thirty days to S L Costley to erect and maintain in front of the sidewalk at his place of business 403 East 6th street, a cloth sign of the dimensions of about thirty feet by six feet, said cloth sign to be suspended at least 8 feet above the sidewalk and is to contain thereon a suitable inscription advertising a coat sale.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Anthony 1

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*deed  
G G Shuford  
Cem. lot*

*Resignation  
C P Ledbetter  
Bd Equalization*

*Bd Equalization  
J B Webb  
appointed*

*S L Costley  
sign*

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Whereas, Jack Palm, rated on pay roll as Laborer at \$ 2.00 per day, furnished a horse and wagon between February 1st and July 9th, 1914, and should have been rated as " Laborer with horse and Wagon " at \$ 2.25 per day, and was therefore under paid durin a period of 134 days at the rate of 25 cents per day, therefore,

*Jack Palm  
Pay Laborer*

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :  
That the said Jack Palm be paid \$ 33.50, to cover the above mentioned shortage, and that \$ 28.50 is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitary Sewer fund ,and \$ 5.00 out of the Earnings fund ,to pay said shortage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:  
That the sum of Six hundred twenty five & 00/100 ( \$ 625.00) dollars be and tha same is hereby appropriated out of the Permanent Paving fund to pay for the removal and reconstruction of the sidewalk in front of the City Hall property ,made necessary on account of change of grade of 8th street.

*Appropriation  
Side Walk City  
Hall*

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

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

July 22nd 1914.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Anthony-

Councilman Haynes presented bids for Houses in Cemetery addit -tion ,as per advertisement.

The bids were opened and canvassed and the following bids accepted and awards made in accordance with the bids of the different parties as follows

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|--|-----------|
| For Building at 1503 East 14th street, awarded to W. Maschke for | \$ 200.00 |
| Building at 1703 Conval street to C Wentland fo                  | 100.00    |
| Building at 1510 East 17th street to C Wentland for              | 150.00    |
| Building at 1503 East 19th St. F D Bassett for                   | 275.00    |

*Services on  
Cemetery Grounds*

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :  
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the following grades for the center line of Colorado street be and are hereby established as permanent grades:

|   |         |           |
|---|---------|-----------|
| North side of 9th street on Bitulithic pavement | 533.60  | Unchanged |
| 23 ' north of 9th street                        | 533.72  | "         |
| South side of Alley between 9th & 10th streets  | 535. 20 | Fill .05  |
| Center of alley                                 | 535. 55 | " .25     |

*Street Grades  
Colorado Street*

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| North side of alley                             | 535.08 | " .25   |
| 10' north of alley                              | 536.2  | " .35   |
| South side of 10th street                       | 542.2  | " .50   |
| Center of 10th street                           | 543.38 | Cut .41 |
| At north curb line of 10th street               | 543.38 | ".80    |
| At north line of 10th street                    | 543.30 | " 1.10  |
| 23' north of 10th street                        | 543.20 | " 1.40  |
| 46' north of 10th street                        | 543.04 | " 1.76  |
| 92' north of 10th street                        | 542.60 | " 2.22  |
| 112' north of 10th street                       | 542.35 | " 1.77  |
| South side of alley between 10th & 11th streets | 541.95 | " 1.57  |
| North side of alley between 10th & 11th streets | 541.25 | " 1.2   |
| 110' south of 11th street                       | 540.4  | " 1.0   |
| 92' south of 11th street                        | 539.4  | " 1.0   |
| South side of 11th street                       | 533.05 | " 1.25  |

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Anthony 1

The Council then adjourned.

*Geo. Johnson*  
City Clerk.