Dec. 1. 1880.
Council Hall.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present. Aldermen
Alderman. I. D. Ochoa.
Do. A. Krakauer.
Do. A. Nash.
Do. Do. Mogoffin
Do. D. C. Slade.
City Atty. G. F. Neil.
Absent. The Mayor. Dol. Schultz.

In the absence of His Honor the Mayor. Alderman Mogoffin was duly elected as Presiding Officer.

The minutes of last meeting was read and approved.

The following preamble and resolutions was then offered by Alderman Mogoffin and Slade. appointed as a Committee at last meeting to draft resolutions on the death of Alderman B. D. Dowell viz:—

The Committee appointed to recommend appropriate action upon the death of Benjamin S. Dowell. dec'd a member of this body. have the honor to report the following as a testimonial of his life and services. and a tribute to his memory.

Mr. Dowell was born in Kentucky. and at an early age enlisted as a private soldier

and served as such during the Mexican war. He was captured and held as a prisoner of war. until near its close in the City of Mexico. and honorably discharged. He returned to Kentucky. and thence emigrated to Texas. and settled in El Paso County in 1850. since which time his name has been familiarly associated with this section of the country. He has held various County offices. he has also held the positions of Alderman and Mayor of this town: generally. he has controlled all the acequias which carry water in this part of the valley. He died on the 9th day of November. last. on this place. and was then an honored useful member of this body. He has here raised a large and respectable family of sons and daughters. and acquired a competency by industry and perseverance. He was the oldest Mason in this section at the date of his death. That his memory may be perpetuated. his public usefulness and private virtues may be attested. we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions: viz:—

1— That in Mr. Dowell we recognise a man of character. fully alive and deeply devoted to the material interests of this section

just and honorable in his dealing with others. generous as a neighbor and friend. and a kind and affectionate husband and father.

2. That his public services. in the various offices which he has held in this County and City were always marked with firmness and energy in what he believed to be right and just. In the performance of these services he was ever faithful to the public trust reposed in him, and did his whole duty.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family. and to the newspapers of the vicinage for publication - and be spread upon the City records.

(Sgd.) Jas. Magoffin.
(Sgd.) S. C. Slade.
Committee.

The Council then proceeded to the election of a City Marshall in place of A. J. Storms. resigned - and G. W. Campbell having been put in nomination was duly elected.

Council then adjourned.

S. Shultz
Mayor.

Attest:
S. C. Slade
City Clerk.

Council Hall.
Dec. 11, 1880.

Council met on above date.
Present: The Mayor.
Solomon Schutz.
Ald- A. Krakauer.
" - J. N. Ochoa.
" - S. C. Slade.
" - S. Magoffin.
City Marshall. G. H. Campbell.
Absent- Alderman A. Hart. and
City Atty. G. F. Neil.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Council then proceeded to canvass the returns and count the votes, of an election held in the 1st Ward, for one Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman B. D. Dowell. and find that there were Eleven votes cast for James P. Hague, whereupon the Council declared Mr. Hague duly elected, and entitled to the certificate of election.

Council then adjourned to meet Monday evening. Dec. 13th 1880. at 7 o'cl- P. M.

S. Schutz
Mayor.

Attest:
S. C. Slade.
City Clerk.

Council Hall.
Dec. 13. 1880.

Council met pursuant to adjournment:

Present. The Mayor.
Solomon Schutz.
Alderman. A. Krakauer.
Do. I. N. Ochoa.
Do. S. C. Slade.
Do. Jo. Magoffin.
Do. J. P. Hague.
City Atty. G. F. Neil.
City Marshall. G. H. Campbell.

Absent: Alderman A. Kark.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion the proposed Ordinance to provide for the payment of fines and costs assessed against City Convicts - offered Nov. 26. 1880. was rejected.

The following Ordinance was then proposed and passed.

Ordinance No. 98

An Ordinance to provide for the payment of fines and costs assessed against City Convicts.

Section. 1.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso. That any person who shall violate the provisions of any Ordinance of said City. shall upon conviction thereof be committed to jail. and in default of payment

of fine and costs, such offender shall be required to do manual labor, and he shall be credited upon such fine and costs at the rate of one dollar for each day he may labor, and upon satisfaction of such fine and costs in full at said rate, he shall be discharged.

Section 2.

That this Ordinance take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

Ayes: Magoffin, Ochoa, Krohanen Slade and Hague.

Approved, Dec. 13. 80

S. Schutz
Mayor.

Whereas. The Rio Grande and Ee Paso Railroad Company by E. T. Anthony and N. C. Nutt, its duly authorized agents, presented to the Council for their consideration and action the following petition. to wit:

The State of Texas }
Ee Paso County. }

City of Ee Paso
Dec. 13. 1880.

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Ee Paso.

Your petitioner, The Rio Grande and Ee Paso Railroad Company, a corporation duly

organized in accordance with the laws of said State, would respectfully represent that it is proposed by and is the intention of said corporation in good faith, to construct, equip and maintain as a part of its line, a railroad in said County and within the limits of the City of El Paso, as defined by the provisions of Section No. two of the Act of the Legislature of said State entitled "An act to incorporate the City of El Paso" approved May 17. 1873. That said corporation has surveyed the line and route of its proposed road in said County, and within said City limits, and made a map thereof, by which map said line and route within said city limits is designated. That for the purpose of construction, maintaining and operating of said proposed road within said City limits, and for its switches, side tracks, depot grounds, and buildings and other conveniences in furtherance of the object of its construction therein, the Directors of said Corporation deem it necessary to enter upon, hold and possess, for said uses and purposes, the following described

land, within said limits. to wit;

For its right of way- a parcel of land fifty feet in width on each side from the centre of the track of said proposed road commencing in preemption Survey No. 2. on the Northwest boundary line of said limits, and thence in a Southeast direction, down the Rio Grande to the south boundary line of Survey No. 9. and for its right of way, and for its switches, side tracks, depot grounds and buildings. that parcel which is described as follows;

Beginning at a point 120 feet due east from the initial point of the Ponce de Leon Grant; thence South 70° East 1160 feet; thence south 43° 45' east 450 feet; Thence south 70° East 3600 feet; Thence north 20° East 200 feet; Thence south 70° East 1200 feet; Thence north 20° East 100 feet; Thence north 70° west 1200 feet; Thence north 20° East 200 feet; Thence north 70° west 2300 feet; Thence north 51° 20' west 1060 feet; to the acequia madre of the City of El Paso; Thence up the bank of said acequia 960 feet to beginning- All of which lands are within the lines and survey of said road, and are more particularly

shown by the map thereof which is hereto attached as a part of this petition, marked exhibit 'A'.

Whereupon, petitioner prays that the right and authority to enter upon, hold and possess, and use for the purposes and uses aforesaid, the lands above described and shown on said map, be granted to said corporation; That this petition be ordered filed and recorded in the records of said City.

Respectfully
Rio Grande & El Paso
Railroad Company
By
(sgd.) Geo. T. Anthony.
(sgd.) W. C. Hull.

Whereupon, after due consideration it was resolved; That the right and authority be, and the same is hereby granted to said corporation to enter upon hold and possess, for the purposes and uses set forth in the foregoing petition the parcels of land referred to therein, and shown by said map, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:—

For its right of way a parcel of land fifty feet in width on each side from the center

of the track of said proposed road commencing in Exemption Survey No. 2. on the Northwest boundary line of said limits, and thence in a Southern direction, down the Rio Grande to the south boundary line of Survey No. 9.

For its right of way, and for its switches, side tracks, depot grounds and buildings. Thos parcel which is described as follows: to wit:- Begining at a point 120 feet due east from the initial point of the Ponce de Son Grant; Thence South 70° East 1160 feet; Thence South 43° 45' east. 450 feet; Thence South 70° East 3600 feet; Thence North 20° East 200 feet; Thence South 70° East 1200 feet; Thence north 20° East 100 feet; Thence North 70° west 1200 feet; Thence north 20° east 200 feet; Thence North 70° west 2300 feet; Thence North 51° 20' west 1060 feet; to the Acequia Madre of the City of El Paso; Thence up the bank of said Acequia 960 feet to place of begining- and Resolved further Thos said corporation be furnished with

(over)

a copy of the foregoing proceedings and resolution.
Ayes: Krakauer. Slade. Ochoa. Hague and Mgoffin.
The following Ordinance was then offered and unanimously passed - viz:-

Ordinance No. 10. An Ordinance to provide against the unlawful carrying of Arms.
See title below.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso. That if any person in the city of El Paso. shall carry on or about his person, saddle, or in his saddle bags, any pistol, dirk. dagger, sling shot, sword cane. spear. brass knuckles, bowie knife or any other kind of knife manufactured or sold for purposes of offense or defense, he shall be punished by fine of not less than twenty five, nor more than one hundred dollars,

Section. 2. That this Ordinance be in force from and after its passage.

Approved. Dec. 13. 1880 Mayor

Title to above Ordinance should read

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the maintenance of peace and good order in the City of El Paso." (No. 5.)

The following Ordinance was then offered and passed

Ordinance. No. 11. An Ordinance to provide against vagrancy in the City of El Paso.

Section. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso - That every vagrant who shall be found within the City of El Paso, shall upon conviction be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars -

Section. 2. That this Ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage

Approved. Dec. 13. 1880 -

S. Schutz
Mayor -

On motion Jos. Magoffin was elected to act as Mayor in the absence or sickness of the Mayor -

Council then adjourned to meet Thursday Evening - Dec. 16th at 7. P. M.

S. Schutz
Mayor.

Attest -
D. C. Slade
City Clerk -

City Hall -
Dec. 16. 1880.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: The Mayor. Jol. Schutz
Alderman. J. D. Octoa. ✓
Do- A. Krakauer. ✓
Do. J. P. Hagan. ✓
Do. A. Mark.
Do- D. C. Slade. ✓
City Atty. G. F. Neil -
City Marshal. S. H. Campbell -
Absent. Ald - Jo. Magoffin -

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion of Alderman Hagan. the proposed Ordinance. offered Nov. 26. 1880. entitled "An Ordinance to establish the fees of the City Attorney" was rejected.

The following Ordinance was then offered and unanimously passed.

Ordinance 12

An Ordinance to establish the fees of City Attorney.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso. that the attorney who represents the city in a criminal action before the Mayor's or Recorders Court. shall receive for each conviction the fees allowed by law: provided. That in all cases the Mayor or

Recorder shall have the right - at his discretion to lessen or diminish such fees.

Approved - Dec. 16. 1880.

Attest. Mayor.

Council then proceeded to the election of a City Assessor and Collector, and Mr. N. H. Carrico having been put in nomination, was unanimously elected -

The following Resolution was then offered.

Resolved - That the City Treasurer - City Assessor and Collector - shall give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of One thousand dollars each: The City Attorney shall give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of five hundred dollars. All bonds to be approved by the Council - and Resolved further - That all officers elected by the City Council shall qualify within ten days from notification of their election -

Council then adjourned to meet on next regular night.

S. Schultz

Attest:
D. C. Slade
City Clerk.

Mayor -

Council Hall.
Dec. 22. 1880.

A called meeting of the City Council of the City of El Paso. was held on above date.

Present. The Mayor. Sol. Schutz.
Alderman. Ochoa. Hague. Krakauer and Slade.
City Atty. G. F. Mil.
Absent. Ald. Mogoffin & Hart.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Petition of "Coffin & Co." to lease a portion of the Old Plaza. on the south side. thirty feet wide. back of the "Coloboose" and extending to the Alley. intersecting Block No. 6. was received and read. and upon motion of Alderman Krakauer to table said petition the vote resulted as follows.

Ayes. Ald. Krakauer. Ochoa.
No. Ald. Hague & Slade.

The vote resulting in a tie. the Mayor cast his vote in the affirmative. It was then declared that said petition was duly tabled.

The following Ordinance was then offered and passed.

An Ordinance to provide against the immoderate driving. or running of horses. or other animals along. or across. any public square. street. or alley. in the City of El Paso.

Section. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Ele Paso. That any person who shall immoderately drive, or run, or be in any way concerned in driving or running, any horse, or other animal, in, along, or across any public square, street, or alley, in the City of Ele Paso, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed One hundred dollars.

Section. 2. That this Ordinance take effect on and after its passage.

Ayes. Ochoa. Hogue. and Slade
No. Krokauer.

Approved. Dec. 22. 1880.

S. Schulz
Mayor.

The following resolution was then offered and passed.

That a Committee of three Alderman. and the City Attorney be appointed by the Mayor to devise a system of drafting Ordinances to control the erection of buildings, material to be used. &c.

Whereupon the Mayor appointed Aldermen Hogue. Slade. & Krokauer and City Attorney Neil as such Committee.

Upon motion a Committee consisting of Aldermen Hogue. Slade & Krokauer. was then appointed to draft a memorial addressed to

to the Governor of the State. praying that a force of the State Rangers may be stationed here to assist in the execution of the laws. and preserving good order and peace.

On motion a Committee consisting of Aldermen Mogoffin. Ochoa. Krokauer. and the Mayor. was appointed to secure quarters for use of the Rangers. should they be ordered stationed here.

Council then proceeded to the election of an Assistant Marshall. and William Gibson having been put in nomination. was duly and unanimously elected.

Council then adjourned to meet at 2 o'cl. Thursday. Dec. 23. 1880.

L. Schultz
Mayor

Attest:
D. C. Slade
City Clerk.

Mayors Office.
Dec. 23. 1880.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.
Present. The Mayor.
Aldermen. Ochoa. Hague. Hart. Krakauer and Slade.
City Atty. Neil & Marshall. Campbell.
Absent. Ald. Magoffin.

The Committee consisting of Aldermen Hague. Slade and Krakauer. appointed at last meeting to draft a memorial to be addressed to the Governor of the State. praying that a force of the State Rangers may be stationed here. presented the following: to wit.

Mayors Office.
City of El Paso.
Dec. 23. 1880.

To
His Excellency
Hon. O. M. Roberts.
Governor of Texas.
Austin. Texas.

Sir,

We. the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of El Paso. having had under consideration. the ways and means. the better to administer the law and the City ordinances; to preserve order. and to protect life and property within the City limits. have the honor to represent to your Excellency that the time has now come when our city officials. united with the County peace officers are unable to

and to protect life and property: and as reasons for such inability we respectfully assign the following.

1st That the Sheriff of the County and his Deputies. as at present constituted. reside fifteen miles distant:

2d A Marshall and Assistant Marshall. together with one constable. constitute the police force of the City. This force is not stronger for the want of funds. for that the time since the necessity has arisen has not been sufficient to levy and collect taxes. to provide compensation for police officers. and to maintain the municipal government.

3d The Southern Pacific and the Rio Grande and El Paso Railways - are on the eve of completion to this point: and as the forerunners and followers of such enterprises. we now have turned loose upon us: hordes of vagabonds. gamblers. burglars. thiefs and particularly murderers.

4th Like classes have also poured into El Paso. Mexico - one mile distant from this. and thus. our place is a refuge for the criminals and fugitives of the other - We have no doubt that in each of the El Pasos. confederacies for crime are now formed. with aids and

confederates in the other.

We apprehend that your Excellency is informed that the authority of the Extradition Agent who represents the Government here, when attempted to be executed in more peaceful times than these, has not had the respect accorded it which is required by the terms of the existing Treaty. The proximity of the Mexican borders, attended by the circumstances indicated makes life and property unsafe: and moreover, the losses and influences referred to, are daily increasing.

Therefore, to the end that the law may be enforced, peace and good order preserved, and life and property protected, we respectfully request that Gov. G. W. Taylor, with his Detachment of State forces now stationed at Goleta, be ordered here, for the purpose of aiding the municipal authority, until such time as the municipality shall be able, within itself, to execute the law and its Ordinances.

We have also to say that in the event that the amount allowed or appropriated for quarters for the use of the officer in command and the Detachment, shall not be sufficient to supply said quarters, then we shall meet the deficiency

by private contribution. Our Representative Judge A. Blocker and Col. Baylor have each been furnished with copies of this memorial.

After requesting the earliest possible action by your Excellency in this matter

We have the honor to be
Your Obedient Servants.
(s) Solomon Schutz. Mayor
(s) J. P. Hague. Ald.
(s) J. D. Ochoa. "
(s) A. S. Hart. "
(s) A. Krakauer. "
(s.) D. C. Slade. "

Council then adjourned.

S. Schutz
Mayor