# Regular Meting Thursday Jany 4th 1906

Council Chamber City Hall
El Paso Texas Jany 4th 1906

Council met in regular session on the above day and date at 7.30 oclock P.M. Mayor Davis present and presiding and the following Aldermen answered to roll Call, Caples Fewel, Hammett, Hitt, Look & Rang. 6. absent Badger & Grant
Minutes of regular meting held Dec 21st 1905- read and approved
Minutes of regular adjourned meting held Dec 23rd read and approved
Minutes of regular meting held Dec 28th read and approved
Minutes of regular adjourned meting held Dec 29th read and approved

Ordinance regulating Junk & Second Hand Dealers refund

## Report of Officers

City Attorney read an ordinance regulating the business of Junk and Second Hand Dealers.
On Motion the Ordinance was refered to Ordinance Committee.

City Clerk read and submitted the following report

The Hon Mayor & City Council
El Paso Texas

Report of City Clerk Cash receipts for Dec

Gentlemen:

I beg to report the following cash receipts for the month of December other than building permits;

| | |
|---|---|
| Craig Walker & Co electric license | $25.00 |
| Refund from County on Charity tickets | 15.85 |
| Total | 40.85 |

Percy McGhee City Clerk

On motion the report was received and filed

City Clerk read and submitted the following report

Report of City Clerk on warrants drawn to pay Interest & outstanding Claims

To the Hon Mayor & City Council
El Paso Tex as

Gentlemen

I beg to report as follows upon warrants drawn during the month of December to pay outstanding indebtedness;

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 6 mos interest on City Hall & Fire Dept Bonds, 1898. | | $900.00 |
| 6 " " " Sewer Extention Bonds | 1898 | 450.00 |
| 6 " " " School Bonds 1901, Series 3 | | 1875.00 |
| Note Gamewell Fire Alarm Co | | $1320.00 |
| 6 years interest on above at 6% | | 475.20 |
| Note Gamewell Fire Alarm Co | | 350.00 |

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Intirest 1 year on above at 6% $21.00
Total 5391.20

Respectfully Submitted
Percy McGhee
City Clerk

here X On motion the report was received and ordered filed.

Report of City Clerk Building permits Dec

Clerk read and submitted the following report on Building permits for the month of December.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total No of permits | 20 | |
| " " " issued | 13 @ $1.00 | 13.00 |
| " " " " | 7 " 1.50 | 3.50 |
| Total | | 16.50 |
| Less Commission of 25% | | 4.15 |
| Settlement by Treasurer receipt No 1688 | | 12.35 |

Respectfully Submitted
Percy McGhee
City Clerk

On motion the report was received and filed.

Report of Fire Dept for 1905 referred

City Clerk read report from El Paso Fire Dept on election of Officers for 1906.
On motion the report was laid over for one week.

City Clerk read the following report

El Paso Texas Jan 3rd 1906

Hon Florence J Hall
Chief of Police
El Paso Texas

Dear Sir

Report of City Detective for 1905

I herewith submit a report of the operations of this Department during the year 1905-
Letters received 410. Letters answered 315; Telegrams received 185- Telegrams answered 81. Postal Cards and Circulars received 392 Postal Cards and Circulars answered 150. Complaints registered and attended to 101. Stolen property recovered and returned to rightful owners $603.00

This represents a portion of the work performed by this department.

During the past year there have been many large gatherings

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in this City Conventions, etc, which attracted thiefs of all classes, as a fruitful field in which to ply their vocation. Many of the thiefs were arrested and committed to jail until after the Ceremonies, while others, frightened by the rigorous measures adopted towards them, fled the City in haste before securing any booty. As a result of these measures there were a very small number of robberies committed, in fact less than in previous years.

There has not been one case of confidence men arrested for the simple reason that they have all been driven across the river. During the year there has been 15 Criminals measured and photographed.

Respectfully submitted

Billie Smith

Special Detective

On motion the report was received and ordered filed.

Report of Chief of Police on Bridges over Canal

Chief of Police reported that he had notified the Canal Co to build the bridges on Stanton and Santa Fe streets across the Canal the full width of the streets, he stated that Mr C.O. Coffin the local manager state that he would come before the Council and explain the condition and then if the Council still insisted he would build the bridges the full width of the streets.

City Atty instructed to report to Council forfeiture Canal Co Franchise

Alderman Caples moved that the matter be referred to the City Attorney for him to investigate the feasibility of the City forfeiting the Canal franchise if the Canal Co refused to carry out the order of the City Council and to report back at next regular meeting.

The motion was duly seconded and carried.

## Police Committee

Chairman Hitt to whom was referred the following communication recommended that it be received and filed and request denied

Albuquerque N M

Nov 23rd 1905

Communication from R E Morton filed

Capt Chas Davis Mayor

El Paso Texas

Dear Sir

I have just received a letter from J M Dean, attorney at law of your City asking me for a fee of one hundred dollars

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in the case of Author Roberts, vs. R. L. Hooton, H. Jaffe & H. F. Price.
Roberts was arrested, and he was supposed to be a murderer, who had killed 3 men in Oklahoma, Reynerson and Briggs made the arrest and placed him the City Jail until the authorities of Oklahoma Could be notified, Photographs of Roberts were forwarded to the Sheriff and I was requested to hold Roberts as he had been identified as the right man,
The Sheriff of Oklahoma came to El Paso and brought with him a daughter of the old man and a sister to the two brothers who Roberts was supposed to have murdered But the girl failed to identify Roberts as the right man, stating that he resembled him, with the exception that he was taller. So she being the only person who could identify him, the Sheriff did not take him back and he was given his liberty, Inasmuch as I acted in an official capacity as Chief of Police, I think that the City of El Paso should make a settlement with Judge Dean for his services, as I cannot see wherein I should be made to pay such charges, when I was acting simply in such a capacity, I trust you will take this matter up at once, I enclose you a copy of Judge Deans letter, and I wish to add further that it would be impossible for me to settle the Judges charges as I am not able to do so, as I have not done any business of any consequence here.

I remain, very truly yours
R. L. Hooton

On motion the recommendation was ordered carried out.

City Atty to Correspond with owners of Maginnis property.

## Street and Grade

Chairman Fewel moved that the City Attorney be instructed to correspond with the owners of the old Maginnis property situated on E Overland Street relative to moving the house as it obstructed part of the street and the Street & Grade Com was anxious to have the street opened up its full width.
The motion was duly seconded and carried.

Chairman Fewel moved the adoption of resolution adopting Map of Bassetts Addition to El Paso.
The motion was duly seconded.

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Resolution adopting Map Bassett Add

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the resolution to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows, Yeas Caples, Fewel, Hammett, Kitt, Look + Rand. 6, Nays none. Absent Badger + Grant.

Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the vote of the City Council having voted in favor of the resolution the same be, and is hereby adopted.

The resolution above referred to is in words and figures as follows to wit:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso: That the accompaning map of Bassetts addition to the City of El Paso, filed with the City Clerk on the 28th day of Dec, 1905 be and the same is hereby accepted and declared to be the official map of said addition and that the streets, ally and public places thereon dedecated be and the same are hereby accepted by the City of El Paso, Provided, however, that nothing on said map nor in the dedecation or acceptance thereof, or in this resolution shall be held to be a waiver by the City of El Paso or the City Council thereof of any streets or alleys or of any rights to any streets or alleys which the City of El Paso may have or may claim to have in that portion of said addition shown on said map and designated as the El Paso + Southwestern Railway Reserve.

Resolution Cement Contractors place names of Street in walks at Corners.

Chairman Fewel moved the adoption of a resolution directing Cement Contractors to place Names of Streets on Cement sidewalks at street Corners.

The Motion was duly seconded.

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the resolution to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows, Yeas. Caples. Fewel. Hammett, Kitt. Look, Rand. 6. Nays none. Absent Badger + Grant.

The above resolution referred to is in word and figures as follows to, wit:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso.

That it shall be the duty of each and every Cement Contractor when Building or laying a cement sidewalk in the City of El Paso at Street intersections to impress in the Cement at the Edge of the walk before the Cement shall set or harden the name of the respective streets intersecting at such Corner

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each ~~street~~ name to be placed parallel with such ~~street~~

Ordinance Committee

Resolution fixing width of side walks on Davis St

Chairman Look read and introduced a resolution fixing the width of side walks on the East side of Davis ~~Street~~ and on the East side of Crosby ~~street~~ between Union Depot Park and Davis ~~street~~ and around the south and east sides of the Union Depot park and prescribing the class of walks thereon. Motion made and duly seconded to adopt the resolution

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the resolution to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows: Yeas Caples, Fewel, Hammett, Hitt Look & Rand. 6. Nays, None. Absent Badger, Grant.

Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the vote of the City Council having voted in favor of the resolution the same by, and is hereby adopted.

The resolution above referred to is in words and figures as follows to, wit:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso:

Section 1

That the width of all sidewalks on the Easterly side of Davis ~~street~~ between its intersection with Second ~~street~~ and Crosby ~~street~~, and on the Easterly side of Crosby ~~street~~ between its intersection with Davis ~~street~~ and the New Park in front of the Union Passenger Depot, and on the south side of the Union Depot Park and on the Eastern side of that portion of the alley lying adjacent to and East of the land acquired through Condemnation by City for said Park. shall all be and is hereby fixed at fourteen (14) feet, save and except the side walk on said alley.

Section 2

That the width of sidewalks on the east side of the said portion of said alley be and the same is hereby fixed at Twelve (12) feet. Provided that in order to allow access from said park to the alley running through block 171 that the side walk on the East side of said park in front of lot seven (7) shall be four (4) feet and no more.

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Section 3

That all sidewalks above refered to shall be constructed of Cement and shall have a cement Curb and shall be constructed upon the official grade established by the City Engineer or that may be established by the City Engineer under the directions of the City Council.

Section 4

That this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval

## Finance Committee

Chairman Rand introduced the following payrolls and bills and recommended that they be allowed.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Payroll for Dec | Payroll of Police Dept for Dec | | $3083.35 |
| | " " "Sewer " " " | | 358.05 |
| | " " "Fire " " " | | 1832.25 |
| | " " "Health " " " | | 504.47 |
| | " " "City Official " " " | | 1776.65 |
| | " " "Special Engineer " " " | | 114.63 |
| Street & Grade | " " "~~Street & Grade~~ " | week ending Jan 4/06 | 191.09 |
| Park allowance | Mrs B. F. Hammett | Park allowance | 100.00 |
| Feeding prisoners | Mrs John T Sullivan | Feeding Prisoners | 185.65 |
| Free Library | Albert Reed | Library allowance | 300.00 |

Chairman Rand to whom was refered the quarterly report of City Clerk ending sept 30th 1905 recommended that it be received and filed.

Report of City Clerk for Quarter Ending Sept 30

| | July | Aug | Sept | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Police Dept | 3110.43 | 3222.35 | 3103.14 | 9435.92 |
| City Official | 1259.79 | 1306.65 | 1306.65 | 3863.09 |
| Printing | 167.69 | 133.62 | 154.32 | 455.53 |
| Books & Stationary | 230.80 | 99.95 | 244.75 | 575.00 |
| ~~Streets & Grades~~ | 1886.78 | 2656.52 | 2456.61 | 6999.91 |
| Sanitary Dept | 318.35 | 365.65 | 340.65 | 1024.65 |
| Pest House | 529.20 | 426.21 | 387.41 | 1342.82 |
| Charity | 188.35 | 133.10 | 183.85 | 505.30 |
| Parks | 26.65 | 203.00 | 124.00 | 353.65 |
| Sewer Dept | 399.55 | 1504.85 | 601.65 | 2506.05 |
| Lighting " | 989.35 | 1005.20 | 1015.00 | 3009.55 |
| Water " | 1295.50 | 1277.50 | 1419.50 | 3992.50 |
| Fire " | 1167.33 | 2024.92 | 1206.22 | 4398.47 |

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| Clerks Quarterly report Continued | July | August | Sept | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Interest | 1765 00 | | 3230 00 | 4995 00 |
| Transfer | 3000 00 | | | 3000 00 |
| Library | 300 00 | 300 00 | 300 00 | 300 00 |
| Current Expenses | 481 22 | 332 38 | 172 29 | 985 89 |
| Park Concerts | 240 00 | 300 00 | 240 00 | 780 00 |
| School Bond #30 issued 1890 | 1000 00 | | | 1000 00 |
| Paving investigating Com | 146 05 | | | 146 05 |
| Costs in Condemnations Cases | | 149 85 | | 149 85 |
| Premiums on Official Bonds | | 105 00 | 228 75 | 333 75 |
| Bills payable | | 100 00 | | 10000 00 |
| Allowance to Civic Imp League | | | 93 00 | 93 00 |
| Total | 18501 44 | 25542 75 | 15796 69 | 60840 88 |

Showing the amount of warrants drawn on the respective funds for the quarter ending September 30th 1905

| Fund | July | August | Sept | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General | 8923 72 | 20036 63 | 9139 75 | 38100 10 |
| Special | 4150 53 | 703 65 | 857 78 | 5711 96 |
| Street Maintenance | 1886 78 | 2861 52 | 2574 61 | 7322 91 |
| Sewer | 399 55 | 1504 85 | 601 65 | 2506 05 |
| Contingent | 75 86 | 136 10 | 92 90 | 304 86 |
| Interest on Bonds | 1765 00 | | 3230 00 | 4995 00 |
| Public School Bonds issue 1890 | 1000 00 | | | 1000 00 |
| Free Library | 300 00 | 300 00 | 300 00 | 300 00 |
| Total | 18501 44 | 25542 75 | 16796 69 | 60840 88 |

Respectfully submitted

Percy McGhee

City Clerk

On motion made and carried the Quarterly report was received and ordered filed.

## Communications

Clerk read the following petition

El Paso Texas Dec 12th 1905

Hon Mayor and City Council

Gentlemen

Petition of Juan Caro for bridge across Canal on Virginia granted

The undersigned hereby respectfully petition your Hon body to require the Irrigation Company to build a bridge over their Canal on 8th street at its intersection

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with So Virginia Street, and your petitioners will ever pray

Very Respectfully

Juan Caro

and many others

Alderman Cook moved that the petition be granted and the City Clerk be instructed to notify the Canal Co to build a bridge 70 feet wide across the Canal on So Virginia Street The Motion was duly seconded and carried.

Clerk read the following communication

El Paso Texas

Jany 1st 1906.

Mr Chas. Davis. Sr

Mayor, El Paso Texas

Communication from S C Marks

Dear Sir

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of Dec 31st with reference to flooding of property by the wash water from our round House, I would say that this is the result of the City Engineer cutting us off from sewer connections. I would also state that I have taken steps to have this water ditched down our right of way, and will have the trouble remedied in a few days

Yours Truly

S. C. Marks

on motion the communication was received and ordered filed

Clerk read the following petition

To The Hon Mayor & City Council

City of El Paso

Petition of V.R. Stiles for sewer extention granted

Gentlemen

We the undersigned, respectfully request that the City sewer be extended from Newman Street in block 69 to reach lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 & 22. in said block.

The first four lots mentioned are the property of Dr. S. T. Turner, who contemplates building a residence on the property and the last two mentioned are the property of V. R. Stiles, who now has a residence practically completed thereon, and is, therefore, in great need of the extention as early as possible.

If your Hon body will take immediate action.

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it will be greatly appreciated by Mr Stiles

Yery respectfully

V.R. Stiles

S.T. Turner

on motion the petition was granted.

Petition of EE Neff Co Sewer Extension

Clerk read petition of E.E. Neff + Co for sewer extension.
on motion the petition was refered to Sanitary Com.

Petition of AE Carne grade for side walk.

Clerk read petition of A.E. Carne for grade on sidewalk
on motion the petition was refered to Street + Grade Com.

Petition of F.N. Hall refunding Taxes

Clerk read petition of F.N. Hall for refund of taxes
on motion the petition was refered to Taxation Committee.

Petition of J.J. Watts grade on Nevada st

Clerk read petition of J.J. Watts for street grade on Nevada Street
on motion the petition was refered to Street + Grade Committee

Petition of RE Nix Sewer Connections

Clerk read petition of R.E. Nix and others for sewer Connections
on motion the petition was refered to Sanitary Committee

Petition Chas De Groff for Sewer Extension

Clerk read petition of Chas De Groff for sewer extention
on motion the petition was refered to Sanitary Committee

Petition of Frank Seamon grade for Side Walk

Clerk read petition of Frank Seamon for on Upson Av for grade to build sidewalk
on motion the petition was refered to Street + Grade Committee

Petition of Caples Lumber Co for Sewer Extension

Clerk read petition of Caples Lumber Co for sewer extension
on motion the petition was refered to Sanitary Committee

Petition of Texas Co franchise to lay oil pipe

Clerk read petition of Texas Company for franchise to lay pipes for distributting oil.
on motion the petition was refered to Street + Grade and ordinance Committees

Communication W.T. Hixson for duplicate warrant

Clerk read Communication from W.T. Hixson relative to duplicate warrant
on motion the Communication was refered to Finance Com.

## New Business

Alderman Caples that the matter of grades on Myrtle Street

be postponed for our work.
The Motion was duly seconded and carried.

There being no further business the Council adjourned
Approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

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Council Chamber City Hall
El Paso Texas Jan 11th 1906

Council met in regular session on the above day and date at 7.30 oclock P.M. Mayor Davis present and presiding, and the following aldermen answered to roll call, Caples, Fewel, Grant Halsmett, Hill, Look, & Rand, 7. Absent Badger.
Minutes of last regular meeting approved as read.

## Report of Officers

Report of City Physician on relief of the Poor.

City Physician reported much distribution among the poor Mexicans of the city, also reported a bill for groceries from Clifford Bros for groceries used in relieving the distress. Amounting to $92.83, and that the County Judge stated the the County would pay one half of the Expense.
Ald Caples moved that the bill be allowed and ordered paid and the City Clerk be instructed to collect from the County one half of the amount. Motion was carried

City Clerk read the following report.

El Paso, Texas, Jan 1st 1906

To the Hon Mayor and City Council
City of El Paso

Report of Plumbing Inspector for Nov & Dec

Gentlemen

I beg to hand you herewith my report for the months of November and December.
There was no business in my office in November but during the month of December there was 26 inspections made and $34.00 collected.

Very respectfully submitted
V. E. Luhorn
Plumbing Inspector.

Report Fire Department for year 1905

Clerk read the following annual report of the secretary of the El Paso Fire Dept

El Paso, Texas, December 13, 1905.

To the Officers and Members of the El Paso Fire Dept.
Gentlemen.

I hereby submit my annual report as secretary of this Dept for the year Ending Dec 13th 1905
We have held three quarterly department meetings,

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with an average attendance of 35; average in 1904-33.
made up from the different companies as follows;

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Average attendance of Hose Co No 1 — | | 4 |
| " " " " " " 2 | | 11 |
| " " " Hook & Ladder Co | | 11 |
| " " " Julian Engine Co No 1 | | 6 1/3 |
| " " " Mesa Hose Co " 3 | | 2 2/3 |
| Total | | 35 |

We held eight regular directors meetings with an average attendance of 17 7/8.

The total number of active members in the department at this date is as follows;

| | |
|---|---|
| Hose Co no 1 | 31 |
| " " " 2 | 33 |
| Hook & Ladder No 1 | 35 |
| Julian Engine Co No 1 | 20 |
| Mesa Hose Chemical No 3 | 30 |
| Total | 149 |

The Expenses of the Department for the past 12 months are as follows

| Accounts and Bills | | Payrolls | |
|---|---|---|---|
| December 1904 | $ 290 61 | December 1904 | $ 925 00 |
| January 1905 | 237 25 | January 1905 | 886 30 |
| February " | 219 10 | February " | 912 90 |
| March " | 216 02 | March " | 894 20 |
| April " | 251 15 | April " | 866 95 |
| May " | 224 51 | May " | 900 00 |
| June " | 370 34 | June " | 1021 30 |
| July " | 176 18 | July " | 961 35 |
| August " | 214 54 | August | 991 15 |
| September " | 213 72 | September | 950 00 |
| October " | 220 56 | October | 992 50 |
| November " | 190 71 | November | 991 15 |
| Total " | $ 2823 69 | Total | $ 11292 80 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Accounts and Bills average per Month | $ 235.33 |
| Average last year | 295.71 |
| Decrease per Month | $ 60.37 |
| Payroll average per Month | 941.07 |
| Average last year | 762.42 |
| Increase per Month | 178.65 |

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Report of the Chief of the Fire Department was received and referred to Fire and Water Committee.

Street and Grade

Petition of C.E. Morrison Recived + Filed

Chairman Fewel to whom was referd the following petition recommended that it be recivd and filed.

To the Hon Mayor + City Council

El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen

We the undersigned citizens of the City of El Paso do hereby petition you to take some action in regards to the El Paso Vehicle Works from filling up the street and sidewalk on the Corner of Ochoa and Texas streets, which causes the backing up of water on Ochoa leaving said street in an impassable condition.

(signed) C. E. Morrison

and others

On motion the recommendation Ordered carried out

Petition of M. Hawk. Stewart St repaired

Chairman Fewel to whom was referd the following petition recommended that it be recivd and filed.

El Paso, Texas. Sept 14th 1905-

To the Hon Mayor and City Council.

We the undersigned citizens and property owners residing on Stewart Street do petition your Hon body to have said street repaired, as it is now in an almost impassable condition and will thank you for your prompt attention to same

(signed) M Hawk

On motion the petition was recivd and filed.

Petition of Chas Kirchner grade on Wyo St

Chairman Fewel to whom was referd the following petition recommended that it be received and granted.

To the Hon Mayor and City Council

El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen

The undersigned respectfully asks that you have the grade established at the Corner of Wyoming and Williams streets on Wyoming st. as it is my desire to build a sidewalk there.

Very respectfully

Carl Kirchner

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on motion the petition was granted

Petition of J I White grade on Oregon & Nevada

Chairman Fewel to whom was refered the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso, Texas. Oct 18th 1905-

To the Hon Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen.

We your petitioners respectfully ask that the grade be established on Oregon ~~street~~ between Arizona and California and on Nevada ~~street~~ between Mesa Avenue and Oregon ~~Street~~.

As improvements are Contemplated and Contemplated in this neighborhood, we ask that this be attended to at once

Yours respectfully

J. I. White

and Others

on motion the petition was granted.

Petition of Carter & Henderson grade on N Stanton sidewalk

Chairman Fewel to whom was refered the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso, Texas.

Hon Mayor & City Council

Gentlemen.

We the undersigned kindly request permission to Construct Cement sidewalk in front of lots 11 to 15- Block 22 Alexanders Add facing Stanton and River Streets, Above request to be in compliance to the City requirements.

Thankfully yours

Carter & Henderson

on motion the petition was granted.

Petition of Frank Seamon grade side walk.

Chairman Fewel to whom was refered the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso, Texas Dec, 28th 1905-

To the Hon Mayor and City Council

Gentlemen;

The undersigned respectfully ask of you permission to Construct Concrete retaining wall, Cement side walk 10 ft wide and curb in front of his property No 600 prospect Avenue.

The property consists of lot No 3 and ½ of lot No 4 Sunset Heights addition. In order that this work may be done to conform with requirements of the City, he asks that the City Engineer be instructed to set lines, grades, etc, that may be required.

Yours Very truly
F. L. Seamon

on motion the petition was granted.

Petition of J J Watts grade on Nevada st

Chairman Fewel to whom was refered the following petition recommended that the petition be granted.

El Paso, Texas. Dec 28th 1905-

To the Hon Mayor and City Council of the City of El Paso,

We the undersigned property owners on Nevada st between Octavia and Noble, respectfully request that you have the City Engineer establish grade on said Nevada st between Octavia and Noble streets

(signed) J. J. Watts
and Others

on motion the petition was granted.

## Sanitary Committee

Report of Inspector of Foods was received and filed.

## Ordinance Committee.

Ordinance granting Texas Co to Construct Storage Tanks

Chairman Look had the Clerk to read An Ordinance granting to the Texas Company, its successors, and assigns the right to establish, erect and maintain a storage station for petroleum and its products in the City of El Paso, Texas, and moved that it be adopted. The motion was duly seconded.

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the ordinance to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows. Yeas, Caples, Fewel, Grant, Hammett, Kitt. Look + Rand. 7. Nays None. Absent Badger.

Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the vote of the City Council having voted in favor of the Ordinance the same be, and is hereby adopted.

The ordinance above refered to is in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso:

Section 1

That the right and privilege be, and the same is, hereby granted unto the Texas Company a corporation of Texas, its successors and assigns, to establish, erect and maintain a storage station for petroleum and its products for fuel upon its property in Bassetts addition to the city of El Paso.

Passed and approved this 11th day of Jany 1906

Attest

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

Charles Davis
Mayor

Ordinance regulating Junk & Second Hand Dealers

Chairman Look had the Clerk read "An Ordinance regulating the Business of Dealers in Junk and second Hand Goods in the City of El Paso."

Chairman Look moved the adoption of the ordinance which was duly seconded.

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the ordinance to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows. Yeas, Cooles, Fewl, Grant, Haumett, Hitt, Look & Rand, 7. Nays None, absent Badger.

Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the votes of the City Council having voted in favor of the Ordinance the same be, and is hereby adopted

The ordinance above referred to is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

Be it ordinance by the City Council of the City of El Paso:

Section 1

That every person, firm, or corporation buying or selling or otherwise dealing as a business in second hand bicycles, Diamonds, silverware, jewelry, old gold or silver, Clothing, tools, harness furniture, fire arms or guns or any or either of said articles, within the city of El Paso shall keep a record of all such articles purchased by him, which record shall be kept in a well bound and ruled book, in which he shall make or cause to be made a discription of any and all such articles acquired by him in his said business, which said entry of discription shall be made on the day on which he acquires such article or articles and which shall contain the name and address of the person from

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whom same were obtaind and a discription of such person, and shall kep said book open during business hours to the inspection of the Chief of Police of the City of El Paso and to the inspection of any other officer who may be designated by such Chief of Police.

Section 2

The book and record above required to be kept shall be written in the english language in a clear and legible manner but the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to pawnbrokers who may be carrying on business under bond under the laws of the state of Texas. and articles consisting wholly of scrap iron are excluded from the requirments of this ordinance.

Section 3.

If any second hand dealer or Junk dealer or any other person engaged in business as such or any firm or corporation so engaged within the Corporate limits of the City of El Paso, or who may hereafter engage in such business within said City, fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions hereof, or any one of them, such person shall be fined in any sum not less than ten dollars and not more than one hundred dollars and each day that such person shall so fail, refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions hereof, shall be deemed a seperate offence and punishable as such.

Section 4

That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Passed and approved this this 11th day of Jan 1906

Attest

Perry McGhee
City Clerk

Charles Davis
Mayor

## Finance Committee.

Chairman Rand recommended that the Street & Grade Pay roll for week ending Jany 11th amounting to $101.75 be allowed and ordered paid.

Pay roll Street & Grade ending Jan 11

On motion the payroll was allowed and ordered paid.

## Taxation Committee.

Chairman Hammett stated that the City Tax Assessor & Collector had presented his tax rolls for approval, that

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Tax Rolls Approved by Council

The Committee had examined the rolls and found them correct and recommended that they be approved.
on motion made and duly carried the tax rolls were approved.

Communications

Mayor Davis ~~was~~ stated that he had received a check from Mrs Baldwin for $25.00 to be devoted to Charity.
Alderman Fewel moved that the City Council tender a vote of thanks to Mrs Baldwin for her generosity, and that the City Clerk be instructed to so notify Mrs Baldwin
Motion was carried.

Motion was made and carried that a vote of thank be tendered to all who have contributed to helping the poor.

Clerk read the following communication

Hon Charles Davis
El Paso Texas

Dear Sir.

Communication from H J Simmons waste water round House

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of December 31st in reference to the flooding of property from wash water from our round house. the matter will be taken up at once.

Yours Very truly
H. J. Simmons
Genl Manager

on motion the communication was received and ordered filed.

Petition of Jones Realty Co for grade on Oregon & Mesa Sts

Clerk read petition of Jones Realty Co for grade on Oregon & Mesa Streets.
on motion the petition was referred to Street & Grade Com.

Petition of J.H. Neesom grade side walk

Clerk read petition of J.H. Neesom for side walk grade.
on motion petition was referred to Street & Grade Com.

Petition of J Zelman grade side walk

Clerk read petition of J. Zellman for side walk grade.
on motion the petition was referred to Street & Grade Com.

Petition of Santa Fe Fuel Co grade 7th St

City Clerk read petition of Santa Fe Fuel Co to grade 7th street
on motion the pet was referred to Street & Grade Comm.

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Petition of Jas J Riggs for Damages

Clerk read petition of James J. Riggs for damages on motion the petition was refered to City Attorney.

## New Business

Alderman Rand moved that all the all the officers elected by the Members of the Fire Department be confirmed except Charles Krause for Chief.
Alderman Caples amended the motion to include Krause's Name.
The mayor ordered the vote upon the Ammendment to be taken by roll call which when taken resulted as follows. Yeas Caples, Grant, Look, 3. Nays Fewel, Hammett, Hitt, & Rand. 4. absent Badger
Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of City Council having voted against the amendment, the same be and is declared lost.
All Looks moves that the matter lay over for one week the motion was seconded and carried.

Ald Rand calls the attention of the City Council to excessive charges made by Scavinger for services.
Ald Caples moved that the matter be refered to the Sanitary Committee for investigation, The motion was seconded and Carried.

There being no further business the Council adjourned
approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

# Special Meeting Tuesday Jan 16th 1906

Council Chamber City Hall

El Paso Texas Jan 16th 1906

Special meeting for sale of Bonds

Council met in Special Session pursuant to call issued by Mayor Davis. Mayor Davis present and presiding and the following aldermen answered roll call, Caples, Fewel, Grant, Hammitt, Hitt, Look & Rand. J. Absent Badger.

City Clerk read the following.

To the Honorable J.B. Badger, Geo Look, W.J. Fewel, G.L. Hitt, B.F. Hammitt, J.T. Grant, Richard Caples, and W.J. Rand, Composing the board of Aldermen of the City of El Paso, Gentlemen;

You are hereby called to meet in special session at the City Hall in the City of El Paso, Tuesday Jan 16th 1906, at 3 oclock P.M. relative to the sale of El Paso Street Improvement Bond of Improvement District No, 1.

(signed) Charles Davis
Mayor of the City of
El Paso

The City Clerk read the following proposition from T.S. Johnson relative to sale of Bonds.

Proposition of T.S. Johnson to Sell Bonds

El Paso Texas Jany 16th 1906

Hon Mayor and City Council.
City of El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen.

I submit to you the following proposition in regards to the sale of the El Paso Street Improvement Bonds, District No 1. $175.000, bearing 5% interest and dated November 1st, 1905.

I will undertake to sell said bonds for you upon the following terms and conditions,—

1st, That said bonds shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest from their date to date of delivery to the purchaser.

2. That before paying for said bonds the purchaser are to be furnished with a complete legal transcript evidencing the legality of said bonds to the satisfaction of their attorneys.

It is possible that a new bond ordinance will be necessary and that new bonds be printed, and if such be required it is understood that such ordinance will be

will be passed and such new bonds printed and duly executed, provided, that the New Ordinance and the form of the new bonds be such as conform to the law and approval by the Attorney General of Texas. If this be found necessary I will see to the proper preparation of the ordinance and will furnish the new bonds free of Expense or cost to the City and I will first secure the approval of the form of ordinance and bonds by the Attorney General before you are called upon to pass said ordinance and issue said new bonds. I agree also to attend to everything to be done in Austin in regards to cancellation of the present bonds and securing the approval of the new bonds by the Attorney General and their registration by the Comptroller.

3, That immediately upon the ascertainment of the sufficiency of the transcript to the purchaser and notification to the mayor, if the present bonds are acceptable, they are at once to be delivered by you in New York City to any bank selected by you, and after inspection by the purchaser and found to be properly executed the purchaser will immediately cause one of the following named banks to be selected by them. That is either the Seaboard National Bank. The National Park Bank, the Hanover National Bank, the Chemical National Bank or the National Bank of Commerce to pass to the Credit of your city Treasurer upon its book the full amount of the proceeds of said bonds. When money is needed as the work of paving progresses the City Treasurer will draw his draft upon the bank so selected for the amount of money needed equal to the amount of work done, attaching to such draft the certificate of the supervising engineer as to the work done, upon which certificate said bank shall honor such draft.

Immediately upon passing the Credit mentioned to the account of the City Treasurer the bonds are to be at once delivered to the purchaser.

It is also understood that said bank is to allow and pay the City interest at the rate of 2% per annum upon the amount, or balance, due the City from the time of the entry of Credit until drawn out.

If the new ordinance and bonds are required, then immediately upon execution, approval, and registration they shall be forwarded and the Course as above indicated pursued and carried out.

If the new bonds are required they shall be printed and furnished with all possible dispatch.

4 - It is understood that the purchaser shall make known to your Mayor by the first day of February, 1906. whether or not

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they will take said bonds, and if they decide that they will take the bonds provided a new ordinance is passed and new bonds printed or other requirements met, they will must make known to the Mayor within the time stated that they will do so upon such conditions being complied with, and in this event they shall at once deposit with the Mayor a certified check for $2500.00 to be forfeited to the City in case they fail to take such new bonds when printed, executed &c, and ready for delivery, such other conditions if any, also being complied with.

5th. In consideration for the services performed and to pay attorneys fees and such other expenses as may fall upon me in the transaction, the City is to pay me a commission of 2% of the principal sum of said bonds, and that concurrent with the giving of credit to your Treasurer as mentioned and the delivery of the bonds to the purchaser, the City through your Honorable Body is to cause the bank so giving such credit to your Treasurer to pass to my credit the amount herein agreed upon as my commission to be drawn upon and against by me at my pleasure.

In the event I do not effect the sale of the bonds the City is to be under no obligations to me what soever

Respectfully Submitted

P. S. Johnson.

After discussion of the proposition, the following resolution being introduced. Motion made and duly seconded for its adoption. The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption to be taken by roll call which when taken resulted as follows, Yeas Caples, Pearl, Grant, Hammett, Kett, and Rand 6. Nays, Cook, absent - Badger.

Resolution authorizing T. S. Johnson Sale of St Imp Bonds

When upon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the votes of the City Council having been cast in favor of the resolution, the same be, and is hereby adopted.

The resolution above referred to is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

Whereas, P. S. Johnson has made a written proposition of this Council, of date January 16th 1906, the same now on file with the City Secretary, in which he proposes to sell City of El Paso Street Improvement Bonds, District No 1. $75.000. dated November the first 1905: at not less than par accrued interest according to the terms and conditions in said

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proposition fully stated; and,

Whereas, it appears to this Council that the acceptance of said proposition will be advantageous and to the intrest of the City; therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso Texas, that the proposition of said P.S. Johnson, herein before referred to, be and the same is hereby accepted, and that the said P.S. Johnson be, and is hereby authorized to negotiate the sale of said bonds according to the terms and conditions in said proposition set out; provided he shall have and be allowed 48 hours from the passage of this resolution within which to negotiate the sale of said bonds.

There being no further business the Council adjourned

Approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

# Regular Meeting Thursday Jany 18th 1906

## Council Chamber City Hall

El Paso, Texas, Jan 18th 1906

City Council met in regular session on the above day and date at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Mayor Davis present and presiding and the following aldermen answered to roll Call. Caples, Powell, Grant, Hammett, Litt, Look and Rand. absent Badger.

on motion made and carried the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting dispensed with.

## Report of Officers

City Attorney to whom was refered the following petition recommended that it be disallowed.

State of Texas
County of El Paso

To the City Council of El Paso
El Paso County, Texas.

Petition of J J Riggs disallowed

Gentlemen.

Your petitioner, James, J. Riggs would respectfully represent that prior to the first of may, since and now he is the owner of lot numbred Eight (8) in block numbered 170 Campbells addetion to said City of El Paso; That for a long time prior to the first day of may, 1905 and until the occurrance hereinafter stated, he owned an adobe house, standing upon said lot, fronting Twenty six (26) feet on Durango street by one hundred twenty (120) feet on San Antonio street; that said house had a large number of rooms all of which were rented at all of the times hereafter stated, and that it was of the value of $2500.00; Your petitioner further alleges that some Considerable time prior to the first day of may, 1905. the City of El Paso by and through its officers and agents having power and authority so to do, authorized and permitted the G. H. & S. A. Railroad Company to negligently and carelessly dig a ditch begining on the north side of the tracks of said railroad Company at the intersection of Oregon street and said railroad tracks, said ditch running westwardly along the north side of said railroad tracks across the streets known as El Paso, Santa Fe, Chihuahua, Leon and Durango streets and thence onward towards the river; that said ditch was made for the purpose of diverting

the flow of water from the Mesa on the north side of the City which flows at the time of rains down Oregon and the other streets mentioned and across the tracks of said G.H. Railroad Company; that plaintiffs property is much lower than the tracks of the G.H. & S.A. Railroad Company and that above Plaintiffs said property and at the intersection of Leon Street and the G.H. & S.A. tracks the G.H. Railroad Company constructed a culvert in said ditch, where the said Leon street crosses said ditch and said tracks; that said culvert was constructed too small to permit the large volume of water drained into the ditch to flow through and that it was so negligently and carelessly constructed by the G.H. & S.A. railroad company within the knowledge of the officers and agents of the City of El Paso, and that the City of El Paso and by and through its agents and officers permitted the said railroad company to so negligently construct said culvert in said ditch; that during the month of May or the earlier part of June, a heavy rain fell and large volumes of water flowed from the Mesa on the north side of the City down Oregon street, Santa Fe street and the other streets mentioned and into said ditch; that prior to said rain the culvert and ditch at the crossing of Leon street over the G.H. tracks had been negligently and carelessly permitted to be come stopped and closed with dirt and debris, and that the officers and agents of the City of El Paso well knowing the fact, negligently and carelessly permitted said culvert to remain stopped so that the volume of water carried by said ditch from the streets aforesaid could not pass through; that at the time of rain aforesaid, a large volume of water flowed through said ditch to said culvert, which was above the property of your petitioner hereinbefore described, and that by reason of the culvert being stopped and obstructed, the volume of water carried in said ditch was directed therefrom, and flowed down upon and against your petitioner's said house, washing the same down and completely destroying it. to your petitioner's damage in the sum of twenty five hundred ($2500.00) dollars.

Therefore your petitioner demands of the City of El Paso compensation for said damages aforesaid in the sum of

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$25.00 00, for all of which he will ever pray.

Thos M & Cyrus H Jones
atty for Petitioners

On motion duly made and carried the recommendations was ordered carried out.

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Report of City Atty on adoption of Stevens Map

City Attorney to whom was refered the Stevens addition map reported that he had had a conference with the owners of the Stevens Addition and also the Southwestern rail road Company and that they had agreed to open up a street along the smelter road seventy feet wide. and that he thought that was all the city could reasonably ask.

Map of Stevens add adopted

Ald Fewel moved that the map of Stevens addition be adopted the motion was duly seconded

The mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the map to be taken by roll call, which when taken resulted as follows, Yeas, Fewel, Grant, Hammett, Hitt. Look and Rand, 6. Nays None. Caples present but stated as he was interested in the addition asked to be excused. Absent Badger.

Whereupon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the City Council having voted in favor of the adoption of the map the same be and is hereby adopted.

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Bills Allowed

City Physician reported the following bills for supplies incurred in giving relief to the poor.

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| White Oaks Fuel Co | Wood for poor | $22.50 |
| Clifford Bros | Grocries " " | 32.62 |

On motion the action of City Physician was approved and bills ordered paid.

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Report of City Engineer on grade Stanton St

City Engineer submitted his report on grade of Stanton Street

On motion the report and map was refered to Street & Grade Committee.

Clerk read report of Chief of Police for the month of Dec 1905

On motion the report was refered to Police Com

Quarterly Report of City Treasurer refered

Clerk read quarterly report of City Treasurer for quarter Ending Dec 31st 1905. On motion report was refered to Finance Com

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~~Street~~ Grade Com

Ald Fewel to whom was refrd the following petition recommended that the petition be granted.

El Paso Texas Jan 8th 1906

Petition of Jones Realty Co grade on Oregon + Mesa Sts

To the Hon Mayor and City Council
El Paso Texas

Gentlemen.

Your petitioners respectfully request your City Engineer be instructed to establish the grade on ~~oregon Street~~ and Mesa Ave, between River and Cliff Streets.

Respectfully
Jones Realty Co

on motion the petition was granted.

Chairman Fewel to whom was refrd the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso Texas Jan 5-1906

Petition of J.H. Neeson grade on Boute St

Hon Mayor and City Council
Gentlemen

I am building a home on the Cor of Boulevard + Brown, and would respectfully request you to have the City Engineer to give me the proper grade at the above corner for a cement sidewalk.

Respectfully submitted
J.H. Neeson

on motion the petition was granted.

Chairman Fewel to whom was refrd the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso Texas Jan 11th 1906

Petition of Santa Fe Fuel Co grade 7th St

To the Hon Mayor + City Council.
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen

The undersigned, property owners in the vicinity of 7th ~~Street~~ and Santa Fe ~~street~~. respectfully petition to grade 7th street when it connects Santa Fe and El Paso and have the railroad plank its Crossing when it crosses Seventh Street.

We ask this because but one set of tracks cross seventh street, while there are tracks spread across Santa

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Fe street all the way from Fifth to Seventh causing much delay to traffic which could often be avoided were the block connecting Santa Fe, and El Paso graded to allow all traffic to go over the latter highway.

Thanking you for any consideration you can consistently grant us, we are,

Very respectfully,
Santa Fe Fuel Co
and others

on motion the petition was granted.

Chairman Fewel to whom was referd the bill of Ardoin Bros to the Amount of $15.80 for feeding the Aligators recommend that the bill be allowed,
on motion the bill was allowed and ordered paid

## Finance Committee

Chairman Rand to whom was refered the following bills recommended that they be allowed and ordered paid
on motion the recommendations were ordered carried out

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| (Bills for Months) Dec | El Paso Herald | Printing Fire Dept | 60 |
| | Mine & Smelter Supply Co | Supplies " " | 100 |
| | Red Cross Pharmacy | " " " | 160 |
| | El Paso Novelty Works | " " " | 250 |
| | C L Ervin & Co | " " " | 500 |
| | O. G. Sexton | Feed " " | 124 95 |
| | Fassett & Kelley | Supplies " " | 610 |
| | Southwestern Tel Co | Telephone " " | 300 |
| | Howard & McPhitridge Co | Supplies " " | 10 15 |
| | Inter L & P Co | Lights " " | 754 |
| | Badger Fuel Co | Coal " " | 2100 |
| | Inter L & P Co | Lights " " | 1028 |
| | F Torres | Cleaning Corral " " | 450 |
| | G. H. Van Hasilin | police Duty Lower fire | 450 |
| | Walter Blasingame | " " " " | 450 |
| | T. J. Holland | repairs Fire Dept | 2105 |
| | West Texas Fuel Co | Fuel & Coal | 700 |
| | Dr J D Love | Medical services Hildreth | 2000 |
| | Kelly & Pollard | Drugs City Hospital | 63 20 |
| | " " | " Sanitary Dept | 36 80 |

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| Howard & McWhitridge Co | Supplies | Pest House | 40 50 |
| Ever Green Cemetary Co | Water | " " | 65 00 |
| Hether & Schneider | Meat | " " | 14 05 |
| Monsen & Co | supplies | " " | 8 15 |
| Conroy Transfer Co | shoring | " " | 5 00 |
| Consumers Ice Co | Ice | City Hall | 2 50 |
| Grayson Drug Co | Floor oil | City Hall | 2 00 |
| Ellis Bros | supplies | City Clerk | 37 50 |
| El Paso Electrical Supply Co | " | " Hall | 7 46 |
| Ellis Bros | " | " Assessor | 8 60 |
| C. C. Shelton | " | " Hall | 6 75 |
| West Texas Fuel Co | Fuel | " " | 79 55 |
| Consumers Ice Co | Ice | Police Dept | 1 85 |
| Inter L & P Co | Street lights | | 102 624 |
| International Water Co | Water | | 94 212 |
| Tuttle Paint & Glass Co | Discount on warrant painting | City Hall | 14 45 |
| Major & Fewel | Fuel & Feed | Pest House | 48 30 |
| Conroy Transfer Co | Sprinkling | | 80 75 |
| Major & Fewel | Feed | Street Grader | 26 00 |
| Monsen & Co | supplies | " " | 15 35 |
| Dan Kelley | " | " " | 10 50 |
| T. H. Bennett | Blacksmithing | " " | 23 05 |
| Krakauer L & M | supplies | " " | 24 90 |
| Fassett & Kelley | " | " " | 18 00 |
| " " | " | " " | 7 85 |
| Pottinger, Barnum & Mitchell | Cement walk across alley | " | 20 00 |
| Street Grader pay roll | Week ending Jan 18th | | 169 20 |
| Postal Telegraph Co | Telegram | | 1 15 |
| El Paso Powel Supply Co | Powels | City Hall | 75 |
| Monsen & Co | supplies | Sewer Dept | 7 00 |
| Fassett & Kelley | " | " " | 1 45 |
| C. L. Ervin & Co | stove | Police Dept | 7 95 |
| Star Stables | Hack hire | " " | 35 00 |
| Badger Fuel Co | Fuel | " " | 31 75 |
| J. G. N Garcia | wood | " " | 7 00 |
| Fassett & Kelley | supplies | " " | 29 45 |
| F. J. Hall | " | " " | 10 25 |
| Tuttle Paint & Glass Co | " | " " | 3 25 |
| P. H. Curran | " | " " | 1 20 |
| El Paso Electrical supp Co | " | " " | 60 |

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| El Paso Powder Supply Co | Powder | Police Dept | 2 00 |
| Pomeroy Transfer Co | Horse & Buggy | Sanitary " | 5 00 |

## Taxation Committee

Petition of F.N. Hall refund taxes. granted

Chairman Hammett to whom was referd the following petition, recommended that it be granted.

El Paso Texas Jany 4th 1906

To the Hon Mayor and City Council
Gentlemen.

On rendering my property for 1904 I rendered N/2 of lot 6 and all of lot 7 in block 6 when it should have been in block 7, on this account I have paid a double assessment on the above property to the amount of $17.20 and now ask your Hon body to refund the half of this $8.60

Yours truly,
F.N. Hall

on motion the petition was granted.

## Communications

Petition of T.M. Arterburn Arc Light on Boule & Williams St

Clerk read petition of J.M. Arterburn for arc light on Cor Williams & Boulevarde St.
on motion the petition was referd to Fire Water Com.

Petition of J.J. Longwell grade on Los Angeles St

City Clerk read petition of J.J. Longwell for grade on Los Angeles St
on motion petition was referd to Street & Grade Com

Petition of C.L. Pomeroy grade on Rio Grande St

City Clerk read petition of C.L. Pomeroy for grade on Rio Grande and Mesa Avenue
On motion the petition was referd to Street & Grade Com

Petition of D E McDuffie grade on Second St

Clerk read petition of D.E. McDuffie for sidewalk grade
on motion the petition was referd to Street & Grade Com.

Communication from Chamber of commerce block granite

Clerk read communication from Chamber of Commerce relative to granite block in little Plaza
on motion the petition was referd to Street & Grade Com.

Petition of E Kipp reduce Taxes

Clerk read petition of Ewald Kipp to reduce Taxes
on motion the petition was referd to Taxation Committee

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Petition of G.S. Stafford reduce Taxes

Clerk read petition of G. S. Stafford for reduction of Taxes on motion the petition was refered to Taxation Committee

Petition of J.H. Coons, refund of Taxes

Clerk read petition of J.H. Coons for refund in taxes on motion petition refered to Taxation Committee.

Petition of B.F. Stevens reduce Taxes.

Clerk read petition of B. F. Stevens for reduction in taxes on motion petition was refered to Taxation Committee.

Clerk read the following petition

El Paso Texas, Jan 17th 1906

Petition of Mrs Clark + others for trees in new Park

To the Hon Mayor + City Council of El Paso:

The undersigned, acting as a committee for the Fourth Ward, find that the funds needed for the purchase and planting of trees and grass for the Fourth Ward Park, which is now being graded, will amount to three hundred and fifty dollars ($350.00)

It is hoped by your petitioners that you will see fit to appropriate this amount at once that the planting may be done at the right season

(Signed) Mrs Leigh Clark

" John Donohue

Alderman Reed moved that the petition be granted and that the Street and Grade Committee be authorized to purchase trees that may be needed for all the parks.

Motion was duly carried.

## New Business

Mr T. C. Lyons made complaint in regards to water rates and charges made by the International Water Co.

on motion the matter was refered to the Building Com for investigation.

There being no further business the Council adjourned

Approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

# Special Meeting Monday Jan 22nd 1906

Council Chamber City Hall
El Paso Texas Jan 22nd 1906

Special Session propositions to sell bonds

Council met in Special session on the above day and date Mayor Davis present and presiding, and the following aldermen answered to roll call. Fewel, Hammett, Hitt, Look and Rand. Absent Badger, Grant and Caples.

City Clerk read the following Call

To the Honorable J. B. Badger, Geo Look, G. L. Hitt, H. J. Fewel, B. F. Hammett, T. J. Grant, Richard Caples and H. J. Rand, Composing the board of Aldermen of the City of El Paso Greeting:

You are hereby notified to meet in special session at the City Hall at 5 oclock P.M. this afternoon Jan 22nd, 1906 to Consider a proposition relative to the sale of El Paso ~~Street Improvement District~~ No 1 Bonds

Charles Davis
Mayor

I acknowledge receipt of above notice
H. J. Rand
B. F. Hammett
G. L. Hitt
Geo Look
J. T. Grant
J B Badger
H J Fewel
Richard Caples

Alderman Fewel stated that in his opinion this was a very important matter and he thought there ought to be a full board of aldermen at this meeting and as there was only 5 members present, moved that the meeting adjourn over until Tuesday Jan 23rd 1906 at 10 oclock A.M.

The motion was duly seconded and carried.

Approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk

# Adjourned Special Meeting Tuesday Jan 23rd 1906

Council Chamber, City Hall.

El Paso Texas Jan 23rd 1906

Adjourned Special Session Consider Sale of Bonds

Council met pursuant to adjournment on the above day and date at 10 oclock A.m. Mayor Davis present and presiding and the following Aldermen answered to roll Call, Badger Caples, Fewel, Grant, Hammitt, Kett, Look and Rand, 8.

Clerk read the following Communication.

El Paso Texas Jan 22nd 1906

Hon Mayor & City Council.
City of El Paso, Texas.
Gentlemen.

Proposition of T.S. Johnson for bonds

Refering to my proposition of date the 16th instant with reference to the sale of City of El Paso Street Improvement Bonds, District No 1, $175,000, dated November 1st, 1905, which proposition was accepted by your Honorable Body on said date.

I beg to state that I have sold said bonds to Mess Spitzer & Co of Toledo, Ohio, subject to your confirmation, at par and interest upon the terms and conditions stated in my said proposition, except that they are to have until February the 10th, 1906, to determine whether they will take said bonds, instead of February 1st 1906, as in said proposition stated, I attach hereto a copy of my telegram to said Spitzer & Co, making offer of said bonds to them, and also their telegram of acceptance dated January 21st 1906.

My time limit for selling said bonds having expired, I respectfully request that you pass a resolution waiving the same and also formally awarding the bonds to Mess Spitzer & Co.

Respectfully Submitted
T.S. Johnson

P.S. It is further understood that upon completion of the paving of the streets of the entire district, any remaining balance in the New York Bank to the credit of the City Treasurer may be drawn out by him upon presentation of the certificate of the supervising engineer to the effect that all such paving has been completed.

(signed) T.S. Johnson

(Copy Telegrams)

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To Spitzer & Co.
Toledo Ohio.

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I have contract with city to sell El Paso Street Improvements Bonds District number one with which you familiar - I offer you following terms. Legal transcript furnished evidencing legality, satisfaction your attorney - If required, new ordinance and bonds furnished if first approved by Attorney General, You Cause either Seaboard, National Park, Hanover, Chemical or National Commerce Credit City Treasurer amount proceeds of bonds then bonds delivered you New York - Bank allow City two per cent interest from deposit until drawn out, Treasurer draw as work progresses draft equal amount work done with certificate supervising engineer attached as to amount of work, You are to notify Mayor by Feby first whither will take bonds. If decide will take provided new ordinance, bonds, or other requirements met, Must notify Mayor by time stated and then deposit Chick twenty five hundred forfeited to City if fail to take New Bonds, when ready for delivery, other conditions if any, also being complied with - Must have your decision tomorrow

(Signed) T. S. Johnson

Toledo, Ohio. Jan 21st 1906

T. S. Johnson, Orndorff Hotel El Paso Texas

We accept your offer 16th El Paso bonds our attorneys to report before February tenth - answer

(signed) Spatzer & Co

Resolution awarding bonds to Spitzer & Co

After discussing Mr Johnson's proposition the City Clerk was instructed to read the resolution extending the time of sale

Alderman Caples move that the resolution be adopted the motion was duly seconded.

The Mayor ordered the vote upon the adoption of the resolution to be taken by roll call which when taken resulted as follows. Yeas, Badger, Caples, Fewel, Grant, Hammett, Hitt, Look and Rand. Nays. None. absent, none.

Where upon Mayor Davis declared that a majority of the vote of the City Council having been cast in favor of the resolution, the same be, and is hereby adopted.

The resolution above refered to is in words and figures as follows to wit:

Whereas on the 16th day of January, 1906. T. S. Johnson made a proposition to this Council to negotiate the sale of

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City of El Paso Street Improvement Bonds, District No 1, $175.000; dated November 1, 1905; which said proposition was on said date by this Council duly accepted. and thereby said T.S. Johnson was duly authorized to negotiate the sale of said bonds according to the terms and condition in said proposition contained, which contract between the City and said T.S. Johnson has by its terms expired; and,

Whereas, said T.S Johnson has reported in writing under date January 22, 1906, which said writing is now on file with the City Secretary, That he has sold said bonds to Mess Spitzer + Co, of Toledo, Ohio, subject to confirmation by this Council, at par and interest upon the terms and conditions in his said proposition specified, except that they are to have until February 10th 1906, to determine whether they will take said bonds instead of February 1, 1906. as in said proposition stated; therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso, Texas, that the failure of said T.S. Johnson to negotiate the sale of said bonds within the 48 hours mentioned in said Contract, be, and the same is hereby expressly waived, and that said Contract be and remain in full force and effect except as herein otherwise provided; and

Be it further resolved that said bonds be, and are hereby, awarded to said Spitzer + Co at par and interest according to the terms and conditions of said T.S. Johnson's proposition herein fifore mentioned, except that the time limit therein mentioned be extended from February 1, 1906 to February 10, 1906, and that any remaining balance if any in the New York Bank to the credit of the City Treasurer after the completion of the paving of the streets in the said district may be drawn out by him upon presentation of the certificate of the supervising engineer to the effect that said paving has been ~~accomplished~~ completed.

There being no further business the Council adjourned.

Approved

Perry McGhee
City Clerk

Charles Davis
Mayor

# Regular Meeting Thursday Jan 25th 1906

## Council Chamber City Hall

El Paso Texas Jan 25- 1906

Council met in regular session on the above day and date at 7.30 oclock P.M. Mayor Davis present and presiding, and the following Aldermen answered to roll call. Badger, Caples, Grant, Hammett, Kitt, Look and Rand, 7, absent Fewel

Minutes of regular meeting Jan 11th 1906 read and approved.

Minutes of Special meeting Jan 16th 1906 read and approved.

Minutes of regular meeting Jan 18th 1906 read and approved.

Minutes of Special meeting Jan 22 1906 read and approved,

Minutes of Adjourned Special Jan 23 1906 read and approved.

## Report of Officers

Report of City Engineer Grade on Hyo St

Clerk read report of City Engineer on grade map for Wyoming and other Streets.

On motion the report was refered to Street & Grade Com.

City Clerk submitted the following report

El Paso Texas Jan 21st 1906

Hon Mayor & City Council
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen.

I beg to report as follows upon warrants drawn to pay interest on out standing bonds,

Report of City Clerk Interest on Bonds

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Water Compromise bonds | $11,000 5% one year | $550.00 |
| Sup City Hall & Jail | $10,000 six months 5% | $250.00 |
| School Bonds 1899 | $30,000 5% six months | $750.00 |
| Sup City Hall Series 3-1900 | $10,000 5% six months | $250.00 |
| Sewer Extention & Imp Series 3-1900 | $20,000 six months | $500.00 |
| Ex Change | | 5.75 |
| Total | | $2305.75 |

Respectfully Submitted
Percy M Ihrie
City Clerk

On motion the report was recind and filed.

## Police Committee

Petition of Fred Delgado reinstated on police force

Chairman Kitt to whom was refered the following petition recommended that the petition be granted and police officer Fred Delgado be reinstated.

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for services so that the people may know whether they are being charged more than the law allows.
The motion was duly seconded and carried.

## Finance Committee.

Chairman Rand recommended the following bill be allowed and ordered paid

Bills allowed

| | |
|---|---|
| V E Luhorn for the month of December | $34.00 |
| The B.F. Goodrich Co for 2000 feet of fire hose | $1600.00 |
| Street and Grade payroll for week ending Jan 25th | 624.22 |

on motion the above bill were allowed and ordered paid.

Report of City Treasurer for Quarter ended Dec 31st

Chairman Rand to whom was referred the following quarterly report of City Treasurer for quarter ending Dec 31st 1905 recommended that the report be received and filed
The report is as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash on hand last report | $9106.40 |
| Recived this quarter | 25084.25 |
| Total | 116,145.65 |
| Disbursments this quarter | 71,322.66 |
| Cash on hand in bank | 44.822.99 |

on motion the report was received and ordered filed

## Building Committee

Report of Building Com on Excessive Charges on water

Chairman Grant to whom was referred the matter of providing some some way to protect the Citizens in correct meter reading. reported as follows

El Paso Texas Jan 25th 1906

To the Hon Mayor and Members of the Council
Your Committee on Buildings to whom was referred the question of appointing an Inspector to read the water meters and to investigate the charges made against the International Water Co, of over charges made by them. Beg leave to make the following report, and recommendations.

While it is true a great many persons claim that they have been overcharged by the Water Co, your Committee has no way to prove that such is the case. others claim that their meters cannot be read on account of being covered with sand and rust, and for that reason be charged for more than 90 cents per month, some say

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that their meters are not in working order.

We beleave that these are questions for the Ordinance Com to take up. and would recommend that the Ordinance Committee in conjunction with the City Attorney be instructed to prepare a suitable ordinance covering the question not only of water meters, but gas and electric light meters as well

Respectfully submitted

~~on~~ J T Grant.

On motion the recommendation were ordered carried out.

Petition of J M Arterburn Arc Light on Boule & Williams St

## Fire & Water Committee.

Chairman Caples to whom was refered the following petition recommended that it be granted.

El Paso Texas Jan 3rd 1906

To the Hon Mayor and City Council

Gentlemen

The undersigned residencls and property owners living in the vicinity of Williams and Boulevards streets, respectfully ask that you have an arc light placed at the Corner of Williams and Boulevards streets.

There being no light near that point

Respectfully

(signed) Frank Molter
J M Arterburn
and others

On motion the petition was granted.

## Communications

Petition of W. J. Harris reduce Taxes

Clerk read petition of W. J. Harris for reduction of taxes on motion the petition was refered to Taxation Com

Petition of Civic Imp League

Clerk read Communication from Civic Improvement League on motion the petition was refered to Street & Grade with power to act

Petition of B J Brown refund Taxes

Clerk read petition of B. J Brown for refund of taxes on motion the petition was refered to Taxation Com

Petition of Tuberville & Rogers plumbing Licence

Clerk read petition of Tuberville & Rogers for plumbing licence on motion the petition was refered to Sanitary Com.

Clerk read petition of Patterson & Wallace in regards to blockading San Francisco St by the Santa Fe railroad.

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Petition of Patterson Wallace Blocking San Francisco St

on motion the petition was referd to Strct & Grade Committee and City Attorney.

Petition of Jno Swineland reduce taxes

Clerk read petition of Jno Shineland for reduction in taxes, on motion the petition was referd to Taxation Committee

Petition of Ph Young reduce taxes

Clerk read petition of Phil H. Young for reduction in taxes on motion the petition was referd to Taxation Committee

Petition of L.T. Franklin reduction of taxes

Clerk read petition of Lydia T. Franklin for reduction of taxes. on motion the petition was referd to ~~Strct~~ Taxation Com

Petition of Annie M Young grade El Paso

Clerk read petition of Mrs Annie M. Young for grade on N El Paso St on motion the petition was referd to Strct & Grade Com.

Petition of J.Y. Hadlington grade Virginia St

Clerk read petition of J. Y. Hadlington for grade on Virginia Street on motion the petition was referd to Strct & Grade Com

Petition of Western Const Co grade

Clerk read petition of Western Construction Co for side walk grade on motion the petition was referd to Strct & Grade Com

Petition of H.E. Porter grade Sunset Heights

Clerk read petition of H. E. Porter for grade Sunset Heights Add on motion the petition was referd to Strct & Grade Com

Petition of P.V. Crow Damages

Clerk read petition of Pelon V Crow for damages on Davis St. on motion the petition was referd to City Atty.

Petition of Sam H. Wilson Damages

Clerk read petition of Sam H Wilson for damages on Davis St on motion the petition was referd to City Attorney.

Petition of O.T. Rikansrud reduce taxes

Clerk read petition of O. T. Rikansrud for reduction of taxes on motion the petition was referd to ~~Strct~~ Taxation Com.

Communication Civic Imp League purchase Rose for Parks

Clerk read the following Communication

Gentlemen

The Civic Improvement League petition your Honorable body to appropriate one hundred dollars to be used in purchasing and planting trees in Alamo Park The Park having been grubbed, plowed and fertilized and planted in grass and ready for trees to be planted and also two

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hundred dollars to purchase one hundred and fifty feet of hose for each park San Jacinto, Alamo, and Munday and place in each park the pipes and garden valves necessary to sprinkle, two in San Jacinto, two being there three in Alamo, one being there, and one in Munday two being there.

(signed) Mrs B. F. Hammett
Prest

Appropriation $200 for purchase hose for Parks

Alderman Hammett moved that two hundred dollars be allowed for purchase of hose and making the necessary connections. And that the Street and Grade Committee be instructed to purchase the necessary hose The motion was duly seconded and carried.

There being no further business the Council adjourned

approved

Charles Davis
Mayor

Percy McGhee
City Clerk