Adjourned Meeting. June 28th A.D. 1890.

The following resolution was read and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of El Paso, That there shall be and is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the General fund not otherwise appropriated, the sum of Seven Hundred and fifty dollars ($750.) or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the interest on the Public School Bonds and the Funded Indebtedness Bonds, due on the 1st day of October, 1890.

Approved June 28th 1890.

Attest: G. A. Bovee, City Clerk.

Richard Cahles Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Dieker the Council decided in favor of allowing fire works in any and all parts of the city on the Fourth of July 1890, by the following vote:

Yeas: Dieker, Kingsbury, Kelly, and Magoffin. 4. Nays. Davis, Palm and Solomon. 3.

There being no further business the Council adjourned.

G. A. Bovee, City Clerk.

Approved

Richard Cahles Mayor.

Special Meeting, Monday, July 7th 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Texas.

The City Council met at 8 p.m. Monday, July 7th 1890, pursuant to the following call.

To M. B. Davis, J. P. Dieker, Dan Kelly, N. M. Kingsbury, J. W. Magoffin, W. B. Merrick, Louis Palm and Adolphe Solomon, Aldermen of the City of El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

To be held at — You, and each of you, are hereby notified to attend a Special Meeting of the City Council to be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the seventh (7th) day of July, 1890, at 8 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of considering proposals in reference to the purchase of the El Paso City "Water Works Bonds", and for the transaction of such other business as may be considered important.

Given under my hand and the seal of the City of El Paso, this, the seventh (7th) day of July, A. D. 1890.

Attest. (Signed) G. A. Bovee, City Clerk. (Signed) Richard Cahles, Mayor.

On a call of the roll the following members answered to their names: Mayor Richard Cahles, and Aldermen Davis, Dieker, Kelly, Kingsbury, Merrick and Solomon, 6. Absent, Magoffin and Solomon, 2.

On motion of Alderman Davis the Special Committee on Artesian Water was authorized to negotiate for the sale of the El Paso City Water Works Bonds, subject to the approval of the Council, and to have the same lithographed and printed ready for delivery.

On motion of Alderman Davis a warrant on the General fund was ordered for the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars ($115.00) in favor of the "Texas Printing and Lithographic Co." of Fort Worth, for printing the "Public School" and "Funded Indebtedness" bonds.

There being no further business, on motion of Alderman Merrick the Council Adjourned.

Approved

Richard Cahles Mayor.

G. A. Bovee, City Clerk

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 11th 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Texas.

Council meet — The City Council met in regular session at 8 p.m. Friday, July 11th, 1890.

Members present — Present: Mayor Richard Coles and the following Aldermen: M.B. Davis, J.P. Dicker, Dan Kelly, N.M. Kingsbury, W.B. Merrick, Louis Papin and Adolphe Solomon.

Absent. — Absent: James W. Magoffin.

Minutes — The minutes of the last regular meeting of June 27th, the adjourned meeting of June 28th, and the Special meeting of July 7th, 1890, were read and approved:

Reports of City Officers.

Chief of Police — The Chief of Police reported the following collections for June:

Recorders Court, Vagrancy fines, June 1st to 30th, 1890.	170.
" " Lottery fines, " " " "	30.
" " Miscellaneous fines.	183 50
Total paid to City Treasurer as shown by receipts No. 236, $30. No. 238, $71. No. 242, $281.60	383 50

The report was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Chief of Police — The Chief of Police also made the following report which was read and ordered filed:

El Paso, Texas, July 11th, 1890.

To the Honorable City Council,

Gentlemen: In compliance with your instructions of June 13, I have removed all the buildings in San Francisco street and in Grossly block adjoining Block No. 171. The matter of removing adobe buildings projecting into San Francisco street, reported on by the City Engineer and referred to the City Attorney and myself has been attended to by the owners removing their own buildings.

Respectfully, (Signed) F.C. Lyons, Chief of Police.

City Treasurer — The report of the city treasurer was presented and referred to the Finance Com.

Asst. Collector — The City Assessor and Collector made the following report of Collections to June 30, '90.

Assessor & Collector, Collections, July 8th, 1889 to July 1, 1890.

From occupation, gaming and dog taxes, paid to treasurer for a/c Special Fund.	7,561 88
" sewer permits " " " " Sewer Fund	438 56
" Acequia tax. " " " Acequia Fund.	176 65
Treasurers receipts filed with monthly statements and No. 239 herewith	8,177 09

(Signed) T.F. Merrill, Assessor & Collector.

The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Streets and Grades Committee.

St. Louis Street — Chairman Solomon of the Streets and Grades Committee asked further time on the petition to grade St. Louis Street. A weeks further time was granted.

Sprinkling, El Paso St. and St. Louis St. report — The following report on Sprinkling, El Paso and St. Louis streets from the Santa Fe to the Southern Pacific R.R. depots was read:

El Paso, Texas, July 11th, 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the petition regarding sprinkling Street from the S.P. depot to the Santa Fe depot would respectfully Report that Ellis Payne, who does street sprinkling now, agrees to sprinkle all of that part of the streets for which he does not get pay from private parties, at $2.00 a day, the city furnishing the water. The Water Company agrees to furnish all the water necessary for said streets at $7.00 per day.

Your committee find that no funds are available for such extra expense, but could get Ellis Payne and the Water Company to take warrants to be drawn on a fund to be called the "Street Sprinkling" fund, and would recommend that the taxation committee, in making up their estimate for 1890-91, would take into consideration, and make a levy for street sprinkling purposes; and would also recommend that Myrtle street and all such streets that have been improved and "hard box" by property owners should be sprinkled, as we think it is no more than justice for the city to keep all improved streets in the best repair, and water is the only thing that will do it.

(Signed) A. Solomon.

Action on Report — Alderman Papin moved that the report be received and filed and the recommendations adopted.

The motion was adopted by a tie vote, the mayor voting Aye.

Finance Committee.

Bills reported favorably — Chairman Papin of the Finance Committee reported favorably upon the following bills, which were allowed by the Council and warrants ordered to be drawn upon the City Treasurer for payment of the same.

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 11th, 1890, Continued.

Name.	No	Warrant issued for	Fund.	Amt.
Joseph Magoffin,	707		General	200 .
El Paso Water Company	706	25 Hydrants @$100. 19 @$60. per annum	"	910 .
	716	Flushing 14 sewer tanks @$6.00 May and June	"	168 .
Geo. Herald per Race,	711	Hauling supplies to Pest House June 7 to 16.	"	16 .
W. T. Long,	712	Assistant City Engineer,	"	11 .
E. B. Payne,	713	Sprinkling around Plaza. June, 1890.	"	10 .
H. F. Kady,	714	Team work for June, 1890.	"	18 75
	716	Impounding dogs, etc.	"	54 .
Herald News Co.	715	Printing briefs,	"	16 75
Van Patten, W. H.	717	Milk for Pest House,	"	13 75
Ice & Refrigerator Co.	718	Ice for City Hall, May and June.	"	23 15
Electric Light & Power Co.	719	14 Arc lamps for June, 1890.	"	267 75
	720	36 Gas lamps " " " @$3.50 "	"	151 58
Palace Drugs & News.	721	Stationery and Vaccine.	"	9 70
Wesley Owens,	722	Sharpening tools, May and June,	"	6 60
Walter B. Krell.	723	Printing	"	13 .
Jesus Torres,	724	Laboring to remove horses from streets	"	3 .
S. S. Sanger.	725	Coal for Pest House,	"	5 50
Times Publishing Co	726	Official printing,	"	7 54
Mrs. W. K. Kingsbury.	727	Meals to prisoners in June, 1890.	"	27 20
Rio Grande Pharmacy	728	Medicine for Pest House, Mar. Apr. May, 1890	"	44 60
Engr & Building Record	729	Advertising proposals for Art. Wells.	"	2 .
D. McKenzie,	730	Rent of City Hall for July, 1890.	"	223 98
H. S. Barnhart,	731	Expenses to Austin, filing suit	"	100 .
El Paso Transfer Co.	732	Livery teams, Asst Coll. and Chief of Police	"	13 .
J. A. Keller,	733	Assisting City Engineer	"	3 .
E. W. Reynolds,	734		"	3 .
El Paso Transfer Co.	68	Team and labor on streets June 1 to 30, inc.	St. Maintenance	264 .

Accquia Committee

Chairman Merrick made a verbal report recommending that the City Assessor and Collector be authorized to purchase lumber and other material necessary for flood gates and Accquia Crossings, and to have the same made up and put in place at such points as he may consider necessary.

The report was received and the recommendations adopted.

Fire and Water and Street Lgt. Com.

Chairman Dieter of the Fire and Water and Street Lighting Committee submitted the following report on Street Lighting, and proposal of the El Paso Gas, Electric Light and Power Co.

El Paso, Texas, July 11th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: We, your committee, to whom was referred the Street Lighting, and to confer with the Electric Light Company in regard to contract for Street Lighting would respectfully recommend the acceptance and adoption of the proposition of the El Paso Gas, Electric Light and Power Company, to light our streets, alleys and public places for the term of five years: Provided, that the Electric Light company will agree to reduce the price on lights in proportion to any reduction in coal that may occur amounting to one dollar or more per ton during the term of this contract, basing the price of coal at the present time at six dollars and sixty-five cents per ton for the manufacture of Electricity, and that lights be placed at such points as Council may direct.

(signed) J. P. Dieter, W. B. Merrick, H. M. Kingsbury.

Proposal. Electric Light Co.

El Paso, Texas, July 11th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council

Gentlemen: The undersigned, the El Paso Gas, Electric Light & Power Co., respectfully submits for your consideration and adoption the following proposition and contract for supplying the city with 2000 candle power electric lights to light all the streets, alleys and public places within the City, for the term of five years from date of contract, at thirteen dollars ($13.00) each per month per light; the lights to be turned on and off by moon schedule time commonly in vogue in other cities. The lights to be placed according to plans of distribution as laid out by your honorable body on map some time since.

Respectfully Submitted.

(signed) El Paso Gas, Electric Light & Power Co., E. T. White, V. Pres't.

On motion of Alderman Papini the report was received and filed and action deferred one week.

Bills and Communications.

The bill of Samuel Ecker for $44.50 claimed to have been expended by him on account of the plaza: and for $500. salary as Park Commissioner from September 1st, 1889, to June 30th, 1890, was read and referred to the finance committee.

The bill of H. L. Detwiler for $50.00 claimed as due for services as alderman of the 4th

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 11th, 1890, Contin'd

Ward from March 6th, 1889, to April 18th, as per section No. 14 of the City Charter, was read and referred to the City Attorney

The following request from the Chief of Police was read and referred to the City Attorney to prepare suitable ordinances.

El Paso, Texas, July 11th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: Section 61 of the city charter empowers the city council "to regulate the carrying of weapons and to prevent the carrying of the same concealed".

Section 84 empowers the council to prevent and punish the keeping of all bawdy houses of prostitution or assignation within the city, and to adopt summary measures for the removal or suppression of such establishments".

(signed) T. C. Lyons, Chief of Police.

The following petition from W. G. Wale in behalf of W. E. Sharp was read and considered:

El Paso, Texas, July 7th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: I ask, in behalf of W. E. Sharp who is absent from the city that he may be allowed to leave the wood sidewalk in front of his residence on Upson Avenue, and that you will excuse him from building a tar and gravel walk, the same as you granted Mrs Dieter.

(signed) W. G. Wale

On motion of Alderman Solomon the Council decided not to extend the tar and gravel sidewalks on Upson Avenue beyond Prospect Avenue.

A petition numerously signed by interested property owners protesting against the grading, graveling and guttering of San Antonio Street, as per resolution of the city council of June 13, 1890, was read and referred to the Streets and Grades Committee.

A petition signed by interested property owners, protesting against grading and graveling St Louis street, from Little Plaza to Cotton Avenue was read and referred to the Streets & Grades Com.

A petition signed by property owners in the vicinity of Rio Grande and North Stanton streets, asking that a hydrant for fire purposes, be placed near the intersection of said streets was read and referred to the Fire and Water Committee

A petition signed by Richard L. Mayer, M. C. McGlennon and G. N. Marshall, asking that South Stanton street be graded and graveled, and tar and gravel sidewalks be put down from San Antonio to Seventh streets, was read and referred to the Street and Grades Com.

A communication from T. W. Churchill in reference to coming to El Paso was read and filed.

New Business.

The City Attorney presented the following Ordinance which was read and adopted by the following vote, being more than two thirds of all the members elected to the council.

Yeas: Davis, Dieter, Kelly, Kingsbury, Merrick, Papin and Solomon, 7. Nays, none; Absent, T. W. Magoffin.

An Ordinance

No. 28

Relative to the Carrying of Arms.

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

Section I. If any person within the corporate limits of the city of El Paso shall carry concealed, wholly or in part, on or about his person, saddle, or in his saddle bags, any pistol, dirk, dagger, slung-shot, sword, cane, spear, knuckles of any hard, or metallic substance, bowie knife, or any other knife manufactured or sold for purposes of offense or defense, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum, not less than one hundred and one dollars, ($101.00) and not more than five hundred dollars, ($500.)

Section II. The preceding article shall not apply to a person in actual service as a militiaman, nor to a peace officer or policeman, or person summoned to his aid, nor to a revenue or other civil officer engaged in the discharge of his official duty, nor to the carrying on one's own premises or place of business, nor to one who has permission in writing from the mayor, to carry arms on, or about his person.

Section III. Any person violating any of the provisions of Section One (1) of this ordinance may be arrested without warrant by any peace officer of said city and carried before the City Recorder for trial; and any such peace officer who shall fail or refuse to arrest such person on his own knowledge, or upon information from some credible person, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars. ($500.)

Section IV. Be it further ordained that this ordinance take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Attest, G. E. Boyce, City Clerk.

Approved July 12th 1890.

Richard Coffee Mayor

Published in the El Paso Daily Times (Official paper) ten days, commencing July 17, 1890.

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 11, 1890, Continued.

The following ordinance was presented, read and adopted by a "two thirds majority of all the members elected", as follows: Yeas, Davis, Dieter, Kelly, Kingsbury, Merrick, Papin and Solomon, 7. Nays, none. Absent, J.W. Magoffin.

No. 19-X

An Ordinance

to amend Section One of an Ordinance to locate Houses of Ill Fame within Certain Defined Boundaries, Appd May 15, 1890.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso,

Section 1. That Section one of Ordinance No. 25, entitled "An Ordinance to locate Houses of Ill Fame within certain defined Boundaries", Approved May 15th, 1890, be amended and re-adopted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. That the Chief of Police and each and every policeman under his direction, be and are hereby authorized, empowered, directed and commanded to suppress all Houses of Ill Fame or Prostitution within this city, unless within the territory bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the West line of Utah street 330 feet southerly from the Southwest corner of East Overland street and Utah street; thence Westerly at right angles to said Utah street, 120 feet to the alley; thence Southerly along the east side of said alley 790 feet to the center of Block No. 117, Campbell Addition; thence Easterly along the South line of lot No. 6, Block No. 117, Campbell Addition 120 feet, to the West line of Utah Street; thence Northerly along the West line of Utah street 790 feet to the place of beginning. Beginning again at the last named point; thence easterly at right angles to Utah street 70 feet, to the East side of said street; thence Southerly along the East line of said Utah street 790 feet, to the South line of lot No. 15, Block No. 116, Campbell Addition; thence easterly along the South line of said lot No. 15, 120 feet to an alley; thence Northerly along the West line of said alley 790 feet; thence Westerly at right angles to said alley 190 feet to the place of beginning

Section 2 That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Attest, G.E. Dovee, City Clerk. Approved July 12, 1890. Richard Caples Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Davis the Fire Department was authorized to keep 50 pounds of giant powder on some vacant piece of property convenient to the City Hall.

On motion of Alderman Solomon the City Attorney was directed to draw up an Ordinance requiring all buildings of three stories or more in hight to be provided with fire escapes.

On motion of Alderman Papin the Council adjourned.

Approved G.E. Dovee

Richard Caples Mayor. City Clerk

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 18th, 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Texas.

The city council met in regular session at 8 p.m. Friday, July 18th, 1890.

Present: Mayor Richard Caples and the following aldermen: H.M. Kingsbury and Louis Papin.

Absent: Aldermen, M.B. Davis, J.P. Dieter, Dan Kelly, J.W. Magoffin, W.B. Merrick and A. Solomon.

There being no quorum present, the Council adjourned to meet at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 19th, 1890.

G.E. Dovee

Richard Caples Mayor. City Clerk

Adjourned Regular Meeting, Saturday, July 19, 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Texas.

The city council met, pursuant to adjournment, on Saturday, July 19th, 1890 at 8 p.m.

Present: Mayor Richard Caples and the following aldermen: M.B. Davis, J.P. Dieter W.B. Merrick, N.M. Kingsbury, Louis Papin and Adolph Solomon, 6.

Absent: Dan Kelly and James W. Magoffin. 2

The minutes of the last two meetings, July 11th and 18th, were read and approved.

Reports of City Officers

The City Engineer made the following report in reference to improving Santa Fe Street:

El Paso, Texas, July 18th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: I have completed the survey for the proposed improvement of Santa Fe street, and unless otherwise instructed, will proceed to advertise for proposals for making said improvement.

The estimated cost of the grading and graveling amounts to $6,675.55

" " " one gutter. 37.20

" " " sidewalks on the East side of the street, from San Francisco to Fifth street 1,505.22

Total, 8,217.97

If the deep cut through the hill, between San Francisco street and Mesa Avenue should be omitted from the work and that portion of the street not improved at present, the cost of the balance would be $3,245.00

Respectfully, J.L. Campbell, City Engineer.

On motion of Alderman Davis the report was received and filed, and the City Engineer instructed to advertise for proposals, the tax assessment for said improvement to be made by pro-rating each block, and all work done by property holders along said street in accordance with specifications for the same, to be credited on such property holders assessment.

The following report of the City Clerk was read and ordered filed:

El Paso, Texas, July 19th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council

Gentlemen: I herewith submit report showing warrants drawn; stating what fund and amount of same for June, 1890; also, total amount issued since the commencement of the present fiscal year.

		For June, 1890	Prev'y Reported	Since Mch 1, '90
General fund,	Warrants No. 601 to No. 734,	34 65 29	98 42 42	132 97 71
Special fund,	Warrants No. 258 to No. 277,	80 760	246 812	327 562
Street fund,	Warrants No. ..... to No.		1 67 90	1 67 90
Sewer fund,	Warrants No. 70 and No. 71,	165 -	1440 01	1605 01
Street Maintenance fund,	Warrant No. 68,	264 .	866 25	1130 25
Reception fund,	Warrant No. 2,	300 -		300 -
		4991 79	14784 70	19776 49

The City Assessor and Collector reported that he would be ready for the Council to sit as a Board of Equalization on the 1st of August.

Streets and Grades Committee.

Chairman Solomon of the Streets and Grades Committee reported back the protest of citizens against grading, and graveling, and guttering San Antonio Street; also protest against grading and graveling St. Louis street; also the petition of citizens to have South Stanton street graded and graveled and kar and gravel sidewalks put down, and recommended that the protests and petition be referred to the aldermen from the wards in which the improvements are desired.

The recommendation was adopted and the papers so referred.

Finance Committee.

Chairman Papin of the Finance Committee submitted the following report:

El Paso, Texas, July 19th 1890.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the matter of apportioning the funds received from the sale of the "Funded Indebtedness Bonds" recommend that the money be appor-tioned to the different funds as per statement herewith attached.

Statement:

Amount received from sale of bonds, including premium and interest on Funded Bds and School Bds. 22475 -

Disbursements:

Funded Indebtedness Interest and Sinking fund.	600 .	
Public School Bond Interest and Sinking fund.	900 .	
Fire Department Rent fund.	1375 01	
General fund,	19599 99	
	22475 .	22475 -

Adjourned Regular Meeting, July 19, 1890. Contin'd

The above apportionment will enable us to pay all warrants outstanding against the city to date, and leave a surplus in the General Fund of $1789.67. Aside from this, we have cash on hand in other funds, as follows: (not counting money in Sinking Fund. Special Fund, $100.00, Sewer Fund, $4063.66; Street Maintenance $1394.82; Street Fund $318.00.

Your committee ask to be instructed by the council to audit no more bills against the city unless the same are accompanied by a requisition properly signed by the mayor and attested by the city clerk. We further recommend that city officials making purchases for the city, get such purchases at cash prices. Respectfully Submitted. (Signed) L. Palm, M. B. Davis, J. P. Dieter.

The report was received and the request and recommendations approved and adopted.

The following report of the City Treasurer was reported back by the finance Committee as having been checked and found correct:

C. W. Fassett, City Treasurer, Report, April 16th to June 30, 1890.

Fund.	Receipts		Disbursements	Cash on Hand	Unpaid Warrants provided for	Unpaid Warrants not provided for	Warrants Good to Exchange No.
General, Roberts,	4706 60						
Merrill,	3537 23						
		8244 83	7378 59	866 24	861 71	1028 10	536 R.
Roberts,	152 89						
Merrill,	2585 57						
Lyons,	93 65						
Cahles,	19 .						
Special,		3695 11	3435 02	260 09	220 .	1197 50	25 H.
Roberts,	980 22						
Merrill,	707 45						
Street,		1687 67	1369 67	318 .	55 .		Cash.
Roberts,	1599 60						
Merrill,	353 72						
St. Maintenance,		1953 32	558 50	1394 82	10 .		Cash,
Roberts,	4005 16						
Merrill,	826 20						
Sewer,		4831 36	767 70	4063 66	90 .		Cash.
Spl Accquira. Roberts		756 9		756 9		301 .	11 K.
Roberts.	598 189						
Merrill,	63 670						
Sinking & Int.		6618 09	7017 5	5916 84			
Fire Dep. Cur. Ex. Roberts.		542 15	542 15				
Fire Dep. Rent. Roberts.		192 85		192 85		1567 86	2 B.
Roberts,	808 52						
Merrill,	707 45						
School		1515 97	1515 97				
Total,		29357 54	16269 36	13088 19	1236 71	13347 46	

(Vouchers herewith returned)
El Paso, Texas, June 30, 1890.

Respectfully,
(signed) C. W. Fassett, City Treasurer.

The committee reported favorably upon the bill of Sam Ecker, Park Commissioner, for support of the Plaza from September 1st. 1889. to June 30, 1890, amounting to $544.50, which was approved.

Bills and Communications.

The following from the Board of Health was read and referred to the Finance Committee:

El Paso, Texas, July 18th 1890.

To the Hon. City Council.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of Health held this day it was resolved that your honorable body be requested to order the City Engineer to prepare plans for sewering San Antonio street and Magoffin avenue at an early day.

The Board of Health also suggests and requests that the Sanitary fund be established in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter, and that $2000.00 be placed in that fund to defray expenses from July 1st 1890, to March 1st. 1891.

Respectfully,
(signed) W. W. Mansell. Secy Board of Health.

A communication from the Fire Department announcing the appointment of Jas. Greaves, as fire police officer by Rose Co. No. 2, was read and the appointment approved.

A communication from O. C. Irvin asking a duplicate issue for warrant No. 544, of November 17th 1887, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

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atic named Blackett escaped Hospital for the Insane at Ince, Ia., the other afternoon, g to the river at the outskirts of undressed and proceeded to th. This was about 3 o'clock. clock persons at Quasqueton, enty miles below Independence river, telephoned that a nude gone over the dam at that place d had then proceeded on his wn stream, and that they had a boat and captured him about elow the village. Blackett was and taken back to the hospital night. When captured he was exhausted, and probably could swam a half hour longer. He to be quite rational, and said intended to swim until his was gone and then drown.—phia Ledger.

Adjourned Regular Meeting, Saturday, July 19, 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Texas.

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Office of City Engineer,
City of El Paso, Tex.
At this office until 7:30 o'clock p. m. Friday, Aug 1st, 1890, sealed proposals for grading and graveling Santa Fe street from the south line of Boulevard street to the north line of Fifth street, and also for the construction of a tar and gravel sidewalk on the east side of Santa Fe street from the south line of San Francisco street to the north line of Fifth street will be received.
Contractors will make separate bids for the grading and graveling and for the sidewalk. The city treasurer's receipt for $670.00 must accompany bid for grading and graveling and the same receipt for $150.00 with the bid on sidewalk. Apply at this office for blank forms, quantities and specifications. The city reserves the right to reject all bids and to award the whole or part of the work to one party.
J. L. CAMPBELL,
City Engineer.
El Paso, Texas, July 21st, 1890.

The following report of the City Clerk was read and ordered filed:

El Paso, Texas, July 19th 1890.

To the Honorable City Council

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Reception fund,	Warrants No. 2,	300 -		300 -
		4991 79	14784 70	19776 49

The City Assessor and Collector reported that he would be ready for the Council to sit as a Board of Equalization on the 1st of August.

Streets and Grades Committee.

Chairman Solomon of the Streets and Grades Committee reported back the protest of citizens against grading, and graveling, and guttering San Antonio Street; also protest against grading and graveling St. Louis Street; also the petition of citizens to have South Stanton street graded and graveled and tar and gravel sidewalks put down, and recommended that the protests and petition be referred to the aldermen from the wards in which the improvements are desired.

The recommendation was adopted and the papers so referred.

Finance Committee.

Chairman Papin of the Finance Committee submitted the following report:

El Paso, Texas, July 19th 1890.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred the matter of apportioning the funds received from the sale of the "Funded Indebtedness Bonds" recommend that the money be appor tioned to the different funds as per statement herewith attached.

Statement:

Amount received from sale of bonds, including premium and interest on Funded Debt and School Bds. 22475 -

Disbursements:

Redeyed Funded Indebtedness Interest and Sinking fund.		600 -	
Public School Bond Interest and Sinking fund.		900 -	
Fire Department Rent fund.		1375 01	
General fund,		19599 99	
		22475 -	22475 -

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The above apportionment will enable us to pay all warrants outstanding against the city to date, and leave a surplus in the General fund of $7892.57. Aside from this, we have cash on hand in other funds, as follows: (not counting monies in sinking fund. Special fund, $100.00, Sewer fund, $4063.66; Street Maintenance $1394.82; Street fund $318.00.

Your committee ask to be instructed by the council to audit no more bills against the city unless the same are accompanied by a requisition properly signed by the mayor and attested by the city clerk. We further recommend that city officials making purchases for the city, get such purchases at cash prices. Respectfully Submitted. (Signed) L. Papin, M. B. Davis, J. P. Dieter.

The report was received and the request and recommendations approved and adopted.

The following report of the City Treasurer was reported back by the Finance Committee as having been checked and found correct:

C. W. Fassett, City Treasurer, Report, April 16th to June 30, 1890.

Fund.	Receipts		Disbursements	Cash on Hand	Unpaid Warrants provided for	Unpaid Warrants not provided for	Warrants good to Treasurer's No.
Roberts,	4706 60						
Merrill,	3537 23						
General,		8244 83	7378 59	866 24	861 71	10281 10	536 R.
Roberts,	152 89						
Merrill,	2585 57						
Lyons,	937 65						
Caples,	19 .						
Special,		3695 11	3435 02	260 09	220 ..	1197 50	25 F.
Roberts,	980 22						
Merrill,	707 45						
Street,		1687 67	1369 67	318 ..	55 ..		Cash.
Roberts,	1599 60						
Merrill,	353 72						
St. Maintenance,		1953 32	558 50	1394 82	10 ..		Cash,
Roberts,	4005 16						
Merrill,	826 20						
Sewer,		4831 36	767 70	4063 66	90 .		Cash.
Sp'l Acequia,	Roberts	75 69		75 69		301 .	11 K.
Roberts,	5981 89						
Merrill,	636 70						
Sinking & Int.		6618 59	701 75	5916 84			
Fire Dep. Air. Ex.	Roberts,	542 15	542 15				
Fire Dep. Rent.	Roberts,	192 85		192 85		1567 86	2 R.
Roberts,	808 52						
Merrill,	707 45						
School		1515 97	1515 97				
Total,		29357 54	16269 35	13088 19	1236 71	13347 46	

(Vouchers herewith returned)
El Paso, Texas, June 30, 1890.

Respectfully,
(signed) C. W. Fassett, City Treasurer.

The committee reported favorably upon the bill of Sam Ecker, Park Commissioner, for support of the Plaza from September 1st. 1889, to June 30, 1890, amounting to $544.50, which was approved.

Bills and Communications.

The following from the Board of Health was read and referred to the Finance Committee:

El Paso, Texas, July 18th 1890.

To the Hon. City Council.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Board of Health held this day it was resolved that your honorable body be requested to order the City Engineer to prepare plans for sewering San Antonio street and Magoffin avenue at an early day.

The Board of Health also suggests and requests that the Sanitary fund be established in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter, and that $2000.00 be placed in that fund to defray expenses from July 1st 1890, to March 1st. 1891.

Respectfully,
(signed) W. M. Yandell, Secy. Board of Health.

A communication from the Fire Department announcing the appointment of Jas. Greaves, as fire police officer by Hose Co. No. 2, was read and the appointment approved.

A communication from O. C. Irvin asking a duplicate issue for warrant No. 544, of November 17th 1887, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Adjourned Regular Meeting, July 19, 1890. Continued.

The following proposal from the Sun Vapor Street Light Company of Canton, Ohio, was read and referred to the Street Lighting Committee.

El Paso, Texas, July 15th 1890.

To the Hon. City Council.

Gentlemen: We, the Sun Vapor Street Light Company, incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio, of Canton, County of Stark, State of Ohio, respectfully make you the following proposition for lighting any of your streets or avenues with our improved Gasoline burners, which produce a strong and brilliant light, and are superior to any other gasoline burners on the market.

Proposition: We will furnish one hundred (100) or more of our Sun Vapor lamps on your present posts and furnish all new ones necessary, and will furnish all material and labor necessary to keep clean, in good order and repair, (except illegal breakage) light and keep lighted said street lamps all dark hours, 20 nights average, for $30, per post, per annum; payments to be made monthly and contract to be for five years or more.

Any additional lamps or posts wanted, we will furnish and erect, free, and light the same as above at same price.

All lamps, posts, etc., furnished by us shall remain our property.

Respectfully submitting the above, we are

Yours most truly, (signed) The Sun Vapor Light Co. by U.S. Rowe.

Leave of absence was granted police officer J. W. Johnson for two months without pay.

On motion of Alderman Dieter the mayor and the special committee on Military Post site were instructed to confer with the officers of the U.S. Army sent here for the purpose of selecting a site for a fourteen company post.

There being no further business the council adjourned.

Approved.

Richard Coffler Mayor

G. E. Dovee,
City Clerk.

Regular Meeting, Friday, July 25, 1890.

Council Chamber, City Hall, El Paso, Tex.

The City Council met in regular session at 8 p.m., Friday, July 25th 1890. Present, Mayor Richard Kahler and the following Aldermen: M.B. Davis, J.P. Dieter, Dan Kelly, H.M. Kingsbury, W.B. Merrick, Louis Palm and Adolph Solomon. 7. Absent, James W. Magoffin.

The minutes of the adjourned meeting of July 19, 1890, were read and approved.

The following report of the City Engineer was read:

El Paso, Texas, July 25th, 1890.

To the Hon. City Council,

Gentlemen: The estimate for the improvement of South Leon Street from San Francisco street to Second street has been made, and the work is ready for advertisement. The estimated cost is.

For Grading, at 15 cents per yard.	601	65
For Graveling, at 50 cents per yard.	557	50
For Bond, (Adobe and Adobe) at 20 cents per yard,	71	"
For Acequia Crossing.	35	"
Total,	1271	15

(Signed) J.L. Campbell, City Engineer.

On motion of Alderman Solomon the report was received and the City Engineer instructed to advertise for bids.

The following report of the City Engineer was read and received.

El Paso, Texas, July 25th, 1890.

To the Honorable City Council,

Gentlemen: In the matter of surveying the property along Magoffin Avenue and San Antonio streets, east of Virginia and Florence streets, I have to present you the following report, after an examination of the premises:

First: The property North of Magoffin Avenue, and between Virginia, Noble and Myrtle streets may be sewered by a six inch pipe running along the alley from Noble street to the sewer in Virginia street, a distance of 1550 feet, with an average fall of one foot in 400 feet. This will accommodate all the property as far down as Mr Newmans, beyond which the line cannot be extended without making the grade too high for safe working of the sewer. As it is, a six inch pipe on the above grade requires liberal flushing. Similar pipes, on similar grades are working well in this city; however, it should be observed in connection with this line that many of the houses along the line have been built with their ground floors below the desired grade, and in some cases the sewer in the alley will be higher than said floors, and in these cases it will be necessary to raise the water closets.

Second: I find that it is not practicable to run the sewage of San Antonio street east of Hill, westward along the alley to the sewer in Hill street, but that the sewage may be run down the alley from Hill street to the street just east of Mr Sam Kemp's property, from whence a six inch line may run across the Texas and Pacific reservation into the alley between Somerville Street and Park Street, and emptying into the Second Street Sewer. This necessitates a line 2000 feet long, with an average fall of one foot in 425 feet, which will be safe with good flushing. It will also permit sewering back from Colton Avenue to Mr Kemp's place.

Third: The line from Florence street to the sewer in the alley East of Virginia Street can easily be put in on a grade of one in 350, and should also be of six inch pipe. In the first two lines it will be necessary to build the flush tanks above ground, owing to the fact that in order to secure a passable grade it was necessary to bring the heads of the lines as near the street grade, as was possible with passing them under the streets. Since we are not troubled with freezing here, I think there is no serious objection to so building the tanks, and if necessary they may be easily protected.

Fourth: The base of Judge Magoffins residence is on a level with the grade for the sewer north of Magoffin Avenue, and a connection cannot be made to that line, a distance of about 350 feet without having the pipe above ground in his yard, and bringing it and bringing it too close to the surface of the street. A good connection, however, can be made by running southward from the house to the proposed line from Mr. Sam Kemps to Second street. This would make the connection about 700 feet long, with a fall of three feet, giving a good grade. This makes the connection expensive, but it is the only practicable one at present.

Fifth: An estimate of the approximate cost of this work is as follows:

Line North of Magoffin avenue,	1550 feet, six inch pipe @ 20 cents.	310	.	
	laying cement.	97	80	
	flush tank laid,	80	.	487 80
Line South of San Antonio, E. of Hill,	2000 feet six inch pipe @ 20 cents.	400	.	
	laying and cement,	200	.	
	flush tank laid,	80	"	680 .
Line South of San Antonio & E. of Florence,	900 feet six inch pipe, @ 20 cents,	180	"	
	laying and cement,	46	"	
	flush tank laid,	80	"	306 .
	Total cost.			1473 80

Very Respectfully, (Signed) J.L. Campbell, City Engineer.

On motion of Alderman Davis the City Engineer was directed to have the Sewer Extension along Magoffin avenue made, the extension along San Antonio street to await further action of the council.

The following report of the City Attorney was read and ordered filed:

Regular Meeting, July 25th, 1890. Continued.

El Paso, Texas, July 25th, 1890.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: Your city attorney respectfully reports that he has duly considered the claim of ex alderman Detwiler for salary as alderman, as specified in his account, in the aggregate, amounting to $50.

Said claim is based upon Section No. 14 of the City Charter, which is as follows: "The aldermen shall each receive such a sum, not to exceed five dollars for each session of the City Council attended, as the City Council may ordain; Provided, That no alderman shall receive in any one year, more than the sum of three hundred dollars." I find, upon an examination of the minutes of the City Council that Mr. Detwiler attended all the meetings charged for in his account, except, perhaps the meeting on the 18th of April. As to this meeting, the minutes of the City Council fail to disclose his attendance. The present city charter went into effect on March 7th, 1880. The account of Mr. Detwiler is for services as alderman for a period, as specified in his account, from the 6th of March, 1880, to the 18th of April of that year. By reference to the section of the charter above quoted it will be seen that the aldermen are entitled to receive such a sum, not to exceed five dollars for each session of the city council attended, as the council may ordain. From the 6th of March, 1880, to the 18th of April, 1880, there was no ordinance fixing the salary of aldermen, and not until long after did the city council ordain that the salary of aldermen should be $25. per month. This ordinance, of course, could make no retroactive effect, and Mr. Detwiler could not, in a legal sense, claim under it.

The council of which Mr. Detwiler was a member failed to pass any ordinance relative to, or fixing the salaries of aldermen. This ordinance they would have been authorized to pass: they failed to do so, and unless there can be some enabling ordinance now passed (and as to whether there can, lawfully, be, or not, I am doubtful) Mr. Detwiler is without legal remedy against the city.

2d: I am directed to prepare an ordinance relative to fire escapes to be attached to buildings of more than two stories. This ordinance I have found impractical to draw with the limited data before me. After consultation with several of your honorable body, it was thought advised to refer the matter of fire escapes to the Fire Department with the request that the matter be, by them, considered with the view of suggesting to the City Council the best fire escape, the material of which the same should be made, the manner of attaching the same to buildings, and such other matters of detail as will enable your city attorney intelligently to draft a suitable ordinance

3d: As to the case of the El Paso Water Co. vs. the City of El Paso, I have found it necessary to have made a transcript of the record for my use in briefing the case to the Supreme Court of the United States. The transcript made for the Water Company has been sent to Washington, or to the attorneys of the Water Company at St. Louis, and I had no opportunity to examine it. This case will be submitted in October.

The bill of the U.S. Clerk, Geo. W. Baylor, for $16.50 is proper, and I would request its payment.

(Signed) Leigh Clark, City Atty.

On motion of Alderman Solomon the report was received and filed, and that portion of the same in reference to fire escapes referred to the Fire Department.

The bill of Geo. W. Baylor, referred to in the above report, was allowed.

Alderman Rahm moved to reject the claim of N. L. Detwiler.

Alderman Davis moved that action be deferred. The motion was adopted.

Finance Committee.

Chairman Rahm of the Finance Committee presented Warrant No. 9, drawn on the Fire Department Bond Fund, and asked that it be cancelled and a warrant for like sum ($223.08) drawn in favor of the holder, D. McKenzie, upon the general fund. It was so ordered.

The committee reported unfavorably upon the request of the Board of Health to establish a pesthouse, funds and set aside the sum of $2000 for benefit of same.

On motion of alderman Dieter the report was adopted.

Fire and Water Committee.

Chairman Dieter of the Fire and Water Committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens living in the vicinity of Rio Grande and North Stanton street, reported in favor of placing a fire hydrant on the Northwest corner of Montana and North Stanton streets.

The report was received and approved.

Accopia Committee.

Chairman Mundis of the Accopia Committee reported the following resolution:

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of El Paso

That the sum of $350.00 be transferred from the General fund to the Accopia fund to pay all outstanding warrants, and that all surplus money on hand in the Accopia fund, from collections made for the year 1889, be turned over to the General fund as fast as collected.

On motion of Alderman Dieter the resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

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Communications

A petition from William Allen asking the council to change the limits within which houses of prostitution will not be interfered with so as to leave his property without. was read and referred to the Police Committee.

New Business.

Alderman Palfrey offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

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

That the sum of five thousand dollars ($5000.) of the money received from the sale of Public School Bonds and now in the hands of the City Treasurer, be, and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of securing a site, erecting and furnishing a public School building for negro children.

Be it further Resolved

That the Public School Board is hereby authorized to, at once, proceed to purchase a site, and to advertise for plans and specifications for the erection of said Public School Building.

There being no further business the council adjourned.

Approved

J. B. Bovee,

Richard Caples Mayor. City Clerk.

State of Texas. El Paso County.

This contract and agreement made and entered into this, the fifteenth (15th) day of August, A. D. 1890, by, and between the City of El Paso, a municipal corporation, party of the first part, and the El Paso Gas, Electric Light & Power Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, party of the second part, Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of thirteen dollars ($13.00) per month per light to be paid monthly in City Warrants to be drawn on the General Fund, or any fund created for that purpose, the said party of the second part agrees to furnish the city as many Electric Lights as the City may designate, of 1200 candle power, each, to be lighted and turned off by Moon Schedule. Said lights shall be placed at such places as the said City of El Paso, through its City Council, may direct: provided, however, that the said Second party shall not be compelled to run more than 900 feet of line between lights for more than twenty-five per cent of all the lights ordered by the City, and for other lights not more than 660 feet of line between lights: and it is further stipulated that said lights shall not be hung less than twenty-five feet higher than the grade of the street.

It is also agreed that the said party of the first part shall be entitled to a reduction in price of light, equivalent in amount to any reduction in the cost of coal. The cost of coal at the present time being $6.00 per ton: provided said reduction in the cost of coal shall be 25 cents per ton, or more: that is to say as the cost of coal reduces, in like proportion shall the cost of lights as aforesaid. The amount of coal required for each light to be determined by a test made so soon as this contract takes effect. The power of lights shall be governed, tested and regulated by the United States standard device for testing the same, if there be such, and if not, by any other standard device: and should said party of the second part fail to furnish twelve hundred (1200) candle power light, a proper reduction shall be made in proportion to the power furnished: and should said Second party fail for sixty days after notice to remedy said lights so as to have the same reach the standard of twelve hundred candle power, then the city shall, at its option, abandon said contract and terminate the same.

This contract shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of December, A. D. 1890, and shall continue in force for the period of five years from that date.

After the expiration of three years from the first day of December, 1890, all lights ordered by the city shall be for the period of five years, to be regulated, operated and paid for upon the same terms and conditions as hereinbefore mentioned: it, however, shall be optional with said second party, whether, at the expiration of this contract it shall continue to furnish the lights last mentioned: that is, the lights ordered during the five last years of the term of this contract.

It is further stipulated that lights shall be hung in the center of cross streets in all cases where, in the judgment of the City Council a better result can be obtained than by hanging them at the corner of the street.

The party of the second part shall furnish all lights required after thirty days notice from the City Council that such lights are desired and have been ordered: and the said second party further obligates itself to remove and replace all such lights as the city council may designate. The cost of such removal to be paid by said party of the first part.

In testimony whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this, the day and date first above written.

(signed) City of El Paso, by
Richard Caples. Mayor.

attest,
(signed) J. B. Bovee, City Clerk.
(signed) The El Paso Gas, Electric Light & Power Co.
per Z. D. Wade, Vice President.

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