On Motion of Alderman Blacker the Mayor instructed the City Attorney to ascertain and report at the next regular meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable what would be necessary for the City to do to protect its interests in the City acequias in relation to a late irrigation bill passed by the present State Legislature - On Motion of Alderman Tays Council adjourned to meet on Friday May 1st 1874 -

A. H. French.
City Clerk -

City Council rooms El Paso -
May 1st 1874 -

At an adjourned meeting held on the above date there were present his Hon Mayor Dowel Aldermen Blacker Jones Hornick and Irvine - Absent Aldermen Marsh and Tays - Minutes of last meeting read & approved - Report of Committee on Ordinances appointed to draft same at last meeting received Said Ordinances were read - and amendments offered by Aldermen Jones & Blacker which were adopted - On Motion of Alderman Blacker Each was put upon its final passage and the yeas & nays being called in Each, said

ordinances became by a unanimous vote law - and were duly recorded - the following - being the same -

An Ordinance to provide for the regulation and government of the Streets, Alleys, and ways in the City of El Paso.

Section I. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso - That any person who shall hereafter obstruct any Street Alley, way, or place of said City (said Streets and Alleys being the same which are laid down in a map drawn by Anson Mills for the proprietors of the town of El Paso in 1881 and which is hereby adopted) by erecting a building or by obstructing in any manner said Streets Alleys - ways or places shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be fined in a sum not less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars and in case of non payment shall be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days -

Section II. That any person who shall construct any ditch or contra acequia or dig any holes in through, or across any of the public Streets - Alleys ways or places of the City of El Paso -

without the permission of the Mayor and Council of said City shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor and shall upon Conviction thereof be fined in a sum not less than one dollar - nor more than ten dollars - and in case of non payment of said fine to be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days.

Section III Any Obstructions placed in any of the Streets. Alleys or public places of said City shall be removed by the City Marshal by direction of the Mayor, and at the expense of the party causing and continuing the same.

Section IV Any person or persons who now have inclosed and are occupying any portion of the Streets, Alleys, or places of said City shall upon thirty days notice by order of the Mayor and City Council - cause the same to be opened and remove all obstructions, and upon failure to comply with said Notice shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor and upon Conviction thereof be fined in a sum not less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars and in case of non payment of said fine to be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days - And it shall be within the power of the Mayor to cause the removal of the same at the

expense of the person or persons so convicted.

Section V Any person or persons who shall drive or run any horse or horses, or any other animal or animals at a furious rate of speed through the public streets or ways of said City shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor and shall upon conviction thereof be fined in a sum not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars. And in case of non payment of said fine to be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days.

Section VI That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and after being posted as required by law.

Approved May 1st 1874.

Mayor of El Paso.

An Ordinance requiring persons making frivolous and Malicious Complaints to pay the costs before the Mayors Court.

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Section I. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso: That any person who shall file a frivolous or Malicious Complaint before the Mayors Court and upon trial the same shall

not be sustained shall pay the costs of said trial and all other expenses and stand committed until the same be paid for a period not to exceed five days.

Section II This Ordinance shall take effect five days after its passage and after having been posted as required by law.

Approved May 1st 1874.

Mayor of El Paso.

On motion of Alderman Hornick Council adjourned to meet on the last Saturday in May 1874.

A. H. French
City Clerk.

City Council rooms El Paso.
May 8th 1874.

At a called meeting of the City Council held on the above date there were present his Hon. Mayor Dowell Alderman Blackburn, Jones Evans and Hornick. Absent Alderman Marsh and Tays.

On Motion of Alderman Blackburn the Mayor instructed the City Attorney to draw up an

Ordinance in relation to dogs running at large and to present the same for the consideration of the Council May 9th 1874 -
On Motion of Alderman Evans Council Adjourned to meet on that date -

A. H. French.
City Clerk

City Council rooms. El Paso
May 9th 1874.
At an adjourned meeting of the City Council held on the above date there were present his Hon the Mayor Aldermen Jones, Blacker, Evans, and Hornick, Absent Aldermen Tays and Marsh -
An Ordinance relating to dogs running at large during certain seasons of the year read and adopted
The following being the same to wit -

An Ordinance to provide for the restraining of dogs from running at large during certain months of the year in the City of El Paso and to make the violation of the same an offense

Section I Be it Ordained by the City Council of the

City of El Paso - that the Mayor be empowered whenever he shall deem it necessary or upon a written petition signed by at least five persons heads of families in said city - to issue an order restraining all dogs in said city from running at large for a period not to exceed four months in succession - said order to be posted in at least three public places in the city - and the Mayor may instruct the city Marshal to give notice at each house when the order shall take effect -

Section II That unless a great emergency exists twenty four hours notice shall be given -

Section III Any owner of a dog - or dogs who shall not promptly comply with the order given after due notice - shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction of the same be fined in a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars and for the non payment of the same may be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days -

Section IV. Nothing in this Ordinance shall apply to persons - entering the city accompanied by a dog or dogs - to visit, trade, or pass through unless to remain over twelve hours -

Section V. This Ordinance shall take effect five days from passage, and after being posted according to law.

Approved May 9th 1874

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Mayor of El Paso.

On Motion of Alderman Evans the Mayor instructed the City Attorney to draw up and submit at the next regular meeting an Ordinance referring to the taxation of Bakis.

On Motion of Alderman Evans the Council Ajourned.

A. H. French
City Clerk.

City Council rooms El Paso.
May 31st 1874.

At a regular meeting of the City Council held on the above date there were present his Honor Mayor Dowell. Alderman Jones. Blackm Tayes Evans & Hornick. Absent Alderman Marsh
The following Ordinance relating to Bakis was passed and became a law.

An Ordinance to provide for the taxation of Balls, and to license the same.

Section I. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso - that a tax of one dollar and fifty cents be imposed upon each Ball given by any person or persons within the limits of said City - and that the person or persons shall first apply to the Mayor for permission, and license to give the same which shall be granted upon payment of said tax.

Section II. It shall be the duty of the City Marshal to attend all Balls and preserve order. And he shall receive out of the sum paid as tax to the City one dollar in payment of services for each attendance.

Section III. Any person violating this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor and upon Conviction of the same be fined in a sum not less than three dollars nor more than ten dollars and for non payment of the same may be imprisoned for a period not to exceed five days.

Section IV That this Ordinance shall take effect from, and after its passage.

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Mayor of El Paso

Petition was received from Citizens against running the water that flows from the hills in rear of the City during rains through the public Square and near private property.

On Motion of Alderman Jones a Committee of three was appointed by the Mayor to examine and report upon the most feasible Manner to dispose of the water without injury to the health, or property of the Citizens.
Aldermen Black, Evans and Hornick composed the Committee.

The resignation of Alderman Jones was received by the Mayor and accepted. Election to fill Vacancy Ordered

On Motion of Alderman Evans Council Adjourned.

A. H. Forney
City Clerk.

The resignation of Alderman Ward received by the Mayor July 3d 1874 and accepted.

Election ordered Oct. 23d 1874 to fill vacancy

Also election ordered same date to fill all other vacancies on the 3d day of November 1874.

The resignation of A. H. French City Clerk and attorney was received on or about the 1st day of July A.D. 1874 and was at said time accepted by the Mayor