

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY COUNCIL HELD
AUGUST 9, 1955,

Present Councilman - Booth, Ball, Washburn, Smith
Absent Councilman - Martin
Mayor Smith, Presiding

Councilman Booth moves to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of July 12th and July 13th making the following corrections - In minutes of July 13th, on motion made by Councilman Ball regarding hedge in street right of way at 221 Brookside Drive, same to read Councilman Booth seconds motion and passed unanimously by council. On matter of salary of City Treasurer same to read \$1.00 per month, not per year. Councilman Washburn seconded Councilman Booths motion. Passed unan.

APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT - Joanne Wing, 50 Broadmoor Ave. requesting permission to construct a 6' fence, 3' back from the front property line along part of her lot on Broadmoor Ave. Permission was granted by Planning Commission to Mrs. Wing to build a 6' fence starting at a point on the SW side property line, 4' back from the street and running 15' on a line even with the NW corner of the house. Councilman Booth moves to uphold the decision of the Planning Commission and grant this adjustment if same will not cause traffic hazard and conform to ordinance. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT - Mathew A. Babich, 150 Alder Ave. Mr. Babich asked that he be permitted to retain carport he had built 3' from side property line, explaining he was not aware that the ordinance required a greater setback - Planning Commission approved same as this is on a narrow dead end street serving only one other house - directly opposite and backed up against the creek - Councilman Booth moves to uphold the decision of the Planning Commission and grant this adjustment - Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously

APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT - A. C. Signorelli, 30 Prospect Ave. asking permission to build a house with a 14' setback from the northerly line of this lot on Prospect Ave and be allowed a 2' overhang instead of the 1' permitted. Application approved by Planning Commission with stipulation that a 10' setback be maintained on the Southerly lot line on Prospect Ave due to the triangular lot and rising steeply in the rear making it difficult to conform with ordinance. This matter was discussed by council and Mr. Signorelli who was present. Mr. Signorelli withdraws application submitted at July meeting. Councilman Booth then moves to accept recommendation of Planning Commission and grant this adjustment - Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

APPLICATION FOR USE PERMIT FOR SIGN - August Foglia, 1590 Sir Francis Drake As this lot is in zone CH, Mr. Foglia was instructed to apply for Use Permit as provided in Sec. 8.6 Sub Sec. A-1, Planning Commission moved Use permit for the existing sign be issued, as the size and position of the sign was not detrimental to the neighborhood - Councilman Booth moves to grant Use Permit on recommendation of Planning Commission - Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

MRS. EARL GILMAN, 77 Suffield Ave. asking permission to remove Locust tree at their own expense located on their lawn - same referred to Councilman Ball.

COUNTY OF MARIN AGRICULTURAL DEPT. letter regarding rat control in San Anselmo clerk to write City's approval of the continuance of this service.

MINTO & WILKIE letter regarding False Arrest on 11/8/54, S.P. Bennett, POL LC 24539. Councilman Washburn moves City Attorney Buresh to defend case. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously.

PAUL R. LEAKE letter regarding tax equalization read and ordered filed.
HUBERT B. SCUDDER letter re- Highway Program read and ordered filed.

MRS. ELI HARRINGTON letter thanking members of City Council for kindness and sympathy on death of Eli Harring - Clerk to send letter to Mrs. Harrington with copy of transcription as expressed by Councilman Booth.

EDDIE SILVERMAN, Sir Francis Drake Nursery - asking council to install pedestrian zones at the intersection of Bella Vista & Sir Francis Drake. Councilman Ball moves to install same at earliest possible convenience. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Councilman Booth moves that parking be prohibited at all times on the southerly side of Sir Francis Drake for a distance of 300 feet westerly from the SW corner of the intersection of San Anselmo Ave and Sir Francis Drake Blvd., per recommendation of Chief Wood. Councilman Ball seconds. Passed unanimously.

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Chief Wood requested that authorization be granted to purchase approximately \$70.00 worth of street marking stencils. Councilman Booth moves request be granted. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously.

The matter of Police Protection for coming Grape Festival was brought up by Mayor Smith. After much discussion by members of the council, Councilman Booth moves that salary for police officers be paid for by Grape Festival. Motion died for want of second. Councilman Washburn feels city should pay this expense, same should be put off for next meeting until full council is present.

Chief Wood letter requesting the appointment of John E. Orr as vacation relief officer at the regular starting salary of \$375.00 per month effective August 3rd, replacing H.B. Miller. Councilman Booth moves approval of appointment of John E. Orr per above. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously. Clerk to write thank you letter to Miller.

Councilman Booth moves reserve officer James Vitek be paid \$2.00 per hour for total of 80 hours employed as temporary replacement covering watch and duties of the late Eli Harrington. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously. Clerk to write thank you letter to J. Vitek.

Chief Wood recommended there be created in the Classified Service of the City position and title of Spec. Business Service Patrol with standards and qualifications different from that of regular police officers, and such a civil service examination be conducted to create an eligible list for such position, starting salary to be \$357.00 per month. Councilman Washburn would not be in favor of this examination, feels all policemen should come under the same examination with the same salary. Councilman Booth moved this resolution be drawn covering this examination under title as set forth by Chief of Police. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed on the following vote:

AYES - Councilman, Booth, Ball and Smith

NOES - Councilman, Washburn

Councilman Washburn then moved to make the starting salary \$375.00 per month. Councilman Booth seconds same. After discussing this matter thoroughly Councilman Washburn withdraws his motion. Councilman Booth withdraws her second.

MR. SKAGGS 135 Suffield Ave presented petition for mechanical Stop Light to be installed at Suffield Ave and Sir Francis Drake - Councilman Booth moves City Engineer be requested to include this in Agreement for Gas Tax. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Councilman Ball and Mayor Smith to check Suffield Avenue resident's encroaching on sidewalk area.

Mr. Sohner protested the burning of weeds on Redhill Ave where trees were burnt and asked that this burning be stopped and some other means for cleaning up weeds be taken next year. Members of council agreed and something will be done.

Mr. Finnigan, Foss Avenue spoke for himself regarding driveway to house he is building on Foss Avenue, Mayor Smith, Councilman Ball and City Engineer will meet with Mr. Finnigan at the property to inspect same on Friday at 10:30 A.M.

Mr. Asborno San Anselmo Checker Cab spoke for himself and Mr. Wilson on taxi-cab rates and the installing of meters in the cabs - both companies to present petition for meter rates at next council meeting.

P.F. WILLIAMS building plans presented to council and Councilman Booth moves Use Permit be granted with the following stipulations.

1. That Mr. Williams agrees to deed a strip of land 15' wide along the frontage of his property on Sir Francis Drake to the City of San Anselmo for street widening purposes at some future date, and until such time Mr. Williams agrees to maintain said strip of property. Deed subject to the approval of the City Atty. Mr. Buresh will make deed up.
2. Work to conform in all respect to sidewalk and driveway ordinance at the grades - Plat as presented by Mr. Williams approved by J.C. Oglesby on Aug. 9, 1955 which plat will be on file in the clerks office.

Councilman Washburn seconds above motion. Passed unanimously by council.

Recess called by Mayor Smith @ 10.30 P.M.
Meeting resumed @ 10.40 P.M.

Virginia Haggett spoke on Civil Defense. Councilman Booth also spoke on same and requests nothing but \$25.00 be allowed for Civil Defense for coming budget. Councilman Booth asked letter be sent to Board of Supervisors to overhaul civil defense setup in County of Marin, and get same back on its feet. Mayor Smith and Mrs. Haggett will draw up letter.

CHIEF WOOD letter regarding zoning violations in first residential zone that were reported to council under date of June 3, 1954 and recommending that proceedings be commence in Superior Court -after discussion by council members, Councilman Booth moves City Attorney to go ahead with injunction on (7) violations. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unan.

SECOND READING ORD. 394"An ordinance amending Ord. 254 as amended by Ord. 338 of the City of San Anselmo and changing the property classification of certain property from second residential to commercial zone, being Lots 1 & 2, Blk 2, Section 1, Map of Sequoia Park, being property of James & Mary Callan - Councilman Booth moves adoption of above ordinance Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

SECOND READING ORD. 393"An ordinance amending Ord. No. 254 as amended by Ord. 338 of the City of San Anselmo and changing the property classification of certain property from first residential to second residential being Lots 18 thru 26, Blk 2, Sunnyside Tract. Property of Morris E. Burch. Councilman Booth moves adoption of this ordinance. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

FIRST READING Ord. No. 397"An ordinance amending Ord. 335, entitled " An ordinance regulating the present of minors under the age of 18 years in public streets and other places between the hours of 11:00 o'clock PM and daylight the following date.

Councilman Booth moves to adopt the following tax rate for 1955-1956

General -	1.00
Library	.11
Recreation	.09
	<u>1.20</u> per hundred

Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

J.C Oglesby letter advising that Mr. Maggiora contractor has completed his contract to construct bridge across creek and payment is due him. Councilman Ball moves bill be paid and letter be sent to Sanitary Board for their share of bill. Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed unanimously.

J.C Oglesby letter that Piombo & Bresnan, contractors for the improvement of portion of Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Project #29 have their contract 90% complete and are entitled to payment of \$6,744.75 less 10% amount payable \$6,070.00 on their contract price of \$7,494.17. Councilman Ball moves payment as stated. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously.

City Engineer Oglesby spoke regarding slope that was put in at Drake Market where he suggested a step-in in case of accident Town should not be liable. Councilman Washburn, Ball and Mayor Smith would like to investigate this further.

Councilman Ball presented sketch from Mr. Tucker which was referred to City Engineer for his suggestion.

Councilman Washburn moves warrants 5766 -5820 be approved and ordered paid. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Councilman Booth moves City Attorney to take immediate action to abate public nuisance (Old Nurses home) in Morningside Court - property in name of Phillip Kennedy - Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Councilman Washburn brought up the matter of using portion of City Park for Corporation Yard - City Attorney Buresh to check and advise if same could legally be put in park - Councilman Washburn moves if City Attorney finds this to be legal then to go ahead and call for bids on old corporation yard. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously.

City Attorney had contract with Mr. Perry ready for Mayors signature.

Chief Wood asked if City Engineer was to have Drake Blvd. & Barber Ave for memorandum of Agreement - \$2500 for Traffic signals -amend project 22 for \$15,000 more on Perry Property.

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Councilman Booth suggested that Mayor and City Engineer go before Board of Supervisors for matching funds from County on resurfacing Drake Blvd.

Meeting adjourned 12:30 A.M. until September 13th 1955.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk