

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY COUNCIL
HELD JANUARY 24th 1956.

PRESENT COUNCILMAN - BOOTH, BALL, MARTIN, WASHBURN, SMITH
ABSENT " - NONE
MAYOR SMITH, PRESIDING

January 20th 1956

City Council,
San Anselmo,
California

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD
TUESDAY, JANUARY 24th 1956 at 4:30 P.M.,
CITY HALL, SAN ANSELMO.

THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO DISCUSS AND
TAKE ACTION WITH RELATION TO EMPLOYING A
REALTOR TO SELL THE CITY SURPLUS PROPERTY
KNOWN AS THE CORPORATION YARD -- AND ALSO TO
CONSIDER AND TAKE FINAL ACTION ON THE PETITION
OF MRS. GERALDINE C. ROBSON, 237 CRESCENT ROAD,
TO VARY FROM PROVISION OF ORDINANCE 399 AS TO
HEDGE HEIGHT.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk

Receipt of a copy of this notice is hereby acknowledged.

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>TIME</u> |
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| <i>Arthur W. Smith</i> Arthur W. Smith | 1/20/56 | 12:40 PM |
| <i>Carmel H. Booth</i> Carmel H. Booth | 1/20/56 | 4:35 P.M. |
| <i>George B. Washburn</i> George Washburn | 1/20/56 | 12:45 P.M. |
| <i>Max S. Martin</i> Max Martin | 1/20/56 | 3:30 P.M. |
| <i>Kenneth Ball</i> Kenneth Ball | 1/20/56 | 2:30 P.M. |

Mayor Smith asked Mr. Roumiguere to explain what Multiple Listing would mean in the selling of the Corporation Yard. Mr. Roumiguere said it would put the property on the market with about 90 different brokers and approximately 300 salesmen, they would have all the information on the property right at their finger tips, in putting it out with these brokers they would feel they would have something concrete to work on, it would also clear up a lot of misunderstandings they now have. About 90% of realtors are in Multiple and the other 10% can sell the property, however, there is a difference in the commission split. Councilman Booth asked Mr. Roumiguere what he meant by misunderstandings. Mr. Roumiguere referred to the restrictions on the property, the types of businesses such as a service station would not be permitted there. Also if the realtors have the information at hand regarding the sale, it would save a lot of traveling around and he feels this would help the sale.

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Councilman Washburn stated one of the things about giving this to Multiple Listing it would be depriving the other real estate firms who do not belong the right to get the full commission, which does not seem quite fair - Councilman Washburn stated he was talking to Dave Cohn this date and he had a prospective buyer for the property which he was going to submit to the council at their next meeting - and he would like to know if the council listed this property with Multiple at this meeting would Mr. Cohn have to split his commission and if so he doesn't like that set up and feels this matter should be continued until the next regular meeting and if no offers are received then to consider Multiple Listing, also if most of the restrictions were taken off there would be some offers. Mr. Roumiguere stated under the new agreement drawn up by Mr. Buresh and himself most of the restrictions have been removed.

Councilman Martin feels with the restrictions off this property it would be wise to list same with Multiple Listing Board. Councilman Ball would go along with rest of council if they wanted to hold this matter over, but there has been a number of people interested in this but due to restrictions nothing put in black and white - now with restrictions off, feels more buyers will be interested, but feels as this property has been on the market for sometime same should not be held up any longer. Councilman Washburn feels since the restrictions have been removed and in fairness to all realtors he moves this matter be continued until the next meeting. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unan

Mr. Breen present at meeting said he has been trying for the past three weeks to find out what the price of the property is and evidently some people have known right along what the price has been, he would like to know if he should come to the next council meeting with a good offer would the interested party have to bid against others.

Councilman Booth addressing Mr. Breen stated she did not know the price asked and has never seen the appraisal. Mr. Buresh stated the appraisals are in the office and not for open meeting. Councilman Ball stated Mr. Cohn was one of the appraisers and therefore had advantage over others. Councilman Booth moved sealed bids be called for and opened at February 14th meeting - bids to be in office of City Clerk before 8:00 P.M. on that date - Councilman Booth withdraws her motion. Mayor Smith stated he did not know what the price was but felt there was no objection to telling the appraisals - one being 44,500 and the other 42,300. After further discussion same was put over for meeting of February 14th.

SPECIAL MEETING ADJOURNED 5:35 P.M. Till February 14th 1956

Mr. Wallace Meyers spoke to council regarding property of his client John Phelps, property located between the Miracle Mile & Red Hill - a permit was issued in July 1955, Mr. Phelps did not do any work on property until January. Ordinance No 399 which went into effect in December established new set back lines in that area and work was ordered stopped on building. Mayor Smith referred this matter to Mr. Buresh who will advise Mr. Meyer on this matter.

The gardener from Mrs. Robson's was present at meeting and Mayor Smith brought up the matter of the Robson hedge. Councilman Martin said he inspected hedge with Councilman Ball and he feels same is a traffic hazard and should be cut to 4 ft.

Councilman Booth feels hedge should remain that Robson home one of the last show places in San Anselmo, hedge is kept in excellent condition and Mrs. Robson should be saved anymore trouble or grief at this time. Councilman Washburn and Mayor Smith feel the hedge should remain as is.

Councilman Ball feels council should wait until Planning Commission meet on this matter and hear their report on same.

Councilman Booth moves Robson hedge be allowed to stand as is, and council go on record that this is their feelings toward same.

Councilman Washburn seconds same. Passed on following vote -

AYES - Councilman Booth, Washburn, Smith

NOES - Councilman Martin

NOT VOTING - Councilman Ball.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk