

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY COUNCIL HELD
FEBRUARY 12th 1957

The regular meeting of the City Council held February 12th 1957
was adjourned until February 13th 1957 at 8:00 P.M., by the
City Clerk for lack of a quorum.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY
COUNCIL HELD FEBRUARY 13th 1957.

PRESENT COUNCILMEN: Booth, Ball, Cullen, Smith
Mayor Smith, presiding

Orlando Denning was installed as Councilman by City Clerk

Councilman Booth moves to dispense with reading of minutes of January
8th meeting. Councilman Denning seconds same. Passed unanimously
Councilman Booth moves to dispense with reading of minutes of Spec.
Meeting held January 30th. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unan.

DOG LEASH ORD., Mayor Smith stated due to large gathering the matter
of leash ordinance would be discussed first, stating he would hear one
person for the ordinance and then one person against same, the following
were heard by council:

James Shelly, Oak Knoll Avenue speaking against this ordinance being
opposed to same as it stands, presented petition with approximately
200 signatures asking council to repeal Ordinance #412 -
Chester Hunter, 19 Ross Ave., stated ordinance is a good one and should
remain.

Isabel Carlisle, Suffield Ave, speaking against this ordinance as being
far too drastic, and opposed to certain parts of same.
Mrs. Johanson, Walnut Creek, representing Pets Welfare, spoke in
favor of the ordinance.

Mr. Shelly objected to Mrs. Johanson speaking as not a resident of
San Anselmo. Mayor Smith stated it was perfectly alright for outsiders
to express their opinion.

Mrs. Leisenring, 917 San Anselmo Ave, against this ordinance stated
she had been informed by a member of the concil she did'nt have to get
a license for her dog.

Frank Borges, 26 Sais Ave, in favor of this ordinance, same should be
enforced.

Mrs. Dennis, 36 Bennett Ave, spoke against this ordinance as it stands.
Wm. Metzgar, 27 Tamalpais Ave, stated same needs some amendments.

Mrs. Sutter, 129 Scenic Ave, does not see how Humane Society can do
work of enforcing this ordinance with present help - would be in favor
of committee to study same further.

Mrs. Sherry, Suffield Ave, in favor of this ordinance.

Harold Truett, Madrone Ave, stated if old ordinance had been enforced,
it would not be necessary to have this leash ordinance now.

Mr. Olson, Laurel Ave, stated he would like to hear any amendments City
Attorney might have.

City Attorney Buresh read amendments to Ordinance No. 318

H. Locke, 28 Elm Ave asked what could be done about dogs that are left
out around 4 A.M.,

Rose Iseriche, asked how does the majority of people feel, Mayor Smith
stated 90% of calls he had received were in favor of the ordinance

Mr. Shelly stated he had received the same amount against the ordinance.

Mrs. C. Clark, Greenfield Ave, stated her son had been badly bitten by
a dog in 1953 and was still having plastic surgery done- stated she
was definitely in favor of ordinance.

Mr. Shelly suggested Mayor Smith appoint a committee, some for and
some against same to work on this matter - Mayor Smith asked council
for their opinion. Councilman Booth stated she is still in favor of
this ordinance and if people wanted to bring this up for election,
it would be alright with her.

Councilman Ball stated after listening to both sides maybe same should
be given more consideration.

Councilman Cullen - nothing to say

Councilman Denning - nothing to say

Mayor Smith stated he would like to give further study to same and put
same over until March meeting.

MAYOR SMITH CALLED 10 MINUTE RECESS BEFORE CONTINUING WITH MEETING

RESOLUTION # "Prohibiting stopping, standing or parking of vehicles at all times on the southerly side of Sir Francis Drake Blvd, for a distance of 400 ft easterly commencing at a point on the southerly side of S.F. Drake distance 200 ft easterly from S.E. corner of the interesection of Ash Ave and S.F. Drake - ALSO northerly side of S.F. Drake distance of 350 ft easterly commencing at a point on S.F. Drake distance 150 ft easterly from the NE corner of intersection of Mt. View and S.F. Drake - Councilman Booth moves adoption of above resolution, notifying High School by letter that entrance to school parking lot should be from Saunders Ave. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

AMER. RED CROSS LETTER asking city council to place its seal of approval by issuing a Proclamation designating month of March as Red Cross month. Mayor Smith asked clerk to write Red Cross of councils approval.

CITY OF FAIRFAX letter of thanks to Nello Marcucci for his assistance in conducting Civil Service Examination.

RICHARD STULL letter of thanks to Police Officer Matteucci who contacted him and assisted during accident of his daughter.

FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY ORD.# 415"An ordinance amending Ord No.399 by changing property classification from First residential to Multiple being Lots 72 & 73, San Rafael Heights, Sub 1, property of Lenore Cantua.

FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY Ord.# 416"An ordinance amending Ord. No.399 by changing property classification from First residential to Multiple, Ptn Lot 157, Ross Valley Park Sub 2, which has a frontage of 95 feet and approximate depth of 100 feet (adjacent to Commercial only), property of R.E. Nolan

FIRST READING ORD. # 414"An ordinance amending ordinance No. 9 of the Town of San Anselmo, entitled "Regulating guns and explosives", by adding a new section thereto. Read in full.

FIRST READING ORD. # "An ordinance prohibiting the keeping or raising of poultry, fowl or birds, domesticated or wild, licensed so to do. Read in full

City Attorney reported on work done by E.T.Haas at Laurel and Tamalpais and read stating original contract price was \$34,924.95, reading new contract with additional charges that in the opinion of the City Eng were justified, new total \$36,767.37 E.T.Haas still has coming \$4,942.37 and City Atty suggest city council enter into this contract and see if E.T.Haas will agree to same. Councilman Ball moves if contract has been thoroughly gones over by City Engineer and City Attomey, new contract be presented to Haas for their consideration. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously

BIDS: were opened from the following for the installation of 24" storm drain with 2 double catch basins and spillway on San Anselmo Avenue in front of City Hall -

V. Maggiora & Son	\$1,875.00
E.T.Haas	1,885.00
Piombo & Bresnan	2,062.00
Ghilotti	2,120.00
E.A.Forde	2,750.00
Argonaut	3,941.00

Bids were referred to Mr. Roumage to check same.

Councilman Cullen moves warrants 6842-6910 inclusive be approved and paid. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING - on application of Frank Fischer, et al., to rezone Lots 11 & 12, Ptn Lots 10 & 13, Lot 14 and Ptn Lot 6, Map Grand View-Sub Lots 7A-8-9, Bush Tract from First Residential to Second Residential Planning Commission approved the rezoning of Lots 10 & 11, lots facing on Ash Avenue, but denied rezoning of Lots 12-13-14 and Ptn 6, (lots facing on Sierra) from first residential to second residential. Mr. Sam Blumenberg owner of Lot 14 and Ptn Lot 6, spoke to council and asked that they consider the rezoning of all the above lots as petitioned. Councilman Booth stated she had investigated this property and feels same is surrounded with multiple units. Councilman Booth moves to overrule Planning Commission and rezone above as requested. Chief Wood stated council had requested police department to cite violations and this is one and Mr. Blumenberg is asking to rezone so it will not be in violation.

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Councilman Cullen moves to amend above motion restricting this rezoning to include Lot 14 and 1/5 Lot 6 - Motion failed for want of second. Councilman Smith then seconded motion made by Councilman Booth - same failed to pass on following vote-

- AYES - Councilmen Booth, Smith
- NOES - Councilmen Ball, Cullen
- PASSING - Councilman Denning

Councilman Booth then moved to continue this public hearing until next meeting. Councilman Denning seconds same. Passed unanimously

Chief Wood asked that the parking problem of Real Estate salesmen be put over until next meeting.

Regarding driveway violations City Attorney stated he had checked violations in Hilldale Park area and find same to be definitely in violation, city would be liable in case of accident - Councilman Booth stated if these three violations have to be corrected then all others in city will also have to be corrected and so moves.

Councilman Cullen asked if City Engineer could design any kind of a ramp these people could use to reduce the hazard.

Mr. Roumage stated there is a metal corrugated culvert, but there is still the danger of running into same and cutting tires.

City Attorney stated after checking these driveways, Mr. Sichel's is in the street area and all are a definite hazard.

Mr. Sichel stated he made his own driveway but is willing to cooperate with city, asked if City Engineer could assist him it would be appreciated.

Councilman Ball then seconded above motion by Councilman Booth. Passed unanimously. Councilman Booth moves all violators be given 6 months to remove driveways that are in violation, and all existing ones declared a public nuisance. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Booth moves City Attorney draw ordinance covering driveways in violation. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

ROBT.E.KANE, letter with copy of a drawing entitled "Preliminary Road and Lot Layout - Ptn of Lands of Frank Cherne"-after checking same Councilman Cullen moves same be referred to City Engineer. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

BROOKSIDE PTA letter asking council to limit parking on Rutherford Ave from Valley to Butterfield and Brookside from Broadmoor to Brookmead. Councilman Booth suggested that PTA bring this up with Mr. Forry for his opinion.

MRS. CHAS. SCHEMEL, 222 Saunders Ave. letter regarding dangerous condition in pedestrian cross-walk at San Anselmo Ave & Tunstead intersection - the defect is at the southwest corner - Matter referred to Councilman Ball.

S.A. LIBRARY letter stating need for enlarging their present building and asking council to give same their earliest attention - Clerk to advise matter will be discussed by council.

N.C. KAIDO, 1115 Sir Francis Drake asking permission to remove tree and roots. Councilman Ball having inspected same, moves permission be granted and same replaced with other tree. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

W.CONDON letter asking permission to prune two trees in front of his home in Lincoln Park, Councilman Ball moves permission be granted. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

FRED NEESE letter regarding parking problem at Knoll Road & Crooked Avenue. Councilman Booth moves Chief Wood investigate same and report back. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

M.F. DONOHUE letter regarding property known as Map of S.R. Hghts, Sub 1, north 200' of Lot 100 assessed in 1956 to Ann C & Lloyd D. McFarland, asking council to put a price on same so he may put it up for sale - Councilman Booth moves Councilman Ball check and give market value. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

DIV. HIGHWAYS letter regarding Project 206-H117, Saunders Ave. bridge flood relief - Councilman Booth moves Mayor and City Clerk sign agreement - Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously. Councilman Booth moves approval to Resolution #707 covering above. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

PUBLIC WORKS letter, regarding gas tax funds - Councilman Booth moves same be referred to City Engineer for his attention. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

PERSONNEL CLERK letter listing results of examination for laborer in order of their passing grade, read as follows:

Bernard Roarty - 93%	Kenneth Cantrell - 89%
Earl Drake 88	LeRoy Wirtz 86
Ledrué Askins 81	Edgar Phillips 79

Councilman Cullen moves above names be placed on eligible list. Councilman Denning seconds same. Passed unanimously

LETTER from Supt. Streets requesting approval to the appointment of Bernard Roarty as laborer from eligible list effective this date, starting salary \$326.00 per month. Councilman Ball moves approval to the above appointment. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously

MATTER of anti-soliciting ordinance (Green River Ord.) be placed on agenda for March meeting - Mayor Smith appointed Councilman Cullen and Denning to look into same and report at March meeting.

Mr. Bruce Barron present at meeting regarding parking problem on San Francisco Blvd. - RE overnight parking of vehicles - after lengthy discussion Mayor Smith stated council will inspect this further.

JORDAN MARTINELLI letter asking permission to trim 3 elm trees and remove one small tree, Councilman Ball inspected above and moves permission be granted per request. Councilman Booth seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Ball moves permission be granted the following to prune trees per request. M.J. Levy, 1704 San Anselmo Ave. M.L. Sparks, 1701 San Anselmo Ave. and J. Cooney, 14 Calumet Ave. Councilman Denning seconds same. Passed unanimously

GEO BYRNE letter on collection of sales tax in various cities and listing percentage basis of collections also complimenting Chief Wood on good job, Chief Wood reported that a number have not paid and Councilman Booth moves council authorize Chief as Tax Collector to file action on same. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

BIDS for work on San Anselmo Ave., having been checked by Mr. Roumage, stating Maggiora & Son were low bidders - Councilman Ball moves low bid be accepted. Councilman Cullen seconds same. Passed unanimously

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS - Councilman Ball - no report
Councilman Booth, reported Asst. Chief Serie will be leaving for FBI School March 18th - Chief Wood will check on approximate cost and advise Councilman Cullen.

Councilman Cullen - asked City Eng. for report on gas tax fund - (for further purchase Perry property) - Mr. Oglesby absent due to illness - Mr. Roumage will check and notify Councilman Cullen.

Councilman Cullen moves approval to the purchase of Olivetti Add. Machine for Administration Dept. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unan.

Councilman Booth moves approval to purchase of new law books needed. Councilman Ball seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Cullen spoke on City Manager and suggest set time for Public Hearing on same. February 26th set as date of meeting to discuss this matter.

Councilman Ball spoke on Planning Technicians meeting which he had attended, a report would be made at March meeting - Mayor Smith appointed Councilman Cullen, Ball and Denning to represent council at these meetings.

City Attorney - No report

MAYOR SMITH appointed the following as new members to the Board of Review

Louis Aquilino reappointed term expires 1962
 Roger Sohner - expires 1959
 Jerry Hannigan " 1960
 Leon Crosby " 1963

Councilman Booth moves approval to the above appointments -
 Councilman Denning seconds same. Passed on following vote -
 AYES - Councilmen - Booth, Ball, Denning, Smith
 ABSTAINING- Councilman - Cullen

MEETING ADJOURNED 1:30 A.M. until February 26th @ 8:00 P.M.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk

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MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE SAN ANSELMO CITY COUNCIL HELD
 FEBRUARY 26, 1957

PRESENT COUNCILMEN - Booth, Ball, Cullen, Denning, Smith
 Mayor Smith, presiding

This meeting was called to discuss the problem of a City Manager - Mayor Smith stated Councilman Ball & Cullen had gone to Berkeley to the League of California Cities to get information on this. Councilman Ball stated they had literature for council and League takes no sides in this matter - council-manager form of government in cities of 10,000 is becoming more popular, especially in the past five years- we are striving for a more efficient type of government possibly this might be the answer and it might not - that is why we are having this public hearing - One of the main points is each city will either draw up an ordinance or put the matter before the public and the power you give a manager or administrator is entirely up to the type of ordinance drawn. There are three types the council-mayor type which we have at present - the commission form of government and the council-manager type - Councilman Ball stated from what information he has read on manager type, in most instances there has been a saving to the tax-payer, and from the circulars the labor unions have found the standard form of rate of pay to the people has been higher-by divorcing the more or less politics from the man who works for the city. Councilman Ball feels we are more or less feeling our way on this matter.

Councilman Cullen stated in the council-manager form of government the City Council actually becomes a policy making body of the city - any executive or administrating problem is left up to the city manager, he in turn refers same to various departments.

Councilman Booth stated as far as she knew this matter was only to be discussed tonight and she knew nothing of an ordinance being drawn-up until now- if she felt any councilman sitting on this council was not doing a good job then she would say we need a city manager - we have a well run city - we have one of the finest fire depts, police depts. and our streets are the best in the county- what we need is a new fire house or equipment -not a city manager- she is not for higher taxes and is not for a city manager - We have an ordinance on our books for manager since 1917 that council didn't even read - and same has not be recinded, why have another one drawn up.

Ordinance read by clerk "creating office of City Manager".

Mr. Ducey present at meeting spoke against need for city manager.

Max Martin stated city manager would eliminate long hours put in at council meetings, city manager could handle matters before meeting.

Mr. Little thought city manager was a good idea.

Mr. O'Rourke stated city administrator would be OK.

Mayor Smith stated the question of city manager is not new - this issue has been discussed from time to time by this council and other councils and he feels manager could do something for city that would more than pay his salary - would like to see city give this a chance- also this matter was to be discussed at this matter but no action would be taken, and same put over for thorough investigation.