

Minutes of the regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held on January 11, 1966.

Present: Councilmen Clute, Reichmuth, Franchini, Smith, Capurro
Mayor Capurro, presiding

Councilman Reichmuth moves approval to the minutes of December 14th 1965.
Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously

Public Hearings:

On the appeal of Shell Oil Co. to construct service station on Sir Francis Drake between Madrone & Bella Vista, same denied by the planning Commission on December 6, 1965.

George Day, Real Estate Department spoke for Shell Oil Co., stating they would demolish their present station on Greenfield if this is approved. Pictures of property in area were also presented, showing commercial development a round property in question.

Mr. Kapronos spoke on plans for landscaping property and presented plans.

Mrs. Robt. Ferris, 25 Bella Vista asked about lease or what would go on property if station was turned down, she was informed there have been several offers for use of property, she also expressed concern over use of Bella Vista Avenue as entrance to station. Petition was presented representing 22 residents of area protesting this service station. Mrs. Creighton, 56 Bella Vista objecting to use of Bella Vista stating street not suitable for trucks.

Councilman Franchini stated council turned down Union Oil Co. application for station across the street due to traffic hazard and feels this would be a bigger problem.

Representative of Mrs. Schlosser, owner of one of the lots involved stated warehouse on property will be torn down, property is zoned commercial but not suited for a nursery.

Jerry Lloyd discussed several points objected too by the planning Commission, site across the street would be good site, did not feel this would be good.

Mr. Ragan said Union Oil had plans for a very fine station and was turned down and same consideration should be taken in this case.

Councilman Smith stated he opposed Union Station due to school but does not see where this would be same hazard.

Councilman Clute stated he would like to see one first class station in San Anselmo and this is the best he has seen.

Councilman Clute moves to grant use permit to Shell Oil Co. for station, landscaping and design to part of Use Permit. Councilman Smith seconds same.

On discussion: Mr. Schraaf from audience stated if permit is granted, city should have some control over size of plants and if Sir Francis Drake is widened what will happen to all plants shown at entrance, same would have to be removed, feels if plantings are not maintained Use Permit should be rejected.

Matter of widening of Sir Francis Drake was brought up. City Administrator stated council should give serious thought to 15' set back. Councilman Franchini said should get this now.

Representative from Shell Oil stated they are only asking for Use Permit, not for them to offer 15' to city for dedication.

Representative of Mrs. Schlosser stated at no time have they offered 15' to city for dedication.

Above motion failed to pass on following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Clute, Smith

Noes: Councilmen Reichmuth, Franchini, Capurro

Public Hearing:

On appeal by Charles Mohun, 19 Fern Lane, for variance for 6' fence on his property. Mr. Mohun read letter stating reasons for keeping fence at 6' height. This variance was denied by the Planning Commission.

City Administrator stated this fence could be lowered. Councilman Franchini and Mayor Capurro stated they had looked at fence. Councilman Franchini against granting variance. Councilman Clute felt if people want fence any height is all right with him, saw no valid letter in file complaining about this fence.

Councilman Reichmuth moves to grant variance. Councilman Clute seconds same. Motion failed on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen Clute, Reichmuth

Noes Councilmen Franchini, Smith, Capurro

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Councilman Reichmuth spoke on matter of problem on Oak Avenue, road flooded, etc. City Engineer Leitzell stated this was a private development, small subdivision, turn-in structure blocked during construction and caused water out on Oak Avenue. Need for something at culvert to catch debris. Owner has been notified to clean up area. Same to be checked by Engineer and report made to Council.

S-17, White's Subdivision. City Administrator recommends council set date for public hearing, nothing done on same for more than 3½ years. Councilman Franchini moves to set date of February 8th for public hearing. Councilman Clute seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Recommendation from Library Board regarding reciprocal agreement with Marin County on use of books. Mr. Yates speaking for Library Board, stated San Anselmo only city in county not under agreement, certain advantages also some disadvantages-most important is what San Anselmo people want and what they are willing to pay - some in favor of this, some against same. Library Board recommends that agreement to be made for one year on trial basis.

Councilman Franchini not in favor of same, opening our library to people for Ross, Fairfax and other areas, it will cost more, will need more help to accommodate people who are not in city and he would be against same even for one year.

City Attorney suggested getting figures on how many San Anselmo people pay to use County Library now.

Mrs. West stated our library is very good and compliments them, but feels it would be to our advantage to join county.

Mr. Schaaf stated students cannot get adequate reference books for school work here and have to go to County for same.

Miss Ansel said both Drake High and Redwood have very fine selection of books for reference but students would rather go outside school for same.

Mr. Ragan compliments our Library and agreed with Councilman Franchini. Councilman Smith also agrees with Councilman Franchini, would go along with Library Board to try for one year. Councilman Franchini stated he feels Board was pressured by 4 or 5 people. Councilman Reichmuth would be against using County.

Mayor Capurro stated he goes along with Councilman Franchini- but feels this belongs to all the people, let them decide by election.

Councilman Franchini moves to deny recommendation of Library Board regarding reciprocal agreement with County. Councilman Reichmuth seconds same.

On question- Councilman Clute feels should give a year trial. Councilman Smith said Library Board had given study to this and feels should give same a try, maybe put same over for six months and see how San Rafael is working out.

Motion passed on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen: Reichmuth, Franchini, Smith, Capurro

Noes Councilmen: Clute

City Administrator to check with County Library to determine approximate number of San Anselmo residents using county library.

Resolution No. 1080 A Resolution accepting the dedication of a certain street to be designated "Loma Robles Drive". Councilman Reichmuth moves adoption. Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously

Resolution No. 1079 A Resolution accepting grant deed from Cole & Elizabeth Jackman. Councilman Clute moves adoption. Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1081 A Resolution of the City Council of San Anselmo accepting easement grant from James C. & Bertha S. Leach. Councilman Clute moves adoption. Councilman Smith seconds. Passed unanimously

Mémorandum from Andrew Snyder, Director of Parks & Recreation regarding proposed co-sponsorship of a music concert with the City of San Rafael Parks & Recreation Dept., and asking council's approval for \$200 as city's share for sponsoring same. Councilman Franchini moves approval of \$200, transferred from reserve. Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously

Report on auction of property on Hillside Ave. City Administrator reported no one had bid for same and asked council to hold until September when county will hold an auction and put same up again. Councilman Franchini moves approval. Councilman Smith seconds. Passed unanimously

Request for change of street signs, representative from MMM showed signs recommended for city use in the future. Councilman Smith moves to Authorize change of signs to be replaced as needed. Councilman Clute seconds same. Passed unanimously

Matter of easement at rear of Tamalpais Theatre, City Administrator reported same is a private easement and Theatre people will negotiate with owner for same. City has no interest.

Recommendation from Planning Commission to grant extension of time on variance ADJ.313. Owner - Viking Leon. Councilman Clute moves to grant an extension of six months. Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously

Matter of membership in ABAG. City Administrator reported previous councils turned this down. San Anselmo only city not a member- Mayor Capurro stated he brought this to attention of council to discuss. City Administrator reported one councilman and one member of Board of Supervisors represent cities in Marin. Councilman Smith feels not to our advantage to belong, we belong to League of California Cities. Councilman Reichmuth and Franchini feel same way.

Mayor Capurro asked why all other cities belong if this is not doing them any good. Mrs. West hopes city will join. Councilman Clute it is important to city to belong. Mr. West stated it would be worth \$97.00 to belong, will be in touch with what they are doing, otherwise just hear about same. Councilman Clute moves city join ABAG, Mayor Capurro seconds same. Motion passed on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen: Clute, Reichmuth, Franchini, Capurro
Noes Councilmen: Smith

Resolution No. 1082 Adopting budget for expenditure of State allocated fund for Engineering. Councilman Franchini moves adoption. Councilman Reichmuth seconds same. Passed unanimously

Request from Marin County regarding San Anselmo Park needs and possibility of county wide bond issue, to provide same. City Administrator recommends to refer to Park & Recreation for their review and report. Andrew Snyder reported on meeting he had attended.

Request from Joseph DePatta for one month leave of absence without pay from May 1st to June 1st., same approved by Fire Chief. Councilman Reichmuth moves approval. Councilman Smith seconds same. Passed unanimously

Resolution No. 1083 Setting date of public hearing on annexation of Sunnyhills land. Councilman Reichmuth moves adoption. Councilman Clute seconds. Passed unanimously

Councilman Reichmuth moves approval be granted City Administrator to attend City Managers Conference at San Diego on February 23rd. Councilman Franchini seconds same. Passed unanimously

Date of March 8th set for opening bids for the removal of a certain building located in Indian Rock Subdivision, Unit one.

Councilman Franchini asked about old garage on San Anselmo Ave. City Engineer Leitzell stated they have been given until January 31st to take care of same. Councilman Franchini moves unless taken care of by January 31st, Building Inspector be instructed to tear same down. Councilman Reichmuth seconds. Passed unanimously

City Attorney reported Ongaro's Attorney has filed answer to suit.

Councilman Smith asked about light at bridge, P.G.&E. turned on old light and turned off new one. City Engineer reported working on same.

Resolution No. 1078 Claims and Demands for the month of December 1965. Councilman Reichmuth moves adoption. Councilman Clute seconds. Passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned 11:10 P.M.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk