

Minutes of the regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held April 25, 1967
Present Councilmen: Scott, Capurro, Ragan, Reichmuth, Smith
Mayor Smith, presiding

Petition to abate dog nuisance at 52 Melville Avenue. Mayor Smith stated it is his feeling this should be referred to the pound. Roy Vallarino felt the same and recommends council refer same to pound to proceed further. Councilman Ragan stated people are here and should be heard as they have a justified complaint and moves petitioners be heard. Councilman Capurro seconds same Passed unanimously

Mrs. Lathrop addressed council stating she had talked to Mr. Sousa of the Humane Society and was informed he can't do any more until council gives the word. Mr. Vallarino said both Mr. Morse and Mr. Sousa stated they will act further upon referral by council.

Charles Pierce representing Mrs. Adkins owner of dogs read petition from neighbors who have stated the dogs are not a nuisance and suggests Humane Society make a thorough investigation and Mrs. Adkins will cooperate with all and there will be no more dogs sold from premises. City Administrator read report from police department. After lengthy discussion, Councilman Ragan moves on matter of dogs of Mr. Adkins same be referred immediately to the Humane Society by City for immediate action to determine if this is a public nuisance and if so it be abated immediately and furthermore the Humane Society be directed in this motion that sometime within this period at least 12 hours from midnight to 8 a.m. dogs be observed as to whether or not these dogs are actually causing disturbance as outlined by petitioners. Furthermore the results of the examination be given to the City Administrator of this City within one week of this meeting tonight. Councilman Capurro seconds same. Passed unanimously

Fern Lane traffic problem - Chief of Police reported High School has limited access to students who have passes to use gate to Fern Lane, passes are checked at noon hour by Police Sergeant. Councilman Ragan feels should deny egress and ingress from Fern Lane - Mr. Sache & Mrs. Wagner of Fern Lane stated conditions are no different -

Councilman Ragan moves this be referred to School Board for further action. Motion withdrawn.

Councilman Ragan moves to direct City Administrator to write letter to school board advising it is the desire of the City Council of the City of San Anselmo to have ingress and egress from Drake High School to Fern Lane closed in order to insure the welfare, health and safety of the residents of Fern Lane. In the event the school board does not desire to cooperate with the City then council take steps to protect citizens. Councilman Reichmuth seconds. Passed unanimously

Request for waiver of 10 days waiting period on use permit by Mr. M. Brady. Councilman Scott moves waiver be granted. Councilman Ragan seconds same. Passed unanimously

San Anselmo Homes Association letter regarding Assembly Bill 929. Councilman Ragan moves to reaffirm previous stand taken by council. Councilman Scott seconds same. Passed unanimously

Letter read from Mrs. Gerson regarding use of old Safeway building. Council advised she will be notified if anything comes up.

Letter from W. Mackey, Pres. Little League regarding two frame buildings at Memorial Park which they have occupied for years and asking council if possible could their organization obtain some form of continuing permit from City. Councilman Reichmuth feels should be referred to City Attorney to see what can be done.

Councilman Scott moves approval subject to the approval of City Attorney. Councilman Ragan seconds same. Passed unanimously

Letter from Cable TV of Marin protesting awarding of franchise. Mr. Chanock of Clear Vu TV who were awarded franchise from council stated they hope to get started next week. Representative from Telephone Company stated no fault of Clear Vu on delay. Councilman Ragan moves letter from Cable TV be tabled permanently. Councilman Reichmuth seconds same. Passed unanimously

Request By Mrs. Adams, 2 Park Way for street light on Miracle Miles at Sequoia Police Chief and City Engineer checked area and stated plenty of light. Councilman Ragan moves to deny request. Councilman Capurro seconds same. Passed unanimously

Frank Quinn reporting on spring clean-up and 60th Anniversary stated he has made some contacts and will make recommendations to council, was waiting until Town meeting.

Councilman Reichmuth moves permission be granted Marin Art & Garden to post bus service signs for their Fair same contingent on street work being done in that area. Councilman Scott seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Reichmuth moves approval to request from Mountain Play Association to place sign at Mobile Station advertising the 50th production of "Kismet". Councilman Capurro seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Capurro moves request from San Anselmo School District to paint 22 lineal ft. of curbing on Sonoma Avenue as "Loading Zone" be approved. Councilman Scott seconds same.

Councilman Reichmuth spoke on plan for improvement of Hub by having a traffic circle of (1) block of Sir Francis Drake, Bridge & Center, feels this plan cheapest solution to Hub problem. City Engineer also spoke on plan, recommends have traffic study which would include a specific plan for Hub, he would ask for funds for this study in his budget request. Council referred plan to traffic study committee - City Engineer stated they are already making a study. Councilman Capurro felt should have Drake one-way to Fairfax and Center one-way from Fairfax. Mr. Arnst representing Redhill Shopping Center would like to offer their services in anyway they could, they are very interested in this. Councilman Reichmuth said he would like to have report from committee when they complete their study.

Design Review Board vacancy. Councilman Scott moves a member of Planning Commission be appointed for a six month period and if it don't work out make another appointment. Councilman Ragan seconds same. Council referred same to City Attorney as this would be in conflict with ordinance.

Mayor Smith appointed James Reed representative to UN Day Committee.

Discussion on Sorich Ranch property, Councilman Scott stated city is land poor, serious study should be made, engineer study, good survey and proposes city sell about 30 acres of hillside and hilltop land and use money to develop rest for park- would like to refer to committee and get some recommendation. Anne West spoke against selling same stated should spend money for master plan for Parks development and start trail program, this should be referred to Park & Recreation Commission. Councilman Reichmuth feels Park & Recreation Commission should have some say. Matter put over for next meeting.

Approval of 15 ft. variance for car-deck at 147 Humboldt Ave. Planning Commission recommends condition of the encroachment be that applicant be required to relinquish any rights he may have had for the old building to encroach on public right of way. Mr. McClelland owner stated he would like old building to remain for storage - council's decision same should go back to Planning Commission. Councilman Ragan moves to refer back to Planning Commission without need for another fee. Councilman Scott seconds same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Scott moves approval to encroachment on city property at 106 Spring Grove. Councilman Ragan seconds same. Passed unanimously

Ordinance No. 549 Underground utilities. Read by title

Ordinance No. 548 Amendment to Business License Ordinance. Councilman Ragan moves to dispense with further reading and adoption. Councilman Scott seconds same. Passed unanimously

Resolution No. 148 A resolution regarding apportionment of State Highway Funds. Councilman Ragan moves adoption. Councilman Reichmuth seconds. Passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned 11:15 p.m. until May 9, 1967.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk