

Minutes of the regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held May 13, 1969  
 Present Councilmen: Reed, Capurro, Anderson, Scott, Ragan  
 Mayor Ragan, presiding.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Reed and unanimously passed to approve minutes of April 1, 8, 22, 29 with following corrections.

April 8, 1969

Subject of Mayor

In statement by Councilman Capurro on selecting Mayor, add the following: "Mr. Ragan promised to support Mr. Scott, that was the thrust of his reason for insisting on support at that time."

Appeal Use Permit, B.C. Tucker

remove wording "San Anselmo businesses" and insert "non-conforming uses" under control and it is improper to grant use permit for one business to gain control of another.

Tamalpais Union High School District

Riprap creek at Drake High, same stated "any further reference of Tam High School for riprap to come before City Council." Change to read "City Council directed City Engineer to handle this type of problem in his office from now on with possibly exception, that anything else being done by Tam High School District should be brought to the attention of the City Council."

Legislation:

- Item #2 to read "exemption from Business License Tax on non-resident for-hire carriers."
- #3 to read "Sales & Use Tax, add word removing utility use exemption."
- #4 to read "Public Works: bid & Contracts, add changing from 2500-5000 maximum before bidding is required."

April 22, 1969

Hearing on occupancy 1525-1527 San Anselmo Ave.

change occupants given notice to vacate if not brought up to city standards to read: occupants given notice to vacate if not conforming to the zoning.

UNACCEPTED Streets & Redwood Road

change the following: "denying the right of property owners who have a suit against contractor to read "denying the right of property owners who have a possible cause for action against contractor.

Request No parking -Bert Oberg

remove the following "recommends Chief schedule a patrol in early hours."

Limitation bidding SB515

change wording "use formal bidding procedure to informal bidding procedure.

Ross Valley Flood Control District

Councilman Reed asked to put on agenda for next meeting for discussion: add and possible action.

April 29, 1969

Corte Madera Creek

change word "deduction of flooding" to "reduction of flooding"

Voting on motion to request Marin County & Corp of Engineers to reconsider their plans on Phase 2, add "Councilman Capurro and Scott voting no as they wanted to find out what the agreement was with the District before they took any action.

Mayor Ragan reminded audience of Town meeting and dinner on May 17, and invited all to attend.

Councilman Capurro read statement he prepared on electing of new Mayor stating personally thinks it is incumbent on our part to provide the city with harmony, progress, protection, and consideration for the general welfare of the people. This is why he believes we should have a duly appointed Mayor, not a hold over, unappointed by the council, but one who is elected by the majority, and supported by the entire council. The seat of Mayor was declared vacant, as for his personal satisfaction and deep concern it is still vacant. We should all be concerned, have common decency to work for one another, not have a Mayorless City, but one well represented with a chosen Mayor and Vice-Mayor, and see fit to give our support to Vice-Mayor Robert Scott. Feels strongly as senior member of this council he should have the right to appoint a Mayor of his choice, regardless of council bickering. Asked council to put personal differences aside and strive to work together for the betterment of the City by giving the people what they certainly deserve, a Mayor, Vice-Mayor, elected by the Council.

CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Councilman Scott said a major criticism leveled at council last year has been that our meetings run too long. The following two proposals were made by Councilman Scott:

1. I propose that we set a regular adjournment time to say 10:30 pm- That after that time no policy be determined and no votes taken. That at the start of each meeting people be advised that free coffee will be served at 10:30 and that thereafter anyone wishing to say for informal discussion may do so. Then those who have business to attend to next day may safely leave, secure in the knowledge that no action will be taken in their absence; and

2. I propose that no action be taken on any matter not previously placed on the agenda. There has been a tendency to bring up complicated matters of policy for a vote without previous notice to anyone. People tell me that they do read our agendas in advance and would come to our meetings if they knew certain matters might be discussed. If something is important enough to be voted upon, it is important enough to be placed on the agenda.

Councilman Capurro feels good cut off time would be 11:00 pm, then maybe have other meetings.

Councilman Reed would prefer to stay and get it over with, many things routine and can be handled rapidly, if anyone has an emergency they should be heard.

Councilman Anderson said all like to get home, if we were to chop off meeting at 10:30 or 11:00 we would be meeting every Tuesday night. Can't see setting an arbitrary time to adjourn when there's work to be done.

Mayor Ragan stated he checked with other cities, majority run until 11:30 and he would be opposed to setting time limit.

Councilman Scott stated if three members don't want to put curfew on same, might we well be dropped. No further action taken.

FINAL LAYOUT, HUB INTERSECTION

Mr. Belrose, traffic consultant for Peat, Marwick & Livingston presented plan and explained Hub layout and signal operation.

Councilman Capurro said he is concerned about crosswalk in front of theatre, also children crossing Drake Blvd going to school, don't want to see Center Blvd tied in would like to see just Hub done. Councilman Reed feels minor improvement will help ease flow on Center Blvd, but would like to know complete cost before we go further, wants good estimate on everything, landscaping, lighting, etc.

Councilman Scott stated he is disturbed about taking more and more land, don't approve taking any more from Guasco. Wonders how much good we are doing, would like to see some adjustment made at Mobile Station, thinks we are trying to jam too much into place. Councilman Anderson feels just one foot more at pump at station would help. City Engineer suggests this be laid out around pump island with paint, also at Guasco's/ Councilman Capurro would like to see layout reproduced and have available for public to look at. Mayor Ragan asked that this be placed on agenda for next Tuesday.

APPEAL BY EUGENE dePRADO

Application for a 20' variance in front yard setback and an 8' to 0 variance in side yard setback to construct an approach ramp at 248 Redwood Road, this was denied by Planning Commission. Council went up to check this and it was the feeling of council property should be staked out and they would be willing to go up again and meet with Mr. dePrado at property.

APPEAL BY DR. GAR MAY

Planning Commission denied application of Dr. May to provide living quarters for his domestic help in a third unit at 24 Ash Ave., property zoned R-2 duplex. Dr. May said the driveway was too steep for his cars and he intended to remodel this, he is applying for Use Permit to allow domestic help to live in an existing studio apartment, building having two other dwelling units. Planning Commission denied application because to approve this application would, in effect, rezone the lot to R-3, it would compound an inadequate off-street parking situation that presently exists. Councilman Anderson looked at same, this is the worst parking situation on the street. Would go along with Planning Commission, should abate third unit. Councilman Scott said we can record some stipulation of third unit, permit servants to live there but should not be permitted to pay rent. Councilman Reed, Capurro and Mayor would go along with Planning Commission. M/S Councilman Anderson-Reed decision of Planning Commission be upheld. Passed unanimous.

APPEAL, RED ZONE AT 71 BERKELEY AVENUE

Petition signed by 22 residents of Berkeley Avenue asking council to have red painted marker on either side of fire hydrant in front of 71 Berkeley Avenue removed. Mr. & Mrs. Jahnke, Mr. Manning spoke against red painting. Mrs. Oberg and son spoke for same. After discussion M/S Councilman Reed-Anderson to remove parking prohibition at 71 Berkeley Avenue.

Councilman Scott moves to amend motion to remove all red and substitute green on that portion that is not covered by prohibition against parking 15 ft on either side of the hydrant. Councilman Reed will not accept amendment as stated by Councilman Scott.

Motion passed on following vote: Ayes Councilmen: Reed, Anderson, Ragan

Noes Councilmen: Capurro, Scott

Mayor Ragan stated he researched this very thoroughly and he changed his vote to no because he felt this was a neighborhood squabble and council should not become involved.

PETITION: PARKING ON HUMBOLDT & FOOTHILL

Petition signed by (16) residents of Humboldt Ave. & Foothill Road requesting council to prohibit parking on Humboldt & Foothill. Mr. Berndt, Mr. Bernhoff, Mr. Turner, Mr & Mrs Guerassimoff all spoke in favor of this.

Memo from City Engineer and Chief of Police stated after examination they agree it would be desirable to restrict parking at all times on Humboldt at Foothill Rd. requiring all parked cars to be entirely clear of the pavement.

M/S Councilman Capurro-Scott follow recommendation of City Engineer and Police Chief per inter-office memo dated May 9, 1969. Passed unanimously

LEGALITY OF USE AT 25 SPRING GROVE ( Wm. Dill) CORRECTED PAGE 264

Memo from Bldg Inspector advising Mr. Dill stated all 3-units have been continuously occupied by tenants as long as he has owned the property (9-30-64). Mr. Dill present stated water bills indicate property has been occupied. The investigation by Building Official would indicate that the building was not occupied physically at least, for a considerable period of time.

Councilman Anderson stated this ought to be resolved by Building Department if they have enough evidence they should proceed. Councilman Scott stated have to have more evidence, can't see anything before council as he sees same. Councilman Reed said it is a non-conforming use, only way to do is turn it over to the City Attorney, find out once and for all whether it is a non-conforming use or not.

Mayor Ragan asked City Attorney to get in touch with City Engineer and notify City Council when investigation is complete.

HEARING OF PROTESTS TO NOTICE TO CONSTRUCT STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Drake High School: City Engineer reported school has started work today.

Mr. & Mrs. A. Nipper, cost to remove and replace sidewalk - \$47.60

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Bazzetta, cost to remove and replace sidewalk - \$41.35

Mr. Bazzetta present stated he has no protest. No further action taken.

REQUEST TO RETAIN PARKWAY PAVING - Mr. Harding, 15 Broadmoor

Put over until next meeting, letter asking Mr. Harding to be present.

REQUEST FROM SWITCHBOARD OF MARIN

Request to use Fire Stations as collection depot to receive rummage collections.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Reed approval be granted. Passed unanimously

M/S Councilman Anderson-Reed setting June 15th as deadline for removal of fire hazards as requested by Fire Chief. Passed unanimously

FUNDS FOR ROBSON-HARRINGTON PARK WOMEN'S AUXILLARY CORRECTED PAGE 264

Letter from Laura Cann, stating they are scheduling a luncheon May 22 and requests an appropriation of \$100.00 to be used for food and supplies.

M/S Councilman Reed-Anderson approve transfer of \$100.00 to Mrs. Cann as requested. Passed unanimously

RED CURB IN FRONT OF 225 SEQUOIA DRIVE

Letter from Chief of Police recommending 30' red curbing in front of 225 Sequoia Drive ~~be removed~~. M/S Councilman Reed-Anderson approval be granted as requested by Chief. Passed unanimously

Letter from Chief of Police recommending that green zone located in front of 312 Sir Francis Drake be eliminated. M/S Councilman Anderson-Scott approve recommendation of Chief. Passed unanimously

PROPOSAL TO REMOVE SAN ANSELMO FROM ROSS VALLEY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT CORRECTED PAGE 264

Mrs. Erwin is in favor of flood control or keep the creek clear - Mr. Bazzetta pointed out the need for flood control. Mrs. Cann would like to see one pretty creek area. Councilman Capurro should hold public hearings, we agreed to go into this for maintenance to keep creek waters clear. Councilman Anderson said San Anselmo needs assurance on design, will need all the cards in its hand that it can get. Mr. Castell, Larkspur stated he represents a group of "Larkspur lowlanders" urged City Council to make its decision on a fair responsible basis.

As council planned to walk creek when water is down, Councilman Anderson stated should walk creek first and after that hold public hearing. Councilman Ragan said going to be a hearing on June 16th at 2:30 pm by Board of Supervisors. Councilman Capurro suggests a letter to Board of Supervisors suggesting change time of meeting to a night meeting then more could attend.

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ An ordinance amending the Plumbing Code of the City of San Anselmo (Title 9, Chapter 6) and adopting by reference the 1967 edition of the Uniform Plumbing

Code published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials subject to the certain amendments and deletions thereto. Read by title only. ✓

Mayor Ragan re-a-pointed Allan Creighton to Planning Commission, term expires 4/15/73. ✓

Letter from Wilbur Tusler resigning from Planning Commission as he is moving from San Anselmo. ✓

Mayor Ragan recommends the appointment of Martin Stuart to fill vacancy, term expires April, 1970. ✓

Mayor Ragan appointed Warren Perry as Planning Commission member to Design Review Committee for one year term. Above appointments meet approval of council. ✓

IMPROVEMENT, BUTTERFIELD ROAD & SIR FRANCIS DRAKE

City Engineers memo stating in order to provide for left-turn lanes and right-turn only lane from Suffield Avenue westbound, it is necessary to restrict parking on the north side of Sir Francis Drake for a distance of 160' west of the projected center line of Oak Knoll Ave. and Suffield and for a distance of 100' east of the projected center line of Oak Knoll Ave. ✓

M/S Councilman Anderson-Capurro approval per City Engineer's memo. Passed unanimously

Date of June 8, at 2:00 p.m. set for dedication of plaque honoring late Nello Marcucci. ✓

Resolution No. \_\_\_ Claims and Demands for the month of April. ✓

M/S Councilman Scott-Reed adoption of same. Passed unanimously

Councilman Reed spoke on article in newspaper relative to a report on ABAG tax relief committee. There will be a discussion Thursday, doubts if they will be voting on it. Has read about one-half of the report and has come up with the following: ✓

1. We are considered by them a privileged community.
2. The privileged community will help share the problems of the unprivileged community, don't know how we will come out.

Councilman Scott asked to put on the agenda for next meeting withdrawal from ABAG

Councilman Ragan asked City Administrator to put on agenda for first meeting in June verbal report by John Holm, member of EOC. ✓

Adjourned 12:30 p.m.

Anita Gannon