

City Hall
San Clemente, California
November 5, 1952

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 408 North El Camino Real, San Clemente, California on Wednesday, November 5, 1952 at 8:00 P.M., Mayor Henry T. Read in the Chair:

PRESENT: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick
and Hempel
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held October 15, 1952 having previously been presented to the members of the Council, were approved as presented, and ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK the reading of these minutes was dispensed with.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick
and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune

The motion was declared carried.

The minutes of an Adjourned Meeting of the City Council held October 16, 1952, were read, and ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK the minutes were approved as read.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick
and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilmen - Fortune

The motion was declared carried.

Minutes of a Special Meeting held October 21, 1952 having previously been presented to the members of the Council, were approved as presented, and ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK the reading of these minutes was dispensed with.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick
and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune

The motion was declared carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONDITIONAL
PERMIT-ZONE
VARIANCE
LOTS 21 & 22

This being the time and place, as legally advertised in the "San Clemente Sun", for the holding of a public hearing to consider and determine the recommendation of the Planning Commission that a conditional permit for a zone variance be granted on Lots 21 and 22 (west only) of Block 6, Tract 795 on which to erect a building to be used for the storage of building materials, the Mayor declared the hearing open, and called for written and oral communications.

The City Clerk reported that he had received communications protesting the rezoning of said lots, from the following persons:

Charles Holliday
Mrs. D. K. Kiel

Peter L. Klaesges

Frances S. Morehart

The matter was referred to "Resolutions" (see Resolution No. 601).

BIDSORNAMENTAL
STREET LIGHTS

This being the time and place, as legally advertised in the "San Clemente Sun", for the opening of sealed bids or proposals for supplying the City with electric current for, and maintenance of ornamental street lights as specified in the San Clemente Lighting Maintenance District, the City Clerk reported that he had received one bid.

The Mayor publicly opened and read the bid which is quoted as follows:

San Diego Gas and Electric Company to supply electrical energy and specified maintenance for the San Clemente Lighting Maintenance District for 3 years, four months and seventeen days for a total of \$42,631.51.

STREET LIGHTS-
PIER

The Clerk reported that discrepancies had been discovered in the notice calling for bids, pointing out that whereas 13 lamps had been listed as being in operation in the vicinity of the pier, only a total of five were burning, the remaining eight having been out of service for some years, and recommended that the bid be rejected and a new bid call issued.

NEW CALL
FOR BIDS ON
STREET LIGHTS

UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HEMPEL SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK the bid of the San Diego Electric Company to supply electrical energy was rejected, and the City Clerk ordered to issue a new call for bids.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune

The motion was declared carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

FREEWAY ROUTE

LETTER FROM M. E. CESSNA, DISTRICT ENGINEER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS relative to the Freeway, and submitting a map of its proposed route, was read.

The Clerk reported he had received communications, for and against the proposed Freeway route, from the following:

FOR

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth W. Funk
William I. Gay
Mrs. A. G. Gay
John L. Hirt
James F. Jeter
Victor D. Knight
Mrs. Vera Kutcher
T. A. Larry
Mrs. Margaret E. Larry
Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Luebbert
Malcolm MacPherson
Mrs. Malcolm MacPherson
L. W. Randall
Mr. & Mrs. John L. Salisbury
Dr. & Mrs. H. R. Sickafoose

AGAINST

Mrs. Arthur E. Adair
Mrs. Charles Evans
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Michael

Chamber of Commerce - Satisfied with any decision made by the City Council.

Mayor Read reported that he, William A. Ayer, City Engineer, and several interested citizens had arranged a meeting with Mr. Cessna at which to present an alternate Freeway route recommended by a group of citizens of San Clemente.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL that the request of the State Division of Highways for approval of a resolution adopting the Freeway Route as proposed, be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council at which time it is expected that a report will be made by Mayor Read as to the outcome of his conference with Mr. Cessna, et al.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
 NOES: Councilmen - None.
 ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

The motion was declared carried.

Mr. John Burnet addressed the Council and reported that it would be a week or ten days before the engineering details had been completed on the alternate Freeway Route suggested by a group of citizens, and recommended that a competent engineer from the Division of Highways be asked to survey the proposed alternate route.

The Mayor stated that he would make such a recommendation.

TRAILOR COURT
 LOT C, TRACT
 960

LETTER FROM WALTER J. CHAPMAN, Secretary, San Clemente Planning Commission, advising the City Council that the Planning Commission unanimously voted to deny the application of Raymond Campbell, Jr., to erect a trailer court in the south end of San Clemente, was read.

The Clerk reported that he had received letters protesting the issuance of a permit for a trailer park, from the following:

Mrs. H. H. Cotton
 Mrs. Mary T. Hines
 Miss Perl H. Main
 Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Norbut
 Mrs. Idella A. Powell
 Mr. & Mrs. F. M. Schlegel
 Louise Schlotterbeck, Sec., V.F.W.

UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN CARRICK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL the petition of Raymond Campbell, Jr., for a conditional permit to erect a trailer court on a portion of Lot C, Tract 960, was denied.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
 NOES: Councilmen - None.
 ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

The motion was declared carried.

LOCATION OF P.H.A. HOUSING LETTER FROM OLIVER P. SMITH, MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS, COMMANDING, assuring us that the Command will confer with representatives of our City prior to any decision to locate P.H.A. housing at the Post in an area requiring the use of San Clemente utilities, was read and ordered filed.

RENTAL VACANCY SURVEY LETTER FROM MALCOLM E. HARRIS AND GAYLORD H. FOX, Staff members of the State Defense Mobilization Service Committee, Department of Veterans' Affairs, submitting a report, conducted by them, on a rental vacancy survey in the City of San Clemente, was read and ordered filed.

CONFERENCE REFERENCE TO P.H.A. HOUSING AND ACCESS ROAD TO TENT CAMP 3 The Clerk read a report of a meeting between Major General Oliver P. Smith, Commanding General at Camp Pendleton and General Blakelock regarding the trailer situation, and advising the City that plans were being made to provide an access road to Tent Camp 3, in Camp Pendleton in the vicinity of the San Mateo Barracks, to eliminate the situation now existing on Dolores Avenue. Also, it was pointed out that General Smith had no knowledge of the request of P.H.A. to be allowed to use City water and sanitary facilities.

DOLORES AVENUE Mr. Campbell addressed the Council stating that he believed much of the ill-feeling, and the decision of Camp Pendleton authorities to remove the road, was caused by one individual. However, it was pointed out that the Commanding General had received numerous protests regarding the heavy truck-traffic on Dolores Avenue, and that this was probably the reason the decision was made to change the access road.

STREET FACING LOTS 1 & 2, BLK. 4, TRACT 795. LETTER FROM ROBERT WALLACE, JR. regarding proposed street facing his property on Lots 1 and 2, Block 4 of Tract No. 795, was read.

Mr. Wallace addressed the Council and requested that the City determine whether the street in question is a dedicated street, and in the event he were to surface the street, if ownership would remain with the City.

PAVING OF STREET The Clerk was directed to write the Title Company to find out if the street in question had been reserved for street purposes or for drainage purposes, and pending the Title Company's reply, Mr. Wallace was granted authority, at his own expense, to pave the street in accordance with specifications of the City Engineer as to the material to be used and the grade allowed.

LEASE FOR CAFE, AND BAIT AND TACKLE STORE AT PIER LETTER FROM LOIS AND LOWELL LASHBROOK regarding renewal of lease with the City for the Cafe, and Bait and Tackle Store located at the end of the Pier, was read.

LETTER FROM KENNETH BROWN regarding the Cafe, and Bait and Tackle Store located at the end of the Pier, was read.

Following a brief discussion the matter was ordered referred to a Committee composed of Councilmen Fortune and Carrick for investigation and report.

SOIL EROSION ON PROPERTY OF T.A. LARRY LETTER FROM MR. AND MRS. T. A. LARRY requesting the Council to give consideration to the correction of a hazardous condition in connection with soil erosion caused by heavy rainfall, was read and ordered deferred until the next meeting pending an investigation of the situation by Councilman Blakelock and the City Engineer.

CHIMES

LETTER FROM WALTER TAYLOR, Chairman of the Chimes Committee, offering the complete Chimes' installation to the City as a gift, was read.

Councilman Hempel moved that the Clerk be directed to contact the Chimes' Committee in order to obtain an outline of the maintenance and operating procedure, together with the cost, so that the City may be informed of the situation prior to the next Council meeting.

Councilman Hempel remarked that in any event the City should express its deep appreciation of the Chimes' Committee offer, and commend the good citizenship of those who donated toward the purchase of the chimes.

RESOLUTIONS
OF TAXPAYERS'
ASSOCIATION-
CLUB HOUSE,
BEACH CLUB &
WATER BOND
ISSUE

LETTER FROM MRS. MARY M. CAMPBELL, Secretary-Treasurer of the San Clemente Taxpayers' Association, stating that at a meeting of their Association, they passed three resolutions as follows - (1) opposing efforts of the City to use the Club House for any purpose than that for which it was intended, (2) on the importance of selling the Beach Club and (3) on the endorsement of the Water Bond issue, was read and ordered filed.

OPTIMIST BOYS'
CLUB'S NEED
FOR FURNITURE

LETTER FROM MR. R. C. HILL, Financial-Secretary, Optimist Club of San Clemente, regarding the Optimist Boys' Club's need for any items of old furniture with which the City might be able to supply them, was read and referred to a Committee comprising the City Clerk and the Superintendent of Public Works, Mr. Parker.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

IMPROVEMENTS
ON PRIVATE
PROPERTY

Mr. Burnet addressed the Council suggesting that the City cooperate with property-owners who are willing to furnish materials for improvements on private property. Councilman Blakelock remarked that he did not think this was desirable.

REMOVAL OF
DEAD TREES
IN CITY
STREETS

Mr. Wagner addressed the Council regarding the removal of dead trees in City streets, suggesting that there might be those who value the wood, and who would be willing to do the work of removing the trees if they were permitted to keep the lumber.

The Mayor stated that Mr. Parker could look into the matter to see if something along these lines could be worked out.

Mr. Parker pointed out that the removal of dead trees was a job usually taken care of during the winter months, and promised to have as many dead trees as possible removed this winter.

INSTALLATION
OF MAIL BOXES

Mr. Bruce Dyer addressed the Council inquiring if it would be permissible for residents to install mail boxes in the parkway, or easement, adjacent to the curb line on those streets where motor mail-carrier service is scheduled, and also inquired if the Council would adopt rules and regulations for the installation of mail boxes.

It was suggested by Councilman Blakelock that some uniform type of mounting should be required, however, Mr. McKinney, City Attorney, suggested that property-owners be allowed to install mail boxes as they saw fit, and that the Council not set rules and regulations. The City Attorney further suggested that should any complaints arise as a result of unsightly installations, the Council should then have the right to remedy the situation.

It was concluded by the Council that no action be taken to regulate the installation of mail boxes.

Mrs. Oland Carrick addressed the Council regarding future plans for the Community Center and other community facilities, and suggested that any plans should be made known to the various organizations of the City.

Mayor Read stated that he would appoint a Citizen's Committee to investigate the City facilities for future use.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

CITY COURT

Report of Judge Neal Vander Ziel, of the activities of the City Court for the month of October, 1952, was read and ordered filed.

COMMUNITY CLUB HOUSE

Report of Charles Elterman, Custodian, on the activities of the Community Club House for the month of October, 1952, was read and ordered filed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Report of the activities of the Police Department for the month of October, 1952, was read and ordered filed.

USE OF COMMUNITY CLUB HOUSE FOR GIRL SCOUTS

The Clerk inquired as to what night-use of the Library wing of the Community Center might be made available to the Girl Scouts. It was pointed out that the original agreement was made with the Brownie Troop and did not include use of the wing by the Girl Scouts.

After discussion of this situation it was decided that the matter should be referred to Councilman Fortune for his investigation.

PAYING OF THE BILLS

PAYMENT OF PAYROLL PERIODS ENDING OCTOBER 15 & 31, 1952

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK that the audited bills as read be paid; that payment of the payrolls covering periods ending October 15, 1952 and October 31, 1952, be ratified; and that the bill submitted by the San Clemente Excavating Company be changed to reflect labor and materials used in connection with storm drain improvements.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
 NOES: Councilmen - None.
 ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

The motion was declared carried.

Payroll October 1 through October 15, 1952	\$ 6,932.96
Payroll October 16 through October 31, 1952	7,088.82
Total warrants paid to October 31, 1952	47,067.86

RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 601
CONDITIONAL
PERMIT, LOTS
21 & 22, BLK.
6, TRACT 795

Upon motion of Councilman Hempel seconded by Councilman Carrick, RESOLUTION NO. 601 BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA accepting the recommendations of the Planning Commission that a conditional permit be granted on Lots 21 and 22 (west half only) Block 6, Tract 795, was regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
 NOES: Councilmen - None.
 ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

RES. NO. 602
PARKING AND
LOADING ZONE

Upon motion of Councilman Hempel seconded by Councilman Carrick, RESOLUTION NO. 602 BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA regulating parking in the vicinity of the San Clemente school and designating an area on Del Mar Avenue fronting Taylor's Drug Store as a loading zone, was regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
 NOES: Councilmen - None.
 ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

REPORTS OF COUNCILMEN

DOG-CATCHER

Councilman Hempel reported that the Police Department had been unsuccessful in obtaining a dog-catcher but stated that efforts were still being made to obtain one.

POLICE DEPT.'S
ACTIVITIES

Councilman Hempel reported that he had studied the table of activities of the Laguna Police Department and stated that he believed the San Clemente Police Department, with the possible exception of parking citations, handle as much volume per month as the Laguna force.

SCHOOL PROGRAM
FOR POLICE
OFFICERS

Councilman Hempel reported that beginning January 1, a school program is to be placed into effect for all Police Officers, which will mean that every officer on the force shall have basic training and some advance work.

Mrs. Carrick inquired if Police Officers could detect a marijuana plant, and was informed by Police Commissioner, Mr. Hempel, that literature has been made available to all officers, and that they are capable of identifying the marijuana plant.

BUILDING,
ELECTRICAL AND
PLUMBING CODES

Councilman Blakelock reported that the Committee composed of the Building Inspector, Harry P. Rees, Frank D. McGurk and himself, had investigated possible revisions to the Building, electrical and plumbing codes, and had reviewed all proposed changes; recommending that they be put into ordinance form. It was pointed out, however, that

some technical points had arisen as to the desirability of requiring copper exclusively under slab floors, and requiring that the joints of the copper pipe be welded rather than soldered. Other changes were recommended and the Mayor ordered the report referred back to the Committee for recommended changes.

STREET LIGHTS
ON ESTACION
AVENUE

Councilman Blakelock gave a progress report on the miscellaneous repairs to streets and storm drains now under way in his department, and recommended that authorization be given to install two non-ornamental street lights on Estacion Avenue near the railroad station.

Following a discussion, it was MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED that two such street lights be installed on Estacion Street, at locations to be designated by the Commissioner of Streets, Mr. Blakelock.

IMPROVEMENTS
TO CITY
STREETS

Councilman Blakelock reported that in addition to the \$29,000 fund allocated to the current budget from surplus funds, there remained \$23,000 which he recommended be made available and ear-marked for major improvements to City Streets.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, an appropriation of \$23,000 was ordered to be expended on major improvements to City Streets.

CITY SALES TAX

Councilman Blakelock recommended that the City Council consider a 1% sales tax for the City of San Clemente to be used exclusively for water and street improvements.

Councilman Hempel stated that inasmuch as the Legislature was considering a possible State-wide 4% sales tax, he thought it advisable to defer action on a City sales tax.

GENERAL FUND

The Mayor stated that he was opposed to funds being earmarked for specific purposes and felt that such funds should go into the General Fund.

Following a discussion it was decided to defer action on the matter pending legislation by the State.

WATER BOND
ISSUE AND
BEACH CLUB

Councilman Carrick stated that he was extremely gratified with the action taken by the voters of San Clemente to approve the Water Bond issue and disapprove of the sale of the Beach Club.

WATER SURVEY

Councilman Carrick reported on the progress of the water survey by Mr. Blakely and his associates.

EL MORENO
AVENUE

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL that the City blade El Moreno Avenue to its original grade at an approximate cost of \$250.00.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Carrick and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - Read and Blakelock
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune

The motion was declared NOT carried.

CITY STREET
SIGNS

Councilman Blakelock reported that the City Clerk had obtained prices on various street signs, and presented samples of the signs to be erected requesting the Council to determine which color combinations should be used.

Following a spirited discussion, it was decided that the old-fashioned style of lettering on a dark brown background with off-white letters, would be the most desirable.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HEMPEL SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK the above mentioned color combination and style of lettering was approved.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmen - Blakelock, Carrick and Hempel.
NOES: Councilman - Read.
ABSENT: Councilman - Fortune.

The motion was declared carried.

AIR COMPRESSOR

The City Clerk reported that a request had been made by the Public Works' Department to purchase an air compressor to replace the one presently in use which has deteriorated to a point beyond the possibility of repair.

Mr. Parker, referring to his request, stated that the air compressor now in use had been rebuilt many years ago, and could no longer handle the demands made upon it by increased work.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, the Purchasing Agent was directed to obtain competitive prices and purchase one air compressor.

MECHANICAL
POST-HOLE
DIGGER

Mr. Parker also recommended that a mechanical post-hole digger be purchased. The Purchasing Agent was directed to obtain prices and report the cost of same.

CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS

The City Clerk reported that the current budget included the sum of \$500 which had been set aside for Christmas decorations, and requested the Council to determine how this fund should be expended.

There followed a general discussion with remarks by Mr. Frank Winterborne, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, as to the extent of Christmas decorating contemplated. Mr. Winterborne stated that a meeting of the Board of Directors was to be held on Friday, October 7, 1952 and invited Council representation to be present to determine the Christmas lighting program to be adopted. The Mayor delegated Mr. Parker and Councilman Blakelock to represent the City at this meeting.

FUTURE USE
COMMUNITY
FACILITIES

Mayor Read requested authority to appoint a representative group of San Clemente citizens to determine what future use should be made of the Community Center, the present City Hall, the Beach Club and the Plaza.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, the Mayor was granted authority to appoint a Citizen's Committee.

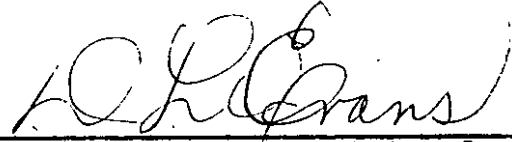
WATER BOND
ISSUE

Mayor Read recommended that a letter be directed to the Currie Engineering Company advising them of the passage of the Water Bond issue and requesting them to proceed with the plans for the rehabilitation program.

CONSTRUCTION
OF STREETS-
BALL PARK


Councilman Blakelock reported that Mr. Knights, owner of the property commonly known as the Ball Park, had requested the City to construct streets which were dedicated to the City by Tract Map on September 4, 1934. Councilman Blakelock reported, however, that the Council's minutes of that date positively stated that the map was accepted subject to construction of streets and installation of water and sewer lines, and recommended that Mr. Knights be so advised.

There being no further business IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED that the meeting be adjourned.



City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk
of the City Council

APPROVED:


Mayor and President of the
City Council

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City Hall
San Clemente, California
November 19, 1952

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 408 North El Camino Real, San Clemente, California on Wednesday, November 19, 1952 at 8:00 P.M., Mayor Henry T. Read in the Chair:

- PRESENT: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick, Fortune and Hempel
- ABSENT: Councilmen - None

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held November 5, 1952 having previously been presented to the members of the Council, were approved as presented and ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CARRICK the reading of these minutes was dispensed with.

On roll call the following was the stated vote, to wit:

- AYES: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Carrick, Fortune and Hempel
- NOES: Councilmen - None
- ABSENT: Councilmen - None