

City Hall
San Clemente, California
January 16, 1952

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 408 N. El Camino Real, San Clemente, California, Wednesday, January 16, 1952 at 8:00 P.M., Mayor H. T. Read in the Chair.

PRESENT: Councilmen - Read, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel
ABSENT: Councilman - Randall

Copies of the minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 2, 1952 having previously been presented to the members of the Council, on motion of Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Hempel, the reading of these minutes was dispensed with.

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

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Randall

The motion was declared carried.

The minutes of the regular adjourned meeting held January 15, 1952 were read and upon motion of Councilman Hempel, seconded by Councilman Fortune, the minutes were approved as read.

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

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Randall

The motion was declared carried.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from L. W. Randall submitting his resignation as Councilman. It was moved by Councilman Hempel and seconded by Councilman Fortune that the resignation of Councilman L. W. Randall be accepted, effective immediately.

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

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Randall

The motion was declared carried.

APPOINTMENT OF
COUNCILMAN
BLAKELOCK

It was moved by Councilman Hempel, seconded by Councilman Fortune that Mr. David H. Blakelock be appointed Councilman to serve the unexpired term of Mr. L. W. Randall.

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

AYES: Councilmen - Read, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel
NOES: Councilmen - None
ABSENT: Councilman - Randall

The motion was declared carried.

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to David H. Blakelock and the Mayor welcomed him in the name of the Council stating that he thought Mr. Blakelock would make a fine Councilman.

Mr. Blakelock stated that he was honored to serve the City in the capacity of Councilman and that he would do his best at all times.

CONFERENCE ON
STREET AND
HIGHWAY
PROBLEMS

Letter from the University of California announcing a Conference on Street and Highway Problems, was read. The Mayor recommended that the Chief of Police and the Mayor be authorized to attend this Conference.

Upon motion of Councilman Hempel, seconded by Councilman Fortune, the Chief of Police, Mr. Arthur Daneri and Mayor H. T. Read were authorized to attend the California Conference on Street and Highway Problems at the University of California in Los Angeles, February 6 to 8, 1952.

The motion was unanimously carried.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Letter from Dudley Hamilton regarding installation of Traffic Signals and Safety Signs, was read. The Mayor stated he would write a letter to the State of California, Division of Highways, recommending that the suggestions in Mr. Hamilton's letter with regard to providing warning signs along the curves between El Portel and Florencia Avenues on Highway 101, be considered.

THURSDAY MORN-
ING GARDEN
CLUB

Letter from the Thursday Morning Garden Club acknowledging the City Council's commendation for their tree-planting project on Avenida Esplanade, was read and ordered filed.

SPECIAL CENSUS

Letter from the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census regarding a Special Census, was read and the City Attorney stated that the City of San Clemente was limited to two censuses in the ten year period between government censuses, and recommended that the League of California Cities be contacted for their advice as to the best possible time for a special census. The Mayor directed that such a letter be written.

OFFER OF SCHOOL
DIST. TO SELL
LOT 61, BLOCK 4,
TRACT 794

Letter to the City Council from the San Clemente School District offering for sale Lot 61, Block 4, Tract 794 for the sum of \$700, was read and referred to "Resolutions".

D. HAMILTON RE-
QUEST THAT AUDIT
BE MADE OF CITY'S
RECEIPTS AND
DISBURSEMENTS

Letter from Dudley Hamilton requesting that an audit be made of the City's receipts and disbursements for the past seven years, was read. Councilman Campbell informed Mr. Hamilton that the City's books were audited regularly by a Certified Public Accountant, and that if any interested person desired to have an audit made at his own expense, the City would be ready and willing to make its records available. The City Attorney informed Mr. Hamilton that the firm auditing the City's books is probably the finest auditing firm in Southern California, having many of the cities in Orange and Riverside Counties as Clients.

ORAL COMMUNICA-
TIONS

STANDARD OIL

Mr. Green of the Standard Oil Company of California addressed the City Council stating that he regretted his Company was unable to participate in the call for gasoline bids due to the fact that gasoline reserves were being taken by the armed forces.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

LOT 25, BLK. 2
TRACT 779 -
BEAUCHAMP

The matter of purchasing Lot 25, Block 2, Tract 779 from George J. Beauchamp, was considered. The Council felt that the asking price of \$2,500 by Mr. Beauchamp was excessive. Mr. Hempel suggested that a trade be made for a lot of equal value, which would possibly be good business on the City's part.

It was moved by Councilman Hempel, seconded by Councilman Blakelock and unanimously carried, that the City Clerk be directed to correspond with Mr. Beauchamp advising him that the asking price of \$2,500 was found to be unacceptable to the City Council and suggesting that a trade might be negotiated whereby Mr. Beauchamp would receive a lot of equal value to his own.

BALANCE DUE
ON TAX SALE
LOTS - TONY
ORTIZ

The matter of granting an extension of time for payment of the balance due on tax sale lots to Mr. Tony Ortiz, was considered. The Clerk was directed to advise Mr. Ortiz of the expiration of extension granted, and report the progress of this negotiation at the next regular meeting, at which time the Council will take further action.

CONVERTING
REST ROOMS TO
SHOWER ROOMS

The matter of converting the rest rooms at the Pier to shower rooms was ordered referred to a Committee composed of Councilman Campbell and Superintendent of Public Works Parker, to investigate this matter more fully and make recommendations for a course of action at the next regular meeting.

REPORTS OF
SPECIAL COM-
MITTEES AND
OFFICIALS

The Clerk reported he had received a request for payment of membership dues for 1952 from the Orange County Coast Association. After discussion, it was moved by Councilman Hempel, seconded by Councilman Fortune and unanimously carried that the payment be rejected.

ORANGE CO. COAST
ASSOCIATION

PERSONNEL PRO-
CEDURE

Report of the Committee on Personnel Procedure was read and discussed at length by the City Council. Several minor changes were recommended by the City Attorney and Councilman Blakelock. It was moved by Councilman Blakelock seconded by Councilman Campbell and unanimously carried that acceptance of the proposed plan be held open and the suggested changes made and re-submitted at the next regular meeting.

STORM DRAIN
GRATES

Report of Superintendent of Public Works Parker regarding the installation of storm drain grates. Mr. Parker reported that he had received the price of \$80.00 each for the large size and \$50.00 each for the smaller size, and recommended that, in cases where the City is forced to excavate at the curb line to replace or repair damage caused by the recent rains, consideration be given to redesigning the catch basin. Mr. Hempel recommended that the City start a replacing program to extend over several years, repairing possibly ten of the most needed drains this year. The Mayor instructed the Commissioner of Streets, Mr. Blakelock, to work with Mr. Parker on a survey of the storm drains to determine which drains present the worst hazard, and to report at the next regular meeting.

AIR COMPRESSOR

Mr. Parker recommended that the Council consider the purchase of a new air compressor to replace the one currently in use by the City. He stated that this compressor had become badly worn and required a great amount of maintenance, having reached the point where it would no longer do the job required. After discussion, it was moved by Councilman Blakelock, seconded by Councilman Hempel and unanimously carried, that the City call for bids for the purchase of one No. 105 C.F.M. Air Compressor, at the meeting to be held February 20, 1952.

NEW BUSINESS

BIDS
GASOLINE

Notice having been published according to law, the Mayor opened and read all gasoline bids received, and listed as follows:

| | Type of Gasoline | Bid | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------|-----------|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Union Oil Company of California | Ethyl | .216 | less .01¢ |) | per gallon tank | wagon delivery. |
| | Regular | .191 | " .01¢ | | | |
| 2. R. L. Callis, Gen. Petroleum Co. | Ethyl | .211 | " .0175¢ |) | " | " |
| | Regular | .191 | " .0175¢ | | | |
| 3. Richfield Oil Corporation | Ethyl | .211 | " .005¢ |) | " | " |
| | Regular | .191 | " .005¢ | | | |
| 4. Home Oil Company | Ethyl | .201 | " .005¢ |) | " | " |
| | Regular | .181 | " .005¢ | | | |

ACCEPTING BID OF GENERAL PETROLEUM CO. - R. L. CALLIS

After the reading, the bids were referred to a Committee composed of City Attorney B. Z. McKinney and Superintendent of Public Works Richard Parker to examine and determine the lowest and most suitable bid. The Committee having examined all bids reported that the bid of the General Petroleum Company submitted by R. L. Callis was found to be the lowest and most suitable bid of those presented, and recommended that the Council accept the General Petroleum Company's bid.

It was moved by Councilman Campbell and seconded by Councilman Blakelock that the bid of the General Petroleum Company submitted by R. L. Callis covering the City's gasoline requirements for the year 1952, be accepted, and the following was the stated vote, to wit:

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

The motion was declared carried.

PAYING OF THE BILLS

It was moved by Councilman Fortune and seconded by Councilman Campbell that the audited bills as read, be paid and that the payroll covering the period of January 1 through 15, be ratified.

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

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

The motion was declared carried.

Payroll January 1st through 15th, 1952 . . . \$ 5,766.09
 Total warrants paid January 16, 1952 . . . \$14,419.68

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION No. 543

Upon motion by Councilman Fortune, seconded by Councilman Blakelock, RESOLUTION NO. 543 BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING GRANT DEED FROM MISS DAPHNE ROBERTS COVERING LOT 27, BLOCK 2, TRACT 779, was regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

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

RESOLUTION No. 544

Upon motion by Councilman Fortune, seconded by Councilman Campbell, RESOLUTION NO. 544 BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING THE OFFER OF THE SAN CLEMENTE SCHOOL BOARD TO PURCHASE LOT 61, BLOCK 4 of TRACT 794 FOR THE SUM OF \$700.00, was regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

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

ORDINANCESORDINANCE
NO. 203

It was moved by Councilman Hempel and seconded by Councilman Blakelock THAT ORDINANCE NO. 203 BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA PROHIBITING DIVING OFF THE MUNICIPAL PIER, AND REGULATING SURFACE FISHING AND THE USE OF SURF BOARDS, be regularly introduced and read by title only.

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

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

REPORTS OF
COUNCILMEN

SEWER CLEANOUTS

Councilman Hempel requested an extension of 30 days before making a report on the matter of requiring that sewer cleanouts be installed at the curb line.

DAMAGE TO
CITY STREETS

Councilman Campbell stated that a survey of damage to City streets be made and that a definite improvement program be started.

DAMAGE TO
VISTA MARINA

Mr. McKinney reported that from the information supplied him by Mr. Parker relative to the damage done to Vista Marina in Tract 1495, it appeared that the City would have recourse to four individuals for damage to the street as a result of improper back-filling. This matter was discussed at great length by the City Attorney, Mr. C. D. Steves and Mr. Dudley Hamilton with the City Attorney being instructed to meet with the Bank of America's legal counsels to determine a course of future action.


ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Fortune, the meeting was adjourned.



City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk
of the City Council

APPROVED FEBRUARY 6, 1952



Mayor and President of the
City Council

City Hall
San Clemente, California
February 6, 1952

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of San Clemente, was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 408 N. El Camino Real, San Clemente, California, Wednesday, February 6, 1952 at 8:00 P.M., Mayor H. T. Read in the Chair.

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