

City Hall
San Clemente, California
April 2, 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 on Wednesday, April 2, 1952 at 8:00 P.M., Mayor Henry T. Read in the chair.

PRESENT: Councilmen - Read, Blakelock, Campbell, Fortune and Hempel

ABSENT: Councilmen - None.

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held March 19, 1952 having previously been presented to the members of the Council, were approved as presented, and ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HEMPEL, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK the reading of these minutes was dispensed with.

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.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

REPAIRS TO ESTRELLA STREET

Letter from Charles Pias requesting repair to Estrella Street to prevent drainage of storm water on to his property, was read and referred to the Superintendent of Public Works, Parker, and City Engineer, Ayer.

REQUEST BY OPTIMIST CLUB FOR USE OF COMMUNITY CLUB HOUSE

Letter from R. C. Hill, Secretary-Treasurer of the Optimist Club of San Clemente, requesting use of the Club House for April 9, 1952, was read.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED that the request be granted subject to the usual charge.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON WATER SYSTEM

Letter from the Department of Public Health regarding the Municipal Water System, was read and referred to the Superintendent of Public Works, Parker.

GOODWILL WEEK

Letter from the Goodwill Industries requesting Proclamation of Goodwill Week by the Mayor. The City Attorney stated that it would be in order for the Mayor to declare such a proclamation.

DIRT AND TRASH ON DOLORES AVENUE

Letter from Frank Dailey and others requesting that Dolores Avenue be cleared of dirt and trash, was referred to Street Commissioner Blakelock and Supt. of Public Works Parker.

COMPLIMENTING OFFI- CER CREGO

Letter from William E. Laird of Dana Point complimenting Police Officer Crego on his courteous manner in carrying out the law, was read and ordered acknowledged.

REQUEST FOR STREET LIGHT ON CERRITO

Letter from Harry C. Wright requesting a new street light in the vicinity of 611 Cerrito Street was read and referred to Street Commissioner Blakelock for investigation and report at the next meeting.

RE: EASEMENT FRONT- ING ON LOTS 60 & 61 BLOCK 3, TRACT 822

Letters from Fred H. Eley and Alfred Applebaum regarding 20 foot easement owned by the City of San Clemente fronting on lots 60 and 61 of block 3, tract 822, was read. Mr. McKinney pointed out that the City's rights were for street purposes only and that the owners of the lots in question could not build on the easements as the State of California Highway Department requires a 20 foot set-back from the street. It was suggested that the City may relinquish a portion of the easement to the owners in return for an easement at the rear of their properties. After discussion the matter was referred to the City Attorney for his investigation and report at the next meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

STOP SIGNAL

Walter K. Chapman, Realtor, complimented the City Council and the "San Clemente Sun" on their efforts in obtaining a stop signal in San Clemente.

UNFINISHED BUSINESSBIDS

**BID OF RUTH KIEREN
FOR LOT 27, BLOCK
5, TRACT 820**

The following bid held over from the last meeting of the City Council for further or higher bids, acceptance or rejection, was considered:

Bid of Ruth Kieren offering \$880.00 for Lot 27, Block 5, Tract 820.

The Mayor called for further or higher bids and there being none, IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN FORTUNE that the bid of Ruth Kieren offering \$880.00 for Lot 27, Block 5, Tract 820 be accepted.

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.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES & OFFICIALS

Report of the Building Department for the third quarter of the fiscal year 1952, was read and ordered filed.

Report of Charles Elterman, custodian of activities at the Community Center, for the month of March, was read and ordered filed.

Report of activities at the Municipal Golf Course for the month of March, submitted by B. W. Mast, was read and ordered filed.

Report of the activities of the City Court for the month of March, was read and ordered filed.

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

**RE COST OF INSTALLING
STORM DRAIN**

Report of Councilman Blakelock regarding cost of installing gratings on storm drains, was read. Councilman Blakelock stated that the City had obtained the services of a welder and had completed four storm drains in the vicinity of the Pier parking lot. The unit cost being \$28.11 as compared with the original estimate of \$26.50 per unit. Mr. Blakelock stated that enough steel was on hand to fabricate 6 or 8 additional drains and requested permission to carry on the work. It was decided that the work should continue until the stock of steel is used, and that funds be budgeted in the next fiscal year to allow completion of the project.

**CATHODIC PROTECTION
OF OUTFALL SEWER
LINE**

With respect to providing Cathodic protection to the outfall sewer line, Councilman Blakelock stated that the Committee assigned to this matter had not received literature on the subject and, therefore, their report would have to be held over for the next meeting.

**INSTALLATION OF
PARKING METERS AT
PIER**

The matter of installing parking meter heads at the Pier was considered. After discussion it was MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL that meter heads be installed from the south end of the Beachcomber Apartments north to a point near the Resort Motel Apartments.

Upon 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.

MATTERS TO BE REFERRED
TO PROPER DEPT. RATHER
THAN SP. COMMITTEES.

Councilman Hempel submitted Memorandum No. 39 recommending that matters of minor importance be referred to the commissioner of the department involved rather than to a committee composed of several people, and that an effort be made to channel problems through the proper commission.

MRS. JOHN C. DOUGLAS'
CLAIM.

The Clerk reported that he had received a revised damage claim from Mrs. John C. Douglas covering personal injury. The City Attorney advised that a letter be directed to the Insurance Company informing them that a claim had been filed with the City, and requesting that they advise the City if the claim should be accepted or rejected. If the claim is accepted, the payment will be made by the insurance carrier.

PAYING THE BILLS

It was MOVED BY COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HEMPEL that the audited bills as read be paid, and that the payroll period of March 16 to April 1, 1952 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 March 16 through April 1, 1952 . . . \$6,614.61
Total Warrants paid April 1, 1952 \$11,058.42

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 554

Upon motion of Councilman Blakelock, seconded by Councilman Hempel RESOLUTION NO. 554 BEING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A ONE-HOUR PARKING AREA AND A FIFTEEN-MINUTE PARKING AREA ON DEL MAR AVENUE BETWEEN HIGHWAY 101 AND OLA VISTA AVENUE, AND A PEDESTRIAN CROSS-WALK ON DEL MAR AVENUE CROSSING OLA VISTA AVENUE, 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

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 205

Upon motion of Councilman Hempel seconded by Councilman Blakelock, ORDINANCE NO. 205 BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA REGULATING EXCAVATION AND PLACEMENT OF POLES AND WIRES BY PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES AND SECURING A CERTIFICATE THEREFOR FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, having been regularly introduced and read by title at the regular meeting of the City Council of said City held March 19, 1952, was read in full by the City Attorney and passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 206

Upon motion of Councilman Blakelock seconded by Councilman Campbell, ORDINANCE NO. 206 BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING SECTION 54 OF ORDINANCE NO. 21 OF SAID CITY AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 194 OF SAID CITY, having been regularly introduced and read by title at the regular meeting of the City Council of said City on March 19, 1952, was read in full by the City Attorney and passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 207

It was moved by Councilman Blakelock seconded by Councilman Hempel THAT ORDINANCE NO. 207 BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF STANDARD DRIVEWAYS, 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

City Attorney B. Z. McKinney then read Ordinance No. 207 by title only. This constitutes the first reading.

REPORTS OF COUNCILMEN

PURCHASE OF TRAILER

Councilman Hempel stated that this year's budget had provided for the purchase of a trailer which could be used for transporting heavy equipment about the city, thereby decreasing damage to city streets. He stated that efforts had been made to obtain a trailer but due to the fact that the cost exceeded the amount budgeted, the matter had been allowed to fall by the wayside. Mr. Hempel recommended that steps be taken to obtain a used trailer for transporting caterpillars and other heavy equipment over the city streets. The City Clerk was directed to contact dealers and determine the cost of obtaining a trailer.

NEW OUTFALL SEWER LINE: SMITH-RICE DERRICK BARGES, INC.

Councilman Hempel inquired if the construction of the new Outfall Sewer Line was contemplated in the near future. The Clerk reported that in a recent conversation with Smith-Rice Derrick Barges, Inc. he was informed that an allocation of steel promised the contractor, had not been delivered, and that the contractor could give no assurance that materials would be available in the near future. Mr. Hempel suggested that the City contact the contractors advising them of the City's interest in seeing that the job is started very soon; and notifying them to furnish evidence to support their contention that materials were not available. The City Attorney was authorized to correspond with the contractors in an effort to get the job moving.

ENGINEERS' LETTERS RECEIVED RE: GEO-PHYSICAL SURVEY OF WATER POTENTIAL

Councilman Hempel reported that letters had been received from consulting engineers concerning a geophysical survey of our water potential, and recommended that the proposals be held pending recommendations from the San Clemente Taxpayers' Association. Mr. Hempel pointed out that the Taxpayers' Association had instigated the survey and, therefore,

should have an opportunity to study the recommendations before action is taken by the Council. Mr. Hempel further stated that if the Taxpayers' Association did not choose to make a recommendation, then the Council could act on the matter at the next meeting.

PARKING ON DEL MAR

Councilman Fortune recommended that limited parking be extended on Del Mar Avenue (see Resolution No. 554). Mr. Fortune further stated that he was preparing a map of the entire street and that after completion of this map, would probably have further recommendations to make.

LETTER FROM M. S. FARR RE: DAMAGE TO HIS PROPERTY

Councilman Blakelock reported that a letter had been received from Mr. M. S. Farr, owner of the Surf Cafe, claiming that City neglect had caused damage to his property during the recent heavy rains. Mr. Farr further claimed that the City had dammed up the stream in constructing the road to the sewage disposal plant, causing the water to back up and wash away a portion of his property.

Mr. Blakelock stated that an investigation revealed that the claims made by Mr. Farr were based on misinformation furnished by some local person. Mr. Blakelock further stated than an earth-fill at the rear of Mr. Farr's property had been subjected to run-off from the roof of the cafe which had caused the fill to settle considerably, and that a broken storm gutter had caused a very large hole at the rear of the building.

Mr. Blakelock reported that construction of the road referred to in Mr. Farr's letter had been in a different canyon, approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile north of the area in question, and could not have affected the drainage in the canyon as charged by Mr. Farr. Mr. Blakelock stated that a letter had been written to Mr. Farr by the City Clerk advising him of these facts.

TELEVISION AERIALS

Councilman Blakelock reported that many television aerials about the city were potential fire hazards and recommended that some legislation be effected to require inspection and control of the placement of such aerials. The Clerk was directed to obtain a copy of ordinances recently enacted by a city in Washington.

SITES FOR 20 MERCURY LIGHTS

Mr. Blakelock reported that sites had been selected for the placement of 20 Mercury Vapor lights in the southern part of the city on Highway 101. In selecting a location for the new lights, consideration was given to dangerous locations. Mr. Blakelock stated that a property-owner in the area had promised to pay the City \$50.00 the day the lights were installed.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL

Councilman Campbell stated it was with regret that he was leaving the group with whom he had spent four pleasurable years, and that without reservation he could say that all those persons with whom he had worked on the Council and other departments of the City were of extremely high calibre and character, and that he was certain this condition would continue to exist, as would also, the City's prosperity and progress.

Mayor Read thanked Mr. Campbell for his remarks stating that he and the Council were going to miss him and that he wished him every sort of success in the future.

Mr. McKinney then spoke in complimentary terms of Mr. Campbell's four years of service on the City Council, stating that he had found Mr. Campbell to be

a right-thinking man - fair-minded, considerate and at all times a gentleman. Mr. McKinney further remarked that he felt Mr. Campbell had done everything he could during his term of office to further the interests of the City, and he concluded by thanking Mr. Campbell for the association which he had greatly enjoyed, and wishing him continued success in San Clemente.

ADJOURNMENT

UPON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN BLAKELOCK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned.

D. L. Evans

City Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk
of the City Council

APPROVED:

H. Read
Mayor and President of
the City Council

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City Hall
San Clemente, California
April 15, 1952

This being the time and place fixed by law for the City Council to canvass the Returns of the General Municipal Election held Tuesday, April 8, 1952, the Canvass of the Returns of the said Election was made as is set forth in detail in Resolution No. 555, hereinafter written and made a part of these minutes.

Upon motion of Councilman Blakelock, seconded by Councilman Hempel RESOLUTION NO. 555 being A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE STATING THE RESULTS OF THE CANVASS OF THE RETURNS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1952, WAS REGULARLY introduced, passed and adopted by the following stated vote, to wit:

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

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Copy of Resolution attached hereto and made part of these Minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 555

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE, CALIFORNIA STATING THE RESULT OF THE CANVASS OF THE ELECTION RETURNS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 8TH, 1952.

WHEREAS, a General Municipal Election was held and conducted in the City of San Clemente, California on Tuesday, April 8th, 1952 as required by law, and

WHEREAS, it appears Notice of said Election was duly given in time, form and manner as provided by law, that two voting precincts were duly and legally established, that election officers were appointed and election supplies furnished, and that in all respects said election was held, conducted, and the votes cast thereat received and canvassed, and the returns thereof made and declared in time, form and manner as required by the General Laws of the State of California governing elections in cities of the Sixth Class, and