

Minutes of the regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held Aug. 11, 1970
All present: quorum declared.

Mayor Reed, presiding

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Betty Callon, Floribel Ave. spok on ecology. Mayor suggested putting matter into writing and mail to City Administrator and then council will discuss.

Mayor asked Chief of Police to check traffic at Hub on complaint of Mrs. Erwin.

PUBLIC HEARING: Creek retaining wall, 23 Brookside

City Engineer, two retaining walls on this property were undermined and have partially collapsed so as to obstruct free flow of water in creek, City Council should pass resolution declaring the walls to be a public nuisance.

M/S Councilman Perry-Stewart, council finds a public nuisance at 23 Brookside Dr. in that the concrete retaining wall abuttin the creek appears to endanger the adjacent neighbor's property because obstruction will divert the flow of water and otherwise cause obstruction of the natural flow. Further the property owner be ordered to remove said nuisance by September 15. Passed unanimously

REQUEST FOR FREE STANDING SIGN

Guasco Market, 100 Center Blvd. Mr. Guasco and Mr. Franz were present on this matter. City Engineer reported on same, saying total height is 28 ft.

Mary Donnellty stated height is contrary to any sign ordinance, would like to see council deny sign due to height.

Feeling of most the members of council this sign very attractive, there are no other signs on building, they are concerned about height.

Councilman Anderson asked Mr. Franz if he could scale the height of sign down and keep within 150 sq. ft., 37½ sq.ft. for each of the four sides.

Philip Heinecke felt does'nt impose a hardship on applicant to ask him to drop sign down a few feet, 150 sq.ft. very substantial size.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry, free standing sign for Guasco Market be approved with following conditions: no other permanent signs in connection with this, 26' maximum overall height from present grade, total sign area not to exceed 150 sq.ft.

Councilman Perry suggests two possible amendments; one with respect to designating the height keeping in mind the ordinance talks in terms of 15 ft. limitation at the adjacent street level, maybe it would be proper to state here, that is the limitation rather than the 26 ft.

Councilman Anderson amended same to read, not to exceed 26 ft. overall from the present grade or 15 ft. above the nearest adjoining point of the grade of Sir Francis Drake whichever is the lesser.

Councilman Perry suggested following amendment; that the free standing sign finds it's justification in that the peculiar problems presented by the island like characteristics of the property would result in results inconsistent with the ordinance should the free standing approach not be utilized. Amendments acceptable to Councilman Anderson. Motion unanimously passed.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Report on sign ordinance and set hearings. Philip Heinecke reported on same. Mary Donnelly said City should get a good sign ordinance and then stick to it, council should make decisions on what signs should be. Mayor Reed set dates of September 15 and 17 for Public Hearing on Sign ordinance.

2. Mayor Reed appointed Duane Ragan as alternate representative to the City-County Planning Commission.

3. Recommendation, definition of "structure".

Planning Commission recommended to City Council that Sec. 10-3.444 of the San Anselmo Municipal Code be changed. Also an additional section be added to Sec. 10-3.450 of the Municipal Code to read: "See definition of "Structure" (Sec. 10-3.444) and definition of "yard" (Sec. 10-3.450).

M/S Councilman Perry-Anderson, City Council adopt recommended changes as set forth in memo of July 27, 1970. Passed unanimously

UNDERGROUND UTILITIES: Redhill & Greenfield

Don Johnson, P.G. & E. stated he met with City Engineer today to discuss same, cost approximate \$803.00, can see no way of cutting this amount down. Mayor Reed if at all posible to get cost down.

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REQUEST FOR DIRECTIONAL SIGNS, COLLEGE OF MARIN

City Engineer stated he has no objections, signs would be at Sir Francis Drake at Hub & Redhill.

M/S Councilman Perry-Capurro authorize installation of signs under supervision of City Engineer, maintenance responsibility of district, signs be designed to be compatible to existing signs. Passed unanimously

OFFER OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BY PT & T.

Mr. Russell present stated there are 230 employees of Telephone Company who live in San Anselmo and would be interested in helping in community projects. Council stated there are many projects such as Robson's, Tot Lots, etc. City Administrator said maybe someone would be interested in taking John Holm's place on OEC. Mr. Russell said he would submit name if someone is capable to serve on this commission. Mayor Reed said he will get together with Mr. Russell in the near future and discuss same.

REPORT OF MEETING WITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ON RECREATION AGREEMENT

Mayor Reed and Councilman Stewart met with School Board, Mayor Reed drafted an agreement that would not include anyone but San Anselmo children, the School Board balked at this and want to include all schools in district. Mayor said one compromise would be to charge a fee for out-of-city residents. Mayor read changes made in agreement, this matter put off until September.

SONOMA-SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BARRIER

Mayor Reed asked about same and City Engineer said he has not completed same as yet.

BALLOT PROPOSITIONS:Resolution No. 1310

First Proposition: Purchase of new fire engine including its necessary related apparatus and equipment \$52,000.00. special tax nine cents (.09), for two fiscal years 1971-72 and 1972-1973.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry, City Council approve as outlined by City Attorney. Passed unanimously

Second Proposition: Undertake reconstruction and upgrading of accepted city streets at a total of \$52,000.00. special tax nine center (.09) for two fiscal years 1971-72 and 1972-1973.

M/S Councilman Perry-Anderson approve above. Passed unanimously

Third Proposition: present councilmen's salary be reduced to a maximum of Fifty (\$50.00) dollars per month.

M/S Councilman Perry-Reed approve above. Passed unanimously

This will not effect salary of present councilmen.

M/S Councilman Perry-Stewart adoption of Resolution No. 1310. Passed unanimously

OFFER FOR SALE TO CITY, TANNER BUILDING

Offered to City for \$100,000.00. Chief of Police stated same needs extensive repairs, don't feel has potential.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry, City did not pursue purchase. Passed unanimously

APPOINTMENT CLERK-DISPATCHER

Letter from Chief of Police recommending the appointment of Mary Ann Good to the position of clerk dispatcher, R-22, Step A, \$533.00 per month, effective 8/16/70.

M/S Councilman Capurro-Stewart, approval to the above appointment

ORDINANCE NO. 600 An ordinance establishing and appropriating funds as and for an advertising and publicity fund and designating the San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce as the non-governmental agency to administer and expend the funds for the designated purposes. M/S Councilman Perry-Anderson dispense with furthe reading and adoption. Passed on following vote:

Ayes Councilmen: Perry, Capurro, Anderson, Stewart
Abstaining Councilman: Reed

ORDINANCE NO. Amending Ordinance 485 of the City of San Anselmo rezoning property of Andrew Stafford from R-2 to R-3, 180 Tunstead Aven., first reading.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve minutes of July 21 and 28.

July 21, 1970 - Z-114 rezoning of A/P 6-121-04 and 6-121-08 (Essex Ave) change both sides to read west side.

Change word outside improvements to off site improvements. Change 150' plus or minus to 160' plus or minus.

It will be the responsibility of the property owner to see combined lots and dedication of 8' strip is recorded. (add) prior to granting building permit.

Resol #1309

CLAIMS & DEMANDS, JULY

Council approved with Councilman Stewart abstaining on P.G. & E. items.
M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry approve consent agenda. Passed unanimously

Councilman Stewart is alternate on City-County Planning Council.

Councilman Perry presented proposal policy for council meetings and present form for council approval.

M/S Councilman Perry-Anderson as a matter of policy, city adopt utilization of form as presented. Passed unanimously

Council approved all matters for council agenda shall be in Administrative Office no later than Wednesday noon and staff material by Thursday noon.

Councilman Capurro said before starting any street projects, Utility Companies be notified. City Engineer stated he sends notices out.

M/S Councilman Capurro-Stewart approval to Administrator's vacation from 8/24/70 to 9/8/70. Passed unanimously

City Engineer reported on fee's for plans, spec and engineering consultation on all projects not to exceed 8% instead of 7%.

M/S Councilman Anderson-Perry approve change as stated by Engineer. Passed unan.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 p.m. until August 25.

Anita Gannon, City Clerk

COMMENTS ON 1970-1990 ABAG REGIONAL PLAN

While the 1970-1990 ABAG Regional Plan for the San Francisco Bay Region appears to encompass many desirable concepts, it is so vague as to the means for accomplishing these that it is more a dream or shopping list than a list of accomplishable goals. As examples:

1. The greater part of the Bay Region and, assumably, the bay and inland waterways are to be public open spaces. The plan gives no estimate at all as to the cost of bringing these properties into public control or ownership; and the fact is that during the BCDC hearings it was stated over and over that the taxpayers could not even afford to get the bay into public ownership, let alone any large percentage of the green area on the map accompanying the plan.

2. It talks of large regional government low-cost housing projects, without expending one word on the way it might avoid the fiascos of past governmental low-cost housing projects.

3. The plan dwelled considerably on the protection of our environment and respect for the region's ecology but assumes, with no negative comment whatsoever, that the citizens of the region will accelerate their rate of consumption of goods and services, one of the root causes of our deteriorating environment.

4. The plan does not make it sufficiently clear that there are certain areas, such as air pollution, open space, water quality, solid waste disposal, and transportation, that local jurisdictions have not been able to come to grips with.

Finally it is very difficult to approve a 20-year plan without knowing what structure the jurisdiction carrying it out will take. It is illogical to assume that ABAG as a voluntary association will continue for the next 20 years.

James F. Reed
July 28, 1970