Council Room Nov 28th 1887

Called meeting of the City Council. Present. Mayor Lightbody, Councilmen Dolan, Hogue, Johnson, Blacker, Schuster and Detwiler, City Atty Caldwell.

Motion Secd & Carried. That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to employ such additional legal talent as he may deem necessary to assist the City Attorney in defending the injunction suit brought by the Citizens of Ysleta to restrain the City of El Paso from emptying the sewerage of the City into the Rio Grande above the Mouth of the Ysleta Acequia.

Council adjourned

R C Lightbody
Mayor

Attest
O B Beall
City Clerk.

Council Room Dec 2nd 1887

Regular meeting of the City Council. Present Mayor Lightbody, Councilmen, Hague, Dolan, Johnson, Blacker, Capels, Detwiler, City Attorney Caldwell, Marshal White, Clerk Beall.

Reading of minutes of preceeding meeting dispensed with.

Motion. Secd & Carried. That the fine of 5.$ and cost assessed against E H Newman in the Mayors Court Docket No 679 be remitted.

Motion Secd and Carried. That the matter of fixing the Salary of the City Attorney be referred to the Finance Committee. The report of the City Attorney in the matter of claim of Isaiah Weston read and referd to the Finance Comee.

The report of the City Assessor & Collector presented and referred to the Finance Com^ee the matter of approval of the tax rolls postponed one week.

Motion Sec^d & Carried, that the report of the Com^ee to whom was referred the matter of opening Kansas Street be tabled.

The following claims approved by Finance Com^t to wit:

Fink & Lyter, macadamizing,	$1914.00
M. Dolan fright on fixtures for Fin Dept	91.64
Total	$2005.64

Motion Sec^d & Carried, that the sum of $2005.64 be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay above claims, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasury to cover.

The following claims referred to Finance Com^ee to wit:

Stuart & McNair, for Hospital	17.89
Fink & Lyter, Sundry bills	56.58
Herald Pub Co. blanks	10.00
Gas Co. for Nov	6.08
G A Marshall, for labor	38.50
C. C. Kiefer Pencils	1.25
H M Robertson, Storage Sewer pipe	25.
Total.	$155.30

The matter of sidewalks built by W R Miller & Co referred to the City Engineer.

The petition of Chs Townsend, J F Crosby and other Citizens nod asking that H Glaze be reappointed Acequia Commissioner.

Motion Sec^d & Carried, that the prayer of petitioners be granted, and that Mr H Glaze be and he is hereby appointed Acequia Commissioner.

The petition of the El Paso Directory Co. read proposing to furnish the Council the complete population of the City.

The same on motion Carried, was referred to the Finance & Taxation Com^ee

the following communication read, to wit:

El Paso Texas Nov 25th 1887

To the Hon. Mayor and City
Council of El Paso Texas,

I, D W Schoonmaker.
Street Commissioner of El Paso City Texas do hereby withdraw what purports to be my resignation of said Office to the Mayor. for the reason that said resignation was obtained by force, threats, oppression and undue influence and not my voluntary act and deed.

Very Rest.
(signed) D W Schoonmaker.
St Comr of the City of El Paso Tx.

Motion Secd and Carried, that the Communication be Tabled.
the resignation of D W Schoonmaker which was filed Nov 19th 1887. was presented and on motion carried. was accepted
the resignation of W M Yandell as Health Officer and Sanitary Inspector was presented.
Motion Secd & Carried, that the resignation be accepted, and the thanks of the Council tendered Dr Yandell for the very efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of said Office
A petition from Stewart & Carpenter read. asking permission to construct an iron stair case from the side walk to the basement story of the Myers Opera House.
the same on motion Carried was referred to the Street & Grade Comee
the report of the City Engineer. was referred to Street & Grade Comee
Motion Secd & Carried, that the City Engineer survey and give grade stakes on the North side of Texas St.

Council adjourned

attest
O B Beall City Clk

Mayor

Council Room Dec 9th 1887

Regular meeting of the City Council above date. Present Mayor Lightbody, Councilmen Hogue, Dolan, Johnson, Blocker, Freudenthal Capt. Detwiler and Schuster, Attorney Caldwell Marshal White and Clerk Beall.

Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting were on motion, dispensed with. The Marshals report of fines collected during Nov in the Mayors Court was presented and refered to the Police Committee.

Petition presented from Loomis and McLachlen asking to be released from payment of taxes amounting to $2.76 on Lots 8 & 10 Blk 73 Mag of Add. as the same had already been rendered by A M Loomis.

Motion Secd and Carried, that the prayer of petitioners be granted, and the City Assessor is hereby directed to cancell on rendition the following claims approved by the Finance Committee, to wit:

Fink & Lyter, 27 loads rock, raising side walk &	54.54
Stuart & McNair, mdse for Hospital	17.89
Keokuk Iz Ork & M, One 100 foot tape, assessor,	15.00
J W Johnson, Killing 56 dogs	28.00
G N Marshall, labor	38.50
C. C. Kiefer, lead pencils	1.25
H M Robertson, Storage Sewerage pipe to Dec 1st	25.00
Gas Co. for Nov	6.08
Herald Pub Co. Certificates & blanks	10.00
Total.	$196.26

Motion Secd and Carried, that the sum of $196.26 be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay above claims, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasury to Cover. The Comm to whom was referred the report of the Assessor & Collector returned the same approved.

Motion Secd and Carried, that the report of the Committee be received and adopted and the Assessors report filed.

The Finance Comte report as follows on the proposal of the El Paso Directory Co. to wit:
Approved, providing said parties will accept 2½ Two and half cents for each Roll whether more or less than 10,000, on General Fund, scrip.
(Signed) S J Freudenthal
R F Johnson.
Motion Secd and Carried, that the report be received and the recommendation of the Comte adopted.
Motion Secd and Carried, that the sum of 85.00 be appropriated out of the General for the benefit of the Fire Dept. and that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasury for said amt in favor of M A Dolan Chn of Fire & Water Comte.
Motion Secd & Carried, that the Finance Comte make necessary arrangements to meet the obligations of the City for the present term.
The Street and Grade Comte report on the application of Stewart & Carpenter to construct an iron staircase to connect the basement story of the Myers Opera House with the ground floor of said building, and recommend that the prayer of petitioners be granted.
On motion Carried, the matter was referred to the Ordinance Committee.
Street & Grade Comte recommend that the Council adopt the grade maps presented by the City Engineer.
Motion Secd & Carried, that maps be and they are hereby adopted.
The following petition read, to wit:
To the Hon. Mayor & Council
of the City of El Paso.
Gentlemen
Your petitioners
The undersigned would respectfully ask

your honorable body to order an extention of the Sewer System from a point where Sonora Street intersects and Alley running between & parallel with Santa Fe Street and Chihuahua Street to the property of the El Paso Ice Co. Your petitioners are willing to advance cost of laying same upon same condition as were granted to Mr S Schutz and Mr Benj Schuster for a similar purpose

Very Respectfully

El Paso Tex 12/9/87. Houck & Dieter

Motion Secd & Carried, that the prayer of Petitioners be granted.

The following claims referred, to wit:

Andrews & Hills, Mdse	3.00
Lyter & Fink Macadamizing	1914.00
J B Klattenhoff, burial child	15.00
J A Ashford, rent room for city safe	15.00
Total	$1,947.00

Petition from Jas Alexander, Theo Balders and others read-asking the Council to order side walks on East side of Hill Street.

The same referred to Councilmen of the 2nd Ward.

The petition of Theo Balders & others read, asking Council to have a bridge constructed over the Acequia on 3rd Street.

Referred to the Comee on Street & Grades.

Communications from the State Comptroller and Attorney General were presented and read.

Motion Secd & Carried, that said communications be received, filed and entered upon the Journal of Proceedings of the Council.

The following is a true copy of said communications, to wit:

Office of Comptroller

Austin Dec 3rd 1887

Hon. R. C. Lightbody Mayor

El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir.

I herewith enclose you copy of opinion of the Attorney General, regarding the power of the City Council of the City of El Paso to repeal an ordinance levying a tax for a certain purpose. You will please bear in mind that this department has no supervision over the assessment and collection of City taxes, and the Attorney General was asked to advise this dept upon this matter, for the reason that upon its solution probably depended the registration of certain bonds by this dept to be issued by the City of El Paso. I can advise you no further than to state, that when the bonds are issued, forward them to this department, they will be examined and if found to have been issued in conformity to law, they will be registered.

Respectfully
(Signed) Jno D McCall
Comptroller

Austin Dec 1st 1887

Hon. Jno D McCall.
State Comptroller
Austin Texas.
Dear Sir,

In reply to the letter of the Mayor of the City of El Paso asking if the City Council of said City has the power to repeal an ordinance levying a street tax of fourteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property within said City as shown by a copy of the ordinance and which letter was by you referred to this Dept for an opinion thereon, you are advised that it is a privilege well established that the power of a City Council to enact an ordinance carries with it a corresponding right on the part of the Council to repeal the same at any time

they may see fit to do so. provided the repeal does not operate to disturb private rights vested under the ordinance (Dillon on Municipal Corporations Sec 514 and authorities there cited) when rights have become vested under an ordinance as for instance when bonds of a city are issued under authority of law and payable out of the proceeds of taxation, the ordinance providing for such taxation enters into and becomes a part of the contract and it cannot be subsequently repealed so as to deprive the bond holders of his remedy (1 Fet Rep 524) the repeal of the ordinance under such circumstances would be a violation of a contract which of course would be a breach of both the State & Federal Courts, while the City Council of the City of El Paso (as appears from a copy of ordinance) made and entered into a contract with certain persons to grade certain streets in said City, and agreed to pay them a certain sum therefor still there is nothing in the ordinance making the contract which expressly binds the Council to levy a tax to pay for said grading, nor is there in the ordinance any mention made of the levying of a tax whatever. This being true it follows that the parties who did the grading would have no vested right in the tax so levied, nor would it be a breach of the contract with the City, for the Council if it saw proper to repeal the tax. There being no express contract between the City and the parties who did the grading binding the former to levy a tax to pay for the grading, the latter stands in the same relation to the City as its other general creditors, and have no other rights as against the City than such creditors. Of course if the City should refuse to levy any tax to pay for the grading or refuse to pay the warrants in any other manner the parties could bring suit against the City on their debt and on judgment being rendered

against the City, the Court on proper application would have the power to issue a mandamus to compel the Council to levy a tax to pay off the Judgment. But while this is true still the Council has power to repeal the ordinance levying the tax as shown by a copy of the ordinance transmitted to this Department.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) J S Hogg.
Attorney General.

Motion Seconded & Carried, that the Council proceed to elect a City Physician for the ensuing term -

On First Ballot.
Dr W N Vilas received 7 votes
Dr A White " 1 "
Dr Vilas receiving a majority of the votes cast was declared elected City Physician of the City of El Paso for the ensuing term.

Motion, Seconded & Carried. That the Council proceed to elect a City Marshal, and 1st and 2nd Asst Marshals.

On First Ballot for City Marshal.
T B White received 8 votes being all the votes cast and was declared elected City Marshal for the ensuing term.

On First Ballot for 1st Asst Marshal.
J W Johnson received 7 votes.
C B Dowd " 1 "
J W Johnson having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected 1st Asst Marshal for the ensuing term

On the First Ballot for 2nd Asst Marshal
Chs B Dowd received 7 votes
J B Chapman " 1 "
Chs B Dowd having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected 2nd Asst Marshal for the ensuing

term.
The Acequia Comr recommended that Mr H Glaze be reappointed Acequia Comr
Motion Secd & Carried, that the Mayor nominate some one to fill said position.
The Mayor placed in nomination the name of Mr H Glaze.
Motion Secd & Carried, that the nomination of the Mayor be and the same is hereby confirmed, and that Mr Glaze be and he is hereby declared appointed to said position.
Resolution read requiring City Police to wear full uniform when on duty. the same referred to City Attorney to draft the necessary ordinance.
Adjourned until Dec 14th 1887 at 7-30 "P.M."

Attest
O B Beall
City Clerk

Mayor

Council Room Dec 14th 1887
Meeting of the City Council pursuant to adjournment. Present Mayor Lightbody, Councln Hague, Dolan, Johnson, Blocker, Freudenthal Caples and Detwiler, City Atty Caldwell. Marshal White, Clerk Beall.
The following resolution presented by Councln Freudenthal, to wit:
Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso, that whereas the members of this Council are unanimously in favor of the adoption of the General Charter of the State of Texas in lieu of the present Charter and whereas the only matter to be accomplished by the adoption of the General Charter at this time will be to cause an

election for Mayor and all City Officers in April next, and it being the belief of the members of the Council that the welfare of the Community would not be promoted by an election at that time and further-more that it is not the desire of the taxpayers and citizens to have an election in April next, therefore, Be it resolved by the City Council, that 1st the General Charter be adopted at the second regular meeting of the Council in April 1888. and that further consideration of the question of the adoption of the General Charter be postponed

2nd That the Finance Committee be hereby authorized to have bonds lithographed of such amount and nature as the Council may hereafter decide, said bonds to conform to the requirements of the laws of the state governing cities working under the General charter.

3rd That the Finance Committee in connection with the Mayor be hereby authorized to contract for the sale and delivery of said bonds whenever the amount and purpose of same have been determined by the Council and to guarantee the delivery of same not sooner than May 1st 1888. provided however, that no contract for the sale and delivery of bonds be made without the knowledge and approval of the Council.

Motion Seconded that the resolution do not be adopted.

Amended. That the resolution be laid on the table. The Amendment carried. Council adjourned.

R C Lightbody
Mayor

Attest
O T Beall
City Clerk.

Council Room Dec 16th 1887.

Regular meeting of the City Council. Present Mayor Lightbody Councilmen. Hague. Dolan. Johnson. Blacker. Freudenthal. Detwiler and Schuster. City Attorney Caldwell. Deputy Marshal Dowd. Clerk Beall.

Reading of minutes of preceeding meeting dispensed with.

Motion Sec'd & Carried. That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to incur necessary expense to prosecute suits brought against the City on account of the Sewer System.

Motion Sec'd & Carried. That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to draw on the Sewer Fund a sufficient amount to pay interest due on bonds of the City.

Adjourned until 2 O. clock P.M. 19th Dec 1887.

R C Lightbody
Mayor

Attest
O B Beall
City Clerk.

Council Room Dec 19th 1887

Meeting of the City Council pursuant to adjournment. Present Mayor Lightbody. Councilmen Hague Dolan. Johnson. Blacker. Freudenthal. Capels. Detwiler Schuster. Attorney Caldwell. Marshal White. Clerk Beall.

Motion Sec'd & Carried. That the regular order of business be dispensed with and the New Charter question acted on.

The resolution heretofore presented by Councilman Hague to adopt the general Charter of the State in lieu of the present City Charter. was read.

Motion Sec'd that the same be adopted.

Lost by the following vote. to wit:

Hague. Dolan. Capels. Detwiler and Schuster. ayes

Johnson. Freudenthal and Blacker. nays.

Motion Sec'd. That the Council adjourn. Lost.

The following ordinance read and adopted. viz

Be it ordained by the City Council of the

City of El Paso.

Sec 1 That Marshal, Assistant Marshals, and Policemen of the City of El Paso shall at all times while on duty wear the full uniform of their respective offices

Sec 2 If any Marshal, assistant Marshal of the City of El Paso or Policeman shall violate the provisions of this ordinance or any of them; the person so offending shall be fined in any sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars

Sec 3 Nothing in this ordinance contained shall be construed so as to make it unlawful for any of the officers herein named to wear any dress that may be deemed suitable when such officer is engaged in detective or other secret duty by direction of a superior officer.

Sec 4 That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force after its adoption approval & publication.

Motion Sec'd and Carried. That the contract of Mackinzie with the City for the construction of a building for City Offices be referred to the building Committee.

The Police commission returned the report of the City Marshal for the month of Nov. approved

Motion Sec'd & Carried. That the report be received and same filed.

The following resolution read and adopted. to wit:

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso. That whereas Asst Marshal Chipman has been relieved unintentionally by the Council by appointing another man in his place. now therefore be it resolved that the said Chipman be and is hereby appointed Third Asst. Marshal of the City of El Paso at the same rate of wages as has been paid to him heretofore.

The following claims approved by Finance Com'e to wit:

J W Johnson. balance on act	18 19
Jan Fernandez for Lyles & Fink macadam.	1000
Gutta Percha Rubber Co. for Fire Hose	414
Forward	1432 19

Brot Forward	1432.19
D. R. Miller & Co. Side walks on West Overland	370.10
Andrews & Hills. Mdse for Hospital	5.00
J. B. Klattenhoff. Burial child	15.00
Total	$1820.29

Motion Secd & Carried, that the sum of $1820.29 be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay above claims. and the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw on the treasury to cover.

Motion Secd and Carried. that the Claim of J A Ashford amounting to $15.00 for Storage on City Safe be Tabled.

Motion Secd and Carried, that the tax rolls be approved and delivered to the Assessor & Collector for collection. and that the same be and they are hereby declared delinquent on and after the 29th day of Feby 1888.

The following ordinance read and adopted. to wit:

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso

Sec I That the following rules shall be adopted for the use and management of the Acequias within the Corporate limits of the said City of El Paso. there shall be charged for lots of 26 feet front or under the sum of Three ($3.00) dollars per year. when more than one lot $1.50 for each after the first up to and including four (4). all over four. at the rate of $1.00 per year for gardening Five ($5.00) dollars per acre. for Alfalfa in fields Three ($3.00) dollars per acre. for domestic use Four ($4.00) dollars per year. for brick making 5 cts per 1000. and for laying brick in wall 2½ cts per 1000. for Adobes 50 cts per 1000 for making. and for laying in wall 25 cts per 1000, for cows. horses mules and asses 50 cts per head for year. for sheep and goats 10 cents per head no charge to be made for less than 6 months. for all other purposes the charge shall be 50 cts for each 1000 gallons. the year dates from March 1st to the next March. but for immediate use the Commissioner shall collect 25% of the

assessment as fixed by the ordinance to be used in cleaning the main Acequia - this 25% applies only to those patrons of the Acequia who wish to pay cash, the Commissioner is authorized to summons all who wish to pay for the use of Acequia water in labor, to work at such times and places on the Acequia as he may see fit until their assessments are worked out, and any failure to respond to the said summon will deprive said person, so failing or refusing, of the right to use Acequia water. The assessments or parts of assessments not excepted heretofore shall be payable after March 1st 1888. and any one willfully using the Acequia water without previously complying with this Ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, the Mayor shall be fined not exceeding 100$ for each and upon trial & conviction before and may offence

Sec 2 All previous Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this are hereby repealed.

Sec 3 This shall be in force and effect after passage and publication.

The following claims referred to Finance Comm^ee viz:

J B Klattenhoff burying Lovins	15
Smith & Fernandis, 107 ft 6 in. curbing El Paso St	123 62
Chs E Miller nursing & lodging City paupers	16 50
O T Bassett. 1 Rent Pest House ground	100
M Giesberg 2 trips to P. House	4
Total	$259 12
Bagnall & Dutton check Valves	5
Total	$264 12

The following resolution read and adopted to wit:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso. It being the desire of the said Council to pass or adopt the New Charter as provided by Statutes of the State of Texas, providing it is the desire of a majority of the legal voters of this City to adopt said Charter. Now therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of El Paso. That the Mayor be and

is hereby authorized to call an election to be held on the 28th day of Dec 1887. said election to be held the same as any other election. and the ballots to be furnished by the City and at the Citys expense and to read as follows, "For the New Charter" and "Against the New Charter" and if a majority of votes should be cast for or against said Charter. that this Council will abide by the majority vote so cast on the above mentioned day. and will bind ourselves to adopt or reject the same as the case may be.
Council adjourned.

R C Lightbody
Mayor

Attest
O B Beall
City Clerk.

Council Room Dec 28th 1887
Call meeting of the City Council to take into consideration the matter of accepting plans for the construction of a City Hall building, Present Mayor Lightbody. Councilmen Hague. Dolan. Blacker. Freudenthal. Capels Detwiler. Schuster. Atty Caldwell. Deputy Marshal Dowd. Clerk Beall.
A communication from D Mackenzie was read. asking the Council to amend the ordinance passed Nov 12th 1887. so as to permit the Contractor D Mackenzie to select design and plan for the City building. subject to the approval of the Council.
Motion Seed & Carried. that the communication be tabled.
Council adjourned until next regular meeting. Friday Dec 30th 1887.

Attest
O B Beall
City Clerk

Mayor

Council Room Dec 30th 1887

Regular meeting of the Council. Present Mayor Lightbody. Councilmen Hague. Dolan. Blacker. Freudenthal Capels. Schuster. Detwiler. Attorney Caldwell. Marshal White and Clerk Beall.

Minutes of preceeding meetings read & adopted. The following veto of the mayor was read and received and ordered filed. to wit:

El Paso Texas. Dec 23-1887

To the Council of the City of El Paso Texas.

Gentlemen.

I hereby return with my veto and disapproval the resolution passed by your honorable body at the last regular meeting authorizing the Mayor to call an election on the 28th Dec 1887 to determine whether or not the tax payers of the City desire to adopt the General Charter of the State in lieu of the present City Charter.

I do not believe that it is the wish of the tax payers of this City to go into an election for said purpose at this time. Such an election will incur a needless expense. Our current expenses have continued to increase largely within the past twelve months and every additional expense we incur is but an additional burden upon our citizens. In fact the time in which to call an election is limited I therefore return said resolution with my veto and regret to state that I cannot approve the same. Which veto is now filed and ordered of record in the minutes of the Council.

With respect I am very truly, Your Obt Servt.

R. C. Lightbody
Mayor

Report of the City Assessor & Collector read and referred to the Finance Committee.
Motion Secd and Carried, that the Council proceed to ballot for selection of plans and specifications for the Construction of a building for City Hall. Offices for City Officers &c.
On first ballot.

Kneezell & Vermehren. 2.
Geo E King 2.
Stewart & Carpenter 3.

2nd 1 Ballot.

Kneezell & V 3
Geo E King 2
Stewart & Carpenter 2.

3rd & 4th 1 Ballots

Kneezell & V 3.
Geo E King 2
Stewart & C. 2

5th 1 Ballot

Kneezell & V 2
Geo E King 3
Stewart & C 2.

6th & 7th 1 Ballots.

Kneezell & V 3
Geo E King 2
Stewart & C 2

Motion Secd & lost. that the Mayor make selection subject to approval of the Council.

8th 1 Ballot

Kneezell & V. 3
Geo E King 2
Stewart & C. 2

9th 1 Ballot

Kneezell & V 2
Geo E King 3
Stewart & C 2

10th 1 Ballot

Kneezell & V 4
Geo E King 3.

Kneezell & V receiving a majority of the

vals cost, their plans and specifications were declared selected.

Motion Secd & Carried that the Committee be given further time on the petition of certain persons asking to construct a Street Rwy on East Overland Stanton & other streets to the Cotton Addition.

The following report from the Committee on Streets & Grades was presented to wit:

To the Hon Mayor & City Council.

Of the City of El Paso.

Gentlemen - Your Comee on Streets & Grades, in compliance with the provisions of an ordinance providing for the macadamizing &c of El Paso Street of date Feby 4th 1887 and amendments to the same, herewith present their report and list showing the lineal feet owned by private parties along the lines of said Street from Little Plaza to Fifth Street subject to assessment for macadamizing, guttering and curbing of said Street and including in said assessment to the abutting owners the width of side walks on the ends of each block as provided in said ordinance, Your Comee find the said lineal measurement along both sides of El Paso Street from Little Plaza to Fifth Street 3863 feet 2 1/2 inches for macadamizing and guttering and 1826 feet 3 inches for curbing, Your Comee respectfully recommend that the list accompanying this the report, the same being duly certified by your Committee and the City Engineer be handed to the City Assessor and Collector and that he be instructed to duly advertise said assessment and collect the same as provided in the ordinance aforesaid from all owners who are liable to the same.

(Signed) W. E. Detwiler
Richard Capels.

I hereby certify that this is a correct list of property having frontage on El Paso Street from Little Plaza to Fifth Street and the owners thereof as near as can be ascertained.

(Signed) G N Marshall
City Engr.

Motion Secd & Carried, that the report of the Committee be received and their recommendation adopted.

The City Attorney recommend that notice be served on each property owner along said street, showing number of feet owned and the cost of construction of Macadam and Curbing, and that they be required to pay on or before the 19th day Jany 1888.

Motion Secd & Carried, that the recommendation of the City Attorney be adopted.

The following claims approved by Finance Committee, to wit:—

Geo Dowling. Flush tanks	17.00
Herald Pub Co. Blanks &c	20.50
M Guinsberg. two trips to P.H.	4.00
Smith & Fernandis. Curbing El Paso St	123.62
J B Klattenhoff, burial pauper.	15.00
Rio Grande Pharmacy. Medicines for paupers	46.45
O T Bassett Rent P.H. Ground	100.00
Bagnall & Dutton check Valves	5.00
Chs Miller. boarding Jas Miller 12.00 J Madison 4.50	16.50
A L Walcott. asstg Engineer	28.50
E Jones " "	1.50
C Powell " "	6.00
Frank Ashton " "	21.00
Total	$405.07

Motion Secd & Carried, that the sum of $405.07 be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay above claims - and the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasurer to cover.

The Finance Comee presented the following report to wit:

To the Hon Mayor & Council, of

The City of Del Rosa.

The Finance Comte beg leave to submit the following report of the Financial Standing of the City and make the following recommendation to wit:

The state of the different funds of the City is as follows.

General Fund.

Amt of warrants outstanding		11300.76
" " Tax levy for 1887 and in hands City Assessor for Collection	13074.17	
Cash on hand	873.11	
Total on hand & collectable		$13947.28.

Street Fund

Amt warrants outstanding		7115.18
" Tax levy for 1887 now in hand Assessor for Collection	7321.54	
Cash on hand	162.50	
Total on hand & collectable	7484.04	
To this we add the following		
Amt collectable on act Macadamizing and Curbing on Del Rosa Street	5000.00	
From Side walks	1000.00	
Total.		13484.04

Special Fund

Amt warrants outstanding.		128.14
Cash on hand	75.41	

Sewer Fund

Amt warrants outstanding		423.65
Cash on hand	936.22	

Sinking Fund

Amt Cash on hand	603.32	
" Tax levy for 1887	3137.50	

As will be seen from the above the amt of the tax levy for 1887 is sufficient to pay up all warrants now outstanding against the different funds and in the case of the Street Fund will leave the City a balance for further improvements.

Your Comte would recommend that the

sum of $1533.50 which has been deposited with the City Treasurer by the State Treasurer for the credit of the School Fund be transferred to the Treasurer of the School Board of the City. Your committee would further recommend that the City Treasurer be ordered not to pay a certain warrant for $900.00 drawn in favor of James A Ashford on the General Fund.

Your Com^ee would further recommend that no more sidewalks be constructed by the City and that in cases when side walks may hereafter be ordered laid, that in cases when persons fail to comply with such ordinance the City shall let out a contract to build such walk to the lowest bidder and shall make such contract or agreement with the Contractor whereby he shall collect his bill from the owner of the property for whom such walk was laid and whole the City entirely free in the matter - but that the City will give such contractor the same power to collect such bill as they may legally possess.

signed J P Hogue } Finance
S J Freudenthal } Com^ee

Motion Sec^d & Carried. That the report be received & filed and the recommendations of the Com^ee adopted & carried into effect.

Motion Sec^d & Carried. That the City Assessor be and he is hereby instructed to pay all money collected on act School Fund into the hands of the City Treasurer.

Motion Sec^d & Carried. That the Mayor draw warrant on the Sinking Fund in the sum of $701.75 for the purpose of paying interest due on City bonds.

The following claims referred to wit:

H M Robertson - storage pipe to Dec 31	25.00
Meacham & Hunsaker. ton coal	10.00
Inter Republics	1.00
Dr A White -	25
Forward	61

Forwarded
El Paso Water Co. ending Dec 31-1887 61
Ira Kochler 750
Geo C Ashurst 6
W A Irvin & Co 7 50
Stuart & McNair 1 70
Total 3 40
$829 60

Motion Secd & Carried. That the sum of $912 34 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer Fund to pay the claim of the Laclede Fire & Brick Co. and the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasr to cover.

Motion Sec & Carried. That the matter of drafting an ordinance governing the School Fund be referred to the City Attorney.

The matter of arranging to pay the Salaries of City Officers was referred to the Finance Comee

A communication from the Fire Department was read stating that the dept had now on hand sufficient apparatus to organize another Hose Co.

Motion Secd and Carried. That the Fire Dept be and they are hereby authorized to organize another Hose Co.

A communication read from the Fire Dept stating that the dept had elected and asked the confirmation of the following Officers. Chief C. E. Freeman Asst Chief W E Race Dan Kelley Foreman. and Nicholas Hasper Secty.

Motion Secd & Carried. That the Election of said officers by the dept be and the same is hereby ratified.

Councilman Detwiler on Motion Carried. was directed to procure storage for the Sewer Pipe now on hand.

Motion Secd & Carried. That Knuzell & Co be and they are hereby directed to advertise for bids for the Construction of

the new City Hall building in conformity with the plans & specifications adopted by the Council this date, all bids to be handed in to the Council on or before Jay 6th 1888. Motion Secd & Carried, that Councilman Hague be permitted to submit (without reference to the Council) application to the Comm for a Street Ry down Santa Fe. Street
Council adjourned.

R C Lightbody
Mayor

Attest
O B Beall

Council Room Jay 6th 1888.
Regular meeting of the City Council
present Mayor Lightbody. Councilmen, Hague. Dolan Blacker. Freudenthal. Capels and Detwiler. Attorney Caldwell. Marshal White. Clerk Beall.
Reading of minutes of preceding meeting dispensed with.
The following ordinance read and adopted, to wit:

An Ordinance

Amending Section Third of an ordinance passed and approved Feby 4th 1887. for the grading &c of El Paso Street.
Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso,
That Section 3. of the ordinance passed and approved Feby 4th 1887. providing for the grading and otherwise improving of El Paso Street in the City of El Paso be so amended as to read as follows.
Sec 3. The City Engineer and the Committee on Streets & Grades &c shall make an estimate of the cost of said improvements, and shall also report a full list of lots or fractional lots on El Paso Street fronting the improvements aforesaid, giving number and size of the same and the number of the block in