Council Room Nov 14th 1881

Regular meeting of the Council above date. the Mayor in the Chair directed the Clerk to call the Roll, the following members present. Aldermen, Dougher. Deeter Schuster. Buchanan and Hills. Marshal Boring present. the minutes of the preceeding meeting read and adopted. the following petition read. to wit:

El Paso Nov 6th 1881

To the Mayor and Council
City of El Paso
Gentlemen.

In view of the fact that the City has failed to provide proper and suitable sewerage to carry off the waste water from our hotel building on the Corner of San Francisco and Oregon Streets, the undersigned very respectfully petition your honorable body for the right of way to lay a private sewer from said property to the Rio Grande along the Alley between El Paso and Oregon Streets or along either of said Streets as may prove most practicable in the Opinion of the City Engineer from Survey now being made by him. and to incorporate with us one or more other private parties.

(Signed) Crosby and Hills.

the Reports of the City Clerk and Marshal for the month of October were presented. and On motion were referred to Comm on Finance. the report of the City Assessor & C. from March 1st 1881 to Oct 31st 1881 was presented and on motion was referred to Finance Comte the following Claims. on motion were referred to Finance Comte viz:

J R Bullard. Actg. City Engineer	7
S C Cries 1/2 ton Coal	5
B Schuster & Co 1 Blanket	16
Total	$28

the Finance Committee report as follows upon the following Claims and petitions. viz.

recommend payment of Claim of
Stuart & Sutherland Oil & Matches June 2nd/84 — 3 75
Joseph Magoffin Fees May June July & Aug. — 75 50
Total. — $79 25

Moved & seconded that the sum of $79.25 be appropriated to pay the above claims, Carried.
Com^ee return Claim of Emmerson & Berrien for the sum of $19.80 for approval of Office authorizing work to be done
Upon the Claim of the Firms, for the sum of $6.30 date June 1st 1884. the Com^ee report "that enclosed Bill under Contract with City should be, 38¢ and recommend that that amount be allowed.
Upon the petition of Mundy Bros asking $50.00 for grading the Little Plaza. the Com^ee report that for reasons set forth in Ordinance allowing Petitioners to do the work mentioned Com^ee recommend that the Bill be not allowed
Upon the Petition of W J Fewell asking that the tax against the Gas Co be abated - the Com^ee recommend the prayer of Petitioner be granted,
Moved & seconded that the recommendations of the Com^ee on above Claims and petitions be carried out, Carried.
The report of the City Engineer in reference to the Construction of a Main Sewer was read and filed.
Moved & Seconded, that the petition of Mills & Crosby asking right of way to construct a private Sewer to the Rio Grande along either one of certain Streets or alleys mention in said petition be granted and that the work be done under the supervision of the City Engineer in conjunction with the Com^ee on Streets Grades &c. Carried.
Moved & Seconded. that the time in which the taxes may be paid be extended to the 1st Dec next, Carried.
Council adjourned to 10 o'clock A.m. Monday next.

Attest - O J Bauer City Clk

Council Room Nov 17th 1881

Council met pursuant to adjournment above date, the Mayor in the Chair. Invited the roll. called the following members present, Aldermen. Doughty Shuster, Buchanan and Hills, also Marshal Boring.

Moved & Seconded that action on the matter of Sewerage be deferred until next regular meeting, Carried.

Account of W N Porter in the sum of 15.00 for work done and money expended in Survey of the Little Plaza was presented Moved & Seconded that the sum of $15.00 be appropriated out of Special Fund to pay said acct of W N Porter. Carried.

The following Ordinance presented & read. To Wit;

An Ordinance to prohibit animals running at large in the City of El Paso.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of El Paso.

Sec 1 That it shall be the duty of the City Marshal from and after the 15th day of November next to seize upon and take possession of any horse, mule, ox, cow, goat, sheep hog, goose or other animal or animals that shall be found running at large in the streets or precincts of said City within the City limits.

Sec 2 That for the purpose of securing possession of said horses, mules, oxen, cows, goats sheep, hogs geese or other animal or animals, the said City Marshal shall rent or cause to be rented, a suitable pasture and corrals, in said City, and shall impound said animals therein, He shall immediately after taking up any animal or animals, post up written notices at three or more public places in the City (one at the Court house) describing therein the marks and class of all such animal or animals or describing it or them, and giving notice

that the same will be sold three days after the date of such notice, unless the owner shall come forward and reclaim the same as herein after provided.

Sec 3 At any time before the sale of any such animals, under this Ordinance, the owner thereof may reclaim the same by making affidavit or giving other satisfactory evidence of his or her ownership, and paying the fees of the marshal for taking, supporting, notices, etc, and all other expenses and such fees and expenses shall be allowed the marshal as are allowed by the laws of the State of Texas to officers for similar services.

Sec 4 If no owner shall demand any such animal as may have been seized as aforesaid under this Ordinance by the day of sale as otherwise under Sec 2. of this Ordinance, the Marshal shall proceed to sell the same at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, and shall forthwith pay the amount of sales to the City Treasurer, retaining in his hands the amount of fees and expenses allowed him under this Ordinance, the Marshal shall keep a correct description of the marks and class of every animal if any, or general description, so sold by him, and the price sold for, in a book to be by him kept for that purpose, which it may at all times be examined by any citizen

Sec 5 The owner of any animal that may be sold under this ordinance, may at any time within thirty days after such sale, appear before the Mayor and identify and prove his or her ownership of such animal and thereupon the Mayor shall give such owner a draft upon the City Treasurer for the amount for which such animal or animals were sold, less

For impounding & seizing a charge of 70¢
For posting Notices in 3 places 70¢
For Keeping a reasonable amount for necessary expenses to be allowed
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The Marshal's fees for fees and expenses under the City Ordinance passed Nov 17. 1884 by the City Council of El Paso, are controlled by Art: 2400 Revised Statutes to wit:
The same fees as constables, reasonable & necessary expenses for taking care of property. Property claimed before sale, the fees and expenses are required to be paid before property is delivered to owner. See Ordinance of Revised Statutes page 384.

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all costs, fees & expenses accruing upon such taking up, selling, etc.

Sec 6 That all Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance take effect from and after publication, in accordance with its provisions,

Moved & Seconded that said ordinance as read be and the same is hereby adopted, carried.

Council adjourned.

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor

Attest
O B Beall
City Clk

Council Room Nov 21, 184

Regular meeting of the Council above date. The Mayor in the Chair directed the Clerk to call the roll, the following members present, Aldermen Bassett, Buchanan, Dietz and Hills, also Marshal Boring.

Reading of the minutes of preceding meeting dispensed with.

Petition of Mrs Lane, E.C. Galloway and other citizens living in the vicinity of the Public Plaza, asking that the owners of the Grand Central Hotel be prevented from putting the sewerage of said Hotel upon the Plaza was presented and on motion carried was refered to the Comee on Health.

√ Petition of Crosby & Mills presented, asking that the resolution adopted by Council granting them right of way to construct Sewer from their Hotel to the river be so amended as to fix the time at twenty five years.

The following Resolution presented - viz.

Resolved that the resolution passed 14th day of Nov 1884 granting permission to Messrs Crosby & Mills to lay a Sewer &c as provided in said resolution be

amended, so as to limit said privilege to a period of twenty five years from the time it was granted, provided the same does not interfere with any Sewer System that may hereafter be adopted by the City. Carried. The following Claims & acts were on motion carried refer to Finance Comm. viz.

Michael Driscoll	7.00
S R Bullock	21.00
F G Christie	7.00
J H Wilson	6.00
Total -	$41.00

The following Ordinance presented and read.

An Ordinance to provide for the numbering of houses, buildings, places of business and residences within the corporate limits of the City of El Paso Texas.

Be it Ordained by the City Council, the City of El Paso Texas

Sec 1 That all owners, agents, or occupants of any house, building, place of business and residences within the corporate limits of the City of El Paso are hereby required, within sixty days from the taking effect of this ordinance, to number or cause to be numbered any such house or other building, by placing on said house or building, a number in figures so large that the same can be easily seen and ascertained from the middle of the street, on which such house or building may be located and if any such person or persons shall fail to so number his or her said house or other building as hereinafter provided he or she or they shall be fined not to exceed one dollar and each and every day after the time above prescribed for said numbering shall constitute a separate offence.

Sec 2 That the Comm on Streets, shall designate to each owner, agent or occupant, on application, the proper number of his or her house or other building, in accordance with the following plan. That the City

shall be divided by El Paso Street running North and South, and all running East and West respectively, on the East side of said El Paso Street shall be known as East Streets and all West shall be known and called as West Streets, giving the name of of said Streets respectively, for instance East 2nd Street and West 2nd Street

That the City shall also be divided into North and South respectively Streets as follows, that all lying North and South of San Francisco and San Antonio Streets shall be known and called as North & South respectively as North El Paso Street and South El Paso Street

Sec 3 In numbering the houses each block shall have One hundred numbers, that is fifty on each side of the Street, but no lot or house of less width than 20 feet front shall be entitled to a whole number Numbers shall commence with No 1. and continued up to the number required at El Paso Street and run each way East and West, for Streets running East & West, and for Streets running North & South the numbers must commence at San Francisco and San Antonio Streets on all Streets running North and South

Sec 4 That this ordinance take effect from and after passage and publication

Moved & seconded that the ordinance as read be adopted, carried.

Moved & Seconded, that the Plans and specifications now before the Council for the Construction of a City Hospital be adopted, carried,

Moved & seconded, that bids for the Construction of a City Hospital in accordance with the Plans & Specifications adopted by Council, be invited and that all bids for said work be bided with the City Clerk by Wednesday next, carried.

Council on Motion Carried, adjourned until Wednesday next the 26th Nov.

Attest
O B Beall
Clk

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor

Council Room Nov 26th 1884

The council met above date, pursuant to adjournment, the Mayor in the Chair directed the Roll called. Present, Aldermen Dougher, Schuster Buchanan Bassett & Hills, Marshal Boring. Moved & seconded that the bids for the construction of the City Hospital be opened carried.

The following bids were opened and read to wit:

El Paso Nov 26 to 1884

To the City Council.

Gentlemen.

The undersigned offer to build a city hospital according to the plans and specifications as furnished for same, for the sum of thirty three hundred ($3300.00) dollars in City bonds bearing ten percent interest.

(Signed) Chs E Fruin & Co

To the Hon Mayor and Council
Of the City of El Paso Texas

Gentlemen, I have the honor to propose to furnish all necessary material and labor, and complete the Pest house according to the plans and specifications, for the sum of thirty five hundred and sixty five ($3565.00) dollars in City bonds of the Pest house series.

Respectfully.

El Paso Tx (Signed.) J A Shannon
Nov 26 1884.

El Paso Tx Nov 26. 1884

To the Hon City Council
Of El Paso Tx.

Gentlemen

We will furnish all material and build the Pest House according to plans and specification for the sum of Four thousand and fifty five ($4055.00) dollars in City bonds or than thousand and forty one dollars in cash.

Very Respectfully yours
Hymes Saw & Earhart.

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

We the undersigned do hereby propose to furnish all necessary materials and labor for the erection and completion of the City Hospital according to the plans and specifications on file at the Mayors Office for the sum of thirty five hundred and thirty three ($3533.00) dollars in the City of El Paso Bonds

(Signed) Spencer & Rattenbury

Council adjourned until thursday 27th Nov 1884 at 10 o'clock A.M.

Attest
O B Ball
City Clk.

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor

Council Room Nov 27. 1884

Council met pursuant to adjournment above date, the Mayor in the chair directed, the Roll called. Present Aldermen Schuster, Bassett Richardson and Miller Marshal Boring.

The following proposals were read to the Council, viz:

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

Gentlemen

We will sell the bonds if issued to us for seventy four cents on the dollar

Yours Respectfully
Spencer & Rattenbury

(Signed)

To the Hon Mayor and Council
Of the City of El Paso Texas

Gentlemen, I have the honor to state that should the Contract for the erection of the Pest house be awarded me as per my bid of yesterday I would sell the Bonds to the City for the price of 75 cents on the dollar.

Respectly
(Signed) J A Shanon.

Mr Frein being present stated to the Council that his bid of $3300.00 in Bonds would be in cash $2700.00
J A Shanon's bid $3565.00 in bonds or $2673.75 cash
Spencer & Rattenbury " $3533.00 " " " $2614.42 "
Hyms Ball & Earhart " $4055.00 " " " $3041.00 "

Moved & Seconded, that the bid of Spencer & Rattenbury $2614.42 for the erection & completion of the City Hospital be accepted. Carried.

Moved & seconded. that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to sell twenty (27) of the Pest house bonds of the denomination of One hundred dollars each. Carried.

Council adjourned.

Attest
O B Beall
City Clk.

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor

Council Room Nov 28th 1884

Regular meeting of the City Council above date the Mayor in the Chair, directed the Roll called, present Aldermen, Dougher, Schuster, Bossett and Buchanan, Marshal Boring. Minutes of preceding meetings read and approved.

Communication of Crosby and Miles in reference to certain opposition met with by them, in the construction of their Sewer from the Central Hotel to the river was read and on motion was referred to the Comm on Streets Grades with power given the Comm to act in reference to the matter.

The Finance Comm report their approval of the following Claims and accounts, viz.

S R Bullard, Assisting City Engineer Sep. 17 & 28.		7 00
S R Bullard " " " Nov 6, 7 & 8		10 50
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Michael Driscoll " " " " 11 & 12		7 00
F G Christie " " " " 6 & 7		7 00
S N Wilson Nine days Special Police		6 00
L C Chrisp 1/2 Ton Coal Nov 6.		5 00
B Schuster & Co 8 Pr Blankets Dec 8/84		16 00
Total		$69 00

Moved & seconded, that the sum of $69.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay above accounts & claims, Carried.

The following Claims referred to Finance Comm viz. Stuart & Sutherland $5.00 Geo Robertson $12.00 H M Davis $5.00.

The form of agreement for the Construction of the West Bridge was presented and read.

Moved & seconded, that the same be adopted and entered into, Carried.

Said agreement is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

The State of Texas
City & County of El Paso

This agreement made this 28th day of Nov A D 1884, by and between

the City of El Paso, of the first part and M M Spencer and M Harry Rattenbey partners as builders under the firm name and style of Spencer & Rattenbey party of the second part, in these words; the said party of the second part covenants and agrees to and with the said party of the first part to make, erect, build and finish in a good substantial and workmanlike manner, a one story frame building, for the City of El Paso Texas, and to be known as the Hospital or Pest-house, to be erected under the supervision of such person as may be named and appointed by the City Council of the City of El Paso on the Lot of land situated in said County and City and described as follows: Being a certain parcel of land. three (3) hundred feet square near the North east corner of the Fort Bliss tract of 320 Acres formerly owned by J W Magoffin decd heretofore selected by the City Council of the City of El Paso, and to be marked at the corner of said parcel when said building is completed and accepted agreeable to the drafts, plans and specifications hereunto annexed, of good and substantial materials by the first day of January next.

And the said party of the first part covenants and agrees to pay unto the said party of the second part, for the same, the sum of Two thousand, Six hundred and Fourteen & 42/100 dollars ($2614 42/100) cash in hand, when the said building is completed and accepted

And for the true and faithful performance of all and every of the covenants and agreements above mentioned, the parties to these presents covenant and agree each with the other, that the sum of Five hundred dollars, as fixed, settled and liquidated damages, shall be paid by the failing party.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this

The 28th day of Nov ~~Nov~~ 1884
(Signed) Simon V Pattenburg
Joseph Mogoffin
Mayor of El Paso.

Moved & seconded, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to purchase sufficient Cocaine matter for the City use, carried.
Moved & seconded, that that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasurer for sufficient amt of money to pay for the Little Pioneer Newspaper sold for taxes, carried.
The following preamble and resolution presented by Alderman Buchanan, viz:
Whereas:- The Cholera is prevalent in parts of Asia and Europe and has been gradually spreading since last Spring, and the Medical & Sanitary Boards of the United States are well satisfied that it will be impossible to prevent its reaching this Country, and
Whereas:- The most intelligent administrations of the United States are already taking measures to cleanse and purify their respective places: and,
Whereas:- Our city of El Paso has a Charter in such form as to prevent the levying of further tax for sewer purposes, nor is there any means known to this body whereby any sufficient sum of money may be raised or procured with which to construct any system of sewers adequate to the necessities, except it be by disposing the bonds, authorized to be issued to be for the construction of public buildings, which said bonds are yet in the possession of the City.
Believing that a large part of the Citizens and tax payers of the City are greatly interest in such measures as will place our growing town in the best possible sanitary condition, Therefore be it
Resolved:- That the Hon the Mayor is hereby directed to call an election to be

held on Monday the fifteenth day of December 1884. and appoint Judges upon which occasion voters are requested to signify their desire in said proceeding. those favoring the measure voting for diverting $9000. of bonds, that is to say $4000. heretofore appropriated and used for the purpose of erecting the City Jail, and $5000. for City offices for the City officials, and those not favoring the said diversion, voting against diverting $5000. of bonds $4000. voted for erecting the City Jail & $5000. for city offices for city Officials.
Moved & Seconded that the resolutions be adopted. Carried.
Therefore by virtue of the adoption of said resolution. I hereby order that an election be held on Monday the 15th day of December A.D. 1884. for the purpose of voting on the proposition respecting the diverting $9000. of City bonds, as more fully stated above.
The following named persons are appointed as Judges to conduct said election, in the first Ward. to wit: Isaac Blum presiding Judge W W Mills and J T Brink, the following named persons are appointed Judges in the Second Ward. to wit: Henry Burliner, presiding Judge. J M Ashford and S L Kahn. The following named persons are appointed Judges in the third Ward. to wit: C Q Stanton presiding Judge. B. Nebeker. & Wm Crosby. The Judges in the respective Wards will select two Clerks to assist them respectively in holding said election. Said election shall be held in the first ward at the Hogue Building on San Francisco Street: in the Second Ward at the Head Quarters of the Fire Department on east Overland Street and in the third Ward at the Office of A T Bassett on St Louis Street in said City. Said Judges respectively shall hold said election and make returns thereof respectively to the City Council

as required by law.
Given under my hand and the seal of said City this 1st day of December A.D. 1884.

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor of City of El Paso Tx

Attest
O B Beall
City Clk.

The Council adjourned.

Joseph Magoffin
Mayor.

Attest
O B Beall
City Clk.

Council Room Dec 5th 1884

Regular meeting of the Council above date. The Mayor in the Chair directed the roll called, Present. Aldermen Laughlin, Diehl, Buchman, Bassett & Miles, also Marshal Boring. Minutes of preceding meeting read and adopted.
The City Atty recommends that $100.00 in cash and $50.00 in City Scrip be paid to Jas Smith & Wife settlement in full for all City property involved in suit of John Smith & Wife vs the City of El Paso
Moved & Seconded, that the recommendation of the City Atty be carried out, Carried.
Moved & Seconded that the City Assessor be instructed not to advertise any piece of real estate for sale upon which the tax has been paid by any person, Carried.
The form of Lease of O B Boralle to the City for certain property for purpose of erecting Pest house, was presented and read.
Moved & Seconded, that the same be approved and executed in proper form Carried.
Said Lease is in words and figures as follows, to wit:
The State of Texas
County of El Paso }

This indenture made the