CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
MAY 15, 1957

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, May 15, 1957; Councilmen Fuller, Hatzakian, Mitchell, Robinson, and Hughes (Mayor) present; none absent. City Manager Keller and City Attorney Mullen absent.

(The Mayor announced he had received a letter from the Lodi Trailer Club inviting the Council to a potluck supper to be held at Lodi Lake Park on Saturday, May 25, at 6:30 p.m. He also had a letter from the Veterans of Foreign Wars designating May 30 as Poppy Day.)

Minutes of May 1, 1957 were approved as written and mailed.

Councilman Robinson, who was not present at the May 1 meeting, questioned the Council's wisdom in changing a 45-foot parking stall adjacent to the Lodi Funeral Home parking lot to a passenger loading zone. He stated the City needed parking space and that the parking space should not have been changed to a loading zone just to accommodate the users of a private parking lot, particularly when the parking lot was not used on a regular basis. Councilman Hatzakian replied that merchants should be encouraged to provide their own off-street parking, that the space in question was too small for parking, that the matter had been thoroughly discussed at the previous meeting, and that he believed a wise decision had been made.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

BLAGER ADDITION ORD. NO. 590 INTRODUCED	Mayor Hughes called for public hearing on the request of Mrs. Flora Blager for the annexation of her property on West Lodi Avenue to the City. There were no protests received either written or oral. Ordinance No. 590, approving the annexation of the Blager Addition, was then introduced on the motion of Councilman Fuller, Robinson second.
FAITH TABER-NACLE ADDITION ORD. NO. 591 INTRODUCED	The Mayor then called for public hearing on the request of the Faith Tabernacle for the annexation of its property on Loma Drive to the City. There were no protests received either written or oral. Ordinance No. 591, approving the annexation of the Faith Tabernacle Addition, was then introduced on the motion of Councilman Hatzakian, Fuller second.

PLANNING COMMISSION

FINAL MAP FURAZI MANOR	The final map of Furazi Manor was submitted for approval. On the motion of Councilman Robinson, Hatzakian second, the Council approved the map and authorized the Mayor to sign. The acceptance of the streets offered for dedication is subject to improvement of the streets to City standards before they will be maintained by the City.

C.P.C. REPORT The City Clerk reported the following action taken by the Planning Commission at its meeting of May 15, 1957:

1. Granted a variance to Marland H. Cook to maintain a fence six feet high in the street side yard at 301 North Cross Street.

2. Denied a variance to Mrs. Iva Anshutz to establish a manufacturing use in a non-conforming building located in the R-4 residential zone at the southeast corner of East Oak Street and South Garfield Street.

3. Accepted a report of the Zoning Committee which granted to William Schimke a variance to reduce the required side yard by eight inches at 834 South Lee Avenue.

COMMUNICATIONS

TRASH CANS Letter from Dan Duffe of Sacramento requesting permission to place advertising trash cans on the downtown sidewalks was referred to the City Manager for his recommendations.

JUNIOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PARK Letter from the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Lodi Junior Chamber of Commerce inviting the Council to attend the dedication of the Junior League Baseball Park, May 19, 1957, 1:00 p.m. The invitation was accepted with thanks, and Councilman Robinson, Mitchell second, moved that a letter be written to the Junior Chamber of Commerce complimenting them for the work they have done on this project.

ZABALA CLAIM Verified claim from the Enterprise Insurance Company for injuries sustained by Frank Zabala on the motion of Councilman Katzakian, Mitchell second, was rejected and turned over to the City Attorney for action.

ABC LICENSE Application for Alcoholic Beverage License for On Sale Beer to Susan B. Harold and Joseph Pacheco, 111 North Sacramento Street.

POLICE COMMENDED Letter from Bradford M. Crittenden, District Attorney, to Chief of Police Fred Hunt commending the Police Department for the excellent work done on the Graffigna-Fox case, particular mention being made of Detective Sergeant Miles Sperling, Detective Marcus Yates, Identification Officer Edwin Ehrhardt, Officer James Brunson and Officer Mack Bersi. Members of the Council expressed their gratification for the fine performance of the department and its recognition by the District Attorney.

REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER

CLAIMS Claims in the amount of $145,566.50 were approved on the motion of Councilman Robinson, Katzakian second.

PLANS LODI AVE. WIDENING	Plans and specifications for widening Lodi Avenue between School Street and Main Street were approved on the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Fuller second, and call for bids authorized. Councilman Robinson moved, Natsahian second, that the Central California Traction Company be requested to remove the excess tracks. So carried.
GAS TAX FUNDS RES. NO. 2027 ADOPTED RES. NO. 2028 ADOPTED	On the motion of Councilman Natsahian, Robinson second, Resolution No. 2027 was adopted approving the agreement with the State for expenditure of gas tax funds on major streets. Resolution No. 2028, approving an agreement with the State for expenditure of $2500 of additional gas tax funds for engineering was approved on the motion of Councilman Fuller, Mitchell second.
WITHDRAWAL SOUTHERN BAPTIST FROM WOOD'N FIRE PROT. DIST. RES. NO. 2024 ADOPTED	Resolution No. 2024, withdrawing the Southern Baptist Mission from the Woodbridge Rural County Fire Protection District, was adopted on motion of Councilman Natsahian, Robinson second.
TRUCK AWARD RES. NO. 2025 ADOPTED	The City Clerk reported that two bids for a 1½-ton truck had been received: one from Loewen Auto Company for $2045.49 and one from Krieger Motor Company for $2322.05. On the motion of Councilman Robinson, Mitchell second, Resolution No. 2025, awarding the contract to Loewen Auto Company for one, 1½-ton truck, was adopted.
STATE PERSONNEL BOARD CONTRACT RES. NO. 2026 ADOPTED	On the motion of Councilman Natsahian, Fuller second, Resolution No. 2026 was adopted approving the annual contract with the California State Personnel Board Cooperative Personnel Services.
DOUBLE OIL COMPANY PROPOSAL TO-DATE	The request of the Double Oil Company for four driveways on the southwest corner of Tokalums and Lodi Avenue was approved unanimously on the recommendation of the City Engineer by motion of Councilman Mitchell, Robinson second. Mayor Hughes then informed the Council that he wished to schedule the following: 1. A meeting sometime in June regarding personnel. 2. A meeting on May 29 to discuss capital outlay plans. 3. Consideration of the Fire House problem at the regular June 3 meeting. The Fire Chief is invited to present his written recommendation, to be forwarded through the City Manager's office with the distribution of the agenda on June 3. The Mayor would also welcome in writing any recommendations that members of the Council might wish to make.

All members of the Council approved the minutes of the informal meeting with the Board of Fire Underwriters on May 10, 1957, and the May 15 letter from the Board confirming the points discussed at said meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. on the order of the Mayor.

ATTEST: BEATRICE GARIBALDI
Deputy City Clerk