

EMERGENCY MEETING

of the

CITY COUNCIL

to be held in

City Council Chambers

City Hall

Abilene, Texas

on

OCTOBER 12, 1981

10:00 A.M.

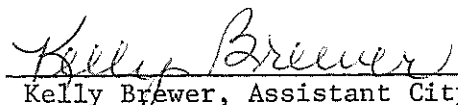
Whereas, there is an urgent public necessity that the City Council give authorization for condemnation of property on Barrow Street in that the City of Abilene has been notified that the funds may be jeopardized if the right of way is not secured by February, 1982, and it is therefore imperative that the condemnation process be begun as soon as possible if this deadline is to be met:

1. INVOCATION
2. Request for condemnation of land to widen Barrow Street.

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin Board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas on the 9 day of October, 1981, at 5:00 P.M.

  
Kelly Brewer, Assistant City Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM  
CITY HALL, THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS.

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in Special Session, Monday, October 12, 1981, at 10:00 a.m. with Mayor Elbert E. Hall, present and presiding. Councilmen Seaton Higginbotham, Dick Bowen, Juan C. Rodriguez & A.E. Fogle Jr., present. Councilman L. D. Hilton & Councilwoman Kathy Webster absent. City Manager Ed Seegmiller, City Attorney Harvey Cargill & City Secretary Ruth Hodgkin, present.

Invocation by Councilman Fogle.

Mayor Hall asked Mr. Seegmiller to brief the Council on the purpose of the meeting.

Mr. Seegmiller said that the meeting was to consider the request for condemnation of land to widen Barrow Street. He said that we needed to move forward on the project, because the Highway Department wanted to advertise for bids in February and this needed to be included, and in order for it to be included, it needed to be processed by the early part of November. All of the right of way has been acquired except this parcel and one other that is in process of being signed.

Mr. Seegmiller said that the 2nd project from South 14th to South 3rd will be complete by mid to late summer, which is the goal. The Highway Department is comfortable with that date. They will receive urban funds from the Federal Government for two more years.

Sam Chase, Attorney and major stock holder in the business where the condemnation is taking place, was present and offered to answer questions that the Council might have. Morgan Green & wife own the property.

Bob Whitehead, Director of Public Works, said that they had been working with the utility companies in re-locating the utilities from the right of way. This is required by the bid letting date.

Mr. Seegmiller explained that the first phase of Barrow Street widening was from South 14th to South 27th. This required approximately 10' of right of way to make it a 64' wide thoroughfare. This bid letting will be in February hopefully. After the City acquires the right of way, the Highway Department has agreed to pay for the widening of the street.

The second phase of the Barrow Street Improvement is from South 14th to South 3rd. There are some residences that will have to be purchased, and the Highway Department, through the relocation act, purchases the property and negotiates the relocation. From S 3rd to S 1st, the street is sufficiently wide.

Councilman Bowen moved adoption of the resolution declaring the necessity for acquiring by condemnation the fee simple title to certain described property for right of way purposes of the Barrow and South Mockingbird Street widening and improvement project and ordering the condemnation of said property to proceed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rodriguez. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Rodriguez, Fogle & Mayor Hall.

NAYS: None.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR ACQUIRING BY CONDEMNATION THE FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY PURPOSES OF THE BARROW AND SOUTH MOCKINGBIRD STREET-WIDENING AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF SAID PROPERTY TO PROCEED.

There being no further business, Mayor Hall adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

  
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CITY SECRETARY

  
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