

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 1, 1895. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, April 1, 1895, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. Wm. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 17 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer and Young.

Absent, 3—viz: Messrs. Ryan, Stein and Stott.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Shaffer moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Which motion prevailed.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
April 1, 1895. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—Since the last meeting of your honorable body, I have approved the following ordinances passed at said meeting, to-wit:

G. O. No. 15, 1895. An ordinance annexing certain territory to the City, known as North Indianapolis, and the improved district adjoining the same on the south.

- G. O. No. 16, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the alienation and conveyance of lot number forty-four in the Peru & Indianapolis Railroad Company's addition to the city of Indianapolis.
- G. O. No. 12, 1895. An ordinance directing the location of a Hay Market at the corner of Washington and Pine streets.
- G. O. No. 9, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the issue and sale of two hundred refunding bonds of \$1,000 each, etc., in order to raise money to take up certain bonds of July 1, 1875, known as "Series D," etc.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. DENNY,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
April 1, 1895. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—The new Charter confers upon your honorable body power to pass and enforce ordinances upon a variety of subjects concerning which you have not so far acted. Amongst these are a number of things affecting public morals, as to which you are empowered to confer jurisdiction upon the police authorities for a distance of four miles beyond the city limits. Emergencies may arise making it important for such jurisdiction to exist. I therefore request that a committee be named, with instructions to carefully investigate the whole subject and prepare for passage an ordinance extending the jurisdiction of the city over such matters as should be prohibited or regulated, to a distance of four miles beyond its corporate limits, as is authorized and contemplated by section 23 of the Charter. In this connection, I suggest that the liquor license ordinance be amended so as to impose the license fee on saloons within four miles of the city, instead of two, as now, thus extending the jurisdiction of the police force to that distance; also, in all matters relating to the liquor traffic.

I trust this whole matter may be carefully considered and the proper ordinance prepared for introduction by the date of your next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. DENNY,
Mayor.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Public Morals.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
April 1, 1895. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I am informed that no action has yet been taken by your honorable body looking to the printing of the annual reports of the heads of city departments, all of which were submitted by me, with my own communication, on February 18.

I respectfully suggest that you appoint a committee to act with the Board of Public Works, giving them authority to have said reports printed in pamphlet form for the use of the departments and for distribution. Many calls are made for these reports. Provisions should be made for sending a copy to every large city in the United States, also. Indianapolis receives copies of reports from many cities, but has never returned the compliment, except on application. I am informed by the Board of Public Works that no appropriation has been made to print said reports, and they ask for \$900 to do said work, which I recommend be appropriated.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY.

Mayor.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Printing.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

Communication from Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
March 25, 1895. }

Hon. William H. Cooper, President Common Council, City of Indianapolis:

DEAR SIR—We beg to submit to your honorable body for consideration an ordinance which we have prepared relating to the matter of regulating and fixing fees to be charged to persons licensed to excavate in the streets of the city. The present fee, as fixed by your body, is 50 cents for each opening, whether the opening is to be made in an improved street or otherwise. This we think is wrong. We believe the fee to be charged for the entering into of streets not permanently improved should be increased, and the fee to be charged for the entering into of improved streets should be considerably larger than that charged for unimproved streets. We are confronted with the necessity of spending, at a very early day, the city's money in order to keep in repair improved streets upon which the guarantee given by the contractor has expired. The guarantees on Pennsylvania street, from Washington street to Ohio street, and on Court street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street, have expired. The guarantee on seven or eight other improved streets expire this season, among which is Washington street.

One of the difficulties encountered by this Board is to compel all property owners to make connections with sewer, gas and water mains before a street is permanently improved. The importance of having this done is apparent. The passage of an ordinance embodying the ideas expressed in the enclosed will have a beneficial effect upon all property owners on streets which are to be paved. If he fails to make all connections before the improvement is made, it can only be done afterward upon the payment of the permit fee, which should be sufficiently large to make it an incentive to have connections made at the proper time.

Mayor Denny, in his last annual message to you, recommends that such an ordinance be passed. We assure you that there is urgent need for its passage.

Very respectfully,

W. B. HOLTON,
E. L. ATKINSON,
JNO. OSTERMAN,
Board of Public Works.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

Communication from Board of Public Park Commissioners:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
April 1, 1895. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—We respectfully request that the balance now remaining unexpended of the several funds heretofore appropriated for the use of the several parks of said city be transferred to the park fund of the Department of Public Parks.

FRANK A. MAUS,
H. C. ALLEN,
W. H. LEEDY,
Board of Park Commissioners.

I respectfully recommend the transfer requested above.

P. C. TRUSLER,
City Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Schmid, on behalf of the Committee on Fees and Salaries, to whom was referred:

G. O. No. 13, 1895. An ordinance providing that the janitor for the City Council chamber shall have compensation for extra work.

Made the following report:

Mr. President:

Your Committee to whom was referred G. O. No 13, had the same under consideration and recommend that the same be passed.

JOHN H. SCHMID.
D. W. O'BRIEN.
J. R. ALLEN.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Rauh, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 2, 1895. An ordinance appropriating to the Department of Finance moneys with which to pay increase of salaries, and additional salaries, for the balance of the current fiscal year, as provided for by amendments to the City Charter.

Made the following report:

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred Appropriation Ordinance No. 2, had the same under consideration and respectfully recommend it be passed.

HENRY RAUH.
ED. G. STOTT.
CHARLES KRAUSS.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.
GEO. R. COLTER.
GEO. MERRITT.
J. R. ALLEN.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Rauh, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred:

G. O. No. 14, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of seven hundred dollars to a fund other than that for which it was originally appropriated, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred G. O. No. 14, had the same under consideration and respectfully recommend it be passed.

HENRY RAUH.
ED. G. STOTT.
CHARLES KRAUSS.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.
GEO. R. COLTER.
GEO. MERRITT.
J. R. ALLEN.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Rauh, on behalf of the Committee on Finance to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Public Works pertaining to the employment of a Street Sprinkling and Sweeping Inspector, made the following report:

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Public Works, pertaining to the employment of a Street Sprinkling and Sweeping Inspector respectfully recommends that the Committee on Ordinances be requested to bring the proper ordinance to cover this ground.

HENRY RAUH.
ED. G. STOTT.
CHARLES KRAUSS.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.
GEO. R. COLTER.
GEO. MERRITT.
J. R. ALLEN.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Ordinances, with instructions to prepare an ordinance covering this ground.

Mr. Rauh, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Public Works pertaining to the employment of an Assistant Foreman of Street Repairs, made the following report:

Mr. President :

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Public Works pertaining to the employment of an Assistant Foreman of Street Repairs, respectfully recommends that the Committee on Ordinances be requested to bring the proper ordinance to cover this ground.

HENRY RAUH.
ED. G. STOTT.
CHARLES KRAUSS.
JAS. H. COSTELLO.
GEO. R. COLTER.
GEO. MERRITT.
J. R. ALLEN.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Ordinances, with instructions to prepare an ordinance covering this ground.

Mr. Merritt, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of Charles B. and Jesse Fletcher, trustees, et. al., made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 1, 1895.

Mr. President :

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Charles B. and Jesse Fletcher, trustees, et. al., for refunding of city taxes claimed to have been illegally assessed and collected, reports against said petition, and recommends that the claims be disallowed.

GEO. MERRITT.
L. W. DREW.
WM. HENNESSY.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Drew, on behalf of the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred:

G. O. No. 12½, 1895. An ordinance in relation to Archer street, and changing the name thereof.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1895.

Mr. President:

Your committee to which was referred G. O. No. 12½, 1895, recommends that the ordinance be passed.

L. W. DREW,
GEO. W. SHAFFER,
WM. HENNESSY,

Which was read and concurred in.

REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES.

Mr. Koehring, on behalf of the Special Committee to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That a special committee of three members be appointed to consider the Mayor's recommendation concerning delinquent taxes.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 1, 1895.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee to whom was referred Resolution No. 2, 1895, providing for a special committee to consider that section of the Mayor's annual message relating to the matter of delinquent taxes, would respectfully submit the following report. We find, by referring to the County Auditor's books, that a large per cent. of the people assessed for personal property pay no taxes whatever. A large part of these are assessed on personal property amounting to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) or less. The law prohibits the County Treasurer from levying on property amounting to twenty-five dollars (\$25 00) or less. The recent hard times has no doubt, been the cause of increasing this number. Another reason of the increase of the delinquent list is the large amount of taxes now in litigation. Some of these items are the taxes of the Union Railway Company, the Gallup estate, the Iron Hall and others which have been placed on the delinquent list. The County Treasurer states that while the fee and salary law, passed by the legislature two years ago, was in operation, he made no attempt to collect delinquent taxes by collectors, stating that the law made no provision for the extra costs of collectors. We think this another reason of the increased delinquent list. The Treasurer further states that when the above fee and salary law was declared unconstitutional, he at once engaged collectors and has since proceeded with the collection of delinquent taxes in this manner, and that when the taxes again become delinquent in the middle of April, he will engage more collectors as there is now allowed him a fee of five per cent. for collecting delinquent taxes which makes it profitable to him to collect them. The number of collectors now engaged is five. We are of the opinion that this is not enough and that more energetic measures should be pursued by them. We recommend that to greatly decrease the delinquent list the next legislature should be asked to amend the Charter to allow the Council to pass an ordinance requiring all voters desiring to vote, to present their poll-tax receipt for the previous year before they be allowed to vote. Respectfully,

CHAS. KOEHRING.
GEO. R. COLTER.
JOHN H. SCHMID.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Kaiser, on behalf of the Special Committee appointed to confer with the County Commissioners pertaining to the expenses of the City Dispensary, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 1, 1895.

Hon. W. H. Cooper :

MR. PRESIDENT.—Your Special Committee to whom was referred that part of the Mayor's message relating to the rebuilding and maintaining the City Dispensary, would respectfully report that we have had a meeting with the members of the County Commissioners and that the same refused to contribute to its support.

Respectfully.

WM. KAISER.

D. W. O'BRIEN.

J. A. PURYEAR.

Which was read and concurred in.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following ordinances were introduced:

By Board of Public Works:

G. O. No. 17, 1895. An ordinance regulating and fixing fees to be charged person or persons, firms or corporations licensed to excavate in the streets, alleys, sidewalks and public places in the City of Indianapolis; prescribing a penalty for violations thereof; repealing conflicting ordinances and providing for the publication of this ordinance.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that it shall be unlawful for any person, persons, firm or corporation, excepting those herein specifically mentioned, duly licensed to excavate in any street, sidewalk, alley or public place, to enter into any such street, alley, sidewalk or public place in the City of Indianapolis without a compliance with all the provisions of this ordinance, prescribing the amount of the fees to be paid to such city for entering streets, alleys, sidewalks and public places, and regulating the manner of the payment of the same.

SEC. 2. No person or persons, firm or corporation, except the Indianapolis Gas Company, the Indianapolis Water Company, the Indianapolis Light and Power Company, the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, the City Railway Company, The Consumers' Gas Trust Company, The Manufacturers' Natural Gas Company, the United States Encaustic Tile Works Natural Gas Company, and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and such other corporations as may be granted similar rights by ordinance of the Common Council to enter the streets of this city not permanently improved, is authorized to dig trenches or make other excavations in any gravel or bouldered street, alley, sidewalk or public place, or in any brick or cement sidewalks, or other public highway in this city, not permanently improved with asphalt, vulcanite, brick (roadway), granite, wooden block or macadam, or to contract for such work or cause such work to be undertaken, until he or they shall have first obtained a permit from the City Civil Engineer and have paid

to such Engineer, for said city, the sum of two dollars, for each and every opening or entering into of such street, alley, sidewalk or public place; and such licensed person or persons, firm or corporation, in the replacement of any such street, alley, sidewalk or public place shall be liable, with their sureties, for its proper restoration, to the extent and in the manner prescribed in present existing ordinances in relation thereto. The Board of Public Works shall, in addition to all rights granted it by the provisions of existing ordinances relating to the proper restoration of streets, alleys, sidewalks and public places entered into, notify all licensed persons, firms or corporations to make proper replacement of all trenches made, and in case of their failure so to do, said Board shall have the right to order the City Civil Engineer to refuse further issuance of street opening permits to such licensed persons, firms or corporations until all trenches made by them are replaced to the entire satisfaction of said Board.

SEC. 3. No person or persons, firm or corporation, excepting those specifically referred to in Section 2 of this ordinance, shall be authorized to enter into, or cause to be entered into, any roadway of this city permanently improved with asphalt, vulcanite, brick, granite, wooden block or macadam, under guarantee for maintenance and repair by the contractor constructing the same, or other person, firm or corporation without a compliance with the following requirements:

1. A permit in writing shall be obtained from such contractor, person, firm, or corporation guaranteeing the same, in which such guarantor agrees to the entering into of such roadway, under guarantee as aforesaid, which permit shall only be given by the guarantor after such person or persons, firm or corporation shall have agreed with such guarantor to pay the expense of replacing such roadway to the satisfaction of such guarantor.

2. Such person or persons, firm or corporation shall next present said written permission from the guarantor to the Board of Public Works, who shall, if they deem it proper, endorse their written approval thereon, granting the permit for the entering into of such roadway.

3. Upon the approval of such permit it shall be presented to the City Civil Engineer who shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to collect, for said city, the sum of \$10.00 as a permit fee for each and every opening or entering into of such roadways.

SEC. 4. No person or persons, firm or corporation, excepting those specifically referred to in Section 2 of this ordinance, shall be authorized to enter into any roadway of this city improved with asphalt, vulcanite, brick, granite, wooden block or macadam, which roadway is not under guarantee for maintenance and repair, without a compliance with the following requirements:

1. The written permission of the Board of Public Works shall be first obtained.

2. Such written permission shall be presented to the City Civil Engineer, who shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to collect, for said city, the sum of \$10.00 as a permit fee for each and every opening or entering into of such roadway or roadways, and he shall and is hereby authorized and directed to collect, for said city, the sum of \$3.00 for each and every square yard of pavement displaced or torn up in the entering into of such roadway, or roadways, which last-named amount shall be determined in the following manner: The Engineer shall require a deposit from such person or persons, firm or corporation in an amount equal to \$6.00 per square yard for the estimated number of square yards to be displaced or torn up. Upon the proper replacement of the pavement by the Board of Public Works, or its duly authorized representative, the person or persons, firm or corporation shall receive from the City Civil Engineer a rebate from the deposit heretofore made in an amount equal to the excess over and above the cost of replacing such pavement, rating such cost at \$3.00 for each and every square yard of pavement replaced, which number of square yards of replacement of pavement shall be determined, in case of dispute, by the City Civil Engineer, or his authorized representative. In the event the roadway entered into is an asphalt pavement, the person, firm or corporation entering into the same shall present to the City Civil Engineer, upon the replacement of the pavement, a written statement, or voucher, from the paving company replacing the same, which written statement, or voucher, shall be sworn to before a Notary Public and contain the statement that

the roadway has been properly replaced, and stating the number of square yards of pavement laid in the replacement of the roadway.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the City Civil Engineer to prepare printed forms of blanks and permit books for use in keeping a record of all permits issued under the provisions of this ordinance, which printed forms and permit books shall show with certainty all moneys received by him, and shall show, by proper receipts, all moneys paid out by him as authorized by Section 4 of this ordinance, which several forms prepared for showing the receipt and expenditure of such moneys shall be subject, at all times, to the inspection and approval of the City Comptroller and Board of Public Works. The City Civil Engineer shall pay into the City Treasury, once each week, all moneys collected under the provisions of this ordinance.

SEC. 6. All moneys collected under the provisions of this ordinance shall be used and applied for the maintenance and repair of streets and alleys permanently improved with either asphalt, vulcanite, brick, granite, wooden block or macadam not under guarantee for maintenance and repair by the contractor constructing the same, which cost of maintenance and repair of such roadways shall be construed to mean not only the expense of the restoration, repair and maintenance of such roadways, but the expense of the issuance of permits for entering into the same, and that of necessary inspection by the City Civil Engineer, or his authorized representative, of the replacement of all such pavements and their maintenance and repair.

SEC. 7. It is expressly intended that nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to mean that the Indianapolis Gas Company, the Indianapolis Water Company, the Indianapolis Light and Power Company, the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, the City Railway Company, The Consumers' Gas Trust Company, The Manufacturers' Natural Gas Company, the United States Encaustic Tile Works Natural Gas Company, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and such other corporations as may be granted similar rights by ordinance of the Common Council to enter the streets of this city permanently improved, shall have the right to enter any such permanently improved street in this city, whether under guarantee or not, without first obtaining the written consent of the Board of Public Works and secure, in the case of a pavement under guarantee the written consent of the guarantor to the entering into of such pavement, or, in case of permanent improvements not under guarantee, a compliance with all the provisions of Section 4 in so far as the same relates to the payment to the City Civil Engineer of money for the proper restoration of such payment. The corporations referred to in this section shall be exempt from the payment of the permit fee of \$10.00.

SEC. 8. Any person or persons, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, and shall put said street, alley, sidewalk or public place in good condition to the satisfaction of said City Civil Engineer.

SEC. 9. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Sun, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in said City of Indianapolis.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

By Mr. Merritt:

G. O. No. 18, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of the balance now remaining unexpended of the several funds heretofore appropriated for the use of the several parks of said city, from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Public Parks.

WHEREAS, In appropriation ordinance No. 12, 1894, a certain sum was appropriated to the Department of Public Works of the said City of Indianapolis, and designated as follows: "For the maintenance and Improvement of Garfield Park;" and,

WHEREAS, In said ordinance a certain other sum was appropriated to said department and designated as follows: "For Parks exclusive of Garfield Park;" and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly of the State of Indiana has since enacted a law, applicable to the City of Indianapolis, providing for a Department of Public Parks and a Board of Park Commissioners in such city, and such law is now in force, and the Board of Park Commissioners have been appointed thereunder, now therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the City Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized and directed to transfer the balance now remaining unexpended of the several funds heretofore appropriated for the use of the several parks of the said city, from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Public Parks of said city, and charge the same to the fund for public parks for the use of the Board of Park Commissioners.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Young:

An ordinance to amend Section 4 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance declaring that all vehicles (except street railway cars) used in the transportation of persons and articles within the City of Indianapolis, for hire or pay, shall be deemed 'public vehicles'; establishing rules and regulations for the government of the owners, lessees and drivers thereof; and prescribing fines and punishments for violations of its provisions" being General Ordinance No. 40, 1879, passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, October 20, 1879, providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect. Said ordinance having been amended December 20, 1893.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That section four (4) of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance declaring that all vehicles (except street railway cars) used in the transportation of persons and articles within the City of Indianapolis, for hire or pay, shall be deemed 'public vehicles'; establishing rules and regulations for the government of the owners, lessees and drivers thereof; and prescribing fines and punishments for violations of its provisions," being G. O. No. 40, 1879, passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis October 20, 1879, amended December 20, 1893, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 4. All public vehicle licenses shall hereafter expire on the last day of June, annually; and the owner or lessee of such public vehicle is hereby required to pay for each month or portion of a month which shall intervene between the date of applying for such license and the first day of July next thereafter ensuing, or for each month between the last day of June next preceding said date of application and the first day of July next thereafter, if such owner or lessee has been using such public vehicle since such last day of June, the license tax required by the following schedule, that is to say:

For four-horse wagons, fifty cents for each month, or four dollars per annum.

For two-horse wagons, fifty cents for each month, or two dollars per annum.

For one-horse wagon, twenty-five cents for each month, or one dollar per annum.

For two-horse drays, fifty cents for each month, or two dollars per annum.

For one-horse drays, twenty-five cents per month, or one dollar per annum.

In addition to the foregoing occupation license tax, the owner or lessee, as the case may be, shall pay to the City Comptroller the sum of twenty-five cents on receiving the city license to him issued.

No extra occupation licence tax shall hereafter be required from the owners or lessees of public vehicles usually denominated "express wagons" for occasional use in conveying persons to picnics, fairs, races, and like gatherings.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication one day each week for two consecutive weeks in the Sun, a daily newspaper printed and published in said City of Indianapolis.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Young:

G. O. No. 20, 1895. An ordinance defining a part of the boundary line of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, so as to extend the same, and annexing to the city of Indianapolis certain territory contiguous thereto, providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that the boundary line of said city of Indianapolis, from a point in the center of Twenty-fourth street three hundred and forty feet east of the center line of Meridian street to a point where the center line of Mississippi street intersects the center line of Twenty-sixth street, be, and the same is, hereby extended so as to include the following described territory contiguous to said city of Indianapolis, Indiana, whether platted or not, which said following described contiguous territory is hereby annexed to and made a part of the territory constituting and forming the city of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, said territory so annexed being described as follows, to-wit: All that territory bounded as follows: Commencing at the present city limits at a point in the center line of Twenty-fourth street three hundred and forty feet east of the center line of Meridian street; thence east with the center line of Twenty-fourth street to the center line of Washington boulevard; thence north with the center line of Washington boulevard to the center line of Twenty-sixth street; thence west with the center line of Twenty-sixth street to the center line of Pennsylvania street; thence north with the center line of Pennsylvania street to the center line of Thirtieth street; thence west with the center line of Thirtieth street to the center line of Mississippi street; thence south with the center line of Mississippi street to the present corporation line at the intersection of the center lines of Mississippi street and Twenty-sixth street; thence east with the center line of Twenty-sixth street with the present corporation line to a point even with the center line of the first alley east of Meridian street, said point being three hundred and thirty-four feet east of the center line of Meridian street; thence south with the center line of said alley to the center line of Twenty-fourth street; thence east with the center line of Twenty-fourth street six feet to the place of beginning; all of which said contiguous territory shall hereafter form a part of the said city of Indianapolis, and be within the jurisdiction of the same, and said territory is hereby consolidated with and made a part of said city of Indianapolis.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication for two consecutive weeks in The Sun, a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the city of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following protest was received by His Honor, the Mayor, on April 1, 1895, and respectfully referred by him to the Common Council:

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of Indianapolis.

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned property owners of the addition known as "Marion Park," and all that parcel of land included in the proposition to be annexed, together with North Indianapolis, lying west of Fall creek, and west and south of the Canal, and north and east of White river, hereby respectfully protest against the proposed annexation to the city of Indianapolis.

[Seventy-two signatures.]

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Rauh presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 30, 1895.

Mr. President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN—His Honor, the Mayor, at the last cabinet meeting, appointed a committee of five, consisting of members of the different departments, as follows:

Mr. Holton, of the Board of Public Works;

Dr. Hayes, of the Board of Health;

Mr. Conner, of the Board of Safety;

Mr. Trusler, of the Finance Department;

Mr. Rauh, of the Common Council;

To make such recommendations to your honorable body, pertaining to the solving of the garbage question.

After a thorough investigation, I find that our present system of hauling garbage and taxing the people is very obnoxious to the citizens at large, and it is a hardship on the poor and working classes. The law can not be enforced, and the citizens will not pay the schedule prices demanded by the contractors. The contractor is, therefore, unable to carry out his contract with the city, and this leaves the city in a very bad sanitary condition. In a report made by the President of the Board of Health to the committee, we find that considerable garbage is thrown in alleys and buried by our citizens, thereby endangering the health of the city, and prompt steps are necessary to give this matter speedy consideration.

Other cities have contracts with reliable parties to collect all the garbage, and stringent sanitary measures are enacted by those cities, which compel the contractors to keep the city clean of such matter, and pay for the collection and disposal of the garbage out of the general fund. I feel quite sure that every good citizen and taxpayer will readily endorse a like plan for Indianapolis, and it is my recommendation, after considering this matter very carefully, that the city of Indianapolis ought to contract to have the garbage hauled and the expenses to be paid out of the general fund, and this is the only way to satisfy the citizens and keep our city in good sanitary condition. Respectfully submitted,

HENRY RAUH.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

Mr. Colter (by request) submitted the following :

We, the undersigned property owners within the following limits, between Twenty-sixth and Thirtieth streets, and Mississippi and Meridian streets, hereby respectfully remonstrate and protest against the annexation of the territory within said limits to the city of Indianapolis, for the reason that said property is sparsely inhabited and would greatly suffer from the taxation, and would receive no benefits from the city, for the reason that the population and improvements are so meager the city could not afford to lay out money for making improvements, such as fire protection, improving streets, etc.

[Thirty-three signers.]

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Rauh offered the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2, 1895. *Resolved*, That the President of the Common Council appoint a Special Committee of three to act jointly with the Board of Health, Board of Public Works and Finance Department, to take the proper steps, and devise such means to haul the garbage free and the expenses to be paid out of the General Fund.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

AYES 17—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

In compliance with Resolution No. 2, 1895, President Cooper appointed the following committee: Messrs. Magel, Schmid and Costello.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Rauh, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read a second time, ordered engrossed, and then read a third time:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 2, 1895. An ordinance appropriating to the Department of Finance moneys with which to pay increase of salaries, and additional salaries, for the balance of the current fiscal year, as provided for by amendments to the City Charter.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 17—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Rauh the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read a second time, ordered engrossed, and then read a third time:

G. O. No. 14, 1895. An ordinance authorizing the transfer of seven hundred dollars to a fund other than that for which it was originally appropriated, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Drew, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read a second time, ordered engrossed, and then read a third time:

G. O. No. 12½, 1895. An ordinance in relation to Archer street, and changing the name thereof.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Hennessy, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Merritt, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Schmid, Shaffer, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Rauh, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read a second time:

G. O. No. 13, 1895. An ordinance providing that the janitor for the City Council chamber shall have compensation for extra work.

And was referred back to Committee on Fees and Salaries for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Young, the Common Council, at 8:45 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

M. H. Cooper

President.

ATTEST:

Lee Nixon

City Clerk.