# REGULAR MEETING.

## Council Chamber, City of Indianapolis, October 17, 1892.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, October 17th, at 8 o'clock P. M., in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. Martin J. Murphy, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 15 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Cooper, Gasper, Gauss, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schrader, Sherer, White and Young.

Absent, 6-viz: Messrs. Costello, Laut, McGill, McGuffin, Olsen and Schmidt.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular meeting held Monday, October 3, 1892, having been printed and placed upon the desks of the Councilmen, said Journal was approved as published.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Gasper 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, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., October, 1892.

To the Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved Appropriation Ordinance No. 8, also General Ordinance No. 41, passed at your session held September 28th; also General Ordinance No. 37, passed October 3, 1892.

Respectfully submitted, THOMAS L. SULLIVAN, Mayor.

Which was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

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#### REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rassmann, on behalf of the majority of the Finance Committee to whom was referred G. O. No. 35, 1892, made the following report:

### Mr. President :

The undersigned, being a majority of your Committee on Finance to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 35, 1892, being an Ordinance authorizing the City Comptroller to contract for the refunding of the bonded debt of this city, beg leave to recommend that said Ordinance be not passed. We respectfully recommend that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for sealed proposals for that purpose. The City Comptroller has received (since the above referred to ordinance was introduced in the Council) a letter from a certain reputable bond house offering to save the city more money, if they are given a chance to do so.

With this letter before the City Comptroller, he is of the same opinion that we are, and he agrees with a majority of your committee that the proper thing to do is to advertise. We therefore submit herewith an ordinance authorizing the City Comptroller to advertise for sealed proposals and we respectfully recommend it be passed.

EMIL C. RASSMANN, W. H. COOPER, E. J. SHERER, Of the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Ryan, on behalf of a minority of the Finance Committee, to whom was referred G. O. No. 35, 1892.

Made the following report :

#### To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 35, in relation to refunding the outstanding high-rate interest bonds of the City of Indianapolis into thirty-year 4 per cent. bonds, would respectfully report that in view of the present low rate of taxation, and further, from the fact that the passage of this Ordinance can in no way be an expense to the city, and may result in a saving of forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) in interest. We would, therefore, most respectfully recommend the passage of this ordinance.

> P. J. RYAN. J. L. GASPER. JAS. H. COSTELLO.

Mr. Rassmann moved that the minority report be laid on the table.

The ayes and nays being called for by Messrs. Ryan and Gasper. Which motion was lost by the following vote:

AYES 5-viz: Councilmen Cooper, Gauss, Rassmann, Sherer and White. NAYS 10-viz: Councilmen Allen, Colter, Gasper, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Ryan, Schrader, Young and President Murphy.

Mr. Gasper moved that the minority report be adopted. Which motion was adopted.

Mr. Gasper called up G. O. No. 35, 1892, on second reading.

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Mr. Ryan moved that G. O. No. 35, 1892, be ordered engrossed. Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES 12—viz: Councilmen Allen, Colter, Gasper, Gauss, Halloran, Linn' Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Sherer, Young and President Murphy. NAYS 3—viz: Messrs. Cooper, Schrader and White.

Mr. White moved that G. O. No. 35, 1892, be referred back to the Finance Committee with instructions to report the same back to the City Comptroller, with the request that he refund \$600,000 of the outstanding debt of the City of Indianapolis.

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Linn moved that the Council do now adjourn.

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Gasper moved that the further consideration of G. O. No. 35, 1892, be dispensed with.

Mr. Rassmann moved that G. O. No. 35, 1892, be placed on its final passage.

Which motion was lost by the following vote:

AYES, 6--viz: Councilmen Colter, Cooper, Gauss, Rassmann, Sherer and White. NAYS, 9--viz: Councilmen Allen, Gasper, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Ryan, Schrader, Young and President Murphy.

The question being on the adoption of Mr. Gasper's motion, it was adopted.

Mr. White, on behalf of the Committee on Public Morals, to whom was referred G. O. No. 42, 1892, made the following report:

#### Mr. President :

Your committee to whom G. O. No. 42 was referred, report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass.

J. F. WHITE, C. A. GAUSS, T. B. LINN, Committee on Public Morals.

Which was read and concurred in.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following entitled ordinances were introduced :

### By Mr. Rassmann:

G. O. No. 44, 1892. An ordinance providing for the refunding, by exchange of all, or a part of certain outstanding bonds of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., and directing the head of the Department of Finance of said city to advertise for sealed proposals for that purpose.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

### By Mr. Rassmann:

G. O. No. 45, 1892. An ordinance providing for the licensing of buyers of empty bottles, fixing the amount to be paid therefor, and the period the same shall run, providing a penalty for the violation thereof and repealing ordinances, and parts of ordinances, in conflict thereof.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

### President Murphy offered the following motion:

Moved, By the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, that the total number of legal voters in each of the several election precincts of the Thirteenth (13th) Ward of the City of Indianapolis, as defined by General Ordinance No. 20, 1891, of said city, be and the same is hereby estimated to be as follows:

#### Thirteenth Ward.

| Precinct One Hundred and Twentieth       |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 185 vote | $\mathbf{s}$ |
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| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-first    |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 180 vote | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-second   |   | 4     |   |   | • |   |   |   |   |   | . 195 vote | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-third .  |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 210 vote | s            |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-fourth.  |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |            |              |
| Precinci One Hundred and Twenty-fifth .  |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 200 vote | s            |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-sixth .  |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |            |              |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-seventh  |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 213 vote | es           |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-eighth . |   |       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |            |              |
| Precinct One Hundred and Twenty-ninth .  |   | ` • . |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | . 200 vote | es           |
| Precinct One Hundred and Thirtieth       | • | •     | • | - | • | • | • | • | • | • | . 175 vote | s            |

*Be it further moved*, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby instructed to furnish a copy of this estimate of the legal voters in the several precincts of the Thirteenth Ward, of the City of Indianapolis, to the Board of City Election Commissioners.

Mr. White moved that the Committee on Elections be instructed to make all the necessary arrangements for the election to be held in the Thirteenth ward November 10, 1892.

Which motion was adopted.

Mr. Ryan offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That the viaduct on Virginia avenue be and the same is hereby named "The Thomas L. Sullivan Viaduct," in recognition of the services of Mayor Thomas L. Sullivan in securing its erection.

Which was passed by the following vote:

Aves 14—viz: Messrs. Colter, Cooper, Gasper, Gauss, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schrader, Sherer, White, Young and President Murphy. NAY 1—viz: Mr. Allen.

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### CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

## The following letter was received and read.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATION, INDIANAPOLIS, September 20, 1892.

GENTLEMEN—Your organization is hereby respectfully invited to participate in celebrating the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America and the landing of Columbus on its shores.

October 20 and 21, 1892, being the proper dates for the festivities, it is designed to present a programme for the occasion, the character and extent of which has not been attempted before in our city.

A grand military and civic parade will take place on the afternoon of October 21st, and it is hoped your organization will unite in making this feature a success. Kindly give the question your earnest consideration, and if you determine to ac-cept the invitation, please signify the same by notifying Gen. Jas. R. Carnahan, chairman of the military and civic parade committee, room 12, Talbott block, at your earliest opportunity. Yours respectfully, JOHN T. BRUSH,

Chairman.

JACOB W. SMITH.

#### Secretary.

Mr. Rassmann moved that the invitation to participate in the Columbus Day celebration be accepted, and that the Clerk so notify Mr. Jas. R. Carnahan.

Which motion was adopted.

## ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion by Councilman White, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read second time, ordered engrossed and then read the third time:

G. O. No. 42, 1892. An ordinance to amend Section 3 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to prevent idling, loitering or sleeping in public places in the City of Indianapolis."

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 15-viz: Councilmen Allen, Colter, Cooper, Gasper, Gauss, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schrader, Sherer, White, Young and President Murphy. NAYS-None.

Mr. White moved that all that portion of G. O. No. 11, 1892, in reference to Plumbing Inspector be referred back to the Committee on Public Health.

Which motion was adopted.

Mr. White moved that all that portion of G. O. No. 11, 1892, in reference to Boiler Inspector be stricken from the files.

Which motion was adopted.

Mr. White moved that the following entitled ordinance be taken up, read second time, ordered engrossed and then read the third time:

G. O. No. 11, 1892. An ordinance enlarging the powers of the Building Inspector; providing for the establishment of fire escapes, and amending an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance creating the office of Building Inspector, defining the powers and duties attached thereto," etc., passed May 5, 1891, and approved by the Mayor May 7, 1891; providing penalties for the violation of the provisions thereof, and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

Which motion was adopted.

Thereupon G. O. No. 11, 1892, was read second time, ordered engrossed, read a third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 14—viz: Councilmen Colter, Cooper, Gasper, Gauss, Halloran, Linn, Puryear, Rassmann, Ryan, Schrader, Sherer, White, Young and President Murphy. NAYS, 1—viz: Mr. Allen.

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

President. ATTEST : hty Clerk.