# SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, November 27, 1931.

12:00 O'Clock Noon.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber at the City Hall, November 27th, 1931, at 12:00 O'Clock noon, President Ernest C. Ropkey in the chair, pursuant to the following call:

To the Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Indiana:

#### Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that there will be a SPECIAL MEETING of the COMMON COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber on Friday, November 27, 1931, at 12:00 p. m.

The purpose of such SPECIAL MEETING being to receive communications from the Mayor, from City Officials, and any other communications; to receive for Introduction and first reading and Committee Assignment, the following Ordinances:

No. NATURE COMMITTEE

- G. O. 94—Repealing sub-Sec. (d) of Sec. No. 30 of G. O.
   96, 1928—As Amended—Official Traffic Code. Public Safety
- G. O. 95—Amending sub-Sec. 68½ of G. O. 96, 1928— As amended—Official Traffic Code......Public Safety

Respectfully,

ERNEST C. ROPKEY,
President, Common Council.

I, Henry O. Goett, Clerk of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, do hereby certify that I have served the above and foregoing notice to each and every member of the Common Council prior to the time of such SPECIAL MEETING, pursuant to the rules.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature and caused the seal of the City of Indianapolis to be affixed.

HENRY O. GOETT,

City Clerk.

(SEAL.)

Which was read.

President Ropkey called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Ernest C. Ropkey, President, and seven members, viz: Fred C. Gardner, George A. Henry, C. A. Houck, C. A. Morgan, Maurice E. Tennant, Leo F. Welch, Clarence I. Wheatley.

Absent: C. A. Hildebrand.

On motion of Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wheatley, reading of the Journal for the previous meeting was dispensed with.

# COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

November 18, 1931.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

# Gentlemen:

I have this day approved with my signature, and delivered to Henry O. Goett, City Clerk, the following ordinances:

# GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 86, 1931

AN ORDINANCE transferring monies from certain numbered and designated funds of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, and reappropriating and reapportioning the same to other numbered funds, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 87, 1931

AN ORDINANCE transferring monies from certain numbered and designated funds of the City of Indianapolis and reappropriating and reapportioning the same to other numbered and designated funds of the City of Indianapolis, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 88, 1931

AN ORDINANCE transferring certain sums of money from certain numbered funds of the Department of Public Health and Charities and reappropriating the same to other numbered funds of said Department; and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

## GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 89, 1931

AN ORDINANCE transferring monies from certain numbered and designated funds of the City of Indianapolis and reappropriating and reapportioning the same to other numbered and designated funds of the City of Indianapolis and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

## GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 90, 1931

AN ORDINANCE transferring monies from certain numbered funds and reappropriating the same to other numbered funds and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 93, 1931

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 401 of General Ordinance No. 121, 1925, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 7, 1931

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the sale, alienation and conveyance of certain "park lands" of the City of Indianapolis, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

# APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 20, 1931

AN ORDINANCE appropriating and transferring to the Street Commissioner's Department the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) out of the Gasoline Tax Fund, now unappropriated, for the repair and maintenance of unimproved streets and public thoroughfares and bridges and for labor, material, supplies and equipment necessary thereto, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

## APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 21, 1931

AN ORDINANCE appropriating and transferring to the City Civil Engineer Gasoline Tax Fund the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) out of the Gasoline Tax Fund, now unappropriated, for the repair and maintenance of improved streets, public thoroughfares and bridges, and for labor, material, supplies and equipment necessary thereto, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Yours very truly,

R. H. SULLIVAN, Mayor.

# COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

November 25, 1931.

Honorable President and Members of the Common Council, City of Indianapolis.

## Gentlemen:

We are submitting herewith an ordinance repealing sub-section (d) of Section 30 of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, as amended by General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, and respectfully recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

# BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY,

Walter O. Lewis, Executive Secretary.

November 25, 1931.

Honorable President and Members of the Common Council, City of Indianapolis.

## Gentlemen:

We are submitting herewith an ordinance amending sub-section (c) of Section 68½, said Section 68½ having been made supplemental to General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, by section 15 of General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 51, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, providing for the expense of removal and storage of impounded vehicles, and respectfully recommend the passage of same.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY,

Walter O. Lewis, Executive Secretary.

November 25, 1931.

Honorable President and Members of the Common Council, City of Indianapolis.

## Gentlemen:

We are presenting to you herewith an ordinance for the purchase of fourteen automobiles, 1932 models, for the Police Department and respectfully recommend the passage of same.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WALTER O. LEWIS. Executive Secretary.

November 25, 1931.

Mr. Ernest C. Ropkey, President Common Council—City of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana.

#### Dear Sir!

On November 24th the Citizens Traffic Committee met at this office and passed a resolution, copy of which we enclose to you. We also enclose you a resolution passed by the Merchants Association of Indianapolis.

Both of these resolutions are recommending an amendment to the Traffic Ordinance and provide that the provision of the ordinance prohibiting parking between 7:00 and 9:15 a.m. be abolished. The Board of Safety, at their meeting today, therefore, recommends to the City Council that the amendment asked for be made.

Signed by the Board of Public Safety at a special meeting this 25th day of November, 1931:

> C. R. MYERS, President. FRANK C. DAILEY.

November 24, 1931.

To the Board of Safety, Indianapolis, Indiana.

#### Gentlemen:

The Citizens Traffic Committee have adopted the following resolution:

Pursuant with request of the Mayor, the following resolution is presented to you in the form of a recommendation;

WHEREAS, after due and careful consideration last year, the Citizens Traffic Committee presented recommendations to your honorable Board providing that parking be prohibited in certain areas between the hours of 7 and 9:15 a.m.;

WHEREAS, after several months trial opposition has arisen against this feature of the traffic code, and

WHEREAS, the downtown merchants have passed a resolution asking that this feature of the traffic code be repealed, stating that it retarded their business, and

WHEREAS, the repeal of this section of the code, which was intended to help business rather than hurt it, does not effect the flow of traffic, and

WHEREAS, while the Citizens Traffic Committee has not changed its attitude regarding any section of the traffic code, feeling that the ordinance as it now is, is the best that could be had, and

WHEREAS, the repeal of this section of the ordinance will virtually replace the old sticker system in effect, and

WHEREAS, this Committee feels that the Police Department will be called upon to fix stickers, but out of wanting to be considerate to the downtown merchants, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the section of the ordinance prohibiting no parking between 7 and 9:15 a.m. be repealed, and that absolutely no stickers be fixed.

TODD STOOPS, Chairman.

November 19, 1931.

Honorable Reginald Sullivan, Mayor of Indianapolis,

Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

At a meeting of a group of the larger retail store owners, together with yourself and President Chas. Meyer of the Board of Public Safety, which meeting was called to discuss with you certain objections to the present traffic code, the following resolution was introduced and carried:

"Because of the known hardship which the early parking ban in the present traffic code works on the City of Indianapolis and especially its retail merchants, we respectfully urge that you as Mayor and the Board of Public Safety ask the City Council of Indianapolis to repeal that section of the existing traffic ordinance."

# Yours very truly,

THE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION, INDIANAPOLIS. (Signed) ARTHUR G. BROWN, President. (Signed) W. E. BALCH, Manager.

Copy of original letter sent by mail.

November 25, 1931.

Mr. Ernest Ropkey, President,

Indianapolis City Council,

City Hall, City.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find minutes of the special meeting held Tuesday, November 24th, at 2 p. m., in the offices of the Board of Safety, and also a copy of resolution which was adopted.

Yours very truly,

TODD STOOPS, Chairman.

At a special meeting of the Citizens Traffic Committee called at 2 p. m., November 24th in the offices of the Board of Public Safety, the following members were present: Messrs. Hitz, Tretton, Ropkey, Steeg, Balch, Lewis, Stoops, Tennant and Spencer.

After considerable discussion it was regularly moved and carried that a resolution be adopted by the Committee recommending the appeal of that section of the traffic code, which provides for no parking between 7 and 9:15 a.m., and also that this resolution embody a recommendation that absolutely no stickers be taken care of.

It was regularly moved and carried that the section of the ordinance providing that bond be placed where motorists desired to stand trial in cases where their car had been towed in, be amended to read as follows: That motorists be required to place bond in the sum of Twenty Five (\$25.00) Dollars, or an amount as set by the Court.

There being no other business the meeting then adjourned.

TODD STOOPS, Chairman.

# INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL ORDINANCES

By Board of Public Safety:

## GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 94, 1931

AN ORDINANCE repealing sub-section (d) of Section 30 of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, as amended by General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. That sub-section (d) of Section 30 of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, as amended by General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect as a repeal of said sub-section from and after the passage of this ordinance and its approval by the Mayor.

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

By Board of Public Safety:

#### GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 95, 1931

AN ORDINANCE amending sub-section (c) of Section 68½, said Section 68½ having been made supplemental to General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, by section 15 of General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 51, 1931, as amended by General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, which said section provided for a supplementary section to General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, to be known as Section 68½; and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. That sub-section (c) of Section 68½, said Section 68½ having been made supplemental to General Ordinance No. 96, 1931, by Section 15 of General Ordinance No. 31, 1931, as the same was amended by Section 1 of General Ordinance No. 51, 1931, as the same was amended by Section 4 of General Ordinance No. 68, 1931, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows, to-wit:

(c) Whenever such owner, or his agent or representative, shall fail or refuse to pay the expense of such removal and storage of such vehicle as provided for in this section and impounded under the provisions thereof, then it is hereby made the duty of the police officer discovering such vehicle to be parked or left standing illegally as provided herein, to file, or cause to be filed, in the Municipal Court, an affidavit charging such owner, his agent or representative with such violation, and ordering such owner, his agent or representative to appear in the Municipal Court at a certain day and hour to answer to said charge and stand trial for the same, and it shall be the duty of such police officer to be present and assist in the prosecution of such charge. Pending a hearing upon such charge, such owner or his agent or representative may obtain possession of such impounded vehicle by filing with the clerk of such municipal court a bond payable to the City of Indianapolis in the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) or in such other reasonable sum as may be fixed by the judge of such municipal court and conditioned upon the appearance of such owner, his agent or representative before said court at the day and hour set for the trial of said cause to answer to the charge set forth in said affidavit. In the event that the judge of said court shall find said vehicle to have been parked illegally in violation of any section of any ordinance set out in sub-section (a) hereof, said judge shall assess the penalties provided in Section 69 of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928, as amended by General Ordinance No. 9, 1929, and in addition thereto shall determine and assess

against the defendant whatever amount said judge of said court shall find from the evidence to be a fair and equitable reimbursement for the expenses of such removal and storage of said vehicle; provided, however, that in no event shall such sum be more than the maximum amount provided for in subsection (e) hereof, but shall include a reasonable charge for the storage of said vehicle. In the event that said judge shall find from the evidence that said vehicle was not left parked in violation of the specific sections of ordinances set forth above, said judge shall order said car restored to such owner, his agent or representative without charge being made therefor.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage, approval by the Mayor and publication according to law.

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

By Board of Public Safety:

# GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 96, 1931

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Board of Public Safety of the City of Indianapolis or its duly authorized agent to receive bids for the purchase of certain equipment to be used in the Police Department and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA:

Section 1. That the Board of Public Safety of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, by and through its Department of Public Purchase, its lawful agent, be and it is hereby authorized to receive bids after advertising therefor, for the following equipment to be used in the Police Department of the City of Indianapolis:

Fourteen (14) 1932 Model, Coach Body, automobiles, with special radio generators and 5 6-ply tires, blue or black color, not to exceed the cost of \$500.00 each with the following automobiles which have been duly appraised by the Board of Appraisers for the City of Indianapolis, to be traded in on the purchase price of said new automobiles:

## FORD PHAETONS:

1929—Eng.	No.	<b>A1</b>	568	531	Police	$\operatorname{Car}$	No.	44
1929—Eng.	No.	A	904	501	Police	Car	No.	40
1928—Eng.	No.	A	221	130	Police	Car	No.	31
1928—Eng.	No.	$\mathbf{A}$	<b>551</b>	376	Police	Car	No.	36
1929—Eng.	No.	A	900	666	Police	Car	No.	41
1929—Eng.	No.	<b>A</b> 1	1031	779	Police	Car	No.	42
1929—Eng.	No.	<b>A</b> 1	1631	287	Police	Car	No.	34
1929—Eng.	No.	A1	1032	696	Police	Car	No.	43
1929—Eng.	No.	$\mathbf{A}_{2}$	2121	296	Police	Car	No.	14
1929—Eng.	No.	$\mathbf{A}^{2}$	2541	634	Police	Car	No.	45
1929—Eng.	No.	<b>A1</b>	545	605	Police			
1929—Eng.	No.	<b>A</b> 1	1568	646	Police	Car	No.	28
1929—Eng.	No.	A1	L546	370	Police	Car	No.	12
1929—Eng.	No.	A1	1519	813	Police	Car	No.	13

Section 2. That said purchase shall be made from the lowest and best bidder or bidders after advertising for competitive bids thereon according to law and the total cost or expenditure thereof for said fourteen (14) new automobiles shall not exceed the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00).

Section 3. That the purchase price of said equipment shall be paid out of the funds heretofore appropriated to the Board of Public Safety, Police Department Division of the City of Indianapolis, for the year 1931.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

On motion of Mr. Wheatley, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Common Council adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the proceedings of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, held on the 27th day of November, 1931, at 12:00 O'Clock noon.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our signatures and caused the seal of the City of Indianapolis to be affixed.

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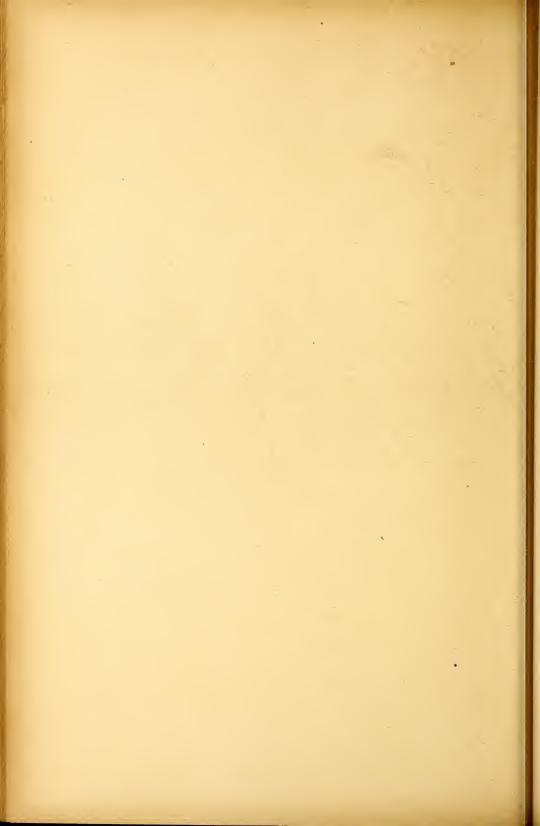
President.

Attest:

City Clerk.

(SEAL.)





# SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, November 27, 1931.

12:15 P. M.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber at the City Hall, Friday, November 27th, 1931, at 12:15 p. m., in special session, pursuant to the following call:

To the Members of the Common Council, Indianapolis, Indiana:

## Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that there will be a SPECIAL MEETING of the COMMON COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber on Friday, November 27, 1931, at 12:15 p. m.

The purpose of such SPECIAL MEETING being to receive Committee Reports; to consider on second reading and final passage the following Ordinances:

No.

NATURE

COMMITTEE

G. O. 94—Repealing sub-Sec. (d) of Sec. No. 30 of G. O.
96, 1928—As Amended—Official Traffic Code...Public Safety

G. O. 95—Amending sub-Sec. 68½ of G. O. 96, 1928—

As amended—Official Traffic Code......Public Safety

G. O. 96—Authorization to purchase Equipment—Auto-

Respectfully,

mobiles ......Public Safety

ERNEST C. ROPKEY,
President, Common Council.

I, Henry O. Goett, Clerk of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, do hereby certify that I have served the above and foregoing notice to each and every member of the Common Council prior to the time of such SPECIAL MEETING, pursuant to the rules.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature and caused the seal of the City of Indianapolis to be affixed.

HENRY O. GOETT,
City Clerk.

(SEAL.)

Which was read.

President Ropkey called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Ernest C. Ropkey, President, and seven members, viz: Fred C. Gardner, George A. Henry, C. A. Houck, C. A. Morgan, Maurice E. Tennant, Leo F. Welch, Clarence I. Wheatley.

Absent: C. A. Hildebrand.

On motion of Mr. Wheatley, seconded by Mr. Welch, reading of the Journal for the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Mr. Wheatley asked for a recess. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morgan and the Council recessed at 12:18 p. m.

The Council reconvened from its recess at 12:20 p.m. with the same members present as before.

At this time Mr. Hildebrand entered the Council Chamber and was counted present.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Indianapolis, Ind., November 27, 1931.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

#### Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 94, 1931, entitled Repealing sub-section (d) of Section No. 30 of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928—As Amended—Official Traffic Code, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

MAURICE E. TENNANT, Chairman. C. I. WHEATLEY. FRED C. GARDNER. LEO F. WELCH.

Indianapolis, Ind., November 27, 1931.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

## Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Public Safety, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 95, 1931, entitled Amending sub-section (c) of Section 68½ of General Ordinance No. 96, 1928—As Amended—Official Traffic Code, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

MAURICE E. TENNANT, Chairman.
C. I. WHEATLEY.
FRED C. GARDNER.
LEO F. WELCH.
CHAS. C. MORGAN.

Indianapolis, Ind., November 27, 1931.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

## Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 96, 1931, entitled Authorization to Purchase Equipment—Automobiles, beg leave to report that we have had said ordinance under consideration, and recommend that the same be passed.

MAURICE E. TENNANT, Chairman.
C. I. WHEATLEY.
FRED C. GARDNER.
LEO F. WELCH.
CHAS. C. MORGAN.

# ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

Mr. Tennant called for General Ordinance No. 94, 1931, for second reading. It was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Tennant, seconded by Mr. Welch, General Ordinance No. 94, 1931, was ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage.

General Ordinance No. 94, 1931, was read a third time by the Clerk and passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes, 9, viz: Mr. Gardner, Mr. Henry, Mr. Hildebrand, Mr. Houck, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Tennant, Mr. Welch, Mr. Wheatley, President Ropkey.

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On motion of Mr. Tennant, seconded by Mr. Wheatley, General Ordinance No. 95, 1931, was ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage.

General Ordinance No. 95, 1931, was read a third time by the Clerk and passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes, 9, viz: Mr. Gardner, Mr. Henry, Mr. Hildebrand, Mr. Houck, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Tennant, Mr. Welch, Mr. Wheatley, President Ropkey.

Mr. Tennant called for General Ordinance No. 96, 1931, for second reading. It was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Tennant, seconded by Mr. Welch, General Ordinance No. 96, 1931, was ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage.

General Ordinance No. 96, 1931, was read a third time by the Clerk and passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes, 9, viz: Mr. Gardner, Mr. Henry, Mr. Hildebrand, Mr. Houck, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Tennant, Mr. Welch, Mr. Wheatley, President Ropkey.

On motion of Mr. Henry, seconded by Mr. Wheatley, the Common Council adjourned at 12:25 p. m.

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the proceedings of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, held on the 27th day of November, 1931, at 12:15 p. m.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our signatures and caused the seal of the City of Indianapolis to be affixed.

Emist 6 Ropkey

President.

Attest:

Henry O South
City Clerk.

(SEAL.)