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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, December 1, 1969, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., with Mayor John M. Belk presiding, and Councilmen Sandy R. Jordan, Milton Short, John H. Thrower, Jerry Tuttle, James B. Whittington and Joe D. Withrow present,

ABSENT: Councilman Fred D. Alexander.

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#### INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Reverend C. E. Quick, Minister of East Stonewall A.M.E. Zion Church.

#### MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last Council Meeting, on November 24, 1969, were approved as submitted.

#### ENDORSEMENT OF PROPOSED \$36.1 MILLION BOND ISSUE BY CHARLOTTE INNKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Gene Congdon, President of the Charlotte Innkeepers' Association, stated the following statement was endorsed by this association in reference to the pending bond issue, December 12:

"We, the members of the Charlotte Innkeeper's Association, feel that the pending bond issue which is going to be voted on December 12, by the citizens of Charlotte, is necessary and vital to give needed impetus to our growing city. The majority of the Innkeepers' Association members endorse the entire bond issue and specifically the proposed Civic Center. We feel that the Civic Center would be necessary and an intrinsic part of our All-American City.

Conventions and trade shows are definite assets to any city with the foresight and determination to grow - Charlotte is such a city. Not only would added income be brought into our area but private industry would see that Charlotte was advancing and progressing. The downtown area would have a definite nucleus from which to derive new sources of income and growth.

We feel that the Civic Center is necessary for these and other reasons, for without adequate facilities we cannot hope to attract outside interest. Therefore, we the members of the Charlotte Innkeepers' Association, do hereby endorse the proposed Bond Issue."

Mayor Belk replied he and all of Council appreciates this organization's kind efforts to make Charlotte a better city, and for their support of the bond issue which Charlotte must have in order to meet the needs of a growing city.

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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG CHARTER COMMISSION'S WORK.

Mr. Jones Y. Pharr, Chairman of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Charter Commission, stated the Commission starts off with the knowledge and feeling that it has the Mayor and Council's full support in what they are attempting to do.

He stated they have tried to divide their work into some logical phases. The first of which was to try to learn as much about the job of a Charter and observe how it might be achieved in other cities that have consolidated. The second phase of their work will be public hearings. The third phase will be where they sit down after the public hearings and try to draw up parts of the charter to the best of their ability.

Mr. Pharr stated they have learned some very interesting things on their visits to other cities; they have seen a lot of good common horse-sense displayed in the way these people have gone about working with consolidated government after it once became a legal fact of life of the community. They obviously did not solve the problems - that is not the purpose of consolidation. As they saw it, the purpose and main thrust of consolidation in these other cities was to give them a better governmental vehicle to work with their problems. The same problems exist in these towns they had before consolidation. It has done several things which stimulated the local Commission and make it very pleased to see it take place in our community. One, it has brought about a revival of interest in these two major cities they have been to, and has kindled a flame of citizenry participation and excitement about government that he has not seen in any city that he has been familiar with. This is something they expect and look forward to here in this community.

Mr. Pharr stated in talking with the people in Nashville and Jacksonville, they found out their governments seem to be more representative, and they hope that to be one of the aims to shoot for here in this community. He stated they believe the poll taken recently in Jacksonville is a good indication of how the citizenry of that community takes consolidation after it has been in effect for some 18 months. It was approved in Jacksonville by a vote of 52-53%. The poll taken a week before the local group was down there showed an 85% approval on the part of the citizenry and it has been a steady rise since consolidation.

He stated each Council Member has a brief resume which will report fact and data and they would encourage each to read as it states their case simply and to the point.

Mr. Pharr stated the first public hearing will be in some two weeks on December 16. Each member of Council and the Mayor has been sent a letter setting forth exactly what the Commission would like discussed at that hearing. The major points are the central administrative figure - whether he be called Mayor or whatnot; his powers and authorities; his relationship to party. The same will be discussed of the legislative Council. He stated they believe the proper way to open this before the public is to have those speak to the subject who are elected and who have public authority. The Commission knows that the Mayor and Council can give some suggestions and ideas that will be helpful to the Commission. Perhaps from this discussion enough information will be dissipated through the news media to the public so that in January the Commission can have public meetings where anyone in the county who wishes can come before the Commission and speak to these points. Mr. Pharr stated the Commission hopes the Mayor and Council Members will come prepared and will have lots to say that will be helpful and beneficial.

Mr. Pharr stated the Commission can promise one thing - the members have open minds; nothing has been decided and no attempt has been made to decide anything at this stage. When all the information is before the Commission, then decisions will have to be made.

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Mr. Pharr stated the Commission wants to come before Council from time to time and give not just a progress report but a feel for what they are doing, why they are doing it this particular way and how they are trying to do it so that each one will always feel welcome to approach the Commission as the door will be open and they will always be interested in what each has to say.

Councilman Tuttle stated he would like to commend Mr. Pharr for the job he has done so far; that both Mr. Pharr and the Commission have done an excellent job.

Mr. Pharr replied they would like to thank the city for its representation on the commission - Mr. Fred Alexander; that Mr. Alexander has been, and is now, a great deal of help to the Commission, and they expect a great deal of help from him as they move on through the work.

Mr. Pharr stated in his opinion, when this vote is taken, the people in large measure will be voting on their basic confidence in the Commission and the way the job is done - how well it is done, how thoroughly it is done, and how fair and open-minded it has been. He stated they are very conscious of how important it is to do their job thoroughly, carefully and openingly and with an ear to hear anyone in the County who wishes to be heard. That if the Mayor and Council can guide and help them to do a better job in this direction, the Commission seeks their counsel and help at any time.

Mayor Belk replied he and Council will be glad to do anything they are called on to do. He thanked Mr. Pharr for coming to Council today with his report.

**RESOLUTION CLOSING PORTIONS OF CROCKETT STREET, PLUM STREET, SOUTH LONG STREET, EAST FIRST STREET, BELL ALLEY AND EAST SECOND STREET.**

The public hearing was held on petition of the Redevelopment Commission of the City of Charlotte to close and abandon portions of Crockett Street, Plum Street, South Long Street, East First Street, Bell Alley, and East Second Street, all in Brooklyn Urban Renewal Area, Project No. N. C. R-37, Section 3.

No one spoke to the petition.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, adopting a resolution closing portions of Crockett Street, Plum Street, South Long Street, East First Street, Bell Alley and East Second Street, all in Brooklyn Urban Renewal Area, Project No. N. C. R-37, Section 3.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 467.

**REQUEST THAT SOMEONE FROM THE HOME BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION, CHARLOTTE BOARD OF REALTORS OR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BE APPOINTED TO HOUSING AUTHORITY.**

Mr. William B. Allan, with Trotter and Allan Construction Company, stated an appointment is coming open on the Housing Authority this month, which is an appointment by the Mayor. He stated he has spoken to the Mayor in past years about this but with very little results and he is here to ask for Council's influence this year. Mr. Allan stated they would like to see a member of the Home Builders' Association, the Charlotte Board of Realtors or the Charlotte Property Management Association seated on the Housing Authority in the upcoming appointment. He stated they realize other groups are competing for this spot when it comes open and they are not present to oppose anyone. They think that someone who is actively familiar with the problems of home building, and home conservation could have something to offer this Board. When the cost of public housing has reached the proportions of \$19-20,000 a dwelling unit, it is time to bring a fresh outlook, and fresh ideas in the program. He stated they feel that someone in the business of building and constructing homes in today's market - both single family and multi-family; or the Board of Realtors who is familiar with the zoning problems and the problems

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of land acquisition or someone from Property Management Association who realizes the problems of conserving what inventory of homes now existing - that perhaps someone from one of these three areas could serve as a valuable appointment to the Housing Authority. He stated they would request that this be given consideration.

Mayor Belk thanked Mr. Allan and stated the request will be given consideration.

#### STATEMENT BY PAUL LEONARD REGARDING BOND ISSUE.

Mr. Paul Leonard stated since he was asked recently and declined to serve on the Committee to promote the upcoming bond issue, he would like to make his position known at this time.

He stated during his campaign for City Council, he spoke out in favor of the then current proposal for a downtown Civic Center. The recent changes in that proposal have not changed his mind about the Civic Center. Downtown Charlotte needs new development; the empty store fronts that line the major downtown streets speak volumes about what is happening in our center city; people are leaving; shops and stores are closing; the downtown is dying; Charlotte Development Associates have in effect challenged our local government and the citizens of Charlotte to do something about Downtown. They have pledged themselves to follow through with major investments which will broaden our tax base. He stated it makes sound, economic sense to meet this challenge.

Mr. Leonard stated he has examined the other eight items in the bond package and is satisfied as to their need and fairness. Whether or not the City will deliver the goods on each item once the bond is passed, is another question, which many in the community sincerely hold. He stated he is willing to risk that. That he does question in the bond issue the absence of a long range program for sewage extensions in the north and northwest sections of Charlotte and its perimeter. One reason Charlotte is expanding so rapidly in the southeast is that we have not solved technical problems relating to sewage extensions in the north and northeast. That he is concerned that neither the present bond issue nor the five year capital improvement program reflects any attempt to tackle this problem. This must be a common area of joint city and county concern in the near future.

He stated beyond this one concern, he supports the bond package. While he votes for the bonds, he is not actively working for its passage. This, in effect, is his own personal protest aimed at the civic and business leadership of this community which pushes ahead so vigorously on the economic front, while failing to deal just as vigorously with human and social problems which also have economic consequences and which are tearing apart the human fabric of this city. Not one constructive word has been heard from this same leadership of the Citizens for Progress in regard to the question of local schools. It should be clear to any observer that a more effective program for school integration is going to be demanded of this city. Why aren't our civic and business leaders organizing and taking out full page ads, buying television spots to prepare the community for recognizing that our day in court is over and the time has come for all law abiding citizens of Charlotte to abide by and help implement directives of their court. Winston-Salem, North Carolina has a locally funded housing foundation with a bank roll of \$1.8 million for the job of creating 10,000 units of low and moderate income housing. Charlotte has an independent Housing Authority and a Chamber of Commerce Housing Committee Incorporation which receives no money from the Chamber budget and which is not allowed to solicit funds from Chamber Members. If national foundations do not look favorably upon this Housing Committee, then Charlotte will go without desperately needed housing. If we have the vision to propose bonds for a \$10.7 million Civic Center, it seems that our local banks, retailers and industry could also create a two to three million dollar development to relieve the low income housing shortage in this community.

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Mr. Leonard stated the same point can be made about job training efforts of our local poverty agencies. For the most part, civic and business leadership is deserting the field - the Charlotte Area Fund has not been able in the past months to get a quorum for its meetings. He stated he is mentioning schools, housing foundation and job training which legally can be left to someone else just as Council could have turned its back on the Civic Center and left it to the downtown people to push, but they had more vision and more courage. What this city needs is leaders who will apply the same kind of vision and courage and vigorous leadership to the job of selling and persuading Charlotteans on the absolute necessity for supporting constructive and effective programs for schools, housing and job training. By itself this bond issue alone will not save Charlotte and while he is for it, he thinks the economic threats which school disruption and inadequate housing pose to this city is perhaps even greater than the economic promise we see in the bonds. That it is poor economics to push for one and undersell the other.

He stated he knows the Mayor and Council cannot chart a new course for this city and its needs by themselves, but they can start it; they have access to the individuals and organizations that can sell Charlotte on total progress and can hammer home the sound economic reason for standing up for human and social progress as well as civic centers and bonds. The bond wagon is rolling in Charlotte and we have begun to separate those for progress from those against progress.

Mayor Belk asked Mr. Bobo, Administrative Assistant, to give Mr. Leonard an answer on the future plans for water and sewer on the northwest side by turning this over to the Community Facilities Committee for reference in their planning.

Mr. Bobo stated in the proposed bond project some of the projects proposed in the northwest are - Irwin Creek Plant addition to serve the west, south and northwest; Parkway Avenue will serve the west; Berryhill Road trunk will serve the west; Sudbury Road trunk will serve the east; Seigle Avenue outstream will serve east and north; Briar Creek Outfall will serve the north and northeast; Taggart Creek Outfall will serve the north and northwest and west; Clanton Road trunk is in the west; McMullen Creek Outfall will serve the northeast and east. He stated there is quite a bit for everyone in the bond package.

Mr. Leonard replied in the 1964 report of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission on annexation as far as the city is concerned and outlying areas in the county, it was pointed out in the report that because of the topography of the land, an outfall for a sewage treatment plant to serve the north and northwest as a necessity would have to go towards the Catawba River rather than towards the treatment plant in Pineville. That while he recognizes the Irwin Creek plant and the things Mr. Bobo mentioned will serve the areas immediately within the city, his concern is more or less directed towards the future and toward expansion and growth of the city in the area of the north and northwest. That this requires another treatment plant and another direction for sewage lines.

Councilman Short stated there are three things that have been talked about for improving sewage facilities in the west. One is an outfall out beyond Irwin Creek, and flowing into that area and on down to the Pineville Plant. This is being built immediately by the county. Another is the enlargement of the city's plant at Irwin Creek and this is being done now by the city. The third thing is a bypassing of the Irwin Creek Plant and running an outfall down to the Sugar Creek Plant allowing an inter-relationship between the two plants. This is not being done at this time but the other two are. That which is being done is sufficient to handle the growth and potential growth in that area for a short while.

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**CITIZENS FOR ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT ENDORSE BOND PACKAGE.**

Mr. Eric Ritzen, speaking for the Citizens for Orderly Development on the West Side of Charlotte, stated the Committee got together to discuss the upcoming bond issue, and after much discussion, they do realize there is certain grouping in some of the bond issues which may have an adverse effect upon the bonds. He stated they are not concerned about that; after the discussion they feel they would like to go on record as endorsing the bond issue and urging the voters to pass the bonds. He stated they feel the bond issue is important to the City of Charlotte in order for it to remain a progressive city. They feel that ultimately all of these items mentioned on the bond issue will be for the good of all the citizens of Charlotte.

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY AND THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE RELOCATION OF THE GRADE CROSSING AT SMITH STREET IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHWEST EXPRESSWAY.**

Councilman Jordan moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement between the Southern Railway Company and the City of Charlotte for the relocation of the grade crossing at Smith Street in connection with the Northwest Expressway at an estimated cost of \$1,027.00, which funds have been budgeted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT WITH WILLIAM W. FINLEY FOR APPRAISAL OF PARCEL OF LAND.**

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the subject contract was approved for the East Thirtieth Street Project, at a fee of \$75.00.

**PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.**

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, authorizing property transactions as follows:

- (a) Acquisition of temporary construction easement 2' x 28' x 28' at 427 North McDowell Street, from Mark Gillespie and wife, at \$50.00, for McDowell Street Improvements.
- (b) Acquisition of 9.84' x 10' x 124.84' at the northeast corner of LaSalle Street at Celia Avenue, from J. B. Ury and wife, at \$350.00, for the LaSalle Street Improvement.
- (c) Acquisition of 9.34' x 100' x 9.21' x 100' at 3121-25 LaSalle Street, from Estelle C. Jackson (widow), at \$250.00 for the LaSalle Street Improvement.
- (d) Acquisition of 9.82' x 124.84' x 10.0' x 124.84' at the northwest corner of LaSalle Street at Celia Avenue, from W. Ray Armstrong and wife, Gladys H., at \$400.00, for the LaSalle Street Improvement.
- (e) Acquisition of 73.88' x 98.76' x 124.69' x 192.95' of easement off Barclay Downs Drive at Sayre Road, from Ernest Edward Wade and wife, Ruby T., at \$2,000.00, for the Briar Creek Flood Control.
- (f) Acquisition of 5' x 2,202.42' and 15' x 1,446.21' of easement off Barclay Downs Drive at Sayre Road, from James J. Harris and wife, at \$1.00, for sanitary sewer to serve Morrocroft Farms.

- (g) Acquisition of 10' x 223.03' of easement at 5800 and 5801 Quiet Cove Court, from John Crosland Company, at \$1.00, for sanitary sewer to serve Hampshire Hills No. 5.
- (h) Acquisition of 10' x 182.27' of easement at 5801 Aqua Court, from John Crosland Company at \$1.00 for sanitary sewer to serve Hampshire Hills No. 5.
- (i) Compromise Settlement with Herman W. Pigg and wife, Sue B. Pigg, in the amount of \$800.00, for 21.7' x 27.3' x 27.3' at 2917 Whiting Avenue, for the East Thirtieth Street Project.

**STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE BY THE CITY.**

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and unanimous carried, the following streets were taken over for continuous maintenance by the city:

- (a) Burleson Drive, from 200 feet south of Covecreek Drive to 540 feet south of Covecreek Drive.
- (b) Ilford Street, from Plaza Road to 950 feet west of Plaza Road.
- (c) Cutshaw Court, from Ilford Street to 170 feet north of Ilford Street.
- (d) Cavendish Court, from Providence Road to 2,290 feet west of Providence Road.
- (e) Warrington Drive, from Cavendish Court to 180 feet south of Cavendish Court.
- (f) Ashmeade Road, from Kirkpatrick Road to 875 feet east of Kirkpatrick Road.
- (g) Fortburn Road, from Ashmeade Road to 160 feet south of Ashmeade Road.
- (h) Beckett Court, from 185 feet south of Ashmeade Road to 170 feet north of Ashmeade Road.
- (i) Hedgemore Drive, from Abbey Place to 460 feet south of Abbey Place.
- (j) Abbey Place, from Park Road to Montford Drive.
- (k) Northbrook Drive, from 420 feet west of Cricketeer Drive to Plumstead Road.
- (l) Vantage Place, from Northbrook Drive to Carfax Drive.
- (m) Carfax Drive, from 295 feet west of Cricketeer Drive to Vantage Place.
- (n) Plumstead Road, from 255 feet north of centerline of Northbrook Drive to 175 feet south of centerline of Northbrook Drive.
- (o) Pitts Drive, from 400 feet north of Booker Avenue to Rosebud Lane.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed with Mrs. Myrtle Radavick for Graves 1 and 2, in Lot 20, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$160.00.
- (b) Deed with Kenneth R. Fourcher for Grave No. 6, in Lot No. 21, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$80.00.
- (c) Deed with Mrs. Dorothy R. Fourcher for Grave No. 5, in Lot No. 21, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$80.00.

MAYOR LEAVES CHAIR AND MAYOR PRO TEM PRESIDES.

Mayor Belk left the Chair at this time and Mayor Pro Tem Whittington presides until his return later in the meeting.

CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR TWO CARRYALL VEHICLES.

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the low bidder, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$5,218.66, on a unit price basis, for two 1/2 ton carryall vehicles. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

LaPointe Chevrolet Company	\$5,218.66
International Harvester Co.	5,543.38

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	5,241.86
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CONTRACT AWARDED JIM COOK FORD, INC., FOR 12 PASSENGER CLUB WAGON.

Motion was made by Councilman Short to award contract to the only bidder, Jim Cook Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$2,746.28, on a unit price basis, for one 3/4 ton 12 passenger club wagon. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR ELEVEN 1/2 TON PICKUP TRUCKS.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$19,758.97, on a unit price basis, for eleven 1/2 ton pickup trucks.

The following bids were received:

LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	\$19,758.97
Dodge Country, Inc.	20,556.47
Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	21,300.07
International Harvester Co.	23,473.12

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Div.	\$19,865.34
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**CONTRACT AWARDED JIM COOK FORD, INC. FOR FOUR 3/4 TON PICKUPS.**

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan and seconded by Councilman Short, to award contract to the low bidder meeting specifications, Jim Cook Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$9,369.84, on a unit price basis for four 3/4 ton pickups.

Councilman Tuttle asked how much an alternator and a regulator costs? Mr. Brown, Purchasing Agent, replied the main point is it does not meet the specifications; there are alternators and alternators and it depends on what type of alternator is specified. Councilman Tuttle asked if it did not meet the specifications, why the company did not go ahead and put them in - there is \$1,300 difference? Mr. Brown replied all the way through the bids in this particular company's instance, they did not do that; that he asked why and was told there were some inner problems where they did not get some of their pricing back from the factory in time; that being the case, they took it upon themselves to bid whatever they wanted and in this case, it was not what the city could use.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	\$ 9,369.84
Dodge Country, Inc.	10,138.60
International Harvester Co.	10,259.82

Bid not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	\$ 8,049.68
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**CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR FOUR TRUCKS.**

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the low bidder meeting specifications, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$8,997.94, on a unit price basis, for three 7800 GVW and one 10,000 GVW trucks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	\$ 8,997.94
Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	9,265.81
Dodge Country, Inc.	9,510.15
International Harvester Co.	10,242.60

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	\$ 8,314.51
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**CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR TWO TRUCKS.**

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower to award contract to the low bidder meeting specifications, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$5,877.98, on a unit price basis for two 13,000 GVW trucks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	\$ 5,877.98
Dodge Country, Inc.	6,008.11
Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	6,053.57
International Harvester Co.	6,257.51
Central Ford Truck Sales	6,392.13

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	\$5,863.49.
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**CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR ELEVEN 18,500 GVW CAB AND CHASSIS.**

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried awarding contract to the second low bidder, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$32,378.10, on a unit price basis for eleven 18,500 GVW cab and chassis.

The following bids were received:

Dodge Country, Inc.	\$31,269.42
LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	32,378.10
Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	32,699.63
Central Ford Truck Sales	33,397.55
GMC Truck & Coach Div.	33,505.24
International Harvester Co.	33,918.38

**CONTRACT AWARDED LAPOINTE CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR TWO TILT CAB TRUCKS.**

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications, LaPointe Chevrolet Company, in the amount of \$8,562.20, on a unit price basis, for two 22,000 GVW tilt cab trucks.

The following bids were received:

LaPointe Chevrolet Company	\$ 8,562.20
Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	8,578.82
International Harvester Co.	8,930.90

Bids received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Div.	\$ 7,804.50
Central Ford Truck Sales	8,347.14

**CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR TWENTY CAB AND CHASSIS WITH DIESEL ENGINE.**

Councilman Short moved that contract be awarded to the second low base bidder, International Harvester Company, in the amount of \$127,307.00, on a unit price basis, for twenty 25,000 GVW cabs and chassis with diesel engines. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

BASE BID:

Dodge Country, Inc.	\$124,198.60
International Harvester Co.	127,307.00
Central Ford Truck Sales	132,338.80
Mack Trucks, Inc.	174,760.80

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Div. (Did not meet specifications)	135,537.20
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ALTERNATE BID:

Dodge Country, Inc.	135,122.60
International Harvester Co.	135,838.20
Central Ford Truck Sales	141,094.80
LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	159,192.20
Mack Trucks, Inc.	195,573.40

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Div. (Did not meet specifications)	151,636.20
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CONTRACT AWARDED JIM COOK, INC. FOR THREE CAB AND CHASSIS WITH GASOLINE ENGINE.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan awarding contract to the low bidder, Jim Cook Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$13,773.81, on a unit price basis, for three 25,000 GVW cab and chassis with gasoline engine. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Jim Cook Ford, Inc.	\$13,773.81
International Harvester Co.	14,348.69
LaPointe Chevrolet Co.	14,837.80
Central Ford Truck Sales	15,229.41
Dodge Country, Inc.	15,997.71

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	\$14,168.83
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CONTRACT AWARDED CENTRAL FORD TRUCK SALES FOR TILT CAB TRUCK-TRACTOR.

Councilman Thrower moved award of contract to the low bidder meeting specifications, Central Ford Truck Sales, in the amount of \$8,536.21, on a unit price basis, for one 27,500 GVW tilt cab truck-tractor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Central Ford Truck Sales	\$ 8,536.21
International Harvester Co.	9,078.66

Bid received not meeting specifications:

G.M.C. Truck & Coach Division	\$8,336.25
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CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR TWO TANDEM TRUCK CABS AND CHASSIS.

Upon motion of Councilman Withrow, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, International Harvester Company, in the amount of \$18,290.00, on a unit price basis, for two 43,000 GVW tandem truck cabs and chassis.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	\$18,290.00
GMC Truck & Coach Div.	18,872.72
Central Ford Truck Sales	19,928.12
LaPointe Chevrolet Company	20,499.00

CONTRACT AWARDED BAKER EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR SERVICE BODY WITH AERIAL BUCKET

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Baker Equipment Engineering Company, in the amount of \$9,394.00, on a unit price basis, for one service body with aerial bucket.

The following bids were received:

Baker Equip. Engr. Co., Inc.	\$ 9,394.00
Holan Div. - Ohio Brass Co.	11,133.48
McCabe-Powers Body Co.	11,307.00

CONTRACT AWARDED QUALITY EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TEN STEEL DUMP BODIES

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Quality Equipment and Supply Company, in the amount of \$9,056.48, on a unit price basis for ten steel dump bodies.

The following bids were received:

Quality Eqpt. & Supply Co.	\$ 9,056.48
Worth Keeter, Inc.	10,026.59
Baker Eqpt. Engr. Co., Inc.	10,432.00

CONTRACT AWARDED BAKER EQUIPMENT ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC. FOR TWO SPECIAL UTILITY BODIES.

Councilman Withrow moved award of contract to the low bidder, Baker Equipment Engineering Company, Inc., in the amount of \$9,102.00, on a unit price basis, for two special utility bodies. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Baker Equip. Engr. Co., Inc.	\$ 9,102.00
Worth Keeter, Inc.	9,144.00

CONTRACT AWARDED QUALITY EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TWENTY REAR LOADING PACKER BODIES.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan awarding contract to the low bidder, Quality Equipment & Supply Company, in the amount of \$84,150.00, on a unit price basis, for twenty 16 cubic yard rear loading packer bodies. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Quality Equip. & Supply Co.	\$84,150.00
Worth Keeter, Inc. & Pak-Mor Mfg. Company	91,700.00
Sanco Corporation	102,580.00
A. E. Finley & Assoc., Inc.	113,640.00

CONTRACT AWARDED A. E. FINLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ONE STREET FLUSHER.

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Thrower and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, A. E. Finley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$5,395.00, on a unit price basis for one, 1500 gallon street flusher.

The following bids were received:

A. E. Finley & Assoc., Inc.	\$ 5,395.00
Mitchell Distributing	5,500.00

CONTRACT AWARDED A. E. FINLEY & ASSOCIATES, FOR TILT BED SEMI-TRAILER.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, A. E. Finley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$4,690.00, on a unit price basis, for one 22 ton tilt bed semi-trailer.

The following bids were received:

A. E. Finley & Assoc., Inc.	\$ 4,690.00
Interstate Equip. Co.	5,049.75
Cook Body Company	6,243.00

CONTRACT AWARDED H. B. OWSLEY & SON, INC. FOR ONE HYDRAULIC TRUCK MOUNTED CRANE.

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the low bidder, H. B. Owsley & Son, Inc., in the amount of \$7,995.00, on a unit price basis, for one hydraulic truck mounted crane. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

H. B. Owsley & Son, Inc.	\$ 7,995.00
Western Carolina Tractor Co.	8,333.00
A. E. Finley & Associates, Inc.	8,402.00
Baker Equip. Engr. Co., Inc.	9,679.00
Arrow Equip. Sales, Inc.	9,800.00
Cook Body Company	10,504.00
McCabe-Powers Body Co.	10,672.36

CONTRACT AWARDED QUALITY EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY COMPANY FOR TWO STEEL DUMP BODIES.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Quality Equipment & Supply Company, in the amount of \$3,236.00, on a unit price basis, for two steel dump bodies.

The following bids were received:

Quality Equip. & Supply Co.	\$ 3,236.00
Baker Equip. Engr. Co., Inc.	4,206.00
Worth Keeter, Inc.	4,505.28

CONTRACT AWARDED ARROW EQUIPMENT SALES, INC. FOR ONE TRUCK MOUNTED AIR COMPRESSOR.

Councilman Short moved award of contract to the only bidder, Arrow Equipment Sales, Inc., in the amount of \$5,475.00, on a unit price basis, for one truck mounted air compressor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and carried unanimously.

MAYOR RETURNS TO CHAIR TO PRESIDE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SESSION.

Mayor Belk returned to the Chair and presided for the remainder of the Session.

COMMENT ON POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT AND CITATIONS ISSUED FOR ILLEGAL SPEEDS.

Councilman Tuttle stated in the Police Report on the illegal speed 12,699 citations were issued for the first nine months and this compares to 5,874 or two and one half times. He asked if this is the result of the new detectors? He stated he wonders why there is a 250% increase? Is the Department doing a better job or what is the reason? Mr. Bobo, Administrative Assistant, replied it is too early for the results on the new detectors, and he would say the Department is doing a better job.

COMMENT ON TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Councilman Short stated he rates the recent visit to San Francisco as among the most successful and helpful of the inter-city visits that he has been privileged to make. What was studied and what was learned in urban renewal, planned development and mass transportation was very timely. That all who went profited and he thinks the city government will also.

Councilman Jordan stated he thinks this is one of the most fruitful trips the Council has ever taken; they saw so much out there that we are interested in here.

COORDINATION COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED APPOINTED.

Councilman Whittington stated recently he had the opportunity to discuss with the members of the County Board of Commissioners and the City Council, the need for better coordination among independent and semi-independent agencies, both public and private. That he brings this up today because the point has been made many times that decisions made by one agency may well have significant ramifications for others. Further, the point has been made that while a given agency may have a principal decision making responsibility for a particular problem the other agencies in the city community may have some input into alternatives being considered.

The relationship of housing sites to schools, transportation needs to park and recreation facilities and jobs are examples of the type of inter-relationships that he believes must be considered.

Councilman Whittington stated with this in mind he is going to move that the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and the Mayor appoint a Coordinating Committee consisting of a member from the School Board, Park and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, City Council, Housing Authority, Redevelopment Commission, Traffic Engineering Department and a local architect; that the architect be Mr. Harry C. Wolfe, III, and that he be appointed Chairman of this Committee. He stated the responsibilities of the Committee will be one of coordination mechanism, charged with the responsibilities of keeping City and County Governments and the other such agencies informed and providing each other with information on immediate and long range plans.

Councilman Whittington moved that the Coordinating Committee be appointed with Mr. Harry C. Wolfe, III, as Chairman. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 465-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 255-X, THE 1969-70 BUDGET ORDINANCE, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET TO BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY TRAINING.

Mr. Robert A. Earle, Personnel Director, stated his purpose today is to present a comprehensive managerial training program which is designed to acquaint managers and supervisors at all levels of our organization with a common philosophy of management; to equip them with the skills and abilities to apply advanced managerial techniques to the conduct of their various operations; and to introduce common terms and understandings so as to facilitate communications throughout the organization.

Mr. Earle stated the training activities now in progress are directed to trade and occupational improvements and we do not have any training program directed to improving managerial skills - this is at all levels, foremen, supervisors, managers and heads of the various activities. He stated the

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need for this kind of training has become apparent, particularly during the past couple of summers. All the managers and supervisors throughout the organization are required to respond to new and increasing demands; they are required to deal with Public Employee Labor Organizations; they are required to meet the whole array of problems resulting from the social, cultural and physical changes taking place.

Mr. Earle stated it is his opinion if these and other demands are to be met, we must deal effectively with a high level of managerial skill, and he recommends that the City enter into a program of managerial supervisory training with the objectives of developing the managerial and supervisory capabilities of our present employees to the highest possible level of competence; to create an organizational climate that will foster the development of administrative-supervisory leadership of the future; and to develop our own people at all levels for higher job levels; to help channelize the city's financial resources into the most productive fashion possible.

Mr. Earle stated the American Management Association and its affiliates, The President's Association and the Supervisory Manager Association, offer the most suitable of the available managerial and supervisory training programs. The AMA offers the advantage of having courses developed on advanced, widely proven managerial practices and all are applicable to our managerial city work force. The AMA program carries the same content to all levels of the organization - they provide a common thread of knowledge and understanding so that people can communicate effectively from one end of the organization to the other. Also, AMA offers extensive opportunities for follow-up and reinforcement training.

He stated the scope is such that more than 80 of the city's employees can be introduced into this kind of training during the next four months beginning in January; this will give the advantage of extending training right down through to the first line foremen in many cases.

Mr. Earle stated the estimated cost is \$11,000, or an average of \$134.00 per employee trained; the funds are available in the current budget but he is recommending the funds be transferred into a Non-Departmental Expense Account for control purposes.

Councilman Tuttle stated it is significant that what Mr. Earle is proposing is right in line with Mr. Whittington's motion on the Coordination Committee to appoint a Chairman to the overall City-County Committee. He stated he is most impressed with the wording "so as to facilitate communications throughout the organization". That he thinks in all government this matter of communications is something we have been lacking and Mr. Earle is proposing that we do among our own staff what Mr. Whittington has proposed we do countywide.

Councilman Tuttle moved approval of the recommendation and the adoption of the Ordinance transferring the funds. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short.

Councilman Thrower asked how many people the City of Charlotte employs at full complement? Mr. Earle replied at present, or round figures, it is 2,800.

Councilman Whittington stated he concurs in what Mr. Earle is recommending; from his experience, working with the McCann Report and various people in the Fire Department, in a recent meeting, the fire personnel suggested this. He stated Chief Black is already beginning on this at a lower level in the Central Piedmont College.

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Councilman Whittington stated to Mr. Earle, as he begins to send the supervisor to school, he hopes that he sends those who have not been; there are so many that are never reached. For example, the Deputy Fire Chiefs and Assistant Fire Chiefs. That he would hope they would not send someone who has just come back from school. Mr. Earle replied the effort will be to select people in the succession that will produce the most benefit right down through the organization.

Councilman Short stated the most important thing pointed out is the change in the last short while in the science of governmental penetration; that we have whole departments that we did not have a few years ago, and the changes go on at an increasing pace, and this makes this sort of study imperative.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 16, at Page 446.

**CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES TO SERVE HAMPSHIRE HILLS NO. 5, AND MORROCROFT FARMS.**

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan and unanimously carried, awarding the following contracts:

Contract to the low bidder, Mecklenburg Engineers & Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$12,311.36, to serve Hampshire Hills No. 5.

The following bids were received:

Mecklenburg Engineers & Contractors, Inc.	\$12,311.36
Sanders Brothers, Inc.	16,045.25
The Amity Corporation	18,004.20
Dickerson, Inc.	19,510.80
Thomas Structure Company	19,618.90

Contract to the low bidder, Sanders Brothers, Inc., in the amount of \$27,150.10, to serve Morrocroft Farms:

The following bids were received:

Sanders Brothers, Inc.	100 days	\$27,150.10
Thomas Structure Company	120 days	26,906.30
T. A. Sherrill Construction Co.	60 days	31,146.85
The Amity Corporation	90 days	31,831.80
Dickerson, Inc.	120 days	34,929.75

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk