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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on December 3, 1946, with Mayor pro tem Childs presiding, and Councilmen Hinson, Newson, Puette and White present.

Absent: Mayor Baxter and Councilmen Johnston and McIntyre.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend A. B. Wilson, Pastor, First Christian Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Puette, the minutes of the last meeting, on November 26th, 1946, were approved as read.

CANCELLATION OF TAXICAB OPERATOR'S PERMIT TO JOHNNIE BELL.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Puette, the action of Taxicab Inspector McCall was unanimously sustained in cancelling the permit of Mr. Johnnie Bell, 1508 North Caldwell Street to operate a taxicab in Charlotte, due to his having been discharged by the Safety Cab Company for reckless driving and rough handling of cabs, together with having been discharged by five private concerns for the same causes.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO DRIVE-AWAY PARKING.

The City Manager stated that Mr. Hal Douglas, 728 Berkley Avenue, had requested permission to operate a Drive-Away Parking Service, in the interest of relieving the parking situation in the congested area.

Councilman White moved that the matter, which was not scheduled on the Council Meeting Docket, be heard. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

Whereupon the following resolution was introduced and read:

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO
DRIVE-AWAY PARKING.

WHEREAS, uptown parking in the City of Charlotte is causing the City Council grave concern and the citizens of and visitors to our city much inconvenience, and

WHEREAS, it has been suggested that drive-away parking will assist in relieving parking in our congested areas as the same has worked successfully in other cities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte: That it shall be the policy of the City of Charlotte to encourage the establishment and operation of drive-away parking in the congested areas of the city and by these presents the traffic division of the Police Department is requested to co-operate with responsible persons desiring to operate this type of service by establishing passenger unloading zones within the terms of our city's existing traffic ordinance to the end that such drive-away parking service may be rendered to motorists in our city, provided, however, that the operator of any such business shall take out and maintain in

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force adequate insurance or other means of indemnity by way of signed bond or cash deposit to protect the property and person of people transacting business with the operator of such drive-away parking service or its agents and employees, or that might be damaged thereby.

This December 3rd, 1946.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman White, the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AUTHORIZED ADVERTISED FOR SALE.

Councilman White moved that the following tax foreclosed property be advertised for sale, with no bids accepted for less than the amounts herein indicated, as recommended by the Appraisal Committee. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and unanimously carried:

Lot 16, in Block 12, Map No. 2, Map Book 230, Page 151, Tax Suit No. 682, vs. W. J. Crowell et al, known as 741-43 Clement Avenue	\$800.00
Lot 10, in Block 7, Map Book 230, Pages 248-249, Tax Suit 263 vs S.A. Leslie et al, known as 2537-39 Commonwealth Avenue	\$900.00

PALMISTS LICENSE REFUSED.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Puette, application by Julia Charnack for a Palmists License for use at 513½ West Trade Street was unanimously refused.

SETTLEMENT OF PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM TO MRS. JOSEPHINE DERAMUS.

Councilman White moved the authorization of payment of claim by Mrs. Josephine DeRamus, in the amount of \$17.50, for damages to column supporting portico over driveway by City Garbage Truck No. 80. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH MCDUGLE, ERWIN, FAIRLEY & HORACK, ATTORNEYS, FOR DRAFTING BILLS IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED CITY LIMITS EXTENSION.

Councilman Puette moved that contract be authorized with McDougle, Erwin, Fairley & Horack, Attorneys, for preparing report and drafting bills in connection with the proposed extension of the Charlotte city limits, at a cost of \$250.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR STENOGRAPHIC EXPENSE IN CONNECTION WITH CODIFYING ORDINANCES.

Councilman Hinson moved that \$200.00 be transferred from the Emergency Fund for stenographic expense in connection with the codifying of city ordinances. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

SUBDIVISION PLATS APPROVED.

Councilman Hinson moved that plats of the following subdivisions be approved as submitted by the Planning Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Shawnee Springs Subdivision, located on Pineville Road beyond the city limits, and owned by F. E. Robinson.
- (b) Three plats of "Part of Myers Park" Subdivision, located between Wesslesly Ave., Selwyn Avenue, Queens Road W, and Westfield Road, and owned by The Stephens Company.

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- (c) Three plats of "Part of Wesley Heights" Subdivision, located between West Morehead Street, Wesley Heights and Stewart Creek, and owned by E. C. Griffith.
- (d) Thomas Court Subdivision, located off Beattie's Ford Road near Biddleville School, and owned by Chase Brenizer.
- (e) Eastern Retreat Subdivision, located one block beyond the north side of Central Avenue, east of Blub Road, and owned by Mrs. Myrtle D. Starrette, et al (DeArmon heirs).

CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman Hinson, the following contracts and purchases, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, were unanimously authorized:

- (a) Contract with North Carolina Equipment Company, for 36 Bearing Sleeves for Elgin Sweeper, in the sum of \$249.32.
- (b) Purchase of parts for Fire Alarm System, from The Gamewell Company, in the sum of \$121.85.
- (c) Purchase of One 24-inch Power Mower from Contractors Service, in the sum of \$184.50, for use at Irwin Creek Disposal Plant.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR ESTIMATED YEARLY SUPPLY OF CHEMICALS.

Motion was made by Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried, awarding contracts with the following concerns for an estimated yearly supply of chemicals for water and sewage treatment:

American Cyanamid Company at \$27.80 per ton
270 Tons of Aluminum Sulphate, /at net delivered price of \$7,506.00

Standard Lime & Stone Company
250 Tons of Chemical Hydrated Lime,
at 13.82 per ton, at a net delivered price of \$3,455.00

E. I. Dupont de Nemours & Company, Inc.
60 Tons Ferric Chloride
at \$2.92 per 100 lbs. in the sum of \$3,504.00 f.o.b. Midland, Mich.

Solvay Sales Corporation
90,000 lbs. Liquid Chlorine
at .023 per pound, in the sum of \$2,049.30 f.o.b. Hopewell, Va.

Research Products Company
16,000 lbs. Anhydrous Ammonia
at .149 per pound, at a net delivered price of \$2,384.00

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Puette moved that the Christmas holiday for city employees be from noon December 24th to 8:30 A.M. on December 27th. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

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SALARY ADVANCE TO CITY EMPLOYEES ON DECEMBER 15th AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Hinson moved that an advance of salaries be paid to regular city employees on December 15th for period December 15th through 31st, provided that any employee not desiring the salary advance, be paid at the usual time, January 1st. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman Hinson, a Special Officer Permit was authorized issued to J. O. Martin, for use on the premises of J. B. Ivey & Company, for one year.

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Councilman Hinson moved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute deeds for the sale of the following lots in Elmwood Cemetery:

To - Walter Lambeth, Lot 18, Section L-Annex, at \$180.00, and Perpetual Care thereon, at \$100.00.

To - T. W. Aldred and wife, Georgia R. Aldred, Lot 39, Section L-Annex, at \$180.00, and Perpetual Care thereon at \$100.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman White, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk

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