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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber in the City Hall, on Wednesday, January 16, 1957, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Van Every presiding, and Council members Albea, Baxter, Brown, Dellinger, Evans, Smith and Wilkinson being present,

ABSENT: None.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on January 9th were approved as submitted.

ORDINANCE NO. 361-X EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE ANNEXING 65.07 ACRES OF PROPERTY, CONSISTING OF 159 LOTS, IN CRAB ORCHARD TOWNSHIP, ON PETITION OF C. D. SPANGLER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND FRED DENSON AND WIFE.

The scheduled hearing was held in connection with the petition of C. D. Spangler Construction Company and Fred Denson and wife, for the annexation of 65.07 acres of property, consisting of 159 lots, located on the Newell-Hickory Grove Road, in Crab Orchard Township.

No objections were expressed to the proposed annexation.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of "Ordinance No. 361-X Extending the Corporate Limits of the City of Charlotte by Annexing 65.07 Acres of Land in Crab Orchard Township". The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Pages 100 and 101.

MEETINGS AUTHORIZED WITH RESIDENTS OF PERIMETER AREA TO FURNISH INFORMATION REGARDING PROPOSED EXTENSION OF CORPORATE LIMITS.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that the Mayor proceed to make arrangements for meeting with residents of the Perimeter Area to furnish information regarding the proposed extension of the corporate limits of Charlotte and to the publicizing of the meetings, within the next two weeks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Van Every requested the Council to meet in his office at 2 o'clock p.m. next Wednesday prior to the Council Meeting to plan for the meetings in the perimeter area.

DEPARTMENTAL HEADS DIRECTED TO PROVIDE ESTIMATES OF THE APPROXIMATE DATE CITY SERVICES MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO AREAS PROPOSED FOR ANNEXATION.

Councilman Baxter moved that the City Manager be directed to instruct each Departmental Head to provide information at once as to the approximate time services furnished by the department can be made available to the areas proposed for annexation, so that the information can be passed on to the residents at the meetings with them. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

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REMOVAL OF BROKEN GLASS FROM STREETS FROM WRECKED AUTOMOBILES TO BE REQUIRED OF POLICEMEN.

Councilman Brown called attention to the damage to automobile tires by glass remaining in the street after an automobile wreck, and asked if the Wrecker Service called to the accident cannot be required to sweep up the glass from the street before leaving the scene of the accident?

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, stated he doubted the Wrecker Companies could be required to furnish this service; that it could be done by the Police at the accident, and that he would instruct the Police Department to do so.

SIREN NOT IN USE TO BE LOANED TO MINT HILL-MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Brown stated that the Mint Hill-Matthews Volunteer Fire Department was badly in need of a siren and they did not have available funds with which to purchase one. He asked if the Charlotte Fire Department did not have an antiquated or unused one that could be loaned them, and called attention to the valuable assistance rendered in many cases of fire by this Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, stated that unused similar equipment has been loaned to Volunteer Departments from time to time, and he will check into the matter and if there is a siren available it will be loaned them.

PROMPT REMOVAL OF DEAD ANIMALS FROM CITY STREET REQUESTED.

Councilwoman Evans called attention to dead animals that are left in the city streets and asked if they could not be removed promptly by some department.

The City Manager advised that this is done by the Sanitary Department, and if they are given the information as to the location they will remove the dead animal immediately.

HEATING EQUIPMENT IN CITY TRUCKS AUTHORIZED.

Councilwoman Evans moved that all city trucks be equipped with heating equipment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

BRIDGE ON TUCKASEEGEE ROAD OVER STEWART CREEK AUTHORIZED REPLACED WITH REINFORCED CONCRETE BRIDGE AND PAID FOR WITH POWELL BILL FUNDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, \$45,270.00 of Powell Bill Funds were authorized used to replace the Tuckaseegee Road bridge over Stewart Creek with a reinforced concrete and I-beam bridge.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING SETBACK LINES ON WEST SIXTH STREET FROM NORTH GRAHAM STREET TO NORTH TRYON STREET, AND ON EAST SIXTH STREET FROM NORTH TRYON STREET TO NORTH MCDOWELL STREET.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Adopting Set Back Lines on West Sixth Street from North Graham Street to North Tryon Street, and on East Sixth Street from North Tryon Street to North McDowell Street" was introduced and read. Councilwoman Evans moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 20.

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PAYMENT OF FEE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUANCE OF CITY OF CHARLOTTE BONDS AUTHORIZED TO MITCHELL, PERSHING, SHETTERLY AND MITCHELL, BOND ATTORNEYS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Brown and un-animously carried, payment of fee in the amount of \$4,691.40 to Mitchell, Pershing, Shetterly & Mitchell, New York Bond Attorneys, was authorized for professional services in connection with the issuance of City of Charlotte Bonds.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAIN IN HAWKINS STREET AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Brown moved approval of the construction of 235 feet of sanitary sewer main in Hawkins Street, at the request of Tremore, Inc., at an estimated cost of \$755.00. All costs to be borne by the City and applicant's deposit of the entire amount to be refunded in accordance with the terms of the contract. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND AMERICAN INVESTMENT COMPANY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS IN PROVIDENCE ROAD, OLD PROVIDENCE ROAD AND SHARON VIEW ROAD, AUTHORIZED CO-SIGNED BY CITY.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to co-sign an agreement between the State Highway Commission and the American Investment Company for right-of-way for the installation of water mains in Providence Road, Old Providence Road and Sharon View Road.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH S. A. HUNTER, JR. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS IN HILLSIDE ACRES.

Councilman Smith moved approval of a contract with Mr. S. A. Hunter, Jr. for the installation of 324-feet of water mains in Hillside Acres, south of Woodlawn Road, outside the city limits, at an estimated cost of \$1,175.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, who will dedicate the mains to the city upon completion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Brown, and un-animously carried, the construction of driveway entrances were authorized at the following locations:

- (a) One 26-ft driveway entrance at 827 "A" Street.
- (b) One 8-ft driveway entrance at 220 Hillside Avenue
- (c) One 25-ft and One 30-ft driveway entrance at 1314 E. 4th Street.
- (d) One 35-ft driveway entrance at 424 West 2nd Street.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT AUTHORIZED ISSUED TO JOHN P. BRUDENELL ON PREMISES OF SOUTHERN KNITWEAR MILLS.

Councilman Wilkinson moved approval of the issuance of a Special Officer Permit to Mr. John P. Brudenell for use on the premises of Southern Knitwear Mills, 622 East 28th Street. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

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TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Albea 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. Sue K. Bungarner, for Lot 284, Section 7, Oaklawn Cemetery at \$192.00.
- (b) Deed with Paul R. Hager, for Lot 575, Section 8, Oaklawn Cemetery, at \$200.00.
- (c) Deed with Bill Rallis and wife, for Lot 121, Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$126.00.
- (d) Deed with Le Bron Smith, for Grave #1, Lot 114, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$40.00.
- (e) Deed with W. S. McLaughlin, for Lot 346, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$240.00.

STATE HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AUTHORIZED TO REMOVE SOIL FROM HOSKINS FILTER PLANT PROPERTY TO USE IN BUILDING NEW HIGHWAY #16 PROJECT.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the State Highway & Public Works Commission was granted permission to remove 60,000 cubic yards of soil material from the Hoskins Filter Plant property under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Water Department and J. N. Pease & Company, Engineers, to be used in the building of the new Highway #16 project.

COCHRAN & ROSS COAL COMPANY AUTHORIZED TO REMOVE LIMITED AMOUNT OF DIRT FROM STATESVILLE AVENUE GARBAGE LANDFILL SITE.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, Cochran & Ross Coal Company were granted permission to remove a limited amount of dirt from the Statesville Avenue Garbage Landfill Site, under the supervision of Mr. O. C. Fogus.

RELEASE OF PORTION OF RETAINAGE UNDER CONTRACT FOR CROSSLINE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED TO BLYTHE BROS. COMPANY.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, authorizing the release to Blythe Bros. Company of 50% of the retainage under their contract for the construction of the Crossline Railway, in the amount of \$40,572.64, as recommended by Mr. Frank T. Miller, Engineer, and concurred in by the Bonding Company, Standard Accident Insurance Company.

PROPOSED WIDENING OF BRIAR CREEK ROAD FROM OLD MONROE ROAD TO INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD PLACED ON LIST OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, advised that the estimated cost for widening of Briar Creek Road, from Old Monroe Road to Independence Boulevard, is \$65,000.00, based on a 45-foot street width with grading, storm drains, concrete curb and gutter, stone base asphalt surface and the required widening of a concrete deck bridge.

Councilman Dellinger recommended that this project be added to the list of proposed street improvements for discussion at a later date.

PROPOSED WIDENING OF HUTCHINSON AVENUE, FROM MORETZ AVENUE TO CITY LIMITS, PLACED ON LIST OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION, AND STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO BE REQUESTED TO PARTICIPATE IN COST.

The City Manager advised that the estimated cost of widening Hutchinson Avenue, from Moretz Avenue north to the city limits, is \$111,800.00, based on a 45-foot street width and including grading, storm drains, curb and gutter, 10-inch stone base, asphalt surface and right-of-way.

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Councilman Dellinger recommended that this project be added to the list of proposed street improvements for consideration at a later date, and requested the City Manager to request the State Highway Commission if they will not participate in the cost as they did on Central Avenue.

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION REQUESTED TO MAKE NEEDED REPAIRS TO SOUTH TRYON STREET EXTENSION SHOULDERS.

Councilman Wilkinson stated that the South Tryon Street Ext. shoulders are in bad condition, and he asked the City Manager to see if the State Highway Commission cannot make the needed repairs.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO CHECK INTO AMOUNT OF POWELL BILL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR USE IN LAYING STONE AND GRAVEL, ETC. IN WEST 11TH STREET PROJECT.

Councilman Dellinger called attention to the West 11th Street widening, stating that the residents between Pine and Graham Streets, would like to know when the work would be started on laying the stone and gravel, etc. He asked if the City cannot go ahead with the work using bond funds. The City Manager stated there was not sufficient bond funds available, that it must be kept in mind that the Sardis Road work is yet to be taken care of. Councilman Dellinger then asked the City Manager to check into the amount of Powell Bill Funds available, which can be used for the West 11th Street work.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO TRAFFIC ENGINEERING FOR SIGNS "CARS WILL BE TOWED AWAY" ON PARKING METERS IN RESTRICTED AREAS.

Councilman Brown moved approval of the transfer of \$470.00 from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Traffic Engineering Department (Code 518 B-57) for the erection of Signs "Cars will be towed away" on Parking Meters in restricted parking areas. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried.

PROPOSED WIDENING OF CALDWELL STREET FROM STONEWALL STREET TO EAST TRADE STREET, PLACED ON LIST OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED.

The City Manager advised that the estimated cost of widening Caldwell Street, from Stonewall Street to East Trade Street is \$145,900.00, which includes curb and gutter, sidewalks, storm drains, resurfacing and a 55-ft. right-of-way for a 40-ft. street width.

He was directed to add this project to the list of street improvements to be considered.

FRAGMENTS OF PROPERTY AUTHORIZED DEEDED TO BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

The City Manager advised that the Board of School Commissioners requests the City to deed them several fragments of property - one being a small part of the D.H. Hill School property, and he recommended that properties be deeded them, subject to the approval of the City Attorney. Councilman Dellinger moved that the recommendation be accepted and the properties so deeded, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman
Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk