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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 Wednesday, July 22, 1953, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., with Mayor Van Every presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Brown, Dellinger, Smith and Wilkinson present.

Absent: None.

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 July 8th were approved as submitted.

PETITIONER FOR CHANGE IN ZONING ON THREE LOTS IN GRIERTOWN REFERRED BACK TO ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

At the scheduled hearing on the request of Mr. W. J. Crosby for the change in zoning from R-2 to B-1 on three lots at the intersection of Jewell and Alexander Streets in Griertown, the City Manager presented a petition signed by thirty-three residents protesting the change as it would lessen the value and desirability of their property for residential purposes, and would break-down an exclusive residential district.

Mr. Crosby and his attorney, Mr. Louis Carter, spoke in behalf of the zoning change, presenting pictures of the area to substantiate their statement that the area was not an A-1 residential section; they also presented plans of the apartment and business units which Mr. Crosby proposes to construct at a cost of between \$200,000 and \$250,000. Mr. Carter stated that Mr. Crosby owned the property prior to its being annexed to the City of Charlotte, and the foundation for some part of the buildings he proposes to erect was laid prior to the zoning of the area.

In the discussion Mr. Crosby stated that the plans for the buildings submitted to Council have not been shown to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, who denied his petition for the change on May 19th.

Councilman Boyd moved that Mr. Crosby be requested to again present his petition, and the plans, to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and that the City Manager have the petition protesting the change checked to learn if the signers are owners of property within the effected area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF RESIDENT INSPECTOR FOR AUDITORIUM-COLISEUM PROJECT.

Mr. J. P. McMillan, Chairman of the Auditorium-Coliseum Building Committee, appeared before Council and presented a Report and Recommendation relative to the employment of a Resident Inspector for the Project, from the said Committee, in which they highly recommended the employment of Mr. H. F. Dehn. Mr. McMillan stated that a thorough check into the qualifications of Mr. Dehn has been made, as well as the various projects on which he has worked in a similar capacity, and they are well pleased with their findings. The detailed report also set forth the engineering, architectural and construction experience of Mr. Dehn since 1912. Councilman Albea moved that Mr. Dehn be employed as Resident Inspector for the project, effective Monday, July 27, 1953, at a salary of \$165.00 per week, as recommended by the Building Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

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REQUEST FOR INSTALLATION OF CURB AND GUTTER ON CENTER PLANTING STRIP ON QUEENS ROAD WEST FROM PRINCETON AVENUE TO ROSWELL AVENUE TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ADOPTED.

Mr. Frank Mayhew was spokesman for a delegation of residents of Queens Road West, and urged that the City proceed with the installation of curb and gutter on either side of the center planting strip on Queens Road West from Princeton Avenue to Roswell Avenue as authorized by the Council in October, 1952. He stated that over a million and a half dollars have been spent within the last two years on new residences within the five blocks of Queens Road where the improvement is requested, and the residents feel that they are due this protection of their property. He stated further that it is the intention of the residents to install curb and gutter at their own expense along the frontage of their property if the City will make the proper improvements to the center planting strip. Councilman Brown quoted from the Minutes of the Council Meeting on October 1, 1952, where the improvement was authorized when funds were available. Councilman Dellinger moved that the request be considered when the Council discusses and adopts the street improvement program. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, who stated the improvement was already included in the street improvement program, and the work could not be done prior to this time as funds were not available. The vote was taken on the motion by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

DECISION TO BE GIVEN AT AUGUST 5TH MEETING ON REQUEST OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO FINANCE A SURVEY OF AIR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES IN CHARLOTTE.

Mr. John Watlington, President of the Chamber of Commerce headed a delegation of Chamber officials and requested the City to finance a comprehensive survey to determine Charlotte's needs for additional air transportation. He advised that it is their opinion that such a survey will prove of great value to Charlotte in that it would provide the City with detailed information as to the air services Charlotte now has, and those that are needed, and as hearings are held before the Civil Aeronautics Board on the expansion and location of air lines, Charlotte will be in position to present concrete evidence of the type of service actually needed here, and thereby enable the City to keep abreast of the times. Mr. Watlington recommended that the firm of Gotch and Crawford, of Washington, D. C., be retained to make the survey at a cost of \$2,500.00 plus expenses estimated at \$2,500.00, or a total overall amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, and recommended that the City allocate funds for this purpose. Councilman Baxter moved that the recommendation be considered and a decision given at the Council Meeting on August 5th. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT SHUMAN AVENUE AND BARRINGER DRIVE DEFERRED UNTIL COMPLETION OF SURVEY.

Mr. W. M. Bostick, 1316 Shuman Avenue, advised that he presented a petition from residents of the Shuman Avenue-Barringer Drive area last spring, requesting that a traffic signal be installed at this intersection but had heard nothing from it, nor had the signal been installed. He cited the several traffic accidents that have occurred at this intersection, the last one being last week, and he urged that the signal be installed without delay. The City Manager advised that a survey of the area is now in progress and will be completed within the next several days, and will be submitted to Council. Mayor Van Every advised Mr. Bostick that the Council will give serious consideration to the request upon receipt of the survey.

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TRANSFER OF THIRTEEN TAXICABS AND CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THEIR OPERATION FROM E. M. BEATY TO BEATY SERVICE COMPANY.

Mr. Paul R. Erwin, Attorney appeared before Council on behalf of Mr. E. M. Beaty and requested the transfer of thirteen taxicabs now owned by him and operating on the Red Top Cab Company taxi line, and the Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for their operation to Beaty Service Company. Also, an application on behalf of Beaty Service Company, an organization whose officers are Mr. K. M. Beaty, Mr. E. H. Beaty and Mr. J. H. Parker, for the acquisition of the cabs and certificates. He stated that Mr. E. M. Beaty was recently sentenced to a term in the Federal Penitentiary for the violation of the income tax law, and, as attorney for Mr. Beaty, he had advised him that under the provisions of the Taxicab Ordinance he should dispose of his taxicab holdings. He stated further that the procedure as outlined in the said Ordinance for such transfer is that the application be made to the Taxicab Inspector, who in turn makes his recommendation to the City Council. That the application was addressed to the Taxicab Inspector and the City Manager and so filed on July 9, 1953. He advised further that the only question is whether the Council considers Beaty Service Company a suitable company to acquire these Certifications of operation. That Mr. K. M. Beaty is now under indictment in the Federal Courts for the alleged violation of the income tax laws; however, the case should not be prejudged. He advised that Mr. E. M. Beaty is in no way connected with the Beaty Service Company.

Mr. H. G. Cleveland, Taxicab Inspector, was present and at the question of the City Attorney as to whether he has approved the transfer, he stated this is the first case of this type to come before him, and in his opinion it is too important and too big for him to decide and he would prefer to leave the decision to the City Attorney. Mr. Shaw, City Attorney, stated the provisions of the Taxicab Ordinance (Article II, Section 10,) reads: "no certificate of necessity may be assigned or transferred until the Inspectorshall after investigation refer same to the Council for approval or disapproval". Mr. Erwin called attention to the fact that the law did not state that the Inspector shall approve the transfer, but that he shall "refer" it to the City Council.

Mayor Van Every then asked Mr. Cleveland if he wished to refer the application to the City Council, and he replied that he did.

Mr. Shaw, City Attorney then stated that as he understands it Mr. Beaty is neither an officer, director, general manager nor supervising employee of the Beaty Service Company, and it is in order that the Council pass on the request for the transfer.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that the Council approve the transfer of the thirteen cabs and the Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the operation of the cabs, to Beaty Service Company. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Brown, Dellinger, Smith and Wilkinson.

NAYS: Councilman Baxter.

CONFERENCE FOR DISCUSSION OF SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FIXED FOR MONDAY NIGHT, JULY 27.

Councilman Boyd inquired of the City Manager as to when the Employees Job Classification will be completed, and was advised by Mr. Yancey, City Manager, that even though every effort is being made toward that end, it will be 90 days or longer before it is ready and if the proper study of the Classification is made by the Council six months time should be given to it for the Council to be in position to act. Councilman Boyd then stated that he does not think the matter of salary adjustments should be longer delayed; that, in fact, the Police Department is being handicapped by the delay in that adequate personnel cannot be secured under the present salary scale and this could most probably affect the safety of the citizens. Councilman Smith suggested that the Council meet together next week and discuss the matter. The Mayor suggested that the meeting be held on next Monday night, which was concurred in by the Council.

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WATER AND TAX DEPARTMENT TO OPERATE ON A FIVE DAY WEEK BASIS.

Councilman Albea advised that when a 5-day work week was instituted for city employees some three years ago, the Water and Tax Departments continued to operate on Saturday, and he moved that these two departments be put on a 5-day week. The City Manager advised that these two departments work with a rotating skeleton force on Saturdays, for the convenience of the public in paying bills; however, it has been found that few citizens come to the City Hall on Saturdays, and, too, there is an after hours depository on the outside of the front of the City Hall, and, in his opinion, it is not necessary that these offices remain open on Saturday. Councilman Albea further stated that this will in no way affect the residents in obtaining emergency services for broken water lines, etc., from the Water Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

PROTEST AGAINST AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF MOTOR OIL TO COMPETITOR REGISTERED BY PURE OIL COMPANY.

Mr. H. B. Wilmer, representative of The Pure Oil Company, called attention to the recommendation of the City Manager and Purchasing Agent that contract be awarded the Gulf Oil Corporation for 6,500 gallons of Motor Oil, for which bids were received on July 16th, whereas the bid of The Pure Oil Company is identical with that of the said Corporation. He stated that The Pure Oil Company has enjoyed this business from the City for the past three years, that their service and the performance of their product has been declared to be excellent. That it is their feeling that the City has benefited from the prices they have submitted during this period, and that the contract should be awarded them for their product which the City knows to give service with City equipment.

Mr. C. E. Beatty, Purchasing Agent, stated that the bid price of \$2,925.00 on the Motor Oil was submitted by both Gulf Oil Corporation and The Pure Oil Company. That the oil and service previously had from The Pure Oil Company has been entirely satisfactory; however, it has always been the policy that the City divide its business where quality, service and price are equal, and, also, to encourage competitive bidding.

The Mayor advised that the contract would be discussed later in the meeting, as it comes up in its proper place on the Agenda of business.

ORDINANCE (NO. 175-X) RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE APPROPRIATION BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1953-1954.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 175-X Relative to the Adoption of the Appropriation Budget of the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year 1953-1954", was introduced and read. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried. Upon the foregoing vote, the ordinance was duly adopted, and declared to be the Budget Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1953-1954. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Pages 324-325.

ORDINANCE (NO. 176-X) FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1953-1954.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 176-X Fixing the Tax Rate for the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year 1953-1954 and Levying a Tax upon all Real and Personal Property Located within the Limits of the City of Charlotte for the said Fiscal Year", was introduced and read. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 326.

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MAYOR PRO TEM SMITH PRESIDING.

Mayor Van Every left the meeting at this time, and Mayor pro tem Smith presided for the remainder of the session.

ORDINANCE (NO. 185) AMENDING THE CITY CODE RELATIVE TO THE TOW-IN AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES ABANDONED, WRECKED OR PARKED ILLEGALLY ON THE STREETS OR UPON CITY PROPERTY, TO INCREASE THE CHARGE.

An Ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance Amending the Tow-In Ordinance of the City of Charlotte", relative to the tow-in and storage of vehicles abandoned, wrecked or parked illegally on the streets or upon City property, to increase the charge, was introduced and read. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 328.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE REGULATING THE DISCHARGE OF SUBSTANCES INTO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM EXTENDED TO JULY 19, 1954.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the effective date of the Ordinance Regulating the Discharge of Substances into the Sanitary Sewer System of the City of Charlotte, be extended from July 19, 1953, to July 19, 1954, as the redesign of the Sewage Treatment Plant will not be completed before that date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Boyd, and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO EXCAVATION UNDER SIDEWALK ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF SOUTH TRYON STREET AND UNDER SIDEWALK AND STREET OF EAST THIRD STREET, ADJACENT TO PROPERTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE COURT HOUSE PROPERTY.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Relative to Excavation under Sidewalk on the Easterly Side of South Tryon Street and under Sidewalk and Street of East Third Street, Adjacent to Property Formerly known as the Court House Property", was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Baxter, was unanimously adopted upon its final reading. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 2, at Page 119.

The Agreement entered into by the City of Charlotte and the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company and the Union National Bank, as referred to in the foregoing resolution, is as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into this _____ day of July, 1953, by and between the CITY OF CHARLOTTE, a municipal corporation of the State of North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as the CITY), party of the first part, and JEFFERSON STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a North Carolina insurance corporation, and THE UNION NATIONAL BANK OF CHARLOTTE, a national banking corporation, hereinafter referred to as OWNERS, parties of the second part;

W I T N E S S E T H:

The City Council of the City of Charlotte at two regular meetings of said Council duly passed resolutions as set forth in Minute Book _____ at pages _____, authorizing this agreement to be entered into, granting a special privilege to the owners of the property located at the southeasterly corner of South Tryon and East Third Streets in the City of Charlotte, to excavate under the sidewalk immediately adjacent to said property on South Tryon Street for the purpose of providing storage and parking area and to use said excavated space for that purpose, and to excavate under the sidewalk and street immediately adjacent to said property on East Third Street for the purpose of placing footings for the building to be erected upon said

property and to use said excavated space for said purpose, the said spaces being more particularly described as follows:

Excavated Space in South Tryon Street

The space under the sidewalk on the easterly side of South Tryon Street nine feet in width extending from the southerly line of East Third Street in a southerly direction 182.25 feet along the property line of said property, as shown on map hereto attached.

Excavated Space in East Third Street

The space under the sidewalk and street on the south side of East Third Street eight feet in width extending from the easterly line of South Tryon Street in an easterly direction 197.12 feet along the property line of said property, as shown on map hereto attached.

This special privilege is granted upon the following conditions, which are agreed to by the property owners as conditions precedent to the initial and continued exercise of such privilege:

1. The special privilege for the construction and maintenance of said excavated space shall be revocable at the will of the Governing Body of the City, at any time, with or without any cause whatsoever, and in the event said special privilege is revoked, then said excavation shall be filled in promptly in accordance with the specifications of, and in a manner satisfactory to, the City, and said sidewalk and street shall be restored in accordance with the specifications of, and in a manner satisfactory to, the City.
2. The plan and method of excavating and maintaining the excavated space shall be submitted to and be subject to the approval of the City.
3. During the existence of said excavated space and for a period of three years after the filling in of same, in case of revocation of this special privilege, as hereinafter provided, the owners agree:
 - (a) Continuously to maintain the sidewalk and street over said excavated space in a manner satisfactory to the City and to indemnify and save harmless the City from any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, due directly or indirectly to the property owners' failure to do this, including but not limited to claims on account of storm drainage and on account of injury to persons or property which may arise against the City, whether justified or unjustified, and whether directly or indirectly due to the granting of this special privilege;
 - (b) To indemnify and save harmless the City from any and all costs of investigating such claims and/or defending such claims in court or otherwise;
 - (c) To record this agreement in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County, N. C., and to furnish the City with the recorded copy;
 - (d) To furnish the City a bond in the amount of \$1,000.00, with a corporation authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina, as surety, said bond to be conditioned upon compliance by the present or any subsequent owners of said property with each and all of the conditions set forth and contained in this agreement.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this instrument has been duly executed, the day and year first above written, by the parties hereto and their seals hereto affixed.

ATTEST: CITY OF CHARLOTTE

City Clerk

BY: _____
Mayor

ATTEST: JEFFERSON STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Secretary

BY _____
President

ATTEST: THE UNION NATIONAL BANK OF CHARLOTTE

Secretary

BY _____
President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John D. Shaw
City Attorney

EXECUTION OF LEASE WITH ALCOHOME, INC., FOR USE OF INDUSTRIAL HOME AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute the lease between the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and Alcohme, Inc., for the use of the Industrial Home property.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of sanitary sewer mains at the following locations:

- (a) 60 feet of main in East Kingston Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$220.00, to serve two business units, with all construction cost to be borne by the City.
- (b) 293 feet of main in Russell Street, at an estimated cost of \$750.00, to serve two family units and seven vacant lots. All construction cost to be borne by the City, and the deposit of \$350.00 by the applicant, Mr. G. T. Barnes, to be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (c) 190 feet of main in Dunbar Street, at an estimated cost of \$560.00, to serve three business units, with all costs to be borne by the City.
- (d) 325 feet of main in Libeth Street, at an estimated cost of \$700.00, to serve one family unit and 5 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City and deposit of \$500.00 by applicant, David Clark, to be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (e) 929 feet of main in Anderson Street and Hampshire Place, at an estimated cost of \$2,190.00, to serve 9 family units and 8 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City, and the deposit of \$390.00 by the applicant, Central Builders, Inc., to be refunded as per terms of the contract.

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PERMISSION GRANTED RADIO CENTER, INC. TO CONNECT PRIVATELY OWNED SANITARY SEWER LINES TO CITY'S SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

Councilman Dellinger moved that permission be granted Radio Center, Inc., to connect their privately owned sanitary sewer lines to the City's Sewerage System in Dexter and Dover Avenues, in accordance with the usual terms and conditions of the City, as recommended by the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

CLAIM OF LOUIS TRAMONTIN FOR DAMAGES TO PROPERTY DENIED.

Councilman Brown moved that the claim of Mr. Louis Tramontin for damages to his property at 715 Berryhill Street from sewage backing into his house, be denied as recommended by the City Attorney as it cannot be established that the City was in any way negligent in the matter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED W. A. HARKEY FOR PAINTING AND REGLAZING PARTS OF VEST STATION WATER PURIFICATION PLANT AND PUMPING STATION.

Upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, W. A. Harkey, Charlotte, for providing all necessary machinery, equipment, tools, apparatus, labor, other means of construction, do all work and furnish all materials necessary to paint and reglaze certain parts of the Vest Station Water Purification Plant and Pumping Station, in accordance with specifications, for the LUMP SUM OF \$7,261.00; also, unit price in excess of 1700 window panes, including glass and glazing, and/or reglazing at \$1.40.

CONTRACT AWARDED CITY OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF GASOLINE.

Motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, City Oil Company, Charlotte for 140,000 Gallons Gasoline, tankwagon delivery @ \$0.2110,- \$29,540.00; 235,000 Gallons Gasoline, tankwagon delivery @ \$0.2110,- \$49,585.00; 20,000 Gallons Gasoline, tankwagon delivery @ \$0.2290, to be delivered in quantities as specified - \$4,580.00. All on a unit price basis, representing a Net Delivered Price of \$83,705.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED GULF OIL CORPORATION FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF MOTOR OIL.

Councilman Dellinger moved that contract be awarded the Gulf Oil Corporation for 6,500 gallons of Heavy Duty Motor Oil, as recommended on a unit price basis, representing a total price of \$2,925.00, subject to cash discount of \$29.25. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF GEAR LUBRICANT.

Upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Shell Oil Company, for 4,000 pounds of Gear Lubricant, as specified, S.A.E. 90, 140 and 250 on a unit price basis, representing a total price of \$293.00, subject to cash discount of \$3.92.

CONTRACT AWARDED TIDE-WATER ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF CHASSIS LUBRICANT.

Motion was made by Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Tide-Water Associated Oil Company, for 3,010 pounds of Chassis Lubricant, as specified, to be purchased in 35, 100 and 400 pound containers, on a unit price basis, representing a total price of \$256.75, subject to cash discount of \$2.57.

CONTRACT AWARDED COLUMBUS OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF KEROSENE.

Upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Columbus Oil Company, for 22,500 gallons of Kerosene, as specified, on a unit price basis of \$0.1295, representing a total price of \$2,913.75, subject to cash discount of \$45.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED COLUMBUS OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF FUEL OIL.

Motion was made by Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Columbus Oil Company, for 30,000 gallons No. 2 Fuel Oil, as specified, on a unit price basis of \$.1189, representing a total of \$3,567.00, subject to cash discount of \$42.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED COLUMBUS OIL COMPANY FOR YEAR'S SUPPLY OF DIESEL FUEL.

Councilman Boyd moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, Columbus Oil Company, for 22,000 Gallons of Diesel Fuel, as specified, on a unit price basis of \$.122, representing a total of \$2,684.00, subject to cash discount of \$30.80. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

ROANOKE AVENUE FROM NORLAND ROAD TO WOODLAND AVENUE TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Councilman Boyd moved that Roanoke Avenue, from Norland Road to Woodland Avenue, be taken over for maintenance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH SHARON WATER COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAIN IN FERNCLIFF ROAD.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, a contract was authorized with Sharon Water Company for the construction of 350-feet of water main in Ferncliff Road, outside the city limits, at an estimated cost of \$1,050.00, to serve residential property. All costs to be borne by the applicant, who will own same under the terms of an agreement between the Sharon Water Company and the City.

TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF THE PARK ROAD WATER COMPANY TO THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE WATER DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Albea moved that the transfer of the ownership of the Park Road Water Company to the City of Charlotte Water Department be accepted by the Council, as requested by the said Company, who will give the City a fee simple title without cost to the City. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

RENEWAL OF SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Boyd, and unanimously carried, Special Officer Permits were renewed for one year to the following persons:

- (a) To Mrs. Stella Patterson, for use on the premises of J. B. Ivey Company.
- (b) To A. C. McGill and R. A. Smith, for use on the premises of Highland Park Manufacturing Company.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of driveway entrances at the following locations:

- (a) Two 30-ft. driveways at 120 North College Street.
- (b) One 20-ft. driveway at 1629 South Boulevard.
- (c) One 12-ft. and One 24-ft. driveway at 1335 Elizabeth Ave.
- (d) Two 35-ft. driveways at 1331 West Morehead Street.
- (e) Two 30-ft. driveways at 317 North Church Street.
- (f) One 10-ft. driveway at 428 Sylvania Avenue.

UNFIT HOUSING QUARTERLY REPORT.

The City Manager submitted the following Unfit Housing Quarterly Report-for the period ending June 30th:

Number of Housing Units brought up to standard	213
Number of Property Owners cited for Hearings	15
Number of Housing Units Condemned	19
Number of Bathing Facilities Installed	196
Number of Houses Demolished	63
Number of Houses brought up to standard since the beginning of the program in August, 1948	9,625
Number of Houses demolished to date	1,030

LEASE OF BUILDINGS AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT REPORTED.

The City Manager reported that leases have been concluded for the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE
88 East end	Thurston Motor Lines	\$86.40	7-1-53 1 year renewal
73 (1 room)	Johnson Motor Lines	\$ 4.20	6-1-53 1 year
89	Carolina Machinery Co.	\$75.00	6-1-53 1 year

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

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

- (a) Deed with Mr. E. W. Morgan and wife, for Lot 331, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$122.85.
- (b) Deed with Mrs. Pearl Carter, for Graves #4 and #5 of Lot 143, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$52.00.
- (c) Deed with Mr. W. P. Kyaw and wife, for the south half of Lot 7, in Section T, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mrs. Gussie Leonard, at a consideration of \$1.00 for the transfer.
- (d) Deed with Mrs. Hattie D. Dyer, for Lot 123, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mr. Puett L. Jones and wife, at a consideration of \$1.00 for the transfer.
- (e) Deed with Miss Tula Chukas, for Lot 395, in Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.
- (f) Deed with Mrs. Sam M. Kissiah, for east half of Lot 170, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$52.00.
- (g) Deed with W. P. Morrow and wife, and W. F. Myers, for west half of Lot 121, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$78.00.

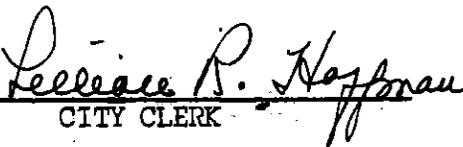
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LICENSE GRANTED MELVIN O. SMITH FOR PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY.

Councilman Albea moved that Mr. Melvin O. Smith be granted a license to operate the Carolina Detective Agency, as recommended and approved by the Chief of Police. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilman Boyd moved that the meeting be adjourned until 7:30 o'clock p.m., on Monday, July 27, 1953, in the office of the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.


CITY CLERK