

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, June 15, 1949, with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Aitken, Albee, Boyd, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Mr. J. Charles Reichard, Pastor of Saint James Methodist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meeting on June 8th were approved as submitted.

MASTER PLAN FOR CITY PRESENTED BY PLANNING BOARD.

A Master Plan for the City of Charlotte was submitted by the Charlotte Planning Board and presented by Mr. Frank R. Thies, Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Thies stated the report dealt with plans for present needs of the City, developing needs and long range needs, and the approximate costs of the suggested improvements. He expressed the desire of the Planning Board to assist the Council in the development of such of said improvements the Council elects to sponsor.

Mayor Shaw accepted the Report and expressed his appreciation for the very fine work being done by the Planning Board.

REQUEST FOR \$5,000.00 APPROPRIATION FOR MINT MUSEUM OF ART ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

Mr. H. E. Coffin, President of the Board of Trustees of the Mint Museum of Art and Mr. Roy Palmer and Mr. Vernon Goode, members of the Board, appeared before Council and requested an appropriation of \$5,000.00 toward the operation of the Mint Museum of Art.

Mr. Palmer stated that \$5,000.00 was annually realized from memberships to the Museum, which was not sufficient for its operation and had to be supplemented. He further stated that during the 9-months period in 1948 the attendance at the Museum numbered 39,000 persons and it is estimated that the 1949 attendance will reach 50,000; that it is the desire of the Museum Association to provide additional services to visitors through lectures, courses and classes and more educational exhibits.

The Trustees were advised that the request would receive the serious consideration of the Council in the preparation of the budget for the coming fiscal year.

REQUEST OF CHARLOTTE PLUMBERS ASSOCIATION THAT CITY MAKE SEWER CONNECTIONS TAKEN UNDERADVISEMENT.

Mr. J. M. Scarborough, Attorney, representing the Charlotte Plumbers Association, requested that sewer connections from the main sewer line to private properties be made by the City in lieu of by the plumbers as at present. He stated it was now necessary for plumbers to obtain from the City Engineering Department the location and depth of the lines, to post bond for the work and later fill in the excavation by and with the approval of the Engineering Department. An amendment to the City Code to effect the change over was urged.

Mayor Shaw advised that a Council Committee would be appointed to confer with the City Manager with regard to the request.

## PEDESTRIAN PROTECTION TROPHY PRESENTED CITY BY CAROLINA MOTOR CLUB.

A Pedestrian Protection Trophy, signifying Charlotte's outstanding achievements in the vital field of traffic safety was presented by Colonel Lee Folger and Mr. Ed Pickard, members of the Board of Directors of the Carolina Motor Club.

Colonel Folger stated that the trophy was awarded to Charlotte in the National Pedestrian Protection contest sponsored annually by the American Automobile Association and the Carolina Motor Club, and that Charlotte's pedestrian protection record and efforts during 1948 were acclaimed as the best in North and South Carolina for cities of over 50,000 population.

Colonel Folger expressed the appreciation of the Carolina Motor Club to Mr. Herman Hoose, Traffic Engineer for the City of Charlotte, for compiling the information on Charlotte's record for protection from traffic accidents and fatalities.

## ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE (No. 71) AMENDING THE BUILDING CODE TO INCREASE COST OF HOUSES REQUIRING A STATE LICENSED CONTRACTOR FROM \$10,000 TO \$15,000.

An ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Amending the Building Code of the City of Charlotte to Increase the Cost of Houses Requiring a State Licensed Contractor from \$10,000 to \$15,000", was introduced and read. Motion was made by Councilman Aitken that the ordinance be adopted as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 69.

## SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION TO LEASE NO. C2CA-3467 FOR INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM AT AIRPORT.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, authorizing a Supplemental Agreement (No. 1) to Lease No. C2CA-3467 with the Civil Aeronautics Administration, for the Instrument Landing System at the Airport, to change the site for the location of a portion of the equipment.

## SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF D. C. WENTZ FOR INJURY.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, the settlement of the claim of Mr. D. C. Wentz, in the sum of \$175.00, for personal injury, was authorized; said amount to include his doctor's bill and settlement with the Doctor to be concurrent with payment to Mr. Wentz.

## TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Coddington and unanimously carried, approving the transfer of \$547.50 from the Emergency Fund to the Fire Department Budget, Buildings Account, CODE 1402-G2 for the installation of a new electric feeder line to the Health Department Building in the amount of \$489.00, and \$58.50 for the replacement of metal frame screens to nine windows in the Fire Department.

## STREETS TAKENOVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the following streets were taken over for maintenance by the City:

- Lydia Avenue, from Catawba Ave. to Drummond Ave, 410 feet.
- Catawba Avenue, from Lola Ave. to Lydia Ave., 290 feet.
- Bancroft Street, from the old city limits approximately 200 feet north to the northern side of the A.M. McLain lot.
- Roland Street, from Club Road to the east side of Truman Road, approximately 300 feet.

CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER LINES AND FIRE HYDRANT IN ANNEXED AREA.

Motion was made by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following contracts for the purchase of water lines and fire hydrant in the area annexed on January 1st:

- (a) Contract with W. H. Starrette, Lawyers Road, for 2,095 feet of water lines in Cyrus Street, at a price of \$1,654.11.
- (b) Contract with W. W. Ray, 2316 South Boulevard, for a fire hydrant located at Belvedere Ave. and St. Andrews Lane, at a price of \$149.15.

NOTICE OF CLAIM OF J. L. GATHINGS AGAINST CITY AND SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY FOR PERSONAL INJURIES.

Councilman Albea moved that the claim of Mr. J. L. Gathings against the City of Charlotte and the Southern Railway Company, filed by Mr. Elbert Foster, Attorney, for personal injuries alleged sustained from falling into a storm sewer near the corner of West Park Ave. and Camden Road on June 3, 1949, be accepted and referred to the City Attorney for handling. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF THE LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported that leases on Airport Buildings had been concluded with the following concerns:

<u>BUILDING NO.</u>	<u>LESSEE</u>	<u>MONTHLY RENTAL</u>	<u>DATE AND TERM OF LEASE</u>
52	Airport Washerette	\$25.80	5-1-49 5 years
211	G. K. Rogers	\$ 5.12	6-1-49 1 year

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

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

- (a) Deed with A. C. Robinson and P. B. Anders, for Lot-38 Fraction in Section W, Elmwood Cemetery, at a price of \$1.00 for a duplicate deed.
- (b) Deed with Mr. and Mrs. Allen L. Ellis, for north half of Lot 123, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at a price of \$78.00.
- (c) Deed with James Leventis, for Lot 273, Section 4-A, in Evergreen Cemetery, at a price of \$81.90.
- (d) Deed with F. A. Fridell, for Lots 29 and 30, in Section L-Annex, in Elmwood Cemetery, at a price of \$232.65.
- (e) Transfer of Lot 56, in Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, to F. A. Fridell, from Mrs. Herman A. Moore, at a price of \$1.00 for the transfer deed.
- (f) Transfer of Lot 28, in Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, to Mrs. Herman A. Moore from F. A. Fridell, at a price of \$1.00 for the transfer deed.

PLAT OF DOUBLE OAKS SUBDIVISION APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, the unanimous consent of Council was given the City Manager to present the recommendation of the Planning Board that the Plat of Double Oaks Subdivision, being developed by C. D. Spangler on the west side of Statesville Avenue for residential purposes for Negroes, be approved.

Motion was made by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, approving the plat as submitted.

HEARING ON PROPOSED INCREASE IN BUS FARE BY DUKE POWER COMPANY FIXED FOR 11 O'CLOCK, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 1949.

Mayor Shaw announced that a Hearing would be held at the regular Council Meeting, at 11 o'clock, on Wednesday, June 22nd, on the proposed increase in Bus Fares by the Duke Power Company.

APPOINTMENT OF BOXING AND WRESTLING COMMISSION.

The appointment of Mr. Grady Cole, Chairman, Mr. Ralph Hood and Mr. C. Gates Kimball as members of the Charlotte Boxing and Wrestling Commission, for a term of two years each, to expire on May 28, 1951, was announced by Mayor Shaw.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE.

Mayor Shaw announced the appointment of Councilmen Emmett M. Wilkinson, Chairman, James H. Daughtry and William I. Coddington as the Real Estate Committee for the City Council.

APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL.

Councilmen G. Douglas Aitken, Chairman, S. R. Jordan and James H. Daughtry were appointed by Mayor Shaw as the Finance Committee for the City Council.

APPOINTMENT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE.

The Council as a whole was requested by Mayor Shaw to compose the Budget Committee to consider and decide the appropriations for the fiscal year 1949-1950.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hayman  
City Clerk