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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, March 12, 1958, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Smith presiding, and Council members Albea, Baxter, Brown, Dellinger, Evans, Foard 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 Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on March 5, 1958 were approved as submitted.

PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN 700 AND 800 BLOCKS OF EAST KINGSTON AVENUE REQUESTED REMOVED.

Mr. John Gluyas, 720 East Kingston Avenue, presented a petition, signed by the residents of the 700 and 800 blocks of East Kingston Avenue, requesting that the parking restrictions installed on one-side of the street in these blocks be removed and the no parking ban be lifted.

Mr. Gluyas stated the restrictions are causing undue inconvenience and hardship on the residents and there is not sufficient space at the curb on the side of the street not restricted to parking for all the cars, nor in the driveways of the residents. He called attention that East Kingston Avenue is not a thoroughfare and is a dead-end street where it runs into Avondale Avenue.

Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, advised that Kingston Avenue is only 24-feet wide, and the City Code provides that if a street is less than 27-feet wide, parking should be taken off altogether; that the Fire Department requested that parking be taken off the street entirely, as it was impossible for Fire Trucks to pass through the street when cars are parked on both sides, and creates a dangerous condition; however, he had restricted parking on only one side of the street in an effort to accommodate the residents.

Councilman Dellinger asked if the Council is to assume that parking will be likewise restricted on all streets in Charlotte of less width than 27 feet, so that all citizens will be treated alike? Mr. Hoose replied that is the policy, however, they wait until the flow of traffic is really affected and then try to allow parking on one side as a convenience to the residents.

Councilman Wilkinson asked if the restrictions on East Kingston Avenue could not be made effective only during the daylight hours up to 6 p.m., and the City Manager replied that the congestion is worse after 6 o'clock when everyone is at home and cars lining the street.

Mayor Smith expressed his regret to Mr. Gluyas for the inconvenience to the residents of the street and stated that in view of the fact that the restriction was made in part to afford fire protection, there doesn't seem any alternative.

MRS. RUSH T. RAY, 911 ELIZABETH AVENUE, REQUESTS POLICE PROTECTION AT HER RESIDENCE AND DESTRUCTION OF RESIDENCES ON NORTH MCDOWELL STREET FROM SEVENTH STREET TO ELIZABETH AVENUE.

Mrs. Rush T. Ray, resident of 911 Elizabeth Avenue, appeared before Council stating that her residence has been burglarized several times, and requested police protection. She stated further that the area on McDowell Street, between East 7th Street and Elizabeth Avenue, is immoral and the residences should be eliminated. She advised that the Police Department is very kind to her and is providing surveillance from midnight to dawn. Following the discussion, Mayor Smith thanked Mrs. Ray for bringing the information to the Council and advised her that every means of protection would be given her by the Police.

ORDINANCE NO. 451 AMENDING THE WRECKER ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE SO AS TO MAKE THE SAME APPLICABLE ONLY TO WRECKERS HANDLING CITY BUSINESS UNDER THE TOW-IN ORDINANCE.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance Amending the Wrecker Ordinance of the City of Charlotte so as to Make the Same Applicable only to Wreckers Handling City Business Under the Tow-In Ordinance" was introduced by Councilman Dellinger, who moved its adoption following the reading thereof. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 225.

TRAFFIC ENGINEER COMMENDED FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF LEFT-HAND TURNS AT VARIOUS STREET INTERSECTIONS.

Councilman Dellinger commended Mr. Herman Hoose, Traffic Engineer, on his foresight in establishing the new left-hand turn signals at various street intersections for the convenience of the traveling public and better flow of traffic. He stated further that in his opinion Mr. Hoose is doing a fine job for the City in traffic work.

ALLEN BLAIR, STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, GRANTED EXTENSION OF SICK LEAVE.

Upon motion of Councilman Foard, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, Mr. Allen Blair, Street Department Employee, was granted a 60 days sick leave extension.

FUNDS ALLOCATED FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES IN STREET DEPARTMENT SERVING IN LIEU OF THREE REGULAR EMPLOYEES INCAPACITATED BY ILLNESS.

Councilman Albea moved that \$2,691.52 be allocated from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Street Department, for salaries of employees serving in lieu of three regular personnel incapacitated by illness. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

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RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTION OF CITY TREASURER IN FILING APPLICATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR ITS APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, SUBJECT TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Ratifying the Action of City Treasurer in Filing Application with Local Government Commission for Its Approval of the Issuance of Bonds, Subject to a Vote of the People" was introduced by Councilman Baxter, who moved its adoption following the reading thereof. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and un-animously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 188.

ORDINANCES AUTHORIZING \$4,800,000 WATER, SANITARY SEWER, FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AND PUBLIC HEALTH BONDS AND RESOLUTION CALLING A SPECIAL BOND ELECTION ON APRIL 26, 1958.

Ordinances entitled: "Ordinance Authorizing \$1,301,000 Water Bonds", "Ordinance Authorizing \$3,265,000 Sanitary Sewer Bonds", "Ordinance Authorizing \$134,000 Fire Alarm System Bonds" and "Ordinance Authorizing \$100,000 Public Health Center Bonds" were individually introduced by Councilman Brown, and read, and upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, were individually adopted unanimously. A resolution entitled: "Resolution Calling a Special Bond Election" was then introduced by Councilman Brown, and read, and upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, was unanimously adopted. The said Ordinances and Resolution are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, beginning at Page 226, and ending at Page 239. The Statement of Debt and Assessed Valuation, filed by the City Accountant with the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council is inserted in Ordinance Book 12, after Page 239.

CONTRACT-AGREEMENT WITH NORFOLK & SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY BENEATH THEIR TRACKS IN TIPPERARY PLACE, FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that contract-agreement be authorized with the Norfolk-& Southern Railway Company for right-of-way beneath their main line tracks in Tipperary Place, for the installation of an 8-inch water main. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH D.E. ALLEN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND ERVIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the following contracts for the installation of water mains were authorized:

- (a) Contract with D. E. Allen Development Company for the installation of 7,375-feet of water mains and 6 hydrants in Darby Acres No. 2 Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$20,500.00. All costs to be financed by the City, and applicant to guarantee a gross annual revenue equal to 10% of the cost.
- (b) Contract with Ervin Construction Company, Inc. for the installation of 7,320-feet of water mains and 6 hydrants in Montclair Sub-division, outside the city limits, at an estimated cost of \$20,500.00. All costs to be borne by the Applicant, who will dedicate the mains and hydrants to the City.

SICK LEAVE EXTENDED TO RAY WEBB, GARBAGE TRUCK DRIVER.

Councilman Dellinger moved that sick leave be extended to Mr. Ray Webb, Garbage Truck Driver, through March 28, 1958, as recommended by the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Foard, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE ON SOUTH TRYON STREET FOR 101 INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Foard, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of two 19-foot driveway entrances on South Tryon Street for 101 Independence Boulevard.

CONTRACT AWARDED NEPTUNE METER COMPANY FOR 50, 1½-INCH DISPLACEMENT TYPE COLD WATER METERS.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Evans, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Neptune Meter Company for 50, 1½-inch Displacement Type Cold Water Meters, as specified, on a unit price basis, representing a total net delivered price of \$5,575.50.

Bids received are as follows:

Neptune Meter Company	\$5,575.50
Badger Meter Mfg. Company	\$5,615.00
Hersey Mfg. Company	\$5,750.50

CONTRACT AWARDED NEPTUNE METER COMPANY FOR 25 2-INCH DISPLACEMENT TYPE COLD WATER METERS.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Evans, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to Neptune Meter Company for 25, 2-inch Displacement Type Cold Water Meters, as specified, on a unit price basis, representing a total net delivered price of \$4,158.00.

The following bids were received on this equipment:

Neptune Meter Company	\$4,158.00
Badger Meter Mfg. Company	\$4,187.50
Hersey Mfg. Company	\$4,312.50

CONTRACT AWARDED TRAFFIC ENGINEERS SUPPLY CORP. FOR 56 ONE-WAY ONE-SECTION SIGNAL HEADS.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that contract be awarded Traffic Engineers Supply Corporation for 56, 12-inch One-Way, One-Section Signal Heads, complete with wire outlet and green vertical I.T.E. Arrow, as specified, at a total net delivered price of \$1,775.20. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried.

Bids received are as follows:

Traffic Engineers Supply Corp.	\$1,775.20
Mill Power Supply Company	\$1,932.00
Westinghouse Electric Supply Co.	\$1,937.04
General Electric Supply Co.	\$1,943.20
Union Supply & Electric Co.	\$1,948.80
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	\$1,978.48

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CONTRACT AWARDED TRAFFIC ENGINEERS SUPPLY CORP. FOR 56 GRID TYPE NEON LANE CONTROL SIGNALS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Traffic Engineers Supply Corp., for 56 Grid Type Neon Lane Control Signals, 28 of which with Legend "Use this Lane" and 28 of which with Legend "Keep Off", less tubing, as specified, all at a total net delivered price of \$5,572.00.

The following bids were submitted on this equipment:

Traffic Engineers Supply Corp.	\$5,572.00
Mill Power Supply Company	\$5,789.28
Westinghouse Electric Supply Co.	\$5,803.84
General Electric Supply Co.	\$5,822.32
Union Supply & Electric Co.	\$5,839.68
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	\$5,927.60

RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM ON THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN H. MILLS, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, ADOPTED BY MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Councilman Albea requested that the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Commissioners for Mecklenburg County be recorded in the Minutes of this meeting:

"RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM ON THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN H. MILLS, COLLECTOR OF REVENUE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Commissioner S. S. McNinch, Jr. moved the adoption of the following resolution which was unanimously passed:

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners has learned with the deepest regret of the death of Mr. John H. Mills, Collector of Revenue of the City of Charlotte, and

WHEREAS Mr. Mills during his period of office, had served the people of the City of Charlotte ably and efficiently and had at all times handled and managed the affairs of this important office with the utmost courtesy and diligence, and

WHEREAS all of his contacts with County officials have been handled for the best interest of the City and County governments, and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County feel the deepest regret at the death of this valuable public servant,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution of respect and regret be made a part of the minutes of this meeting and that a copy thereof be sent to the City Council and to the family of Mr. Mills.

The motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was seconded by Commissioner J. H. Garrison and carried unanimously."

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

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

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- (a) Deed with Stanley W. Black, Jr., for Lot 333, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$240.00.
- (b) Deed with James W. Huntley, for Lot 300, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$160.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hoffman
Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk