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The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 1977, at 3:00 o'clock p. m., in the Council Chamber, City Hall, with Mayor pro tem James B. Whittington presiding and Councilmembers Louis M. Davis, Harvey B. Gantt, Neil C. Williams and Joe D. Withrow present.

ABSENT: Mayor John M. Belk, Councilmembers Betty Chafin and Pat Locke.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Reverend Kenneth Allen Blume, Minister of Statesville Avenue Baptist Church.

HEARING ON PROPOSED USE OF GENERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS.

The subject public hearing was held as scheduled. Mr. Richard Hunter of the Budget and Evaluation Office stated there will be a second public hearing on Revenue Sharing at the time Council reviews the total budget package, much in the same way as has been done in the past five years.

The following requests were made:

Council on Aging - Mr. Jerry Greene stated the Council on Aging is an advisory board to the County Commission. He spoke of a definite need in this community for a Senior Center - a focal point where older adults could come together for services and activities. It would serve as a community resource for information on aging; for training professional and lay leadership; for developing new approaches to aging programs in such areas as education, day care, creative arts, recreation, legislation, employment finders, health clinics, nutrition, etc. He explained the operation of such a center and how it would serve the community.

Ms. Janet Canouse, Director of Council on Aging, stated Title III of the Older Americans Act pays the salary and the operating costs of the Council on Aging (90 percent) and at this time they have a matching fund from the County Commissioners (10 percent). What they are requesting today is for consideration of the acquisition of a building, the renovation of one that is already existing, or the building of a new one. That they have not presented this request to the County Commission because in the fall when they presented their new budget they were told not to come back with anymore requests.

Mayor pro tem Whittington stated that rightly this request should be to the County.

Dilworth Association - Mr. Reneau VanLandingham, 2204 Charlotte Drive, stated the Dilworth Association requests Revenue Sharing money for three capital items in the area: (1) \$40,000 for a Community Hall, (2) \$50,000 for upgrading the playground areas of Dilworth Elementary School, (3) \$50,000 to complete the landscaping and refurbishing of Latta Park. He elaborated on each request explaining the need and plans for each project.

Ms. Eudora Garrison also commented on the proposed use for the Community Hall and spoke of the harmony and accord that exists among the residents of the Dilworth Community.

Mayor pro tem Whittington requested Mr. Marion Diehl, Park and Recreation Superintendent, to meet with Mr. VanLandingham and Ms. Garrison about this request and keep Council advised of what is being done, particularly about the park. He stated to Mr. VanLandingham that there is a Little League Program in the area and they cannot get the kids to participate; if he could help rustle up a couple hundred and bring them to the field on Princeton Avenue they will keep them busy.

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West Morehead Area - Ms. Arlene Higgins, 3420 Park Road, Program Director for YWCA, requested again that the West Morehead Area be given priority in the use of the Revenue Sharing money. She related several cases of hardship with which she has dealt to point out the needs of the residents in this area for better housing and living conditions. She also related how residents of Charlotte have come to their aid during the severe weather conditions of the past winter; and the fact that college students from all over the Southeast have worked in Third Ward recently to fix up the houses and some of the conditions which they have uncovered. She stated she feels the need for improving the living conditions far outweigh the need for beautification and other cosmetic needs for the City of Charlotte, although these things are nice.

Mayor pro tem Whittington requested that Mr. Vernon Sawyer, Community Development Director, meet with Ms. Higgins and that Mr. Burkhalter report back to Council next week on what they are doing in this area, and what they intend to do.

Councilman Gantt stated the citizens in this area are probably at the bottom of the economic ladder in terms of income and asked Ms. Higgins if they had applied for the public housing which is coming onto the market very soon. She replied that they do have people on the list but that none of them have been located in public housing so far.

There was further discussion on this request with several Councilmembers acknowledging the need for assistance in this area; that priorities should be in needs like this rather than in building streets and gutters. It was brought out by Mr. Burkhalter that Ms. Higgins' predecessor, when she appeared before Council, asked them not to move these people.

Councilman Williams stated Council has been told that Community Development funds cannot be used to construct new houses. If that is a truth and a constant fact they have to live with, then the next best thing to do is to supplement Community Development which is basically renewal and clearing, with General Revenue Sharing.

Community Swimming Pools - Ms. Mary Ann Taylor, Route 1, Davidson, stated there is a need for a total teaching program in swimming skills, particularly for children. She did not have local figures, but nationwide last year there were 8,000 drownings, the largest portion being in the 5 to 24 age range. The Red Cross estimates that less than 1 out of 100 people in Mecklenburg County have been certified at the drown-proofing level. There is a need for young people to be taught to swim and with existing facilities this is impossible. The only community pools for all citizens are three outdoor pools which cannot be used except in the summer. That her request is for funds to build indoor pools that could be used primarily for teaching facilities. We are behind many other North Carolina communities in this direction. She stated that Greensboro built two eight-lane pools for a total of \$900,000. She stated in answer to questions from Mayor pro tem Whittington, that she has no locations to suggest and has not asked the County for help. She agreed the best approach would be through the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Tennis Courts at Junior High Schools - Ms. Nita Henderson, 1533 Queens Road, asked that they use a portion of whatever Revenue Sharing funds might be used in the field of recreation for the building of tennis courts at some of the local Junior High Schools. Only three of the 21 Junior High Schools have tennis courts. The cost of building a tennis court is in the neighborhood of \$4500; maintenance is not excessive. The reason for suggesting Junior High Schools is that they are located in populated areas, they can be used in the athletic programs of the schools, as well as by the community. Forgetting about the past winter, most years tennis can be played year-round in Charlotte. It is a lifetime game, something youngsters can enjoy and oldsters also. That she would like to see schools put a little more emphasis on individual sports in their athletic programs and they cannot do this if they do not have the facilities. She has no specific plans or location but only requests that they give some consideration to this kind of recreation facility.

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Mr. Burkhalter stated this should really be discussed with Mr. Diehl, Parks and Recreation. Just recently Council approved a contract with the School Board for the joint use of school bases.

West Side Community Organization - Mr. Ralph Easterling, 1213 Marietta Street, requested that consideration be given to the following needs in the distribution of Revenue Sharing funds: (1) Work with the County Commission in the greatly needed expansion of Emergency Ambulance Service including supportive equipment and personnel training, (2) Work with the County Commission in the expansion and centralization of Emergency Medical Clinics, (3) Increase police protection in the form of expanded manpower force, patrolling high-risk areas in communities with the necessary supportive equipment; (4) Installation of proper required and necessary fire hydrants within the City and County. Some areas annexed even 20 years ago have been deprived of this service. (5) Installation of proper required and necessary water and sewer lines within the City and County. Some West Side areas have also been deprived of this service. (6) Necessary street improvements and maintenance, new and expanded and necessary sidewalks.

Physical Fitness Training Center - Mr. Kirk Canterbury, 6616 Rocky Falls Road, stated he represents an organization called Tar Heel Masters which is a group of business men and women, housewives who are interested in physical fitness. They are primarily interested in swimming and are currently involved in the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in a test on the effect of physical activity on longevity. He stated the City of Charlotte is in bad need of some indoor swimming facilities; there are no inside swimming facilities at the present time available to the general public. He mentioned other cities which have physical fitness centers and described what he would envision for Charlotte. He stated every child should know how to swim before he graduates from school.

Parks in Nations Ford Road Area - Mr. Ronald Leeper, 417 Colony Acres Drive, stated the project he has in mind has to do with the school facilities; that he will talk with Mr. Diehl of Park and Recreation.

Parks in Lake Forest Area - Mr. Tim Nehls, 7429 Eastbourne Road, stated he represents the Lake Forest Homeowners Association. They are very active in the Albemarle Road area and most of their activities have been to "catch up". They have been forced to investigate and to learn why things are happening or not happening and have taken, it might be said, a rather negative position many times. That Albemarle Road is probably the most dangerous road in the city and county. They need a park on Albemarle Road; there is still a lot of open land that could be used. He has contacted many people in the area and asked them what they felt was the biggest need for the community. Everyone he spoke to said the same thing - "We need a neighborhood park." He requested that their need be placed high on the priority list. They have many residents who will be glad to meet with park officials or anybody to give some positive input.

Mayor pro tem Whittington stated this is a real need; that the nearest facilities for residents of this area is Veterans Park on Central Avenue. He hopes those who come to Council with recommendations will consider this request.

Councilman Gantt stated he believes the Comprehensive Plan does recommend a park in that vicinity; that possibly something could be done in the area of combining that park, as suggested by this group, with one of the existing schools. To the extent that they can combine these resources he thinks it should be done.

Hoskins Community - Rev. James Parham stated he is pastor of the Hoskins Avenue Baptist Church and that the Hoskins area was cut in two by Interstate 85; they are bordered by the Thomasboro Area on the west and by the Beatties Ford area and the industrial complex on the west. When he moved into the community over a year ago he realized it was changing community, yet he feels it is a redeemable community. There are approximately 12,000 people in the area. They have worked with the City Planning and Community Development people in making studies of the area. He understands that their

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situation is really not bad enough for them to get on the priority list, but his appeal is in the interest of preventive measures. There is a need for sidewalks and drainage is quite a problem. Their greatest need is for some type of park for recreation; that the nearest one to his knowledge is on Tuckaseegee Road.

Mayor pro tem Whittington stated that Council has asked that the Hoskins Area be included in a prospective, and that department will be requested to renew that in the very near future.

Northeast Community Organization - Mr. Bill McCoy, 6735 Hartsell Place, requested funding for the recreational development of Plaza Road Extension Park. They appreciate the City's involvement in land acquisition there for some years. They have been telling their citizens for some time that there is going to be a park there and they have a problem discussing it with them because all they see are some bushes and trees - no park. They realize it will be a large project but ask that some part of that park be developed into recreational facilities as soon as it can be so that they can have a signal to their citizens that Council is aware of their problems. There are no recreational facilities, tennis courts, public pool at the present. The ball fields at Devonshire School are over-used.

Councilman Williams asked for a status report as to how many acres the City has acquired? Mr. Diehl replied 260 acres at the present time; he plans to ask for money to purchase another 100 acres. Councilman Gantt stated there may be some validity in Mr. McCoy's request that while they continue the policy of acquisition there might be some need to develop some portion of it.

Mr. Marion Diehl, Park and Recreation Superintendent, stated they hope to meet within a week or ten days to see about getting a land use study on a park at the present time.

Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect - Ms. Jackie O'Malley, 5860 Monroe Road, No. D-2, stated she represents the Mecklenburg Commission on Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect. The commission was formed about two years ago out of a concern that each day in the United States an average of five children die directly as a result of having been abused or neglected; 108 in North Carolina since July of 1971. She stated many of us look toward Tennessee, Colorado and other places, wringing our hands and becoming very involved with children who die in those areas without being really aware that this problem does exist in North Carolina, and definitely in Mecklenburg County.

The purpose of the commission, which numbers nineteen members, is to come together and try to assess the need of the community in the area of abuse and neglect. They have established Parents Anonymous programs and have just recently been able to secure legal representation for children who come before the court because of abuse or neglect. They have done some in-service education through Central Piedmont with the County Police Department and have used their speakers bureau extensively. At the present time they have outgrown their committee budget, but the needs still exist. They are considering a Parent Aid program, a 24-hour Crisis Ministry and a Multi-Discipline Evaluation Center which would work closely with the Department of Social Services. This department has been in close contact with the directions their committee has taken and they seem to feel very comfortable that these are the three areas they need to start working towards. She asked if the City Council is a possibility for at least beginning some funding for some of these programs?

Councilman Gantt asked if this Mecklenburg Committee on Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect is officially a part of the County, or is it simply an ad hoc group that was put together because of their interest in this area? Ms. O'Malley replied they are not a part of any particular group in the County. They do have members who come from the Department of Social Services. Councilman Gantt asked if what she is asking for is funding for putting some of these things into operation? Ms. O'Malley replied they have been gathering information and are in the process of writing programs and she is trying to get an idea of some funding. Councilman Gantt stated this would be a recurring expense rather than a one-time expense such as parks, etc.

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Ms. O'Malley stated what they would hope to do would be to try to secure local funding and try to closely monitor the programs so that they can be successful and make sure that they are meeting the community needs; and hopefully be able to look towards federal funding and extend the program. First, they need to look on the local level. She stated they have not requested funds from the County up to the present time.

Parks for York Road Area - Ms. Mary Jane Griffith, 5700 Coulee Place, stated she is speaking for the Steele Creek, Yorkmont and Woodlawn areas, which covers the area from Kennedy Junior High School to beyond the airport. There are people in that area who have lived there 60 years and they have never had any kind of park. They have a prison which they have been told will be increased and enlarged; they have two turnkey housing developments; they have a garbage dump which always will be with them; they have the airport; and they desperately need a park for their children, because they have no place to play. They have the land available.

Councilman Williams stated he recalls Mr. Silverman of the Park and Recreation Department talking about some land in that area as a possibility for a park. Mr. Diehl replied he would imagine this is so; that they have this request in a report he gave to Council and they have talked with Ms. Griffith and other people in the area. That there is land available; they have been out with the Planning Commission and checked on this.

Swimming Pools in the Schools - Mr. Bill Stewart, 352 Kemswick Road, stated he is President of the North Carolina AAU. That at the request of many of their people he is asking that swimming pools be built along with the schools. He stated in Greensboro they have four Senior High Schools and they have two pools; that the use of these is for the masses rather than individuals. These Greensboro facilities are used jointly by the Recreation Department and the schools - the schools use them in the daytime and the Parks and Recreation takes over in the evening, with the Red Cross doing its teaching at night. This gives all of the Physical Education classes an opportunity to participate in the program.

Councilman Williams asked Mr. Stewart if he is familiar with the facility the YWCA is building on Park Road? Would this help to alleviate the problem? Mr. Stewart replied part of it - it would not go to the masses. That the biggest need is for "waterproofing" - to get to the PE classes in schools. The YWCA pool will be good for competitive programs and water safety and things of this nature. He stated Greensboro built an elaborate facility at a cost of around \$0.5 million for the two pools; that contractors have said that a 25 yd. by 20 yd. pool of eight lanes would cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000 to \$200,000. The cost would be determined by what you attach it to - a gym or to another building.

Councilman Gantt stated that of the 14 requests that have come from the citizens, 11 of them relate to recreation. This may be saying something to them about what people have on their minds.

Mayor pro tem Whittington stated at Houston and other National League Congresses the Councilmembers have been to, the Number One theme has been what are you going to do with people's idle time.

Mecklenburg County Center for the Profoundly Retarded - Councilman Davis stated he was asked by Mrs. Louisa Shugart, who could not be present, to present this request for consideration for funding for some portion of the Mecklenburg County Center for the Profoundly Retarded. It is a program that did not exist until a few years ago; incredibly this community has done nothing for the profoundly retarded citizens. If you had the misfortune to give birth to a profoundly retarded child, you have the baby, so to speak, physically and figuratively. No schools, no kindergartens, you could not hire a babysitter because it requires a practical nurse to even attend one.

The center that now exists was founded by a volunteer effort just a few years ago and is located in the basement of St. Mark's Lutheran Church at the intersection of Queens Road and Edgehill Road; that some of the Councilmembers have visited here and seen the type of work they do. It serves a

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dual purpose - it gives some verity to the retarded citizen and also gives some relief to the 24-hour day-to-day duty that the parent has in this situation.

He stated it is a fact that the incidence of retardation is much higher among poor people, and it does seem that about 90 percent of the cases there are from poverty families and they are not able to provide anywhere near the cost of operating this center. The service fees collected there only fund about 4 percent of the operation. The funding generally comes from the Department of Human Resources - about 56 percent from Mental Health and about 20 percent from Social Services with 26 percent coming from the County. This might be an area that to some degree might be more appropriate for the County but the County is helping. It is a need. The use has grown from 5 patients to 55 in approximately three years. The unmet need is estimated to be about three times that figure.

He stated the primary need at this point is a building. The church has generously donated their land, the utilities and some of the supplies to operate this center. At the present time the center is about to take over the church and the church is faced with the decision of moving out and turning the church over to the center or asking the center to move elsewhere. The center is faced with having to make a move within a year.

Councilman Davis requested the following letter, dated February 14, 1977, be placed in the record and copies distributed to the Councilmembers:

Mrs. Louisa Shugart
4400 Emory Lane
Charlotte, N. C. 28211

Dear Louisa:

St. Mark's Center has grown in both size and quality of developmental programming from 5 to 55 students in its three year history and its capacity to serve this special population is estimated to be over three times its present enrollment.

Presently, however, the Center has no further room to expand in its present facility and has had to limit enrollment, thus leaving children either inappropriately served or unserved.

For this and numerous additional reasons, the Center desperately needs a building constructed to meet the needs of its special and unique students.

Concluding a state-wide survey of new construction of facilities for the severely and profoundly retarded, the following represents a close approximation of our needs in the immediate future:

Building size - 15,500 sq. ft.
No. of students served - 85
Approx. cost - 600,000.00

Also enclosed is a list of major funding sources and approximate percentage of annual budget.

Sincerely,

ST. MARK'S CENTER, INC.

H. Leigh Derby
Executive Director

MAJOR FUNDING SOURCES	APPROXIMATE % OF BUDGET
1. Department of Human Resources	
A. Division of Mental Health Services	34%
B. Division of Social Services	20%
C. Division of Services for the Blind	2%
2. Mecklenburg County Appropriation	26%
3. Department of Public Instruction	
A. ESEA - Title I	5%
B. Title VIB	4%
C. Title VIC (Teacher Allocation)	-
D. School Food Service	5%
E. CPCC (Teacher Allocations)	-
4. Service Fees	4%
5. Contributions & Fund Raising	2%
	<u>100%</u>

Councilman Davis stated Mr. Sawyer has been made aware of this need and has been in communication with them. He requested this be given consideration along with the other needs which have been brought to Council's attention by the community.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF BARTOW COURT NEAR ITS INTERSECTION WITH TRAVIS AVENUE.

The public hearing on a petition by MJMG Realty, Inc. to close a portion of Bartow Court, near its intersection with Travis Avenue, was held as scheduled.

Mr. Herbert Brown, Attorney representing the petitioner, stated his client is the owner of property located at the corner of Travis Avenue and Bartow Court, and leases the property to Travis Medical Clinic - six physicians engaged in the practice of internal medicine. The request to close a portion of Bartow Court was made in connection with a proposal by the Clinic to expand their facilities by building an addition to their building and by renovating extensively the present building.

He stated that after considerable study, it was concluded that the best way to make the expansion would be to expand the building along Travis Avenue in such a way that it would encroach or nearly encroach into Bartow Court. The realty company owns property on both sides of Bartow Court, along Travis Avenue, down to Fifth Street on Park Avenue. Expansion in this way was necessary in order to achieve the patient flow and the efficient use of facilities that they have. He stated Bartow Court is a very narrow street as it now exists, having a width of 19 or less feet at the place where it comes into Travis Avenue. It has a 30 feet right-of-way where it comes into Torrence but that it is only about 20 feet wide as it now exists.

He stated before filing the petition Dr. Massey, one of the physicians, and the architect, Mr. Wheatley, visited various departments of the City to determine the feasibility of proposing this closing. It is his understanding that the Planning Commission endorsed the idea and the Engineering Department approved the general layout involving a cul-de-sac at the end of Bartow Court which would remain open if this portion is closed. That the Traffic Department had no objections. Therefore, the petition was filed. It is his understanding that none of the owners of property along Bartow Court has objected except Mrs. Porter, owner of a lot at the corner of Torrence and Bartow Court.

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In looking at the matter as to what effect it might have on any landowners on Bartow Court, in particular Mrs. Porter, they do not see how access to her property would be deprived. It might be said to be some disadvantage to the persons living in the apartment house owned by Mrs. Porter who might go up Bartow Court in order to reach Elizabeth, but Torrence Avenue is a wider street and would seem to provide better access anyway. He would think also that there would be actually advantages to the property on Torrence in that there would be less traffic that would come up Bartow Court. It would seem to present no problems from the point of view of fire protection in that the width of the street now is such that firetrucks would not use that street in gaining access to any of the houses that are on Bartow Court. The design of the cul-de-sac would permit garbage trucks and other service vehicles to go up Bartow Court as needed and turn around.

Council viewed a drawing of the proposed appearance of the Travis Medical Clinic. Mr. Brown pointed out that the entrance would be moved to what is now the side and there would be parking along Travis Avenue but no traffic would come from Bartow Court.

Mr. Lee Rea of the Public Works Department presented a map of the area and pointed out the location of the property, stating that Bartow Court runs from Travis Avenue to Torrence Street, in close proximity to Elizabeth School. It is proposed that Bartow Court be brought up to a point, and a turn-around be constructed to allow full turn around access to people who service the area, and those who need to be in there. That the Public Works Department put this stipulation in as they felt it was necessary to have that.

He pointed out the area to be withdrawn from dedication, and stated it sort of "necks" down from 30 feet width to 20 feet. He pointed out the location of the building as it will be extended, and the area he assumes is for parking.

Mr. Brown stated a revised map has been filed, and is the same as the one Mr. Rea has except the cul-de-sac extends on both sides of the street. Mr. Rea stated there were two maps involved. One showed concentric widening about the center line, and the other was all off the left side. He stated the geometrical portions will be worked out later, and is a matter they intended to work out with the petitioners when the time comes.

Councilman Gantt asked if the new addition extends into the present right-of-way of Bartow Court? Mr. Rea replied according to the information he has it does not.

Dr Massey replied the steps and landscaping would extend into the present right-of-way, to make the landscaping attractive. The end of Bartow Court that is shown in green on the map, originally was closed many years ago and was opened up as an alley later on and called a street. One of the major reasons they want to do this is this is an area that is close to the bus lines and close to the hospitals and they are able to provide medical care to people who cannot go way out Randolph or somewhere else. The only way they can do this is to have enough space.

Mr. Jim Allison, Attorney representing Ms. Helen Porter who owns the property which fronts on Torrence and Bartow Court, stated there is an apartment complex there, Ms. Porter feels that Bartow Court is a public street, her tenants are accustomed to having that street there for ingress and egress; she is not necessarily adverse in any fashion to the plans of the clinic, however, she does not want their expansion to be at her expense. She is a public citizen simply asking that Council consider this in making a decision on whether or not to close the street. He stated that the statute relating to street closings talks in terms of not denying any property owner reasonable means of ingress and egress; it talks about being in the public interest. Ms. Porter feels that it is not in her interest and not in her tenants' interest to have this street closed. She relies on this as income producing property which she needs for her living; she feels that the closing of Bartow Court would be detrimental to the property and to her ability to rent the property.

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Mr. Allison stated the reason the clinic wants to close the street is that it needs the street to put a portion of its building there. That Ms. Porter also has some concern that if Bartow Court after it is made into a cul-de-sac becomes the major means of ingress and egress to the clinic, then it would adversely affect her property. They have been told this will not happen and they hope it will not. But plans can change in the future once it is closed and the cul-de-sac is there. There is concern about a moving van that would come into Bartow Court to relocate a tenant - it would have to back out which might create a hazard. There is concern about parking and people blocking the street in some fashion. Basically, it comes down to the fact that Ms. Porter is a private property owner there and she does not want her street closed.

Councilman Gantt asked if he interprets this to say that Ms. Porter does not have reasonable access. Mr. Allison replied no, she has access from Torrence but from the tenants' standpoint it would not be as convenient. Obviously, you can get to the property in other fashions, but you would not have the ability to walk out the front door and go in either direction.

Mr. Glenn of Brown-Glenn Realty who manage the apartments, stated he is in sympathy with Dr. Massey in improving his building; that he seems completely sincere in that he is going to improve the neighborhood; that his buildings will be an asset. On the other hand, in his opinion, anytime that you limit the flow of traffic on a street either by making it one direction or by closing it you lessen the value of the property on that street. His clients do have access, they can go out into Travis Avenue or Torrence now, and they would like to retain that right.

Councilman Gantt stated Mr. Glenn just made an interesting point. Last week Council decided to close off a street and make it a cul-de-sac because one of the neighbors wanted it. If they heard his statement they might have some second thoughts. He just cannot see the relationship of the cul-de-sac to lessening the value of the houses on there, particularly if they are all residential units. It seems to him that this Council is in the middle right now of debate over traffic in residential areas and the fact that people believe that decreases the value of their property, not to mention the problems of safety. He asked Mr. Glenn to be a little bit more specific as to how this would lessen the value of these apartments at an intersection that easily connects with two other roads. Is he saying that one additional means of getting to his building would substantially reduce the value?

Mr. Glenn replied anytime you take away an access to property you potentially reduce the value of the property and he thinks that would be the case here. He stated there are four apartments in the building.

Mrs. Porter, 2523 Sherwood Avenue, stated she is not opposed to the clinic's plans as such. She can understand and appreciate their plans; she hopes they understand and appreciate her situation. That the street has been open for as long as the apartment has been located there; that her father bought the apartment house many years ago. She is not interested in bucking plans for a medical complex, but her point is that as a property owner she feels the property will be lessened in value because it would be inconvenient for the tenants. They would have access on Torrence Street, but when they come out, the right they have always had to go either direction would be taken away from them.

Councilman Williams stated to Mrs. Porter that he notices she has a Sherwood Avenue address and that she might want to take the Fifth Amendment on this question, but he asked her how she feels about the barricade on Sherwood Avenue? Mrs. Porter replied she thinks circumstances alter cases and they are not discussing a residential street at this time; they are discussing an area in which there is a medical clinic and an apartment house.

Councilman Withrow asked about the width of the street and who is going to build the cul-de-sac? Mr. Rae replied he believes that they are to furnish the cost of constructing the cul-de-sac and dedicate the right-of-way to the City.

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Councilman Gantt asked that they establish whether or not the parking lot for this new clinic is connected in anyway with that cul-de-sac. Dr. Massey replied it is not; and Mr. Rea pointed out on the map where the entries would be located. Councilman Gantt asked Dr. Massey what alternatives he had for expansion other than the plans presented? What would happen if he stayed within the right-of-way? How much is the set-back that the zoning in the area requires him to have from the street? Dr. Massey stated it would take away half of their expansion.

Councilman Davis asked if the responsibility for maintenance changes on this street after it is closed and becomes a cul-de-sac? Does the City still maintain it? Mr. Rea replied the City will maintain it as before. There may be some question of pedestrian access. Mr. Davis asked if a pedestrian can get through there and a vehicle cannot? Mr. Brown stated the petitioner has agreed in the petition that he will grant to the City a right-of-way for a walkway that would lead from the cul-de-sac to Travis Avenue.

Councilman Davis stated to Mrs. Porter that he is one Councilmember who holds the belief that closing roads particularly in residential areas does enhance the value. That Council has had any number of citizens who come up for that purpose; that they have kind of reversed a program the city had of connecting discontinuous streets and have been lately doing the opposite, making dead-ends and cul-de-sacs which it was his understanding that many people looked for as a place to live. In that regard, he asked the age of the four families who live in the apartments?

Mr. Bill Morgan stated he is the oldest tenant she has there and has been there 14 years. He has been in the neighborhood for 30 years. He is familiar with the property. Their only access to parking is in front of this apartment complex. He has discussed this street closing with other architects and engineers who were amazed to think that the city would close a public street to build a building into. They have never heard of doing this. He stated there are other landowners in the area who are opposed to it. That all of the traffic that goes to the clinic will have to come down in front of Elizabeth School.

Councilman Davis asked Mrs. Porter if there are any children in the apartment complex? The answer was no small children. He asked if she knows how many cars the apartment tenants have. The answer was half-dozen.

Motion was made by Councilman Withrow and seconded by Councilman Williams, that a portion of Bartow Court, near its intersection with Travis Avenue, be closed as endorsed by the Planning Commission, Traffic Engineering and Public Works Departments.

Councilman Davis asked if one of the entrance and exits to the parking lot is off of Park Drive? The answer was there will be no entrance but there will be an exit; on Travis there will be both.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Pages 334 & 335.

CONTRACT WITH R. L. POLK AND COMPANY FOR STATISTICAL INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON VACANT HOUSING UNITS THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

Councilman Withrow asked if we have no in-house capability of doing this? Mr. Sawyer, Community Development Director, replied that we do not, not in the detail that this company prepares its data; we just do not have that capability. He stated that Council approved buying this data last year. At that time he told Council they felt they could use the data every other year instead of every year in order to prepare the Housing Assistance Plan and in order to assist the Planning Commission in analyzing neighborhoods and other uses of the data. In preparing the legal defense for the First Ward suit, the Assistant City Attorney had the opinion that if the City could buy the data again this year and get the advantage of the latest city canvass which was completed on October 23, 1976, that we could benefit from that by seeing how some of our relocatees had moved - referred to as the chain of moves.

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They are getting technical assistance from the R. L. Polk Company in using the data that will be furnished; they will be furnished; they will get an alphabetical list of all the movers-in and movers-out over the past four years. That four years ago HUD had the first contract that prepared the total package which was called Profiles of Change. That was given to us free; they bought the data last year and if they buy it again this year it will give them the four years that they need. We do not have the in-house capability of doing the survey, gathering the data, tabulating it the way it is presented when we buy it from this company.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Davis, and carried unanimously, approving a contract with R. L. Polk and Company, in the total amount of \$22,189, for statistical information and technical assistance on vacant housing units throughout the City.

CONTRACT WITH THE HOMEMAKERS INTERNATIONAL COMPANY TO CONTINUE THE CHORE SERVICES PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TARGET AREA RESIDENTS.

Councilman Gantt stated he has read the evaluation and he is not sure whether or not they have taken into account all of the things they have said. The only thing he can see that has changed is that we are not asking the CHORE Services to provide transportation anymore. It appears to him that they are going to be asking them to take it from neighborhood centers rather than paying them on an hourly rate to simply transfer people around. That apparently last year we were paying them \$4.25 an hour for transportation.

He stated there is some question in his mind as to the quality of the work which is being done by these people who apparently perform domestic services for the elderly and handicapped people. That last year they used hardly any of the money from the first year to do the program and he wonders if it is something that is not needed as much or whether we have made substantial improvements.

Mr. Vernon Sawyer, Community Development Director, replied that we did have some delay in starting the program. There was they felt less than adequate time given to each family. The things they think that have improved it this year is that they allow more time spent per client, more attention to the training and care of the client and fewer clients - not less than 25 but that is a minimum figure and it could go higher. Some money was included in the contract for buying some cleaning supplies as they found in many cases they were cleaning without proper supplies. This was not covered in the first year's program in terms of the hourly rate paid for the services. They have added a little money to make small repairs such as fixing locks, door knobs - something an unskilled though able bodied person could do.

Councilman Gantt stated as he read the evaluation it was not the kind he could get excited about. It appeared they had a hard time finding people who either wanted the service or were aware of it; and it seems to him when he reads the contract, and the evaluation, he does not see many things that are different.

Mr. Burkhalter stated he gathers from this report that the Budget and Evaluation Department felt we were not spending enough time per client and that the report would increase the length of time spent with each person or it was not worth doing. Mr. Sawyer replied that is about right, and additional time is built in to this new program. Councilman Gantt stated when you have a 14 percent use-up of funds, even when you take into account a two month's delay, it is too high for the amount of people. Mr. Burkhalter replied there is an accounting for part of that in the very delayed referral system. He asked Mr. Sawyer if anything has been done about that?

Mr. Sawyer replied there was a delay; that he does not know what is being done about the referrals. He does know that they have transferred our Social Service unit to the Neighborhood Centers for the purpose of having a more effective intake/outreach referral system. He believes that built into that transfer is the better reference system; that is taken care of outside the contract.

Mr. Burkhalter stated in talking with Budget and Evaluation they had some serious questions about it but thought it probably should have another chance.

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Mr. Bill Woodard, Homemakers Upjohn, stated he has been involved with this program. That they had a rather ineffective triangle going the first year of the program with the Department of Social Services, the City and Homemakers Upjohn. They were really not communicating in a very professional fashion at the start of the program. It was delayed quite a while. The only way they had of gaining referrals in 1976 was directly from the Department of Social Services' Adult Services section. It seemed to take a lot of time for those referrals to start coming in at all, and then a lot of them were purely transportation which they are trying to eliminate because Homemakers Upjohn is a home and health care service and not a transportation type setup. His thinking as he talked with City people was sort of a dual program. Homemakers is the only certified provider of Medicare and Medicaid home services in Charlotte at this time. That an example of how slow communications reacted, they only had 21 Medicaid patients in 1976 and that number for the county with the only existing agency that can provide that service is ridiculous. They hope, through this program, and they did with some of the clients they had last year, to provide Medicaid services in addition to the CD homemaker type services provided. They are going to have more direct communication with CD even though Social Services can also provide referrals. They can find their own referrals. That they had to go back through Social Services to locate these people in the Target Areas, and they had to go to CD to make sure that they were eligible and it was a rather ineffective triangle. They hope they have taken care of some of this by going directly through Community Development this year.

Councilman Withrow stated we have our Community Centers doing a lot of these chores; we have the County which is supposed to be doing a lot of them; and UCS. He wonders if there should not be some coordination of efforts or some study as to who should do what or whether these services could be provided by the County, or UCS doing some of this referral work.

Mr. Wylie Williams, Assistant City Manager, stated that as part of the change this year in the contract, Neighborhood Centers will now get involved in the referral services and that should speed up the process quite a bit.

Councilman Withrow stated what he is saying is that a lot of our services may be overlapping. There has never been a study made as far as he knows of; that this could be an in-house study of all of these services being performed here and there. He is not positive but what the County should be doing all of them.

Mr. Sawyer stated we have an example of what the County would do when we get 21 referrals out of the whole system. One of the reasons we transferred the Community Development Human Services Section over to the Neighborhood Centers section was to perfect this kind of coordination and to speed up that process and hopefully they will see a turnaround in the kind of referrals they get this year.

Councilman Gantt stated when the Community Development program started he strongly felt that rather than have the County act as an intermediary between these services that were going to be delivered to the Target Area residents, they ought to upgrade our Neighborhood Centers Department which had the social worker types who were familiar with the problems in these areas rather than going the other route. What he is expressing is a real disappointment in the way the County has responded to this contract. That the CHORE Services function is a good one and he is not suggesting that they eliminate it at this point, but he wants to make sure that if we spend all of this money on evaluation of these programs and we get what he thinks are very thorough evaluations that we make sure we incorporate what results into making the program more effective; that he is assured now that there are going to be some changes made.

Councilman Gantt moved approval of the contract with the Homemakers International Company, in the amount of \$52,545, to continue the CHORE Services Program, to provide household services, training in self-reliance and minor home repairs, and transportation related to housekeeping and personal needs for elderly and disabled Community Development Target Area residents through March 31, 1978. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCE NO. 468-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 155-X, THE 1976-77 BUDGET ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM UTILITIES FUND CONTINGENCY TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AT MCALPINE CREEK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

Councilman Gantt moved adoption of the subject ordinance transferring \$13,360 to be used in the purchase of equipment for the McAlpine Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis, and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, at Page 54.

GRANT REQUEST TO THE NORTH CAROLINA ARTS COUNCIL FOR FUND TO HELP FUND THE ASC PROJECT POOL PROGRAM, APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Davis, and unanimously carried, approving the request of the Arts and Science Council to submit a grant request to the North Carolina Arts Council for \$5,000 to help fund the ASC Project Pool Program.

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH INFOREX, INCORPORATED FOR KEY-TO-DISK EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE FOR MIS DEPARTMENT, APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, and seconded by Councilman Williams to approve a three year lease agreement with Inforex, Incorporated for key-to-disk equipment and maintenance, in the amount of \$1,247 per month to replace the use of keypunch machines currently leased by the Municipal Information Department from IBM Corporation.

Councilman Davis asked what the budget is for the personnel services in this department? Mr. Motto, Director, replied \$600,000. Councilman Davis asked how many employees they have, and Mr. Motto replied they have 62 positions.

During further comments by Mr. Motto he advised his department will be turning back five positions in the department shortly. They are working with the other departments to have employee capabilities within the individual departments to carry some of this work.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

MS. JANE MARLEY REAPPOINTED TO THE PARADE PERMIT COMMITTEE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM.

Councilman Gantt moved the reappointment of Ms. Jane Marley to the Parade Permit Committee for a three year term. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PETITIONS FOR ZONING CHANGES.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted providing for public hearing on Petitions No. 77-10 through 77-12 for zoning changes on Monday, April 18, 1977, at 7:30 P.M.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 336.

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CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS AND PRODUCTS.

(a) Councilman Gantt moved award of contract to the low bidder, Allied Chemical Company, in the amount of \$74,558.25, on a unit price basis, for 585 tons of aluminum sulphate. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Allied Chemical Company	\$ 74,558.25
Burris Chemical, Inc.	74,763.00
American Cyanamid Co.	75,377.25
Suffolk Chem. Co., Inc.	77,220.00
Jones Chemical, Inc.	78,390.00
Ashland Chem. Company	78,390.00
Moreland Chem. Company	78,741.00

(b) Councilman Williams moved award of contract to the low bidder, National Gypsum Company, in the amount of \$37,536, on a unit price basis for 680 tons hydrated lime. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

National Gypsum Company	\$ 37,536.00
Jones Chemical, Inc.	39,181.60
Moreland Chem. Company	40,704.80
Suffolk Chem. Co., Inc.	43,520.00

(c) Councilman Gantt moved award of contract to the only bidder, Moreland Chemical Company, in the amount of \$31,264, on a unit price basis, for 80 tons activated carbon. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

(d) Councilman Withrow moved award of contract to the low bidder, Jones Chemical, Inc., in the amount of \$62,920, on a unit price basis, for 440 tons of liquid chlorine. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Jones Chemical, Inc.	\$ 62,920.00
Moreland Chem. Company	69,344.00
Suffolk Chem. Co., Inc.	77,792.00
Ashland Chem. Company	123,200.00
PB&S Chemical Company	124,520.00

(e) Councilman Withrow moved award of contract to the low bidder, Suffolk Chemical Co., Inc. in the amount of \$31,008, on a unit price basis, for 120 tons sodium silicofluoride. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Suffolk Chem., Co., Inc.	\$ 31,008.00
Jones Chemical, Inc.	35,280.00
Burris Chemical, Inc.	35,304.00

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(f) Councilman Davis moved award of contract to the low bidder, Moreland Chemical Company, in the amount of \$41,385, on a unit price basis, for 75 tons liquid hydrogen peroxide, 70%. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Moreland Chemical Co.	\$ 41,385.00
Ashland Chem. Company	41,670.00
Burriss Chemical, Inc.	41,677.50
Shell Chemical Company	41,677.50

(g) Councilman Davis moved award of contract to the low bidder, Rand Construction Company, in the amount of \$847,087, on a unit price basis, for general construction for sanitary sewer construction, Paw Creek Wastewater Pumping Station and Force Main. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams.

Councilman Gantt asked the estimated budget for this project? Mr. Campbell, Acting Director of Utility Department, replied they are about \$100,000 under the estimate.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Rand Construction Company	\$ 847,087.00
Sanders Brothers, Inc.	849,173.60
Ben B. Propst Contractor, Inc.	889,123.00
Dickerson, Incorporated	891,290.00
Gilbert Engineering	907,607.00
Hickory Sand Company	924,153.60
Blythe Industries, Inc.	991,029.00
Breece & Burgess, Inc.	1,030,482.00
L. O. Chapman Company, Inc.	1,047,748.00
Metric Constructors	1,058,210.00

(h) Councilman Davis moved award of contract to the low bidder, Watson Electric Company, in the amount of \$81,400, on a lump sum basis, for the electrical work for the Paw Creek Wastewater Pumping Station and Force Main. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Watson Electric	\$ 81,400.00
Austin Electric	82,092.00
Driggers Electric	82,943.00
Ind-Com Electric	89,731.00
Bagby Electric	98,894.00
Bryant Electric	124,510.00

(i) Councilman Davis moved award of contract to the low bidder, Lee Skidmore, Inc., in the amount of \$98,525, on a unit price basis, for installation of new sidewalk, driveways and curb at various locations within the West Morehead Community Development Project Area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Lee Skidmore, Inc.	\$ 98,525.00
Blythe Industries, Incorporated	103,567.50
Crowder Construction Company	111,427.50
T. L. Harrell's Construction	138,635.00

(j) Councilman Davis moved approval of the purchase of an emergency unit to repair spur gear drive assembly, from Robert L. Carlson, Inc., in the amount of \$13,359.50, for primary sewage unit located at McAlpine Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams and carried unanimously.

(k) Councilman Withrow moved that all bids received for one portable lift be rejected, and specifications be revised for in-floor lifts in lieu of a portable lift for Transit Planning. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis, and carried unanimously.

(l) Councilman Davis moved award of contract to the low bidder, Carolina Tractor & Equipment Company, in the amount of \$12,808, on a unit price basis, for one forklift truck for Transit Planning. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Carolina Tractor & Eqpt., Co.	\$ 12,808.00
McLeod Eqpt. Corp.	12,864.00
Industrial Truck Sales & Serv.	13,780.00
Dillon Supply Company	14,120.00

RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS, ADOPTED.

(a) Councilman Gantt moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property at 237 Victoria Avenue, belonging to Charles T. Jackson, in the Third Ward Community Development Target Area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 337.

(b) Councilman Withrow moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property in the 300 block of Heflin Street, belonging to Samuel L. Strause and Leonard Strause, in the Grier Heights Community Development Target Area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 338.

(c) Councilman Gantt moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property at 529 North Poplar Street, belonging to Mrs. Kent Blair Davidson, in the Fourth Ward Urban Renewal Area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 339.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, approving the consent agenda as follows:

1. Sale of 4.2 acres of city owned property located at the terminus of Russell Street, and along the I-77 right-of-way, to the sole bidder, Duke Power Company, at a bid price of \$12,000.00.

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2. Ordinances ordering the removal of weeds, grass and trash.
 - (a) Ordinance No. 469-X ordering the removal of trash from vacant lot in the 4400 block of Tillman Road.
 - (b) Ordinance No. 470-X ordering the removal of weeds, grass and trash from the premises at 1113 Allen Street.
 - (c) Ordinance No. 471-X ordering the removal of weeds, grass and trash from vacant lot at corner of Harrill and 18th Streets.
 - (d) Ordinance No. 472-X ordering the removal of weeds, grass and trash from premises of 1915 Lyndhurst Avenue.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, beginning at Page 55 and ending at Page 58.

3. Ordinances affecting housing declared unfit for human habitation.
 - (a) Ordinance No. 473-X ordering the demolition and removal of the unoccupied dwelling at 1013 East 15th Street.
 - (b) Ordinance No. 474-X ordering the demolition and removal of the unoccupied dwelling at 422 East 22nd Street.
 - (c) Ordinance No. 475-X ordering the demolition and removal of the unoccupied dwelling at 1116-18 Greenleaf Avenue in the Third Ward Community Development Area.
 - (d) Ordinance No. 476-X ordering the dwelling at 246 Carothers Street to be vacated, demolished and removed.
 - (e) Ordinance No. 477-X ordering the unoccupied dwelling at 1813-15 Gibbs Street to be closed.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, beginning at Page 59, and ending at Page 63.

4. Contract with Ralph Squires Company for the construction of 1,030 feet of water main and one fire hydrant to serve Timber Creek, Phase IV-B, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$7,100, with the City to prepare the plans and specifications, and own, maintain and operate the system, and the applicant to finance the entire project with no funds required from the city.
5. Encroachment agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for existing water and sanitary sewer lines in Sardis Oaks, Sections 1, 2 and 3, off Sardis Road North.
6. Property transactions.
 - (a) Acquisition of 15' x 232.51' of easement, plus temporary construction easement at 3800 North Interstate 85, from Great Dane Trailers, Inc., at \$250, for sanitary sewer to serve Hartley Street and Joe Street area.
 - (b) Acquisition of 15' x 224.02' of easement, plus temporary construction easement, at 3653 North Interstate 85, from Piedmont Plastics, Inc., at \$250, for sanitary sewer to serve Harley Street and Joe Street area.

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- (c) Acquisition of 17.21' x 28.91' x 12.90' x 32.40' of easement, plus construction easement, at 6510 Idlebrook Drive, from Demetrios A. Bakis and wife, Mary C., at \$600, for Idlebrook Drive Culvert.
- (d) Acquisition of 15.07' x 32.40' x 19.60' x 37.88' of easement, plus construction easement, at 7534 Marlbrook Drive, from Richard D. Lanier and wife, Sandra R., at \$200, for Idlebrook Drive Culvert.
- (e) Acquisition of two parcels in Grier Heights Community Development Target Area.
 - 1.) 250 sq. ft., at 309-11 Heflin Street, from Joe Howey, at \$250.
 - 2.) 949 sq. ft., at 3612 Ellington Street, from C. N. Watson, at \$1,300.
 - 3.
- (f) Acquisition of six parcels in Third Ward Community Development Target Area.
 - 1.) 8,600 sq. ft. at 225 Victoria Avenue, from Jade Construction Co., Inc., at \$21,000.
 - 2.) 4,500 sq. ft. at 245 Victoria Avenue, from Geraldine D. Headen, at \$1,575.
 - 3.) 4,250 sq. ft., at 249 Victoria Avenue, from Mr. & Mrs. G. Howard Webb, at \$8,500.
 - 4.) 2,700 sq. ft., at Westbrook Drive, from J. M. McClung, at \$1,080.
 - 5.) 1,750 sq. ft., at 240 Victoria Avenue, from Mercy Hospital, Inc., at \$600.
 - 6.) 7,366 sq. ft. at 916 Greenleaf Street, from Ethel D. Kennedy, at \$8,200.
- (g) Acquisition of three parcels in Southside Park Community Development Target Area.
 - 1.) 4,500 sq. ft., at 225 Bassett Street, from Dewitt C. Woodall, at \$2,700.
 - 2.) 14,400 sq. ft., at 208-30 Annette Street, from Dewitt C. Woodall, at \$10,600.
 - 3.) 13,500 sq. ft., at 208-16 Annette Street, from Charnoca Corporation, at \$12,000.
- (h) Acquisition of 21,000 sq. ft., on Bearwood Avenue, from Queen City Management Corporation, at \$6,000, in North Charlotte Community Development Target Area.
- (i) Acquisition of 1,815 sq. ft., at 225-31 N. Poplar Street, from Realty Fund, Inc., at \$6,625, in Fourth Ward Urban Renewal Area.

REMINDER OF SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated there is a Council/Manager Luncheon scheduled for Monday, April 4, at 12:00 noon. He asked that the Mayor and Council members be at City Hall by 12:00 noon, and they will go together to the Police and Fire Training Center for a program on fire services.

He also reminded Council the meeting with the County Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29, at 7:30 A.M., at the Sheraton Hotel. The agenda will include (1) Productivity Study, (2) Park and Recreation, and (3) Animal Shelter.

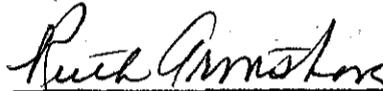
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Mayor pro tem Whittington requested the City Manager to arrange transportation for those members of Council who are on Committees who are scheduled to go to Raleigh on Wednesday.

Councilman Williams asked if the Operations Committee is going to meet on the question of Off-duty employment for police personnel? Mayor pro tem Whittington replied he has a memorandum from Scott Tyler, in which he has asked the Police Department to prepare a background and research report on all city employment. When this report is completed, then he will call a meeting of the Committee. Councilman Williams stated he thinks this should be done as soon as possible, and that some witnesses be invited to come and give position statements. Mayor pro tem Whittington replied they can hear from all the witnesses, but he thinks it is necessary to get this report first.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Davis, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.



Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk