

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, March 8, 1950, with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Aitken, Albea, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilman Boyd.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the meetings on March 1st and 3rd were approved as submitted.

APPROPRIATION MADE TO CAROLINA SPASTICS SOCIETY FOR FURNISHING CEREBRAL PALSY UNIT AT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Mr. H. S. Strawn, Mr. R. Z. Thomas, Mr. Gordan Christian and Mr. Green, representing the Carolina Spastics Society, appeared before Council in the interest of the Cerebral Palsy Patients Unit at Memorial Hospital. Mr. Strawn advised the Unit has been erected for the care of such patients in Mecklenburg County; that the building is completed and ready for use with the exception of furnishings. He requested an appropriation of \$25,000.00 from the City of Charlotte with which to purchase the necessary equipment. He expressed appreciation for the \$2,500.00 contribution by the City, and a like sum from the County, last year towards the building fund.

Mr. Thomas, Memorial Hospital Administrator, advised that the Spastics Unit, or hospital, will contain 35 beds; that patients will be given therapeutic treatment for their rehabilitation by trained personnel. He stated the Committee will request the Mecklenburg County Commissioners to support the charity patients on a per diem basis.

Upon the inquiry of Mayor Shaw if colored patients will be treated, Mr. Thomas stated the policies had not yet been established and the Board of Governors will decide such matters at a later date.

Councilman Albea moved that the request be granted and \$25,000.00 be appropriated out of Monies in the Unappropriated Funds derived from non-tax sources which have accrued since July 1, 1949, and were not included in the Budget Estimates for the current fiscal year, subject to legal approval. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

REPRESENTATION ON PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION REQUESTED BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

Mr. Kelly Alexander was spokesman for a delegation representing the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; he stated it has been noted through the years that Negroes have not been considered for appointments to the Charlotte Park & Recreation Commission; that the Committee feels that Negroes should share in the planning and directing of the City's recreational programs on an equal basis with other citizens. He urged that a qualified Negro be appointed to the Commission. He further stated that as leaders of their race, they find it difficult to explain to their people why they are urged by political candidates to support them for office, yet they never receive recognition in the City's affairs.

Mayor Shaw stated he believes the racial relations in Charlotte are among the best in the United States because of the fine citizens of both

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ances. He stated that because of the pressure of business during their term of office the Council has been obliged to postpone handling many matters; that this Council has never discussed the matter of colored representation on the City's Commissions. He further advised that last week he asked the Council to consider the reappointment of the members of the Park & Recreation Commission whose terms of office will expire March 21st, because he believes the large recreational program now in process can best be administered by the members who have been working on it since its beginning. The Mayor expressed appreciation to the Committee for coming down and discussing the matter, and assured them their request will receive the serious consideration of the Council.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN THE PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, the unanimous consent of Council was given the presentation of the following four undocketed items by the City Manager.

ORDINANCE (No. 95) AMENDING CITY CODE TO CHANGE FEE FOR OUTSIDE WATER CONNECTIONS FOR MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS BEING SERVED THROUGH A MASTER METER.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 95) Amending the City Code of the City of Charlotte to Change the Fee for Outside Water Connections for Municipal Corporations being served through a Master Meter" was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, was adopted. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 110.

ORDINANCE (No. 96) AMENDING CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR FLIGHTS BY AIRPLANES OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AT A LOWER LEVEL THAN 1500 FEET.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 96) Amending the City Code of the City of Charlotte to Provide for Flights by Airplanes of the Department of Agriculture at a Lower Level than 1500 Feet" was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Aitken, seconded by Councilman Coddington, was unanimously adopted. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 111.

CURB CUT AT 1314 CARLTON AVENUE.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, an 18-foot curb cut was authorized made at 1314 Carlton Avenue.

CURB CUT IN FIRST BLOCK OF WEST 9th STREET.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, authorizing a 30-foot curb cut in the first block of West 9th Street, south side, at the request of The American Trust Company.

MAYOR PRO TEM PRESIDES FOR REMAINDER OF MEETING.

Mayor Shaw was called from the meeting at this time, and Mayor pro tem Aitken presided for the remainder of the session.

CONTRACT WITH TOWN OF PINEVILLE COVERING THE SUPPLYING OF PINEVILLE WITH WATER.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, a contract was authorized executed with the Town of Pineville, N. C., covering the supplying of Pineville with water. The general provisions of the contract are that water be supplied not in excess of 200 gallons per minute at the regular rate of County customers; the line to be constructed at the expense of the Town of Pineville; no real estate developments to draw water from the line; said line to become the property of the City of Charlotte without cost if and when any portion of it is taken into the corporate limits of Charlotte.

## CONTRACT AWARDED GEO. G. SCOTT &amp; COMPANY FOR ANNUAL CITY AUDIT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Geo. G. Scott & Company to make the annual audit of the City's accounts for the period July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950, at a cost of \$5,500.00.

## TRANSFER OF FUNDS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the transfer of funds, as follows:

(a) Transfer of \$5,796.32 from the Water Department Budget, Division 610, Code A-8-B, for salary adjustments within the department previously authorized by Council, as outlined in letter dated February 28th from the City Accountant, and placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

(b) Transfer of \$16,361.26 from Special Appropriations, Division 109, Code Special Salaries, to various Departments for salary adjustments previously authorized by Council, as outlined in letter dated March 1st from the City Accountant, and placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

(c) Transfer of \$2,000.00 from the Emergency Fund, Code 110, to the Radio Division - \$925.00 of same to the Salary Account, Code 403 A-8, and \$1,075.00 to Machinery and Equipment Parts and Supplies, Code C-18.

## CURB CUTS AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Daughtry moved approval of the following curb cuts, which was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried:

(a) One 25-foot cut on South Tryon Street, beginning 19-feet from South Boulevard, and One 30-foot cut on Palmer Street, beginning 37-feet from the intersection of Tryon and Palmer Streets, for the Palais Royal Grill.

(b) One 14-foot cut at 901 Fugate Avenue, at the request of Mr. O. M. Gullidge.

(c) One 14-foot cut at 1617 Mimosa Avenue.

## SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, construction of new sanitary sewers were authorized, as follows:

(a) 79-feet of 8-inch sewer in White Street, at an estimated cost of \$170.00, to serve one family unit and one vacant lot, at the City's expense.

(b) 145-feet of 8-inch sewer in Aiken Alley, at an estimated cost of \$370.00, to serve 10 family units and 1 vacant lot, at the City's expense.

(c) 2849-feet of 10-inch sewer trunk from Briar Creek Outfall east to serve Myers Park School property, at an estimated cost of \$13,165.00. All cost to be borne by the City.

(d) 3406-feet of 8 and 10-inch sewer trunk and 4198-feet of 8-inch sewer main to serve property in Furrtown, at an estimated cost of \$14,230.00. All cost to be paid by the City.

(e) 4984 feet of sewer mains and 4591-feet of 8 and 10-inch sewer trunk in Sharon, Wendover and Harris Roads, at an estimated cost of \$22,350.00, to serve 65 houses now erected. The entire cost to be borne by the City, and applicant's deposit of \$2,750.00 to be refunded in accordance with the terms of the contract.

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(f) 826-feet of 8-inch sewer main and 450-feet of trunk sewer in Spencer, Essex and Sweetbriar Streets, at an estimated cost of \$2,970.00, to serve 12 family units and 13 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the issuance of a Special Officer Permit to Mr. Emery C. Sullivan, for use on the premises of Lance, Inc.

REPORT OF LEASING OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

Report was made by the City Manager that leases had been concluded on the following Airport Buildings:

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36	Tower Trucking Company	\$23.53	3-1-50	1 year
229	Maniken Aircraft Company	79.65	2-1-50	2 years
Admin. Bldg.	Southern Flight Service	40.00	4-1-49	5 years
362	Southern Flight Service	200.00	4-1-49	5 years
76	Southern Flight Service	5% gross receipts	10-1-49	month to month

DISCONTINUANCE OF SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE ALONG MONROE ROAD, ETC. ON MARCH 11th BY DUKE POWER COMPANY.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, presented the following letter from the Duke Power Company:

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"Mr. H. A. Yancey, City Manager  
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Yancey:

The six months trial period for the operation of the shuttle bus along Monroe Road between Fifth and Seventh Streets and McAlway Road, will expire today, March 6. During the period that this bus has been operated our gross revenue has been approximately \$6.50 per day, whereas the motorman's salary alone has been approximately \$10 per day, to say nothing of the other operating expenses, such as gas, tires, maintenance, etc. Manifestly the operation of this shuttle line is not feasible or justified.

Therefore, in accordance with the resolution of the City Council of August 10, 1949, under which the operation of this shuttle bus was inaugurated on a trial basis, we are planning to discontinue its operation at 6:30 P.M., Saturday, March 11, 1950, and will publish notice accordingly.

Yours very truly,

(Sig.) J. A. Forney  
Manager "

ADJOURNMENT.

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

*Lillian R. Huffman*  
City Clerk