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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, November 28, 1956, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Van Every presiding, and Council members Albea, Baxter, Brown, Dellinger, Evans, Smith and Wilkinson being present.

ABSENT: None.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last Council Meeting on November 21st were approved as submitted.

REQUEST OF CAROLINA MARBLE & GRANITE COMPANY TO LEASE PROPERTY AT 730 WEST 6TH STREET PRESENTLY LEASED TO SCOGGINS MEMORIAL ART SHOP RECEIVED AS INFORMATION.

Mr. Warren Stack, Attorney representing Carolina Marble & Granite Company, appeared before Council and stated that City owned property at 730 West 6th Street has for the past fifteen years been leased to Scoggins Memorial Art Shop under a verbal lease at a rental of \$35.00 per month; and that in 1946 Mr. Scoggins executed a chattel mortgage of all the company's property to Hall's Textile Machine Company, Mr. Hall being the brother-in-law of Mr. Scoggins. That the foreclosure proceedings will be consummated tomorrow at the Court House. That his client, Carolina Marble & Granite Company wishes to lease the property and will pay a rental of \$45.00 per month; in fact, in 1955 they advised the City that at any time the property was released they would lease it, without improvements to the property by the City.

The City Attorney stated that as the present lessee had paid their rental through December, the City has no control over the property until that time.

Councilman Baxter stated that Mr. Hall has put a great deal of money into the Scoggins Memorial Art Shop for his brother-in-law and that Mr. Hall will continue to operate the business after the foreclosure, and will pay a rental of \$45.00 per month, if it is the City's desire to increase it. Councilman Baxter moved that the information given by Mr. Stack be received and placed on file. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

Council members Albea and Evans stated they did not like the idea of an oral lease on this or any other city owned property.

Mr. Stack stated his is a bona fide offer and if the property is available at any time his client will lease it.

PROTEST AGAINST CHANGE IN ROUTE OF OAKHURST BUS BY CITY COACH COMPANY HEARD AND CHANGE UPHELD ON TRIAL BASIS.

Mr. J. A. Todd, Jr. President of Central Avenue-Midwood Business Club, was spokesman for a deligation of residents of the Central Avenue and Oakhurst areas, protesting the change in the Oakhurst Bus schedule proposed by the City Coach Company and approved by the City Council along with other changes on November 7th. Mr. Todd stated that the change will make it difficult for the residents of the Oakhurst area to get to the Central Avenue shopping area. He presented petitions signed by Central Avenue business men and by residents of Oakhurst protesting the change. Mrs. Roy Guerrant, 4419 Monroe Road, stated the Oakhurst area has been served by this bus for fifteen years and the scheduled change will cut them entirely off from the shopping centers, shows which their children enjoy, post office and library on Central Avenue. Mrs. Earl Hinson, stated she resides at the corner of The Plaza and Chesterfield Avenue and, together with a number of other persons in the neighborhood, works at Hudson Hosiery Mill in the Oakhurst area, and the route change will greatly inconvenience them in getting to and from work.

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Mr. W. F. Turner, Traffic Engineer and Mr. A. H. Caze, General Superintendent of the Coach Company were present and presented the results of a recent study of the Oakhurst Bus passengers, which indicated that few passengers left the bus in the area of the Central Avenue business area. Mr. Turner stated the proposed change is being made to give service to the thickly populated Eastway Park area, and that the Elizabeth Bus will be extended out Monroe Road to serve the Oakhurst area. Mr. Turner also advised that the Oakhurst Bus will, however, continue to serve the Oakhurst area at the times the three shift changes are made at the mill, and also school transportation to and from the area will be provided for.

Mr. Todd stated the information given by the City Coach Company's representatives is quite different from the information he had, and he is entirely willing for the change to be made on a trial basis.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES ESTABLISHED ON DECEMBER 24th and 25th.

Councilwoman Evans moved that December 24th and 25th be designated as the Christmas holidays for city employees. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH ALSON GOODE CORPORATION AUTHORIZED FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS IN YORKMOUNT PARK.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously carried, contract was authorized with Alson Goode Corporation, for the installation of 22,535-feet of water mains and 11 hydrants in a portion of Yorkmount Park, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$66,500.00 All costs to be borne by the applicant, who will dedicate the mains to the City upon acceptance by the City.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of sanitary sewers at the following locations:

- (a) Construction of 1,207-feet of sanitary sewer trunk in Churchill Road, to serve 4 houses, at request of James O. Cobb, Jr., at an estimated cost of \$4,115.00. All cost to be borne by the City, and applicant's required deposit of \$2,515.00 to be refunded as per the terms of the contract.
- (b) Construction of 75 feet of sanitary sewer main in Marlowe Avenue, to serve one business unit, at request of Marsh Realty Company, at an estimated cost of \$195.00. All costs to be borne by the City

REQUEST OF JAMES O. COBB, JR. TO CONNECT PRIVATE SANITARY SEWER MAINS TO CITY'S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM APPROVED.

Councilman Albea moved approval of the request of James O. Cobb, Jr., to connect 1,481.50 feet of sanitary sewer main and trunk to the City's Sanitary Sewerage System in Ashworth Road, upon condition that he comply with all laws, rules and regulations now in effect, or which may hereafter become effective relative to property similarly situated. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED POUND & MOORE COMPANY FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FIRE STATION #10 ON REMOUNT ROAD.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Evans, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Pound & Moore Company, for furnishing a schedule of office equipment representing a total of 52 items, as specified, for Fire Station No. 10, at a net delivered price of \$1,844.02

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CONTRACT AWARDED YOUNG MOTOR COMPANY FOR FORD STATION WAGON FOR AIRPORT DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, Young Motor Company, for one Model 1957 Ford Station Wagon, as specified, at a total net delivered price of \$1,733.83, for the Airport Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED LEE A FOLGER, INC., FOR BUICK SEDAN FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Lee A. Folger, Inc., for One 1957 Buick Sedan, Model 43(Special), equipped with standard equipment and five 760 x 15-4 ply tires, as specified, at a total net exchanged delivered price of \$2,750.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED CITY CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR TEN CHEVROLET SEDANS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, City Chevrolet Company for ten 1957 Model 2103 Chevrolet 4-door sedans, all as specified, at a total exchanged price of \$16,103.50, subject to cash discount of \$5,115.60, for the Police Department.

CONTRACT AWARDED BRAMLETT & CARTER FOR PAINTING INTERIOR OF POLICE BUILDING AND BASEMENT ROOM OF CITY HALL, AND THE EXTERIOR OF THE POLICE, AND HEALTH BUILDINGS, FIRE STATION #1 AND CITY HALL.

Councilman Dellinger moved the award of contract to the low bidder, Bramlett & Carter, for furnishing labor, materials, tools, equipment and supervision to paint all interior required in the Police Building and Basement Room in the City Hall, and to paint all exterior required of the Police and Health Buildings, Fire Station #1 and the City Hall, all as specified, and in accordance with the specifications, at a total lump sum bid price of \$3,724.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

APPLICATION OF NATIONAL WELDERS SUPPLY COMPANY FOR PERMIT TO ERECT BUILDING OFF OLD DOWD ROAD, IN AN INDUSTRIAL ZONE, TO BE USED AS AN ACETYLENE PLANT.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the application of the National Welders Supply Company for a permit to erect a building off Old Dowd Road, in an Industrial Zone, to be used as an acetylene plant, was approved.

RENEWAL OF SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT TO MURRELL M. HANNAH FOR USE AT CITY CEMETERIES.

Councilman Albea moved approval of the renewal of the Special Officer Permit to Murrell M. Hannah, 3009 Morson Street, for use at the City Cemeteries. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Motion was made by Councilman Brown seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (1) Deed with J. A. Robinson, for north half of lot 142, Section S, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for new deed.
- (2) Deed with Mrs. Lelia R. Holbrooks and husband, transferred from J. A. Robinson, for south half of Lot 142, Section S, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for transfer deed.
- (3) Deed with Henry B. Fowler and wife, transferred from W. D. Flinton and wife, for Lot 43, Section G-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for transfer deed.
- (4) Deed with Richard Bancroft, for Perpetual Care on Lot 52, Section C, Elmwood Cemetery, At \$201.60.

- (5) Deed with Mrs. Josephine Hargett Pendleton for Perpetual Care on Lot 286, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$35.00.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER WITHIN LIMITS TO AUTHORIZE SERVICES OF SPECIAL ATTORNEY IN CONNECTION WITH CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD HEARINGS AFFECTING SERVICE AT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing City Manager Within Limits to Authorize Services of Special Attorney in Connection with Civil Aeronautics Board Hearings Affecting Service at Municipal Airport" was introduced and read. Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the resolution was adopted. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 11.

AMENDMENT TO LEASE WITH AIRPORT AUTO SERVICE, INC. WHEREBY AREA "Y" (BEING A PORTION OF THE PAVED PARKING AREA) IS OMITTED FROM LEASE AND NEW AREA "Z" IS INCLUDED.

Councilman Dellinger moved approval of an Amendment to the Lease with Airport Auto Service, Inc., at Douglas Municipal Airport, whereby Area "Y" (being a portion of the paved parking area) is omitted from the lease and new Area "Z" is included. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT TO 3 O'CLOCK P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5th, 1956.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m., on December 5th at which time the hearing in connection with the zoning of areas annexed to the City since 1949 will be held.

Lillian R. Hoffman
Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk