

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, November 30, 1949, with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Aitken, Albea, Boyd, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

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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 previous meeting, on November 23rd, were approved as submitted.

ACTION DEFERRED UNTIL COMPLETION OF INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD ON ORDINANCE (NO. 82) TO REZONE LOT AT PECAN AVENUE AND INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD.

Pursuant to the introduction on November 9, 1949 of an Ordinance To Amend Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance, to change the Building Zone Map from R-1 to B-1 zone on a vacant lot located at the corner of Pecan Avenue and Independence Boulevard, the Mayor invited interested persons to be heard at this time.

Mr. B. H. Reid opposed the rezoning, stating a petition had been filed with the City Council some time ago requesting that the east side of Pecan Avenue, from Independence Boulevard to the Seaboard Railroad, not be rezoned, and the petitioners were promised no rezoning would be made.

Mr. J. R. Thomas stated the recommendation for rezoning was made by the Board of Adjustment upon his request; that he is the owner of the property in question, and desires to erect a Shoe Store on the lot. Also, that there are other business houses within the area.

Following the discussion, Councilman Daughtry moved that action be deferred until the completion of Independence Boulevard. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

- AYE: Councilmen Aitken, Albea, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson.
- NAY: Councilmen Boyd and Coddington.

ORDINANCE (NO. 82) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITH REGARD TO REZONING THE FOUR CORNER LOTS ADJACENT TO SOUTH TRYON STREET EXTENSION AND WEST BOULEVARD, ADOPTED.

Pursuant to the introduction on November 9, 1949, of an Ordinance (No. 83) to amend Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance, to change the Building Zone Map from R-2 to B-1 on the four corner lots adjacent to the intersection of South Tryon Street Extension and West Boulevard, the Mayor stated that interested persons would now be heard.

Mr. Henry Dockery, Attorney, representing the owner of Lot 13, being a portion of the area in question, stated the lot was purchased for business purposes and urged that the change in zoning be made from residential to business.

Councilman Aitken moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried. This action is recorded in full in Ordinance No. 83.

ACTION DEFERRED UNTIL DECEMBER 14th, 1949 ON ORDINANCE (NO. 84) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITH REGARD TO REZONING ROCKLEDGE APARTMENTS PROPERTY ON ROSWELL AVENUE AND NORMANDY ROAD.

Pursuant to the introduction on November 9, 1949, of an Ordinance (No. 84) to Amend Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance, to change the Building Zone Map from R-1 to R-2 on the Rockledge Apartments Property, consisting of 3 1/2 acres on Roswell Avenue and Normandy Road, Mayor Shaw invited interested persons to be heard at this time.

Messrs. R. N. Edwards, Adon Smith and Cator Ligon, residents of Fairway Circle, adjacent to the property in question, and Mrs. Jack London, resident of Roswell Avenue, opposed the zoning change, stating the erection of additional apartment houses within the area was not desired, it being understood the property owner was requesting the change for the purpose of constructing a large apartment.

Mr. Ramsey Dulin, representing Mr. D. C. Carmicheal, owner of said property, advised it was not his intention to erect an apartment house on the property. That changes in, or additions to Rockledge Apartments may be made. That the area should have been originally zoned as an R-2 district as there are several apartments within the area, and they are merely requesting that the correct zoning be given the area.

Following the discussion, Councilman Aitken moved that action be deferred for two weeks and that in the interim Mr. Dulin consider a division of the property to preserve the R-1 zoning on a portion of the property. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CITY ATTORNEY REQUESTED BY MR. J. A. BAKER TO DRAW BILL TO INCREASE SALARIES OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN, FOR PRESENTATION TO NEXT SESSION OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. J. A. Baker, former Councilman, appeared before Council and commended the Mayor and Council on the splendid services they are rendering to the citizens of Charlotte. He stated he realized the remuneration received by them is not consistent with the time and effort given the offices; and, also, that it would not be proper for them to take action in the matter. Therefore, he requests the City Attorney to draw the necessary Bill for presentation to the next session of the State Legislature to increase the salary of the Mayor from the present \$100.00 per month to \$600.00 per month, and the salaries of the Councilmen from the present \$200 per year to \$200.00 per month.

Later in the meeting Mayor Shaw stated he had no previous knowledge that Mr. Baker would make the above request. That both he and the Councilmen knew the compensation they would receive from the City when they were elected; that they are enjoying the work and doing the best job possible.

REZONING OF PROPERTY ON VERNON DRIVE REQUESTED, AND RESOLUTION ADOPTED FIXING DATE FOR HEARING THEREON.

The City Manager advised the Zoning Board of Adjustment had denied the request of Mr. Lee Heath to change the zoning from R-1 to R-2 on his property on Vernon Drive; however, Mr. Heath desired to bring the matter directly to Council.

Mr. Heath urged that the change in zoning be allowed.

Mr. John Small, Attorney, representing a large delegation of residents of the area, who were present, opposed the rezoning, and requested that the proposal not be considered on the grounds that it had been denied by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Councilman Boyd moved that the proposed rezoning be handled in

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the regular manner, and the date fixed for a public hearing and same be so advertised. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance", to change the Zoning Map from R-1 to R-2 district on property on Vernon Drive, was presented and read. Upon motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the resolution was adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 222.

Councilman Aitken stated he believed a later date for the hearing would be more convenient to everyone concerned, and offered an amendment to the motion that the date be fixed on January 11, 1950. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 222.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED RELATIVE TO OPPOSING THE CLOSING OF PECAN AVENUE.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Opposing the Closing of Pecan Avenue at the Seaboard Railroad Crossing" was presented by Councilman Boyd. Councilman Daughtry asked the City Attorney and City Manager for a report on his former request for an investigation, and opinion from the State Highway Commission, as to opening other streets from the Chantilly Section to East 7th Street. The City Attorney advised he had not received a reply to his communication to the State Highway Commission. The City Manager advised that the crossing under the SAL RR which he had thought could possibly be opened some years ago. Councilman Daughtry stated he did not believe streets should be closed unless provisions are made for the opening of streets across the said railroad.

Councilman Boyd moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 223.

#### RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE WIDENING OF CENTRAL AVENUE, FROM THE SEABOARD RAILROAD TO THE PLAZA.

The following resolution was presented by Councilman Boyd:

Resolution Relative to the Widening of  
Central Avenue from the SAL Railroad to  
The Plaza.

In order to facilitate the movement of flow of traffic on Central Avenue, which is constantly increasing, due to new residential developments beyond and also due to new business establishments in this area, and in conformity with the policy of this administration to open bottle-necks in congested areas;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Manager be authorized to proceed with the widening of Central Avenue, from the Seaboard Railroad crossing to The Plaza, in accordance with the recent engineering survey and cost estimate of approximately \$19,705.56.

Councilman Boyd stated he presented the above proposal in the interest of residents of the area, as well as to benefit through traffic. That a count by the Traffic Engineer showed that 17,500 cars move over this portion of Central Avenue every 24-hours. Councilmen Coddington and Aitken expressed opposition to the plan on the basis that it is untimely since both Independence Boulevard and Hawthorne Lane will no doubt relieve the situation when they are completed and opened. They expressed the opinion that action on the resolution should be deferred until the opening of these two new streets.

Councilman Boyd moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion was

seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and was lost, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilman Albea, Boyd and Wilkinson.

NAY: Councilmen Aitken, Coddington, Daughtry and Jordan.

REQUEST OF MR. PAYNE KESSIAH FOR REINSTATEMENT OF TAXICAB OPERATOR'S PERMIT DENIED.

Mr. Payne Kessiah requested the reinstatement of his Permit to operate a Taxicab. He stated the permit was revoked after his arrest for speeding and running through a traffic stop light, of which he was not guilty.

Mr. H. G. Cleveland, Taxicab Inspector, stated Mr. Kessiah had a long police record, which he has for presentation to Council if desired. That he has endeavored for a long time to help Mr. Kessiah so that it would be possible for him to retain his Operator's permit, but his record of offenses and arrests is such that it became necessary to revoke his permit. No Council action was taken in the matter and the revoked permit remains in effect.

RECESS TAKEN AT 12:50 P.M., AND MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:30 P.M.

Mayor Shaw announced a recess would be taken for lunch due to the numerous matters remaining to be handled, and the meeting would reconvene at 2:30 o'clock p.m. The meeting was recessed at 12:50 p.m., and reconvened at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO TRAFFIC ENGINEER SUBMITTING PLANS AND COST ESTIMATE OF TRAFFIC PROJECTS TO COUNCIL.

Councilman Boyd introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption. Following the reading thereof, his motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson:

Resolution Relative to Traffic Engineer  
Submitting Plans and Cost Estimate on  
Traffic Projects to Council.

In order that the Mayor and City Council may know about the plans of the Traffic Engineer to install additional concrete islands in city streets and to erect additional traffic control signals involving more than one street intersection light at given intersections:

BE IT RESOLVED that hereafter said plans and estimated costs be submitted to the Mayor and Council through the City Manager before work is started on such projects.

Councilman Boyd commended Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, on the efficiency of his work, calling particular attention to the traffic control lights erected at Morehead Street and South Boulevard. He stated he believed the Council should be informed in advance where the expenditure of a large amount of money is involved and radical changes made in traffic matters, in order that the Councilmen be able to reply when asked by citizens regarding such changes. Councilman Jordan expressed opposition to the adoption of such resolution on the grounds that a delay in traffic control could be involved in awaiting Council action; that he believed the City Manager and Traffic Engineer would work out such matters to the satisfaction of all concerned. The Mayor advised that the City Manager has stated he would keep the Council advised of any major changes in the control of traffic.

Councilman Boyd, by and with the consent of Councilman Wilkinson, who had seconded his motion for the adoption of the resolution, withdrew his motion, with the understanding that where traffic projects are contemplated that involve the construction of traffic islands and/or the erection of more than one traffic signal, the Council will be advised in advance by the City Manager.

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RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO REQUESTING THE CITY MANAGER TO SECURE INFORMATION FROM DUKE POWER COMPANY WITH REGARD TO BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Relative to Requesting the City Manager to Secure Information from Duke Power Company with Regard to Bus Transportation Service", was introduced by Councilman Boyd, who moved its adoption. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 224.

SALARIES ADVANCE FOR REGULAR CITY EMPLOYEES FOR PERIOD DECEMBER 15th TO 31st AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, salaries of regular City Employees were authorized advanced for the period December 15th to 31st, and employees not desiring such advance were authorized paid at the regular time, on December 31st.

REFUND OF DEPOSITS SUBMITTED FOR SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION, AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the refund of deposits submitted for the construction of sanitary sewers as follows:

- (a) Refund of \$282.90 to B. L. Blackwell, 1130 Mona Drive, deposited on December 23, 1947, for the construction of an 8-inch sewer 240 feet in Mona Drive.
- (b) Refund of \$35,301.11 to Plaza Terrace Apartments, Inc., 208 East Boulevard, deposited on June 16, 1949, for the construction of sewers in the Plaza area.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT WITH A. C. MEISENHEIMER FOR WATER MAINS CONSTRUCTION IN WENDOVER HILLS SUBDIVISION, AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Wilkinson moved approval of a supplemental contract with A. C. Meisenheimer for the construction of 780-feet of 2-inch water mains in Wendover Hills Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$936.00, to serve seven residential lots. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried.

CURB-CUT AUTHORIZED IN MATTOON STREET TO PROPERTY OF MRS. CHASE BRENIZER.

Upon motion of Councilman Daughtry, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, a 30-foot curb cut on Mattoon Street, between Beaty's Ford Road and Carmel Street, to the property of Mrs. Chase Brenizer, was authorized.

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR AIR COMPRESSOR DEFERRED FOR ONE WEEK.

The City Manager recommended the award of contract to H. B. Owsley & Son, Charlotte, for One Schramm Model #105 Deluxe Air Compressor, at a net delivered price of \$2,372.52, on which bids were received November 14, 1949.

Mr. K. O. Hobbs stated his company, Contractors Service, Inc., submitted the low bid on a Leroi Air Compressor, at a price of \$2,178.00, or \$194.00 lower than the company to which the contract is recommended awarded. He requested that the contract be awarded his company. He also advised the City has two of his Compressors in operation and he is able to furnish maintenance and parts for his equipment at all times.

The City Manager advised the recommendation is based on the fact that the local service and parts are always available on the Schramm Units; that the weight of the Schramm Unit is approximately 1,000 pounds more than the Leroi Unit; that the Schramm Unit furnishes an even flow of air no matter how variable the compressor load, as it automatically increases the speed as the demand for air increases, and decreases it as the demand decreases.

Following the discussion, Councilman Daughtry moved that action in the matter be deferred for one week. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

#### CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following contracts for purchases and the allocation of funds therefor, if required:

- (a) Contract with Blythe Bros. Company, for 8-inch sanitary sewer construction in Wilmore Section, Club Acres, Eastover and Park Road sections, on a unit price basis, representing a total price of \$26,332.00.
- (b) Contract with The Pitometer Company, covering the location of underground leaks in the water distribution system, in accordance with their proposal under date of Oct. 31, 1949, in the sum of \$6,600.00.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Jordan moved that \$3,620.00 be transferred from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Traffic Engineering Budget, Signal Account (Code 1518) for the traffic control equipment for Independence Boulevard. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

#### CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IN PHILEMON AVENUE, AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, the construction of an 8-inch sanitary sewer for 1796-feet in Philemon Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$3,390.00, to serve 31 family units and 17 vacant lots, was authorized.

#### CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAYS AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH TRYON STREET AND EAST SEVENTH STREET, APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of driveways at the northeast corner of North Tryon Street and East Seventh Street, as entrances to the Union National Bank Drive-in Branch, and a Parking Lot.

#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Jordan moved that a holiday, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, December 23rd and ending at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 26th, be granted City Employees in observance of Christmas Holidays. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

#### REPORT OF LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported that leases had been concluded on the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

| BUILDING NO.  | LESSEE                     | MONTHLY RENTAL | DATE AND TERM OF LEASE |
|---------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| 264           | The Motor Convoy, Inc.     | \$54.00        | 11-1-49 month to month |
| 213 (renewal) | Carolina Machinery Company | \$27.00        | 8-16-49 month to month |

#### TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOT AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute a deed for the transfer of Lot A, in front of Rows #3 and #4, Section A, North Pinewood Cemetery, to Chriss Harrison, at \$122.85.

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POEM RELATIVE TO SMOKE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE PRESENTED BY COUNCILMAN BOYD.

Councilman Boyd arose to a point of personal privilege, and stated that while absent from the Council Meeting on November 23rd due to illness, the Council adopted a Smoke Abatement Ordinance, and he wished to offer an amendment thereto, in his own behalf:

To My Councilmen:

I feel a bit sad today,  
Because last week when in bed I lay  
Manager Yancey and Engineer Campbell, the Mayor and you,  
In a document long and technical  
But in one little paragraph, innocent and obscure -  
I was deprived of a childhood pleasure that has followed me  
through the years  
Of piling the limbs, the leaves and the grass, at the end of  
the day  
Into a heap and a mass  
Lighting the fire and listening  
To the pop and the crack of the burning embers  
As they lighted the evening skies -  
The warmth and the glow cheered my soul  
As toward heaven the smoke did rise  
No more, you say  
I can burn the limbs, the leaves, the weeds, and the hay.  
No more, you say  
I can stand and warm myself by the firelights evening glow  
At the end of the day.  
No more, you say  
I can watch the beautiful smoke from an open fire  
Curl and twist toward God's own heaven  
In a curious and fascinating way  
Unless for the sake of the  
Of watching the

Departmental Heads who were present, the  
with regard to the Petition by the City Employees  
week, and wished to hear their views on the subject.

Mr. L. L. Ledbetter, City Treasurer stated the employees generally  
Saturdays away from work, and he believes a 40-hour work week would be  
acceptable to all employees.

Mr. O. C. Fogus, Supt. of the Motor Transport Department, stated  
the plan would affect the garbage collection schedule. However, with the  
addition of three trucks and nine employees, and by giving some employees  
Wednesday afternoon off in lieu of Saturday morning, the service now rendered  
the public could be maintained. That his employees are at present working a  
half-day longer than other city employees. The garbage collectors work  
schedule being on a 44-hour week basis.

Mr. W. M. Franklin, Supt. of the Water Department, stated the  
operation of the Filter Plant and Disposal Plants necessitates longer working  
hours than office personnel; that at present his employees are on a schedule  
whereby 33% work 40-hours per week, 33% work 48 hours per week and 33 1/3%,  
representing the office personnel, work 39 1/2 hours per week, the same as other  
office employees. Mr. Franklin stated his employees would be agreeable to  
the elimination of work on Saturdays; that it is understood when personnel is  
employed at the outside Plants that the hours will be longer than office hours.

Mr. D. M. Rea, Airport Manager, stated all of his personnel work on a schedule of 44-hours per week; that he can work out a plan if Saturday work is eliminated for city employees.

Mr. W. A. McFarland, Supt. of Cemeteries, advised the average working hours for his employees are 44-hours per week. That the nature of the work often necessitates working 56 to 60 hours per week, for both himself and the laborers. That only by the addition of personnel could shorter working hours be arranged. However, his department would like to see the Five-Day week adopted for employees generally.

Mr. T. J. Ravelle, Supt. of the Pet Department, stated that only by closing down operations on Sunday, as is done in many cities of comparable size and larger, could the hours of his outside personnel be reduced. He advised that the laborers at the Animal Shelter now work 8 hours per day, 7 days per week.

Mr. Jas. W. Armstrong, Collector of Revenue, stated he believes if the Court House remains open on Saturday, it will be necessary for the City's Tax Department to be open, in which case he would have to stagger the personnel for Saturday work, and therefore could not maintain a schedule of everyone being on a 40-hour basis.

Mr. Herman Hoose, Traffic Engineer, advised he could maintain a shop crew on Saturday by having the different personnel work every fifth Saturday.

Dr. M. B. Bethel, Health Officer, advised his employees desired the 5-day working week, with the personnel staggered for Saturday work, and in lieu of being away on Saturday he would arrange for their absence on another day during the week.

Mr. C. W. Edge, Acting Supt. of the Inspection Department, advised the 5-day week would necessitate keeping a skeleton force on Saturday, however it could be worked out to the satisfaction of all the employees of the department.

Mr. Loyd Rickey, City Engineer, advised he could schedule his employees to their satisfaction for Saturday morning work; that at present he maintains a force for Saturday afternoon work.

Mr. J. E. Campbell, Smoke Abatement Engineer, stated his men are now on a 40-hour week schedule. That the personnel of his department would like to have the plan adopted.

Mr. George Livingston, City Accountant, advised the personnel of his department desires Saturdays away from work, and the present service can be maintained under such schedule.

Mr. Frank Littlejohn, Chief of Police, and Mr. Donald Charles, Chief of the Fire Department, both advised the men in their departments understand they would not be affected by the adoption of the 5-day work plan; however, they would like to see it put into effect for the benefit of other employees.

Mr. Foster Blaisdell, Supt. of the Park & Recreation Commission, stated he could arrange for his personnel taking care of the work by staggering the Saturday work, except during seasonal operations.

Mr. John Dunlap, representing the City Schools, was present and advised that for the past year they had staggered the hours for the office personnel due to overtime work being necessary, and the closing of the City Hall on Saturday would not affect their operation.

Surprise and concern was expressed by the Councilmen over the long hours worked by certain personnel of various departments, as indicated by the Heads of the Departments. The opinion was expressed by various Councilmen that whether or not the 5-day work week is adopted, an adjustment must be made in the working schedules to eliminate anyone working unduly long hours.

Mayor Shaw suggested that the 5-day work week be tried out on an experimental basis until January 1st, beginning with Saturday, December 3rd.

Councilman Albea moved the unanimous consent of Council to consider the adoption of the 5-day work week for employees on a temporary basis until January 1st. Motion was seconded by Councilman Boyd, and lost, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Coddington and Jordan.  
NAY: Councilmen Daughtry and Wilkinson.

Councilman Coddington moved the unanimous consent of Council to consider the adoption of the 5-day work week for employees on a permanent basis. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and lost, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Coddington, Albea, Boyd and Jordan.  
NAY: Councilmen Daughtry and Wilkinson.

Councilman Albea requested that consideration of the adoption of the 5-day work week for city employees be placed on the Council Meeting Agenda for next week, December 7th.

**REQUEST THAT FAMILIES IN CONDEMNED PROPERTY ON PINE STREET NOT BE EVICTED UNTIL LIVING QUARTERS LOCATED.**

Councilman Boyd stated he has been advised by Mr. Lee Kinney that several families residing on Pine Street have been instructed to move out immediately due to the houses being condemned because of lack of proper plumbing facilities. He asked that some discretion be used in the matter and the families be allowed to remain in the present houses until proper living quarters are found. The City Manager advised persons residing in condemned property are given proper notices, and in this particular case they were notified of the condemnation of the property and requested to move more than a year ago; therefore, a recent notice that the property must be vacated has been given them. He also stated the City has never forced anyone to vacate property where it is impossible to locate another residence.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

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

*Lillian R. Hoffman*  
City Clerk