

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina was held in the Council Chamber at the City Hall on Wednesday, November 7, 1951, at 4 o'clock P. M. with Mayor Shaw presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Coddington, Dellinger, Jordan and Van Every present.

Absent: None

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INVOCATION.

The Invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously carried, minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan and unanimously carried, the construction of sanitary sewers at the following locations was authorized:

- (A) 170 feet of 8-inch sewer main in Elizabeth Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$500.00, to serve Central High School. All costs to be borne by the City.
- (B) 140 feet of 8-inch sewer main in Sharon Road, at an estimated cost of \$200.00, to serve 1 family unit and 1 vacant lot. All costs to be borne by the City.
- (C) 100 feet of 8-inch sewer main in Caton Street, at an estimated cost of \$200.00, to serve 1 family unit already built and 2 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City.

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF CALVIN D. WILLIAMS.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Van Every and unanimously carried to pay the costs of repairs to automobile of Mr. Calvin D. Williams of \$165.14, resulting from accident with fire truck on October 21, at the intersection of North Graham and West Fifth Street.

REQUEST OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHT AT BURTON STREET AND OAKLAWN AVENUE INTERSECTION AND SIDEWALK ON BURTON STREET TO FAIRVIEW SCHOOL.

Mr. W. G. Byers, Principal of Fairview School, presented each member of the City Council with a list of eleven students of Fairview School who have been injured during the last year in crossing or walking on Burton Street on the way to or from school. He pled with the Council for traffic signal light at the intersection of Oaklawn Avenue and Burton Street and for a walkway or sidewalk on either side of Burton Street, so that the children would not have to walk in the street.

Councilman Baxter moved that the City Manager and City Engineer make a survey and determine if a temporary sidewalk could not be constructed on one side or the other of Burton Street from Oaklawn Avenue to Fairview School, which motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and passed unanimously.

CONDITIONAL BUILDING PERMIT GRANTED SHEETS AUTO SERVICE.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously passed, the Sheets Auto Service was authorized to build a shed extending over the property line to be removed at any time at the will of the City Council with no expense to the City.

CONTRACT FOR MOTOR EQUIPMENT.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the City purchase station wagon, all metal per specifications at a total price of \$2,699.33, subject to cash discount of \$522.82 and that it be loaned to the Charlotte Life Saving and First Aid Crew, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Every and passed with Councilman Boyd voting NO, giving as his reason that he did not consider this transaction legal.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Coddington and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of driveway entrances at the following locations:

- (a) One 30-ft Drive and 5-ft additional drive located at 129 North Graham Street for Noble Motors, Inc.
- (b) One 10-ft driveway extension to present 10-ft driveway at 2342 Greenway Avenue.
- (c) One 18-ft driveway entrance at 109 West 10th Street.
- (d) One 9-ft driveway entrance at 229 Middleton Drive.
- (e) Fifteen 10-ft. driveway entrances at 1814, 1827, 1837, 1843, 1844, 1849, 1900, 1909, 1915, 1921, 1922, 1938, 1940, 1944, and 1945 Camp Greene Avenue.

Sixteen 9-ft driveway entrances at 1801, 1809, 1815, 1820, 1821, 1826, 1832, 1838, 1855, 1901, 1910, 1916, 1927, 1928, 1933, and 1934 Camp Greene Avenue.

AUDIT FOR 1951-52 AWARDED TO GEORGE G. SCOTT & COMPANY.

Councilman Van Every moved that a contract be awarded to George G. Scott & Company to audit the books of the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, at the rate of \$30.00 per day for senior accountants and \$20.00 per day for junior accountants with the total cost not to exceed \$6,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger and passed with Councilman Coddington voting NO.

HOLIDAY GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING DAY.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Jordan and unanimously carried, a holiday was granted City employees on Thursday, November 22, in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

CEMETERY DEEDS AUTHORIZED EXECUTED.

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

- (a) Deed to Mrs. H. L. Kerr, for Southwest 1/4 Lot 130, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$26.00.
- (b) Deed to Mrs. Peter D. Alexander for Lot 399, in Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.
- (c) Deed to Mrs. L. J. Coley for North east 1/4 Lot 129, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$26.00.

## RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR IMPROVEMENT AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Councilman Baxter moved that the following Resolution be read and adopted:

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR  
IMPROVEMENTS AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL  
AIRPORT

WHEREAS, bids were received at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 6, in accordance with plans, specifications, and contract forms as prepared by our Architects, Walter Hook & Associates, for improvements on Douglas Municipal Airport as follows:

Schedule 1. Clearing, grubbing, and grading.

Schedule 2. Paving.

Schedule 3. Miscellaneous incidental work.

AND, WHEREAS, there were seven bidders on the proposed improvements, the sum total of the high bids amounting to \$513,706.70, and the sum total of the low bids amounting to \$386,400.22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That contracts be awarded to the low bidders on the several schedules of this work, subject to the approval of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, Department of Commerce, United States Government.

Schedule 1. Peden Construction Company,  
Greenville, S. C., on a unit price basis  
in the sum of \$169,976.22.

Schedule 2. Grannis & Sloan, Inc.,  
Fayetteville, N. C., on a unit price basis  
in the sum of \$204,231.50.

Schedule 3. Thompson-Arthur Construction Co.,  
Greensboro, N. C., on a unit price basis  
in the sum of \$12,192.50,

aggregating the sum total of \$386,400.22.

Councilman Coddington seconded the adoption of this resolution and it was passed unanimously.

## REPORT ON GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL.

Councilman Coddington stated that the City County hospital study Committee had met and as a result of this meeting, he moved that the Committee be empowered to employ an outside person, preferably someone with the experience in the operation of a similar hospital, to make a survey and study of the operation of the Good Samaritan Hospital and make recommendation to the City and County relative to its operating costs, provided the cost of this survey is not found to be prohibitive and Mecklenburg County will bear 1/2 of the expense, with said survey to be completed prior to February 1, 1952, and that in the interim a monthly appropriation of \$2,000.00 be paid to the Hospital each month until February 1, 1952, conditional on Mecklenburg County matching this contribution. Councilman Baxter seconded this motion and it was passed unanimously.

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Absent: Mayor Shaw and Councilmen Coddington and Jordan.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Basil M. Boyd.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on November 7th were approved as submitted.

ORDINANCE (NO. 137) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE BUILDING ZONE MAP FROM R-2 TO B-1 ON NORTHWEST CORNER LOT OF CAMP GREENE STREET AND NEW THRIFT ROAD.

The hearing in connection with amending the zoning ordinance to change the zoning from R-2 to B-1 on the northwest corner lot of Camp Greene Street and New Thrift Road was held, following the reading of the ordinance.

Mr. Lex Marsh, representing Marsh Land Company, advised that the Company owns two of the corner lots at this intersection, comprising over 1,000 feet fronting on New Thrift Road, and that since restrictions have been placed on more than 400 residential lots developed by his company within the area, the Company feels they should register some opposition to the zoning change; however, they believe that within a short time all four corner lots will be unrestricted in order that a business district may be developed to serve the area, and the Company will therefore not follow through with any strong resistance to the requested zoning change.

Mr. Mercer Blankenship, Attorney representing Mr. P. B. Melton, petitioner for the zoning change, stated that Mr. Melton is the owner of two of the corner lots, and that his residence is adjacent to the northwest corner lot. He called attention to the fact that within the last few weeks a change in zoning was permitted from R-2 to Light Industrial on adjacent property and in view of this fact Mr. Melton realizes that he would not be able to dispose of the property for residential purposes. Mr. Blankenship asked that the Council be consistent in permitting the rezoning of property bordering on New Thrift Road and urged that their requested change be authorized. Councilman Dellinger moved the adoption of the ordinance to effect the change. Councilman Boyd stated that in view of the remarks by Mr. Marsh he believes the rezoning will benefit the area to provide for a business district, and, therefore, seconded the motion for adoption of the ordinance, which was unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 222.

ORDINANCE (NO. 138) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE BUILDING ZONE MAP FROM R-2 TO B-1 ON LOTS 1 THRU 12 IN THE 1900-2000 BLOCKS OF COMMONWEALTH AVENUE.

The scheduled hearing in connection with amending the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning from R-2 to B-1 on Lots 1 thru 12 in the 1900-2000 blocks of Commonwealth Avenue was held, following the reading of the ordinance.

No objections to the proposed change were expressed, and a group of residents of the area were present favoring the rezoning. Councilman Dellinger moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried. The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 223.

ACTION ON TRUCK ROUTING SET FOR NOVEMBER 21, 1951.

Councilman Dellinger moved that resolution which the council had ordered the City Attorney to prepare be approved or disapproved. No second. Councilman Coddington moved that the resolution be tabled. No second. Councilman Boyd stated that the Council had promised to notify Attorney for interested parties prior to any action by the City Council.

Councilman Van Every stated that the resolution had just been received and that none of the Council had had sufficient time to digest its contents and moved that the Council review this resolution and come prepared to cast their vote at the regular meeting on November 21, 1951, which motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter and passed.

Mayor Shaw requested that Attorney Paul Irvin and Weathers Bros. Transfer Company be notified prior to this meeting and that the papers be requested to publicize this meeting in order that any interested parties may be present.

ADJOURNMENT.

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



Deputy City Clerk