

Special Meeting
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A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held on Friday, September 17, 1971, at 1:45 o'clock p.m., in the Airport Manager's Office, at Douglas Municipal Airport, with Mayor John M. Belk presiding, and Councilmen Fred D. Alexander, Patrick N. Calhoun, Sandy R. Jordan, James D. McDuffie, Milton Short, James B. Whittington and Joe D. Withrow present.

ABSENT: None.

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PURPOSE OF MEETING STATED.

Mayor Belk called the meeting to order and asked the City Attorney to explain the authority to hold the meeting.

Mr. Underhill, City Attorney, stated the meeting is being held under Section 3.22 of the City Charter which permits meetings of the City Council to be held at any time when the Mayor and all members of the Council are present and consent thereto.

Mayor Belk asked if all members consent to the meeting. Each member was present and indicated consent to the meeting.

Mr. Underhill stated the only matter before Council is for the award of the bids for the Civic Center construction contract. The recommendation from the architect and the building committee is to the low bidder, including the alternates. He asked the Mayor to take the bids one at a time for the general contract, plumbing contract, mechanical contract and electrical contract, and entertain motions to award contracts in each of the four categories.

Mayor Belk stated since four members of Council are leaving on a trip, he talked to Mr. Street yesterday and he thought Council should go ahead and award these contracts as quickly as possible. The four Council Members will be away for four weeks, and there will not be another Council Meeting until October 4. That will leave five days in which to award the contract as October 9th is the final of the 30 days.

He stated the three furniture dealers will be out of the location before the four members of Council return. We can go ahead and start work on the corner at College and Fourth Street. The sooner we can get going on this, the better. This is urgent because of the weather. He stated he hopes this will be completed in 18 months.

CONTRACT AWARDED MCDEVITT & STREET COMPANY FOR GENERAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIC CENTER.

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the low bidder, McDevitt and Street Company, in the amount of \$6,411,500 for the general construction of the Civic Center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander.

Councilman Calhoun asked why Alternates 3 and 7 are being rejected? Mr. Odell, Architect, replied Alternate 7 has to do with usage of property to be provided through a lease arrangement with Southern Railway as a staging area for the three contractors. It turns out the lease will cost more than the \$5,000 so they think the contractors should be allowed to make its own staging area. He stated this is on the other side of the tracks, between the Fish Market and the railroad tracks. He stated on Alternate 3 they specified and preferred an aluminum roof with a baked-on white light colored finish. This was not a competitive item, so they got another item on competitive bids for stainless steel; it is not worth that much so they do not want it and they asked that it be rejected.

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The vote was taken on the motion, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Jordan, Alexander, Calhoun, Short, Whittington and Withrow.
 NAYS: Councilman McDuffie.

The following bids were received, including Alternates 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6:

McDevitt & Street Company	\$6,411,500
Ruscon Construction	6,613,600
Ranger Construction	6,860,000
J. E. Cox Construction Co.	7,044,673
F. N. Thompson, Inc.	7,164,725
Doyle & Russell, Inc.	7,443,600

CONTRACT AWARDED POOLE & KENT COMPANY FOR PLUMBING CONTRACT FOR CIVIC CENTER.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilman Whittington to award contract to the low bidder, Poole & Kent Company, in the amount of \$353,000 for plumbing contract for Civic Center.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Alexander, Whittington, Calhoun, Jordan, Short and Withrow.
 NAYS: Councilman McDuffie.

The following bids were received, including Alternates 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6:

Poole & Kent Company	\$ 353,000
Mecklenburg Plumbing Co.	361,798
Hicks & Ingle Corporation	367,700
P. C. Godfrey	375,197
Wells & West, Inc.	389,000
Tompkins-Johnston	390,000
Embree-Reed, Inc.	410,000

CONTRACT AWARDED HICKS & INGLE CORPORATION FOR MECHANICAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIC CENTER.

Councilman Whittington moved award of contract to the low bidder, Hicks & Ingle Corporation, in the amount of \$789,570.00 for mechanical contract for Civic Center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Calhoun, and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Whittington, Calhoun, Alexander, Jordan, Short and Withrow.
 NAYS: Councilman McDuffie.

The following bids were received, including Alternates 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6:

Hicks & Ingle Corporation	\$ 789,570
Embree-Reed, Inc.	798,000
Mechanical Contract.	826,167
The Poole & Kent Co.	868,000

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CONTRACT AWARDED WATSON ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR ELECTRICAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIC CENTER.

Councilman Whittington moved award of contract to the low bidder, Watson Electric Company, in the amount of \$782,862 for the electrical contract for the civic center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried by the following vote:

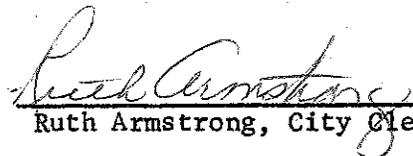
YEAS: Councilmen Whittington, Short, Alexander, Calhoun, Jordan and Withrow.
 NAYS: Councilman McDuffie.

The following bids were received, including Alternates 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6:

Watson Electric Co.	\$ 782,862.00
Davis Electric Const.	787,300.00
Fischbach & Moore	843,690.00
Industrial Electric	835,610.00
Ocean Electric Co.	900,315.00
Bryant Electric Co.	903,786.66
Watson Elec. Constr.	932,100.00
Driggers Electric	903,120.00
E. C. Ernst, Inc.	944,465.00
Hensley & Mosley	982,023.00
Bagby Elev. & Elect.	1,060,400.00

ADJOURNMENT.

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


 Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk.