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The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, met on Monday, July 14, 1975, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, with Mayor pro tem Jane B. Whittington presiding, and Councilmembers Harvey B. Gantt, Kenneth R. Harris, Pat Locke, Milton Short, Neil C. Williams and Joe D. Withrow present.

ABSENT: Mayor John M. Belk.

INVOCATION.
The invocation was given by Councilman Neil C. Williams.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on June 30, were approved, with the following correction:

Minute Book 62 - Page 123, last line, by adding and changing the words after rent to read: "of $30.00, or $360.00 a year."

MAYOR BELK TOURING POLISH CITIES ALONG WITH A SMALL GROUP OF OTHER MAYORS AT THE REQUEST OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT.
The City Manager stated our City was honored in the fact that the State Department asked our Mayor, along with a small group of other Mayors, to take a tour of Poland in order to exchange ideas with the people in the Polish cities, and to establish more friendly rapport between the cities of that country and ours.

REVIEW OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 1974-81 BY PERRIN ANDERSON, BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAY SAFETY.

Mr. Perrin Anderson, Member of the Board of Transportation and Highway Safety, stated he would like to review the steps involved in the projects to indicate the intricacies involved and the length of time involved. Any time federal money is used on one of the highway projects, there are a series of steps to go through.

First you have one of two public meetings that must be held to familiarize the people in the area with the proposed project. This is required by law. On a simple project there will be one, and if it is complexed there will be at least two public meetings. Then there is a combined planning report and draft and environmental impact statement prepared. This statement and report has to be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and to various state, federal and local government agencies for their review and approval.

After the report and statement comes back, there is a corridor public hearing advertised for the public to attend the meeting where various alternate corridors are discussed. Following that, there is a final environmental impact statement which is an update of the preliminary report. Once the final environmental statement is approved, then for
the first time you can begin to protect the right of way as you know where the route is, and make some concrete plans to procure the right of way. Up to that point, months or years have been used up without any litigation or law suits. Following approval of the final environmental impact statement the State then begins its design work, surveys, and to prepare the right of way plans, and all that type of work which consumes a good many months. When that is completed, there is a design public hearing where it is advertised as a public meeting and the citizenry is invited to come and review the design planning, and to make suggestions. Subject to the conclusion of that the State is authorized to begin the right of way acquisition process. Before you can acquire right of way there must be appraisals and have relocation studies.

Mr. Anderson then reviewed the projects in the county.

He stated the latest report on Interstate 77 as of this morning, is that the section from Downtown Charlotte where it currently terminates, up to Reams Road, north of I-85, is suppose to open by Thanksgiving of this year. The remaining section from Reams Road north to Davidson is scheduled to open in the summer of 1976. The remaining portion is in two separate contracts, and one contractor is a good bit ahead of the other. The part from Downtown to Reams Road is to be opened by Thanksgiving of this year.

Rural Primary System

1. Albemarle Road Project. Widening of Albemarle Road out to the intersection with Lawyers Road. This is the first part. The State is in the process of acquiring right of way on that section. There are 61 parcels of right of way to acquire and they propose to let this portion of the contract in February 1976.

2. N. C. 51 - a 19 mile project from Pineville back around to Albemarle. A combined corridor and design hearing is scheduled for August or September of this year. Right of way acquisition should begin in November, 1975. The project will be done in stages.

3. N. C. 160 in the vicinity of the Airport. A corridor public hearing is scheduled for October, 1975; subsequently the final environmental statement will have to be approved, and they hope to get to the acquisition of right of way in early 1977.

4. N. C. 16, from Charlotte up towards Newton Conover. The corridor public hearing is to be held in August or September of this year; the final environmental impact statement is due in the first quarter of 1976; right of way acquisition is to begin the late summer or early fall of early fall of 1977.

5. Albemarle Road - second section. This picks up at Lawyers Road and heads out toward Albemarle for about seven additional miles. The draft environmental impact statement is due in August, 1976, and the right of way acquisition is not scheduled until the fiscal 1981.

6. U. S. 521, between Charlotte and Pineville, 1 1/2 mile section to be widened from two to four lanes. Right of Way acquisition is scheduled 1981.

7. Charlotte Outer Loop. The State has signed a contract with Wilbur Smith and Associates, to do the planning report and the environmental impact statement. Right of Way acquisition is scheduled for 1981.

Councilman Short asked if the outer loop is up to expressway standards, and Mr. Anderson replied they are.
Councilman Short stated that lawyers searching titles should be able to get this message across to people. This is an expressway going through a development, and people will be buying out there, and will not realize this is planned. This emphasizes the needs he expressed before. That hundreds and hundreds of families are going to find themselves on the route of an expressway.

Mr. Anderson replied that is the reason they have the series of public meetings and involvement - to let those people know. Nothing will be decided about that route until the final environmental impact statement is approved. There will be a number of discussions and meetings and hearings about that route before it is decided. The line on the map is nothing more than a line.

Councilman Harris stated that is the point. Once a line is there, then everyone starts over-reacting. Councilman Short stated anyone spending $60,000 out there should have this information in a personalized way that is made available and is forced upon him. We do not want people to over-react. A lot of people spend the money, and then say they have never heard of it.

Councilman Gantt asked if the impact of growth and development around the intersections are considered by the State; that these roads will open up the opportunities for urban sprawl; and he wonders if consideration is given when these loop roads are considered. Mr. Anderson replied it is considered and by the best people they can hire to do that sort of thing. They have all types of meetings with the Planning Commission, Technical Advisory and Coordinating Committee and Mr. Hoose.

Urban System

1. U. S. 74 (Independence Freeway). The firm of Hensley Schmidt is currently doing the draft and final environment impact statement. This is the first time the State has gone outside its own resources in hiring this firm. The final environmental impact statement is due in the Spring of 1976, and they could immediately let to contract that section of the Freeway between the Northwest Expressway and Kenilworth Avenue.

2. The Plaza. Right of way acquisition is currently underway; there are 114 parcels of right of way to acquire; and the anticipated date to let the contract is October, 1976.

3. Fairview Road Extension. Right of way acquisition process is underway. There are 55 parcels to be acquired, and the letting date for the contract is October, 1975.

4. Wendover Road (Inner Loop). Right of Way authorization was issued by the State today. There are 155 parcels of right of way, and approximately 50 of those have been acquired, leaving about 100 to go. The first step is to have re-appraisals made of all that property as the appraisals are out of date.

5. Airport Parkway. The final environmental impact statement was submitted to the federal and state agencies in May. It has been returned by the federal government for resubmission because of some things they did not like. The final environmental statement is scheduled to be re-submitted in August. If approved, the design public hearing will be in October or November. They could begin right of way acquisition in January or February of next year.
6. U. S. 74 (Independence Freeway). Hensley Schmidt is doing the study of both sections of the Freeway Project. The final environmental impact statement is due in the spring of next year, and they could immediately go to contract with this part because they already have the right of way and design and everything. The other part, from Kenilworth over to I-77, has to be designed; the design public hearing is scheduled for the fall of 1976, with right of way acquisitions for the fiscal year 1978.

7. Airport Entrance Road. An agreement has been signed between the State and Ralph Whitehead and Associates to prepare the planning report and the draft and final environmental impact statement. That is an expressway off I-85 into the new airport, and right of way is scheduled for the fiscal year 1981.

8. U. S. 74 (Independence Boulevard East). This will be one of the most complex projects the State has ever done. The State has signed an agreement with Hensley Schmidt to do the planning and draft and final environmental impact statement. This is the same firm doing the inner loop part of it. They are on the job, and right of way is scheduled for 1981.

Statewide Secondary Projects

1. Pence Road - Right of way acquisition is underway; there are 55 parcels and the project is to go under construction in November. This is the County's No. 1 priority and it is where the landfill is.

2. Toddville Road. This is where the Duke Power maintenance facility is located. The right of way acquisition has been authorized, and there are 46 parcels. It is currently being held up because they are reconsidering the design. There has been a great deal of public involvement. Funds have been set up for the project, and they hope to have it done this year.

Mr. Anderson stated there is always a great deal of room for improvement on the part of the state and the Department of Transportation. However, he feels good right now about several things. One is that in Mecklenburg County, right now is the acquisition of real estate in excess of some 500 parcels for highway projects. The State is divided into 14 highway divisions. Each division encompasses several counties. We have more right of way acquisition in Charlotte-Mecklenburg alone than in any of the divisions in the State with one exception. We have a lot that we are acquiring the right of way for. Second, he is particularly delighted that we have signed these contracts with the consulting engineering firms on the Outer Loop, the Independence Freeway, and the Airport Entrance Road. On Friday, at their Board meeting, they authorized $775,000 to pay for those studies. The significance of that is that once the studies are done and completed, we will know exactly where the route will be, and the City and County can take steps to protect the right of way. And people will know where the roads will be. That he is encouraged by the fact that we are getting this underway, and regardless of what the next State Administration is, whoever is running the Division of Highways, it will be real hard to upset these projects where you already have the work done. They are more secure now that the contracts have been signed.

Mr. House, Transportation Planning Coordinator, stated the second part of the presentation is the proposal by the Planning Commission, Public Works Engineering Division, Traffic Engineering and Transportation Planning offices and the Executive Coordinating Committee.

He presented the following projects for Council's consideration.
Rural Primary

1. Outer Loop. The continuation of the environmental impact study and the corridor study of the Outer Loop, from U. S. 74 to I-85 north. This is approximately 13 miles. They are asking City Council to consider this to be forwarded to the State for study by consultants to do the planning and environmental impact.

2. Little Rock Road/Lakeview Road Extension, I-85 to Sunset. Later on over to Harris Boulevard to put a circumferential route to eventually connect with the airport terminal. The Planning and Environmental Study will allow proper development in this area. The first section up to Sunset is 6.7 miles; at present there is about 10,000 vehicles and by 1985 it will be about 18,000 vehicles.

Urban System

1. I-85 Interchange with N. C. 16. This was requested on the N. C. 16 project, but the State felt it should not be included at that time.

2. Graham Street - Moorehead Street to Dalton Avenue. This is a project to widen to four lanes over the lanes they have now, with intersection treatment, along with the interchange at Statesville Road and Graham Street.

3. Statesville Avenue. This is Newland Road to Cindy Lane to help the traffic and to relieve I-77 on this particular part. This is two miles to be widened.

4. Newell-Hickory Grove-Idlewild Circumferential. Between N. C. 49 and 74 back out to the college a distance of 10.7 miles, they are asking for a planning and environmental impact statement and corridor to be established in this area.

Councilman Short asked if these are being given in the order of priorities? Mr. Hoose replied they are the priorities of the Staff; Council can change the priorities at their will.

5. Interchange at North Graham Street and I-85.

6. Freedom Drive (N. C. 27) from I-85 to Mt. Holly Road. This was originally in the 1966 state bond funds. They ran out of money and it was not completed, and we have asked for it several times. They felt it should be put back on the list.

Railway-Highway Crossings Program

Mr. Hoose stated this year we are asking for some projects never asked for before - by the State - they are Highway Grade Crossing Programs. That we are asking for federal aid on them.

North Tryon at Atando and one at Sugar Creek. That we are asking that they be considered for study, engineering or right of way or whatever it would require to get these projects underway. These were presented to Mr. Anderson two or three months ago.
High-Hazard Safety Program

He stated also there are high hazard safety projects. These are some they had plans on with the right of way up to construction. These were reviewed by the Staff of the Traffic Engineering and the Engineering Departments, and there are three projects.

1. South Tryon Street and Summit Avenue.
2. South Kings Drive and East Morehead Street.
3. East Morehead Street and South College Street intersections.

These are part of the plan and we would like to see what can be done.

Safer Roads Demonstration Program

Mr. Hoose stated back during the Winter, Mr. Corbett was asked to submit to the State Safety Traffic Engineering Department some safety road demonstration road program projects as there was some safety money. He put together ten projects that would come under that category, and they were submitted. If the money is available some work will be done on these particular projects.

Mr. Hoose stated this is the proposal of the Staff that they are asking considered. If Council approves them today, the documents will be prepared and delivered to Mr. Anderson and delivered in person to the State Roads to be considered by the BOT.

Councilman Short stated the only part Council is called upon to approve are the suggestions by Mr. Hoose. That he thinks Council should approve these. That he would like to suggest a change in the numerical priorities. That he does not believe anyone would question the fact that the interchange at I-85 and N.C. 16 should be No. 1. As to Item 2 (Graham Street) and Item 3 (Statesville Avenue), these both parallel I-77 and are about three blocks from it. That No. 2, Graham Street is a perfect parallel for a completed portion of I-77; about three blocks east of it. Statesville Avenue, Item 3 is an exact parallel of I-77, about two or three blocks east. That I-77 is to be completed rather quickly.

He would suggest that Council add after No. 1, another Item No. 2, and let that be Newell-Hickory Grove Road area north of Dillard Drive, because we are building something to go on out that intersection. There is no way to get from southeast Charlotte out to the University and to I-85. That he thinks that portion of Newell-Hickory Grove, the portion north of Dillard Drive, should be No. 2 priority. Graham Street No. 3, Statesville Avenue No. 4; the remainder of the Newell-Idlewild Circumferential would be No. 5; I-85 interchange No. 6, and Freedom Drive No. 7.

Councilman Short moved approval of the priorities as he has listed them. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

Councilman Short stated this will divide up the so-called Newell-Idlewild Circumferential in two parts.

Councilman Withrow stated he read in the News about all the roads around Raleigh and Greensboro. He asked if we are getting our share of the road monies, and how it is distributed? Mr. Anderson replied on urban and primary roads, the Board of Transportation has the sole discretion. On the secondary roads, the General Assembly allocates funds to counties under law by a formula. Mecklenburg County is in no way, shape or form getting its fair share of secondary road money. We are doing alright in the urban and primary roads. On the secondary roads, we are not getting our fair share, and it is an unfair formula. There is no way to change it unless the General Assembly changes the law.

The vote was taken on the motion by Councilman Short and carried unanimously.
AGREEMENT AUTHORIZING SALE OF ELEVEN ACRES OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON ARCHDALE DRIVE TO THE CHARLOTTE HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR A SCATTERED HOUSING SITE.

Councilman Gantt moved approval of the agreement authorizing the sale of eleven (11) acres of city-owned property on Archdale Drive to the Charlotte Housing Authority for a scattered housing site, at a purchase price of $72,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

Mr. Myles Haynes, Attorney for the residents of the area, stated in 1971, 82 governmental and civic leaders and some other people, went to Europe. While there, traveling in some of the countries, they studied their forms of government, and they studied their development plans. In every one of those countries they never ceased to be amazed how all the streets ran in a straight line; how all the parks were placed at proper intervals; how low middle, upper income housing was all put together. They never seem to have any problems. They asked how they could do this. They replied it is a difference in the form of government. They do not have to worry about people. They get their planners to make the plans, and the plans are carried out. Some of the people said they go through the form of a public hearing, but that is window dressing.

Mr. Haynes stated he has sat here and listened to a call for some means to warn the people when the belt lines go through, so that people will not build $65,000 houses today, and find out next year that there will be a thoroughfare through their front yard. That he heard another talk about a public announcement to let the people know that there are openings on various commissions. He stated he takes all that and contrast that with what he finds to be the facts in the case of the public housing project which has some parts of this town in a public uproar. In particular his clients who are involved in Archdale.

Here are seven elected public officials. Many of them with strong elective votes from all over the city, and certainly from people in his area of town who expected them to come here and represent them and other people in this city. To try to do that in a fair and impartial manner. Where does that bring us in the history of this case.

First there was a suit brought over which Council had no control. Everyone understands this. Then on April 30, 1973, unknown to any citizens of this city, he suspects, the Mayor, Directors of other agencies involved, and on the eve of a trial and under the threat of a ruling by the federal judge, entered into what is known as the memorandum of understanding. The first the people of this town heard about that, the people of Rama Road, the people on Archdale, was when it was announced in the public press, and he does not think it was explained properly. The effect of that memorandum was to permit those agencies involved in public housing to scatter public housing in the City of Charlotte. The people had no voice in this. Then operating under that memorandum of understanding, the Housing Authority undertakes, in secret, to find the sites to satisfy the intent of that memorandum. Those sites were picked in secret meetings, and again the public never knew about those sites until after the public announcement was made.

Then we go through two public hearings which are required. That he said the night of the zoning hearing that he did not see how his clients could be given a fair and impartial hearing when they were operating under the threat of that memorandum. The hearing was held; the protest was strong and petitions were handed up; and the Planning Commission recommended the rezoning with two minority votes. Then at the rezoning hearing before the Council, and this Council with one exception voted to rezone the property. Again a matter in which he does not think this Council could give a fair and impartial hearing.
Today on the question of selling the city property to the Housing Authority for the purpose of accommodating the project, and again by virtue of a special statute, this is being done without public notice, and public hearing.

He stated on behalf of his clients and everybody involved in this that the way it was handled, in spite of the fact he agrees that two special statutes allow this sort of thing in the area of public housing, that his clients and the people of this city have been deprived of due process of law. What has been done, and what is about to be done, he believes, in his opinion, is a travesty on our way of government. Before taking the vote, he asks Councilmembers to examine their own minds the history of this thing, and decide what is in the best interest of his clients and the citizens; and our way of government to proceed with public business in this matter.

Councilman Harris asked if this is the exact land for the housing site, and if it involves any open land that was reserved? Mr. Underhill, City Attorney, replied that is right.

Councilman Harris stated the Planning Commission made several points concerning the use and retaining the adjoining vacant land. Bus service be extended to the site; sidewalks be installed on Archdale Drive, and the Housing Authority urged to maintain the property. He stated the City Manager has been quoted in the paper saying that Staff has been given the authority to put the sidewalks at top priority, and he asks if this is so? Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, replied he simply called attention to the public works department even before this period to put this on their priority list; but Council is the one to determine that. He asked them to be sure this was on the priority list. Councilman Harris asked if this agreement is approved are their procedures to be taken regarding each of these items as far as bus service and sidewalks? Mr. Burkhalter replied most of them would require special attention of Council. Before a sidewalk can be built, Council will have to approve it; and before putting in a new or different bus service, it will have to be approved.

Councilman Harris asked when these units will be opened? Mr. Wheeling, Director of the Housing Authority, replied roughly two years.

Councilwoman Locke stated that Mr. Haynes made a statement that the Housing Authority met in secret, unlawfully, to make decisions on real estate, and that is not true. Mr. Haynes replied not unlawfully; he said in secret meeting. Councilwoman Locke replied they are allowed under law to do that when it deals with real estate. Mr. Haynes replied he understands that.

Councilman Withrow stated Section 8, Money for Subsidized Housing, was mentioned at the last meeting. He asked if this is true? That people can go out and select where they want to live? Mr. Wheeling replied it would be any place they want to that is under the Section 8 program. That anyone, as owners, can submit a proposal to place a certain number of units under this program. Councilman Withrow asked if this ruling is coming forth, and what does he foresee? Mr. Wheeling replied he received a letter last week from the Department of HUD that they will be in here this month and next month to advertise for developers, and owners of apartments to submit their proposals, There is only $1.2 million. Councilwoman Locke stated that is only for one year; what happens after one year.

She stated she agrees with subsidized housing; but you cannot take $1.2 million and just use it for one year.
Councilman Harris stated the point again is that the federal money that Mr. Wheeling is talking about to build the housing cannot be used for rent subsidy. The point is that the strings on the money has to come down. If we had had $4.0 or $5.0 million coming down for rent subsidy instead of building units, it could make a big difference. Mr. Wheeling stated the money we have now has been earmarked for some several years, and it can only be used under the old conventional program. Councilman Harris stated that is the point he is trying to make. The strings on the money from Washington is telling us what type of housing we are going to have locally under the federal programs; not what we wish to do necessarily, but where the money comes from. He stated we have a snowballing effect, eventually pyramiding public housing in Charlotte. What he is concerned about is if we do not do something to preclude this continuing escalation "need" of public housing. What we are talking about today is a drop in the bucket compared to where we are going. We need some sort of coordinated effort, and that is why he talked about the rent subsidy program. He is of the firm belief that we should use these monies on a subsidy basis at the same time requiring these people to go to a job upgrading, education uplifting, and things of this nature where the need of public housing diminishes.

Councilman Harris stated we, as a city council in this city, are using federal funds to build housing. But the fallout effect of the building of the housing is what we are talking about – sidewalks, improvement of service, additional social services and so forth. These are paid for by the taxpayers right in this community on the continuing things that are provided for these people that are put in this housing. We have to use some of these funds that we have discretion over trying to diminish the need of public housing rather than the idea of building places, and more people coming in saying they are low income and that they qualify and we build more.

Councilman Gantt stated this is something a lot of people have been concerned about and that is for so long we have taken a look at people who use public housing and we have built reservations. We have sort of forgotten and taken the attitude that they are not going any further; that they are terminally poor, and forget the fact that people do have expectations, and want to move out. That by building the kind of "reservations" it does nothing in the sense of making that environment as conducive as possible so that people will want to move out and want to better themselves through upward mobility. That programs such as the Community Development and Revenue Sharing and all the other kinds of social programs should be geared to building some sense of hope. Providing some degree of equipment in terms of education and other kinds of things so that we are not building pyramids of public housing.

That he cannot believe that the large majority of people who live in public housing, live there because they just want to be there. That he cannot believe that people want to be poor simply to take advantage of a housing unit that is provided by public funds. That even in an effort to provide a more quality environment for people there will be people who object to living in public housing. To the extent the city can use its resources and the resources of the federal government to encourage people to become self sufficient and economically mobile in terms of moving up the ladder, then he thinks we have that responsibility. It is his hope that we do not continue to have to build public housing in the volume we have in the past.
Councilman Harris stated his point is that we are looking at a situation today to take care of only the number that can be taken care of in 170 units. What happens to the 1400 or 1500 more that are currently on the waiting list. That there are 2000 children in Boulevard Homes and Dalton Village that have been discussed when the recreational needs were discussed. Those 2000 children that are continuing to be, if not motivated from the standpoint of upgrading and training and job opportunities and etc., are going to engender maybe 2,000 other housing starts needed in 15 years down the road. Is this not a cycle? He has been here 20 years, and he can see the mushrooming cycle we are on right now. What are we going to do to meet that need if we are just building the units? That he would rather be concerned with the idea of taking some money today and meet one of these software needs versus the idea of saying wait until it happens, and then spend all this money for these other services for these families.

Mayor pro tem Whittington stated after this is approved today, as he understands it there will be no more scattered sites or no more housing projects; they will be under Section 8, Subsidized Housing? Mr. Wheeling replied that is correct; it does not mean there will not be other developments. Private enterprise could come in. There are no more units under this conventional method.

Councilman Gantt stated even under Section 8 there are certain types of controls in terms of what can be? Mr. Wheeling replied that is correct.

Councilman Short requested Mr. Wheeling in the next week or so to give him some statistics showing how the number of public housing units in the city relates to the total population of the city, percentage wise, in five year leaps or one year leaps. That it is very doubtful we have increased the number of units as fast as we think.

The vote was taken on the motion for approval of the agreement, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Gantt, Locke, Short, Williams and Withrow.
NAYS: Councilman Harris.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE AUTHORIZING USE OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS IN THE 1975 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, adopting the resolution of the City Council authorizing the use of Absentee Ballots in the 1975 Municipal Elections.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 26.

SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL REQUEST TO JOINTLY FUND AND SUPPORT AN INFORMATIONAL AND REFERRAL SYSTEM, AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Withrow moved approval of the request from the Social Planning Council to jointly fund and support an informational and referral system. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harris.

Ms. Ann Thomas, Chairman of the Informational and Referral System, stated the recommendations in the proposal have been approved by the Social Planning Council, United Community Services, and the County Commissioners, and today they hope the City Council will approve and give its support so that the Committee can be appointed.
The study committee that drew up the proposal was appointed by the Social Planning Council as a result of a recommendation from the Community Assistance Center Committee. During the time the Center was open, they not only gave monetary help, but gave many referrals, and this was found to be very helpful to the clients. The Committee did not do interviews or extensive research into whether an informational service was needed with clients, as they had been told this was a need, and they were aware of other studies such as the dimensions studies, and the family child studies. They did interview a number of agencies. That she was personally extremely surprised at their reaction. She did not realize the agency personnel would see this as a need; but they did feel there is a need for such a resource as this. They hope, not only to help clients in need, but that the system they propose will save the agencies time and money.

Ms. Thomas explained the objectives and the Committee's proposal. That the tentative first year budget is approximately $60,000, with $45,000 to come from the federal and state governments, $5,000 from UCS, $5,000 from the City and $5,000 from the County.

After discussion, the vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated Councilman Withrow and Charles Cross worked very hard on this Study Committee to work this out. This is a spin-off from the program that Council approved during the very tough period some six months ago.

He stated there is one caution. That during the Model Cities program they learned that one of the things that is a big problem is not where to go for the service, but they do not know they need the service. This is something this does not answer. It answers the problem of going to get it; but it does not answer the problem of the person who has a problem and does not know he has the problem. There is something we should be doing for him about this. That Councilman Harris mentioned one and that is that people in Public Housing do not know they can benefit themselves, or that they can improve themselves.

Ms. Thomas replied if they get the outposts they are planning, then when they are in the neighborhood and the person does not know what the need is but the fact there is a need, then perhaps they can help work this out. They hope to begin to approach that further.

ORDINANCES AFFECTING HOUSING DECLARED "UNFIT" FOR HUMAN HABITATION.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Harris, and unanimously carried, the following ordinances were adopted affecting housing declared "unfit" for human habitation:

(a) Ordinance No. 685-X ordering the demolition and removal of dwelling at 409 Remount Road.
(b) Ordinance No. 686-X ordering the demolition and removal of the dwelling at 1304 North Harrill Street.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 22, beginning at Page 166.

Councilman Harris moved adoption of the following ordinances ordering the removal of weeds, grass and trash and an abandoned automobile pursuant to Section 6.103 and 6.104 of the City Charter, Chapter 10, Article I, Section 10-9 of the City Code and Chapter 160A-193 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, which motion was seconded by Councilman Short.

(a) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 322 Marsh Road.
(b) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot adjacent to 3920 Selwyn Avenue.
(c) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lots adjacent to 423 Manning Drive.
(d) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 2021 Providence Road.
(e) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 1821-1823 Union St.
(f) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 1431 Norris Ave.
(g) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 1901 Kennesaw Dr.
(h) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot at 1017 West Trade Street.
(i) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 418 Arrowood Rd.
(j) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lots adjacent to 608-10 Seigle Avenue.
(k) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot at corner of Central and Oakland Avenues.
(l) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 1908 Nassau Blvd.
(m) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot adjacent to 2601 Eastway Drive.
(n) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at the rear and adjacent to 2224 Jenny Linn Drive.
(o) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 2622 Beechrut Rd.
(p) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 3911 Sunnycrest Ln.
(q) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot adjacent to 3100 West Boulevard.
(r) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 938 Clanton Road.
(s) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at 233 Victoria Ave.
(t) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass at corner of Dalecrest and Cedarhurst Drives.
(u) Ordinance ordering the removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot adjacent to 2051 Garnett Place.
(v) Ordinance ordering the removal of trash and weeds at 2723 Cowles Road.
(w) Ordinance ordering the removal of an abandoned motor vehicle at Sugar Creek and Anderson Streets.

Mr. Norman Carr stated he is concerned with the property listed under (t) corner of Dalecrest and Cedarhurst Drive; that he is the owner of Tanglewood Apartments located in the I-85-Derita Road section. That he has 96 units and 11 1/2 acres of land. The lot in question is located on a side street, behind his swimming pool. Other than this particular area, the grounds and the streets are very well maintained. The reason for not wanting to cut the lot is that last year he had to call the police for vandalism approximately 40 to 50 times. Kids came in the back there, and shot out the swimming pool lights, and one time they tried to set fire to his laundry. It is for the protection of the property that he has allowed this area to remain in its natural state.
Pictures of the Tanglewood Apartments property was passed around by Mr. Carr, and a picture taken by the Staff of the Community Improvements Division of the property in question was passed around for Council to view.

After discussion, Councilman Harris made a substitute motion to delete (t) at this time, and Mr. Hopson, and Mr. Carr try to work out the problem, and that the remainder of the ordinances be approved. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 687-X through Ordinance No. 708-X are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 22, beginning at Page 168, and ending at Page 189.

MODIFICATION OF CETA TITLE VI EMERGENCY JOBS PROGRAM, ORDINANCE AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 1975 TITLE I APPROPRIATION TO INCLUDE ADDITION, APPLICATION ACCEPTING A GRANT FOR A SUMMER RECREATION SUPPORT PROGRAM, AND VARIOUS CONTRACTS FOR MANPOWER PROGRAM.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, and seconded by Councilman Gantt to approve the following items for the Manpower Program:

(a) Modification of CETA Title VI Emergency Jobs Program to request $2,859,560 in new funds for the period July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976, increasing the total appropriation to $3,708,629.00.

(b) Ordinance No. 709-X amending Ordinance No. 662-X, the 1975-76 Budget Ordinance, amending revenues and expenditures for the Charlotte Manpower Department increasing the CETA and the Emergency Jobs Program Appropriations, and establishing an appropriation for a summer recreation support program.

(c) Application accepting a grant of at least $42,840 from the Community Services Administration, formerly OEO, for a Summer Recreation Support Program to provide recreational opportunities for economically disadvantaged youth between the ages of eight and thirteen; to spend these funds with community based and non-profit agencies and organizations.

(d) Amendment to contract with Southeastern School of Beauty Culture to increase the number of clients from seven to nine and to continue training for eight transitionals from CEP and MOTA, increasing the total budget from $5,629 to $6,152.00.

(e) New contracts for fiscal year 1976:

1. Contract with National Alliance of Businessmen to provide a system for the identification of and job referrals, including training for ex-offenders who are released in the Charlotte area. The cost of the project is $2,659 and is for the period of August 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976.

2. Contract with Employment Security Commission of North Carolina to maintain a local unit housed in the Manpower Department to provide outreach and recruitment, intake, assessment, job development and placement, follow-up on the job training contracts, preparation and distribution of allowance checks to clients enrolled in CETA Title I Program. The cost of the project is $860,218, including $681,120 for allowances, $31,009 for OJT Employers' Incentive Payments, and $148,089 for administrative costs for services to clients, and is for the period July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976.
3. Contract with Community Health Association, Inc. to provide medical screening and referral for all clients participating in the City’s Manpower Program. The cost of the project is $46,519 and is for the period July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976.

4. Contract with Goodwill Industries, Inc. to identify and bring into gainful competitive employment, the unemployed, under-employed and economically disadvantaged handicapped residents of Charlotte. Project cost is $31,742 for the period July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976.

5. Contract with Central Piedmont Community College to pay transportation costs for economically deprived adults participating in a special Adult Basic Education, High School Completion and Pre-Vocation Training Program. Cost of the project is $15,000 and services will be completed by June 30, 1976.

Councilman Short asked the relationship between Item (c) and Agenda Item 21; both relate to recreational programs for young people? Mr. Person, Director of Manpower Department, replied the program relating to Item (c) has formerly been funded through OEO, and what is now known as Community Services Administration. This is a program for the summer to serve young people between the ages of eight and thirteen. It is usually tied in with the summer programs we have such as the ones under Title I and under Title III. It is geared specifically for the younger children in low income areas. The money comes from two sources. The Department of Labor and the Department of Transportation, and it is a one time item. The application has been submitted and it has been approved as far as the funding is concerned but Council has not known about this. That he is not familiar with the project under Community Development.

Councilman Harris asked what agencies he is speaking about to do this for them? Mr. Person replied they will do it themselves; this is money that does not go to any specific agency; it can go to non-profit groups such as the Anita Stroud fund where (x) number of dollars are requested for special programs; it could be used for handicapped young people for Camp Merrywood or some other place. These non-profit agencies will submit proposals to Manpower indicating they would like to have a certain amount of money, not to exceed $2,000 to carry out certain special projects. Councilman Harris asked if the people at Johnson C. Smith were aware of this program when they appeared with their request to Council at budget time to run a program for handicapped children? Mr. Person replied they were not aware of this, and neither was the staff of Manpower. Under the old Manpower administration projects, they said that all of these would be forced into CETA, and there would not be any special allocation for summer youth programs. This refers specifically to economically disadvantaged youngsters or in neighborhoods where large numbers exist to keep them out of the street and to provide recreational activities that is already planned on playgrounds, and to pay for these services. Councilman Harris asked if we would normally not use this in the CDRS areas as we can get money for that type of program otherwise, and use this outside the CDRS areas. Mr. Person replied we can use this outside the CDRS areas as long as it is within the confines of the city; and that those engaged in it are economically disadvantaged.

Mr. Person stated they within the Manpower administration will do this. That economically disadvantaged according to the Community Services Administration definition as an example would be a family of four, where there is $5,000 plus or less of income in a family situation, then they use that economic scale, and they are classed as an economically disadvantaged individual. Or if they are on public assistance they automatically qualify; or if they reside in public housing they qualify.
Councilman Harris stated he understood the staff of Mr. Person was Manpower. He would like to know who will do the screening, selection and counseling with the agencies that administer and supervise the use of these funds. Certainly this is not Mr. Person's staff? Mr. Person replied right now that is where it is. Manpower is complicated; it means all things to a lot of people. That his staff will not be in actual contact with these young people. An organization will have to submit a proposal delineating what they would do with (x) number of dollars. For example, Reverend Battle's group in the Five Point Area might submit a proposal and say they would like to take a group to Carowinds on a cultural experience, or to some other place. Councilman Harris stated that point of view is fine; but he does not believe this is the right area. That he thinks this is Jerry Coffman's area - that is social services, and this is social services. The City Manager replied there are some programs that are not contracted and Mr. Person has to do that through his staff. He does have the staff capable of handling most of these problems. That properly he would not put these programs there to start with; but the grant is made in this area. The CETA program was a good vehicle to add these extra jobs too, and to add these other programs. They either had the choice of putting it here, or restructuring OEO. That he is glad it was done this way. This is the best place. That he recommends that Council approve it.

Councilman Gantt asked Mr. Person if he will be getting into an outreach to follow up and see if the agencies such as Reverend Battle qualify. Mr. Person replied in anticipation of Council's approval, they have already sent letters to the various groups they knew about and read about in the paper. Each of these have responded to them. As soon as the approval is granted, they are ready to go with the program. It is set up and ready.

Councilman Harris stated it is the administrative part that concerns him. That this is asking a little too much of that Department. If they have the people to administer it it is all right. Mr. Person replied it is tied in with their summer youth program. The summer youth programs are delegated through the School Administration. They have hired a lot of their youngsters. Manpower contracts with them to do the job. That some of the same young people who participate in that program will be used to supervise these young people through the ages of eight and thirteen who cannot qualify.

Councilman Harris asked if this should be under the school program, and Mr. Person replied not at this time. The problem is that you get these one day and you have to deal with it almost immediately. In order to tool up and contract with the school administration right now, the summer will be over.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated if Council is not unhappy about this, then they should not worry as Mr. Person and staff are handling it very well. That he has no complaints about the way it is being handled.

Councilman Harris stated he read in the paper about the increase of the $2.0 million and that is fine. But he was concerned about a comment that was made about using this money to continue the existing participants in the program for another six months. That when we went through the Manpower organization one concern Council had at that time was input and the outgo - he is talking about people coming through the program and going through it. That he would like to see itemized by name and date, individuals and when they start the programs, the status of the people now. That he does not see a continuation of subsidy of people who are continuing to train forever.
Mr. Person replied this is not the training program - these are for temporary jobs, and this is a carry over from Congress's initial appropriation of $2.5 billion for the emergency job programs in December, last year. They made available immediately $875.0 million of which we received $849,000 to carry out our initial project under the emergency job program. At present we have 109 employed, and then will be added to it within the next few days to carry out the drainage program in conjunction with the county. That program will have 119 employed. Now Congress and the President have recently through a continuing resolution appropriated the $1.6 billion that remains. Out of that amount, Charlotte has been allocated an amount to continue this program. In continuing it, they say we should if there is a need, include those presently employed through the program by an extension of the contract. In this instance it will mean that those 119 that we now have would be carried from February 1 through June 30, 1976 - an additional five months. This would then enable us to employ approximately 300 others in temporary type jobs through June, 1976.

Councilman Harris asked if this money can be used to create public service jobs in the City? Mr. Person replied yes. They have also learned that Charlotte can have a Title II grant. This refers specifically to public service employment within government itself that is geared, not to economically disadvantaged, but to the unemployed and to the underemployed. This item is not on the agenda, but something should be done about it. If we want to apply for this, we can have $717,000 in this vein. The criteria is you must be unemployed for 30 days; that you fall in the category of underemployed or unemployed. It is geared towards a high skill level of training. Many cities did not want to get into Title II projects earlier because there was a transitional aspect attached to it in that you had to provide employment for at least 50 percent of those you brought into training. That has been waived, and we would not be under those restraints if we decide to go this route.

Councilman Harris asked if there is any limitation in using this Manpower money to provide security and janitorial services for a city run facility? Mr. Person replied there is not. The only requirement relates to a maintenance of effort. That is if you have this on-going or if you are already budgeted for it, then you should not create these new jobs to fill those positions, or if they have been filled previously you should not do so. If you have been contracting for them, and you want to do something differently as a new plan of operation, he thinks this might be acceptable.

Councilman Withrow asked if this is not getting more into social services all the time. Is this not a county function, and should not all these social services be turned over to the county. This seems we are getting more into the business of social services, and the county is in that business. Mr. Burkhalter replied the city is not near as much in the business as it was under Model Cities. No, we are not getting more into it; but we are involved in it. In every case where the county will do it, then we hire them to do it.

After further discussion, the vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 22, at Page 190.

EXTRA ITEM APPROVED FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND VOTE.

Councilman Short moved that Council place on the agenda at this time the matter of the Title II application for the $717,000. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously.
APPLICATION AUTHORIZED FOR TITLE II FUNDS.

Councilman Short moved approval of the filing of the application for Title II funds as recommended by Mr. Person. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY AND DEPARTMENT OF ARMY ON BEHALF OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AIR NATIONAL GUARD, AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, the amendment was approved to Lease No. DACA 21-5-68-53, dated August 15, 1967, between the City and the Department of the Army acting on behalf of the North Carolina Air National Guard, by deleting Paragraph 11 and Paragraph 13 of the lease.

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN KISER'S MOBILE AUTO CRUSHERS, INC. AND THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FOR THE DISPOSAL OF ABANDONED AUTOMOBILES AT NO COST TO THE CITY, APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Williams, and unanimously carried, renewal of subject contract was approved between Kiser's Mobile Auto Crushers, Inc., and the City of Charlotte for a period of one year for the disposal of abandoned automobiles at no cost to the city.

ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Harris, and unanimously carried, approving the following encroachment agreements:

(a) Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation permitting the City to construct an 8-inch VCP sanitary sewer line within the right of way of "B" Avenue.

(b) Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation permitting the City to construct a 10-inch VCP sanitary sewer pipe and one manhole within the right of way of I-77 to serve Seventy Seven Executive Center.

(c) Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation permitting the City to construct 6,530 feet of 12-inch cast iron water main in the right of way of Old Mt. Holly Road, between Todsville Road and Tom Saddler Road.

RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS.

(a) Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, adopting a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Marvin O. Wilson, located at 4121 North Sharon Amity Road in the City of Charlotte for the Sharon Amity Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 27.
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(b) Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Catawba Economic Development Association, a North Carolina Corporation, located at 4755 and 4801 North Sharon Amity Road, in the City of Charlotte for the Sharon Amity Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 28.

(c) Motion was made by Councilman Withrow, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, adopting a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Catawba Economic Development Association, a North Carolina Corporation, located at 4813, 4819, 4821A and 4821B North Sharon Amity Road, in the City of Charlotte for the Sharon Amity Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 29.

(d) Councilwoman Locke moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Ruth C. Bradley, Trustee U/W John K. Civil; R. C. Dockery, et al, Trustees; and Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, located at 3731 North Sharon Amity Road in the City of Charlotte, for the Sharon Amity Road Widening Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 30.

(e) Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, adopting a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Gary H. Watts and wife, Troy Ann Watts; Robert E. Perry, Jr., et al, Trustees; First Federal Savings and Loan Association; and Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, Lessee, located at 5137 Central Avenue (corner of Sharon Amity Road and Central Avenue), in the City of Charlotte, for the Sharon Amity Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 31.

(f) Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Clyde E. Teeter and wife, Dorothy W. Teeter; Ray W. Bradley, Jr., et al, Trustees; and Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, located at 1069 Coddington Place (corner of Randolph Road and Coddington Place), in the City of Charlotte, for the Randolph Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 32.

(g) Councilman Withrow moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Florence T. Gossett (widow), located at 1029 Wendover Road (corner of Randolph Road and Wendover Road), in the City of Charlotte, for the Randolph Road Widening Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 33.
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(b) Upon motion of Councilman Withrow, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to the Mary Walker Estate; Lex Marsh, Trustee; and Marsh Land Company, located at 1420 Remount Road, in the City of Charlotte, for the Remount Road Widening Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 11, at Page 34.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following property transactions:

(a) Acquisition of 15' x 254.30' of easement, at 5320 Ruth Drive, from Ralph L. Wyatt, et ux, Bessie C., at $500.00, for Sanitary Sewer Trunk to Serve Lakedell and Ruth Drives.

(b) Acquisition of 15' x 332.36' of easement, at 1820 Lakedell Drive (off The Plaza), from Clifton Jacobs, at $380.00, for Sanitary Sewer Trunk to serve Lakedell and Ruth Drive.

(c) Acquisition of 20' x 1,798.82' of easement, at 9700 Hannon Road (off Albemarle Road), from Ralph Squires Construction Company, Inc., at $1.00, for Right of Way for 8-inch Water Main to serve Timber Creak Subdivision.

(d) Option on 26.18' x 683.11' x 661.14' x 31.59' of property, plus a construction easement, at 4700 North Sharon Amity Road, from William K. Wilson and wife, Dorothy S., at $14,767.50, for Sharon Amity Road Widening - Section III.

(e) Option on 35.00' x 100.00' x 35.00' x 100.00' of property, at 209 Remount Road, from Hoy Hendrix and wife, Ruth G., at $6,925.00, for Remount Road Widening.

(f) Option on 35.00' x 100.00' x 35.00' x 100.00' of property, at 213 Remount Road, from Clarence Withers and wife, Janie G., at $6,600.00, for Remount Road Widening.

(g) Option on 177.67' x 6.10' x 181.17' x 8.35' of property, plus a construction easement, at 4250 North Sharon Amity Road, from Eastland, Limited, a general partnership, at $5,250.00, for Sharon Amity Road Widening - Section III.

(h) Right of Way Agreement on 6.04' x 99.53' x 6.00' x 99.90' of property, at 4311 North Sharon Amity Road, from Carmon Greene and wife, Elizabeth R., at $750.00, for Sharon Amity Road Widening - Section III.

(i) Option on 8.01' x 212.02' x 8.39' x 209.51' of property, at 3612 North Sharon Amity Road, from Exxon Corporation at $2,824.00, for Sharon Amity Road Widening Project.

(j) Option on 2.00' x 105.07' x 19.79' x 27.29' x 87.47' of property, plus a construction easement, at 5100 Randolph Road, from David S. Newton and wife, Durand G., at $950.00, for Randolph Road Widening Project.
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(k) Option on 40.15' x 186.71' x 12.34' x 37.47' of property, plus a construction easement, at 1101 Aylesford Road, (corner of Randolph Road and Aylesford Road), from Margaret L. Barton, widow, at $6,650.00, for Randolph Road Widening Project.

(l) Option on 20.23' x 109.88' x 9.62' x 109.07' of property at 2508 South Boulevard (corner of Remount Road and South Boulevard), from Pep Charlotte Corporation, at $1,800.00, for Remount Road Widening Project.

(m) Option on 69.00' x 113.00' x 69.00' x 113.00' of property, at 409 Remount Road, from Mildred P. Alridge, widow; Elbert P. Phillips and wife, Marion J., at $10,855.00, for Remount Road Widening Project.

(n) Option on 36.87' x 138.00' x 36.87' x 137.52' of property, plus a construction easement, at 609 Remount Road, from F. O. Godley and wife, Mabel E., at $4,830.00, for Remount Road Widening Project.

ACQUISITION OF SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS FOR ANNEXED AREAS, APPROVED.

Councilwoman Locke moved approval of the acquisition of the following four (4) parcels of sanitary sewer easements for the annexed areas, which motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously:

(a) Annexation Area I (1) Sanitary Sewer 1 Parcel
(b) Annexation Area I (2) Sanitary Sewer 1 Parcel
(c) Annexation Area I (4) Sanitary Sewer 2 Parcels

CONTRACT AWARDED COLUMBUS SERVICES INTERNATIONAL FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Councilman Gantt moved award of contract to the only bidder, Columbus Services International, in the yearly amount of $21,262.44 for janitorial services for Belmont Regional Center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short.

Councilman Harris stated the janitorial services and security services for these neighborhood centers will run roughly $100,000. This would be an excellent way to use some federal money to provide the services for these people that need it. The idea of us continuing to contract out these kinds of services is wrong. We talk about the specialization, and the idea is that these people are qualified professionals in cleaning up an office. The point is we can use our Manpower training program, and fill a need by training some people in this area. There is bound to be a need for janitorial and security services, and we should train some of the people for this.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated the reason this was not recommended is that he thinks it violates the law; but Mr. Person has indicated he does not think so. When you have money budgeted for a purpose and have used it for that purpose for a period of time, and suddenly say we do not have this money for that purpose, and therefore we are going to substitute something else, it is a violation of the intent of the act.
Mr. Person replied Mr. Burkhalter is right in a very technical sense because it constitutes maintenance of effort. But he believes through the emergency job program if we were to work out such an arrangement it could be done for the length of this service for 12 months. Then you would have to do something about it after that period of time. It is a possibility they could work out some training through Central Piedmont or some other vendor for these individuals who would carry out this service, and then hire them for (x) number of months, and then perhaps pick up the service later on.

Councilman Harris stated this is a contracted service and we can start or stop it whenever we want. Mr. Burkhalter replied it is not once you start putting your own people on.

Mayor pro tem Whittington asked if we could tell the contractor to use these people Mr. Person has on board to work? Mr. Burkhalter stated if they are talking about janitorial it makes no difference to him if we do this work or whether it is done by contract as far as the area is concerned. This is done by contract because at the start of these centers we were working in the model cities program and they were paying for it. The model cities program required that people working in this area live in the area. So the stipulations in the contract, and he assumes they are still in there, are that the people they employ must be people who live in this neighborhood as far as possible. Mr. Person replied our neighborhood is a little different because it is the entire City of Charlotte.

Mr. Burkhalter read the following from the contract: "Personnel will be employed from immediate area to carry out contract performance. This does not necessarily include supervisory personnel." He stated if the City were to do it he would like to put it under the service operation we have for this purpose in the remainder of the city, which would be Gene Williamson's organization. Just give him the men. But when you do, you marry this situation to an extent. It is very difficult to come back to Council and say the men are not needed after they are put on for a year.

Mr. Burkhalter stated if he thought it was legal he would have no problem with this, and would have recommended it to Council in the case of the janitors. But if Council is happy and feel comfortable with the fact that it is not a violation of the law, then he will try to do it.

Mr. Gantt stated money for these Centers has already been budgeted. What we are saying now that instead of using those funds that are budgeted, we are going to hire people under Mr. Person's program to come under Gene Williamson's supervision and that will be the janitorial force for next year. He stated he has timing problems with this as even in janitorial services he believes there are some specialized requirements and training. The question is whether they will be able to train people in this short length of time. How long is the training period? Number two is that next year at this time if we do not have those funds available we are talking about going back to the same procedure, or increasing the budget to keep all these people that have been hired on as permanent janitors in those facilities. He asked if this is what is being proposed? Mr. Burkhalter replied there is nothing wrong with that as we will still need the janitorial services. The only question he has, if Council decides it would rather go with our force account rather than contract the service, if we are doing it right.

Councilman Short asked when the new contracts are scheduled to begin? Mr. Brown, Purchasing Agent, replied they should start August 1.
Councilman Harris stated he is just asking what is going to happen to those people that Mr. Person is supposed to put to work. If the federal government wants to give us additional money for the Manpower program, why not use it to reduce our commitments in the city.

Councilman Short asked why we are going to a Company in Pennsylvania to clean up certain buildings when we have buildings such as the 'Hoskins-Hilton' that are not being cleaned up that way. What is the distinction? Mr. Brown replied this company moved into this area about ten years ago, and they were the first people to have a janitorial contract with the airport; they are using local people, but their home office is in New Castle. Councilman Short asked why this work is done sometimes with city employees that is force work, and in other instances contract it out? Mr. Brown replied in this type of business it costs more if we put people on board to do this than it would the way it is recommended here. That we went to contract with it in the first place because of the problems we have had. This company has trained people to do this work; it is their business; it is their kind of business; they are experienced with it.

After further discussion, Mayor pro tem Whittington stated he agrees with Mr. Harris up to the point where the Manager said he had questions about it being legal. Second the thing he is more concerned about than the legality is if we do what Mr. Harris proposed we are going back into model cities and we are going into a program that is more expensive than it costs as the bid recommend. To soften that, he thinks Mr. Person should say to Council that any of these people he has on board he will make an effort to get their names, addresses and qualifications to Columbus and to Burns, and anyone else who will be doing this work.

Mr. Person stated he and the Manager are not in disagreement as to his feelings about this. As it relates to a maintenance effort, this is what we are talking about. If you already have security guards at Greenville Center, then we could not do what he is proposing be done. But at the new Center, if security guards have not been scheduled, then we might work towards this as a part of the program. As far as Mayor pro tem Whittington: request, he will be happy to do what he has suggested to try to find those persons whose qualifications and skills fit the particular category of employment being described. He would not want to mislead Council and say this is something that he can do. He is not certain of it, and he will have to check it to see just how far he can go. The problem would still remain, after 12 months we will be back where we are where the city would have to consider hiring these persons on a permanent basis, or through some contractual arrangements.

Councilman Harris asked if these people can be employed by non-profit agencies and still be paid by the city? Mr. Person replied yes they can be employed by non-profit agencies and be on detached service as we are presently doing.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT AWARDED COLUMBUS SERVICES INTERNATIONAL FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR ALEXANDER STREET CENTER.**

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the only bidder, Columbus Services International, in the yearly amount of $14,352.24, for janitorial services for Alexander Street Center.
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CONTRACT AWARDED BURNS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SERVICES, INC. FOR SECURITY SERVICES FOR GREENVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER.

Councilman Gantt moved award of contract to the low bidder, Burns International Security Services, Inc. for security services for the Greenville Neighborhood Center, in the amount of $20,723.04, which motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

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CONTRACT AWARDED BURNS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SERVICES, INC. FOR SECURITY SERVICES FOR BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder, Burns International Security Service, Inc. for security services for Belmont Regional Center, in the amount of $20,723.04.

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CONTRACT AWARDED BURNS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SERVICE, INC. FOR SECURITY SERVICE FOR ALEXANDER STREET CENTER.

Motion was made by Councilman Withrow, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Burns International Security Services, Inc. for security services for Alexander Street Center, in the amount of $20,723.04.

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ALL BIDS REJECTED FOR SANITARY SEWER TO SERVE PARK ROAD AT SELWYN AVENUE.

Councilwoman Locke moved that all bids be rejected for sanitary sewer to serve Park Road at Selwyn Avenue as requested by applicant due to excessive cost, which motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried.
CONTRACT AWARDED GIBSON ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR LIGHTING SYSTEM OF THE NEW NORTH-SOUTH PARALLEL RUNWAY AND EAST PARALLEL TAXIWAY SYSTEM.

Upon motion of Councilman Withrow, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder, Gibson Electric Company, in the amount of $784,498, for lighting system of the New North-South Parallel Runway and East Parallel Taxiway System, subject to the FAA concurrence in the award to the low bidder, satisfying the Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance, as determined by the FAA, and the FAA Grant Offer and official acceptance by the City.

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SUGGESTION THAT CITY PURCHASE A DRAG LINE TO BE USED BY THE COUNTY ALONG WITH PEOPLE TO OPERATE IT TO CLEAR CREEKS.

Councilman Withrow stated while Mr. Person is here he would like to suggest that the City buy a drag line, lend it to the County, and dredge another creek. This is a program to utilize a lot of people. The County says they can work another drag line; if we furnish it they will operate it under the authority given them by the Legislature, if we furnish the people.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated he has tried to use these funds to provide some equipment, and he will try again. Perhaps now we can do it.

REAPPOINTMENT OF KIM JOLLY TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, reappointing Ms. Kim Jolly to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission for a three year term.

APPOINTMENT OF MRS. DAVID MARRASH TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION.

Council was advised that two nominations have been made to fill the expired term of John Turner to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission. Mrs. David Marrash was nominated by Councilman Short, and Mr. Emil Jim Kratt was nominated by Councilman Harris.

Councilman Short moved the appointment of Mrs. David Marrash for a three year term. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gantt, and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Short, Gantt, and Withrow.
NAYS: Councilmembers Harris, Locke, and Williams.

Mayor pro tem Whittington broke the tie voting in favor of the appointment of Mrs. Marrash.
REAPPOINTMENT OF ERNEST HUNTER TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION.

Councilman Harris moved the reappointment of Mr. Ernest Hunter to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission for a three year term. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously.

NOMINATION OF MS. ALRIDGE TO CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION WITHDRAWN.

Councilman Gantt stated he would like to withdraw his nomination of Ms. Alridge to the Historic Properties Commission as she cannot accept a second term.

NOMINATIONS TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION.

Councilman Gantt placed in nomination the name of Mr. William Bluford to fill the vacancy on the Historic Properties Commission created by the expiration of Mrs. Alridge's term.

Councilman Short placed in nomination the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Weekley Gibson to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of Mrs. Alridge's term.

REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID GRIER MARTIN TO THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

Councilman Short moved the reappointment of David Grier Martin to the Civil Service Board for a three year term. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harris, and carried unanimously.

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION.

Councilman Harris moved the confirmation of the following Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners' appointments to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission, which motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried:

(a) Mrs. Frances Gay was reappointed to a three year term to expire July 16, 1978.

(b) Mr. Harry Dalton was reappointed to a three year term to expire July 16, 1978.

APPROVAL OF USE OF FUNDS FOR PARK EQUIPMENT ON SCHOOL SITES.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Williams, and unanimously carried, approval was given to the use of $50,000 set aside for park equipment on school sites in the 1974-75 General Revenue Sharing Appropriation to be used for a summer recreation program at Northwest Junior High School and West Charlotte High School.
ORDINANCE NO. 710-X ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR UNEXPENDED COUNTY WATER AND SEWER BOND FUNDS TRANSFERRED TO THE CITY, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1975.

Motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, adopting subject ordinance establishing appropriations, in the amount of $10,204,859 for unexpended County water and sewer bonds transferred to the City of Charlotte, effective July 1, 1975.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 22, at Page 192.

CONTRACTS FOR TECHNICAL OR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO IMPLEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Locke and unanimously carried, approving the following two contracts for technical or professional services to implement projects to be undertaken by the Community Development Department:

(a) Contract between the City of Charlotte Community Development Department and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education for summer school programs up to the total sum not to exceed $107,000.00.

(b) Contract between the City of Charlotte Community Development Department and Mecklenburg County for a specific summer school program conducted through a contract by the Learning Development Foundation in cooperation with the Board of Education, at a total sum not to exceed $29,514.00.

REQUEST THAT PARK AND RECREATION BE NOTIFIED TO SPEND MONEY FOR A PARK ON THE HILL WHERE IT IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE PEOPLE RATHER THAN ON THE CREEK BANK AT BIDDLE PARK.

Councilman Withrow stated he looked at the park in back of Johnson C. Smith, Biddle Park, at the creek. That he cannot see the value of spending much money in that hole. It is in the flood plains, and there is no way for the children to get to the park. He thinks the Park and Recreation Commission should be notified that they should spend some money up on the hill closer to the people and not down in that hole.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.