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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, July 26, 1950, at 11 o'clock a.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Atten, Alberson, Codington, Jordan and Wilkin present.

Absent: Councilmen Boyd and Daughtry.

Invocation.

The invocation was given by Rev. Samuel M. Irman, Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Minutes Approved.

Upon motion of Councilman Alberson, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on July 19th, were approved as submitted.

Consideration Deferred on Ordinance (No. 113) Amending the Zoning Ordinance.

A hearing was held on an Ordinance (No. 113) to amend the Zoning Ordinance by changing from B-2 to B-1 all of block bounded by Gibson Street, Tuckasegee Road, McQuay Street, and Bingham Street.

Councilman Alberson moved that the hearing be continued until 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 2, on account of opposition and not sufficient councilmen present. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

City Requested to Erect a Foot Bridge Across Sugaw Creek Near Park Road School.

A delegation of some thirty parents of children in the Selwyn, Ridgwood, Hillside, and Tranquil Avenue area petitioned the City Council to erect a foot bridge across Sugaw Creek in order for their children to attend the new Park Road Grammar school.

They argued that this was a critical set-up as far as the parents were concerned; that there was a large number of the men who are travelling salesmen and who use their cars all week, leaving no form of private transportation and that bus companies are unwilling to run a line to pick up school children, claiming this too expensive. They stated that quite a few of the children are only six years old and the distance is entirely too far to walk, and to take a bus would require a transfer at the square, taking approximately one hour in the morning and another in the afternoon.

Dr. Samuel Irman stated that they had made a survey and found there were 1,586 families in this community. He was of the opinion that a foot bridge should be erected across this creek immediately to take care of the need until a large bridge could be built and that this should be of a permanent nature, as it would be much safer than crossing on a large bridge with the motor traffic.

Mr. Thomas S. Rogers suggested one of two solutions: one, demand bus service; the other, build a foot bridge across the creek on concrete
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piers and over the present cast-iron sewer pipe which he felt could be done at little expense.

Among those speaking on this behalf were Mr. Benjamin S. Horack, Mrs. J. Kingsley McDonald, Mrs. Preston Deil, and Mrs. J. L. McVey.

The Mayor called the delegation's attention to the fact that we had other communities with similar conditions and any action taken in this section might mean similar expense in other sections. Councilman Aitken explained to the delegation that the Council was very sympathetic with their position and called their attention to the fact that the city was spending some $86,000.00 for roads, which was approximately one-fourth as much as was being spent in the erection of the school building.

Councilman Jordan moved that the Mayor appoint a committee to investigate this condition and report back at the next regular meeting of the City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albee, and passed unanimously.

The Mayor appointed Councilmen Aitken and Coddington to make this report.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AUGUST 16TH ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE, (No. 116.)

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 116) Amending the City Code with respect to the Zoning Ordinance" to change the Building Zone Map from R-2 to E-1, on lot fronting 50 feet on the northerly side of West Boulevard, and extending back with that width 200 feet to a 10-foot alley, was introduced and read, following which a Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing thereon, on August 16th, was presented and read. Councilman Coddington moved the adoption of the Resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 1, at Page 304.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED FIXING DATE OF HEARING ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE (No. 117.)

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 117) Amending the City Code with respect to the Zoning Ordinance" to change the Building Zone Map from R-2 to Industrial, one lot located on the west side of Turner Avenue, adjoining the Old Dominion Box Company property, was introduced and read, following which a resolution entitled, "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance" on August 16th, was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, was adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 1, at Page 305.

STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Motion was made by Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, taking over for maintenance the following city streets:

(a) Fugate Avenue, from Monroe Road to Independence Blvd.
(b) Winthrop Avenue, from Dorothy Drive north 540 feet.

REFUND SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION COST IN BRIAR CREEK ROAD AND SHENANDOAH AVENUE.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that $160.00 be refunded to B. L. Jenkins, representing his deposit for sanitary sewer construction in Briar Creek Road and Shenandoah Avenue, in accordance with agreement dated December 28, 1949. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried.
PURCHASE OF SANITARY SEWER IN ATANDO AVENUE.

Motion was made by Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the purchase of an 8-inch sanitary sewer in Atando Avenue from: John Jacob Binder and wife, Agnes W. Binder $885.00, Edgcomb Steel Company $3,590.00, and Fredrickson Motor Express Corporation $3,530.00, subject to approval by the City Attorney of deed of conveyance or bill-of-sale.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, the construction of new sanitary sewers at the following locations was authorized:

(a) 116 ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer in Hampton Avenue, at an estimated cost of $400.00, to serve two family units and one vacant lot, requested by Mrs. Mary W. Washam. All costs to be borne by the City.

(b) 350 ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer in Druid Circle North, at an estimated cost of $1,190.00, to serve 6 family units and 6 vacant lots, requested by Thomas, Revis & Wiggins Building Company. All cost to be borne by the City.

(c) 357 ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer in Hutchison Avenue, at an estimated cost of $1,090.00, to serve 7 family units, requested by E. G. Smith. All costs to be borne by the City.

(d) 665 ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer in E. 37th Street, Spencer Street, and Sears Alley at an estimated cost of $1,370.00, to serve 7 family units and 2 vacant lots, requested by C. H. Gates and B. A. Sears. All costs to be borne by the City.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW WATER MAIN IN CEDAR PARK SUBDIVISION.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, authorizing contract with John S. Spurrier for the construction of 300 ft. water main in Cedar Park Subdivision immediately south of the city limits, and east of South Boulevard outside the city limits, to serve business property on the southeast corner of South Boulevard and Hartford Avenue, at an estimated cost of $365.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, who will own the mains until taken into the City, at which time they will automatically be dedicated to the City.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, the construction of driveway entrances was authorized at the following locations:

(a) One 15-ft. driveway entrance at 305 West Second Street.
(b) One 30-ft. driveway entrance at 1632 West Morehead.
(c) One 10-ft. driveway entrance at 1839 Fulton Avenue.
(d) One 10-ft. driveway entrance at 1835 Fulton Avenue.
(e) Two 12-ft. driveway entrances for 1400 Scotland Ave.
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CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, contract was authorized for the purchase of 5,000 ft. #14 Solid Twelve Conductor Cable, as specified, from Graybar Electric Company, Inc., at a net delivered price of $1,050.00.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Jordan, the unanimous consent of Council was given the presentation of the following undocketed items:

DRIVEWAYS FOR HOWARD JOHNSON RESTAURANTS, INC.

Councilman Aitken moved the approval of two driveways on Wilkinson Boulevard and one driveway on Berryhill Road for the Howard Johnson Restaurants, Inc. The first driveway to start 15 feet from property line on Berryhill Road and to extend 180 feet to the West, with the second driveway to be separated by 180 feet raised curb island and extending 180 feet to the west and end 15 feet from the property line and for 15 feet concrete raised islands to be constructed at beginning and end of each drive on Wilkinson Boulevard.

And that a 180 foot driveway be constructed on Berryhill Road beginning 15 feet from the property line and with concrete curb to be constructed to designate beginning and end drive. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BRIDGE CONTRACT ON WEST BOULEVARD.

Upon motion made by Councilman Jordan and seconded by Councilman Albee, the Council approved agreement for the reconstruction of bridge across Irwin Creek at West Boulevard and authorized the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign contract with the North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission.

W. A. RICHARD APPOINTED BY MAYOR TO VETERANS RECREATION AUTHORITY.

Mayor Shaw reported to the Council the re-appointment of W. A. Richard to the Veterans Recreation Authority to succeed himself, for 5-year term beginning August 11th.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned to meet at Mecklenburg County Court House, Commissioners Room, at 10 o'clock a. m., on Monday, July 31st, with the County Board of Elections to canvass returns of Bond Elections on Saturday, July 29th.

Deputy City Clerk