A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, July 8, 1953, at 11:00 o’clock a.m., with Mayor Van Ewyk presiding, and Councilmen Albee, Baxter, Brown, Dellingen, Smith and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilman Boyd.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albee.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on July 1st were approved as submitted.

HEARING CONTINUED UNTIL JULY 22, 1953 ON ORDINANCE NO. 180 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CHANGE ZONING ON THREE LOTS AT INTERSECTION OF JEWELL AND ALEXANDER STREETS IN GRIETOWN.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, continuing the hearing on Ordinance No. 180 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning from R-2 to B-1 on three lots at the intersection of Jewell and Alexander Streets in Grietown, until Wednesday, July 22nd, at 11 o’clock a.m., at the request of Mr. W. J. Crosby.

RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO EXCAVATION UNDER SIDEWALK ON EASTERLY SIDE OF SOUTH TRYON STREET AND UNDER SIDEWALK AND STREET OF EAST THIRD STREET, ADJACENT TO THE PROPERTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE COURTHOUSE PROPERTY.

At the request of Mr. F. T. Miller, Attorney, in behalf of his clients, Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company and the Union National Bank, a resolution entitled: “Resolution with Respect to Excavation Under Sidewalk on Easterly Side of South Tryon Street and Under Sidewalk and Street on East Third Street, Adjacent to the Property Formerly known as the Courthouse Property”, was introduced and read. Councilman Smith moved the adoption of the resolution which was seconded by Councilman Albee, and it unanimously passed on its first reading. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 2, at Page 119.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS TO BE HELD EVERY TWO WEEKS AFTER TODAY THROUGH LABOR DAY.

Councilman Dollinger moved that beginning today the City Council Meetings be held every two weeks through Labor Day. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:


NAYS: Councilman Albee.

CLAIM OF JAMES ISAAC CRAWFORD FOR PERSONAL INJURIES REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the claim of Mr. James Isaac Crawford, filed by his attorney, Mr. Charles M. Welling, in the amount of $500.00, for personal injuries sustained on June 19, 1953, was referred to the City Attorney for handling.

BASEMENT AUTHORIZED TO DUKE POWER COMPANY FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY OVER OAKDALE TERRACE PROPERTY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSMISSION LINES.

Councilman Brown moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute an Agreement with the Duke Power Company for right-of-way over the City’s property in Oakdale Terrace, for the construction of transmission lines. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.
CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of sanitary sewer mains at the following locations:

(a) 95 feet of main in Country Club Lane, at an estimated cost of $200.00, to serve one family unit and one vacant lot. All costs to be borne by the City.

(b) 164 feet of sewer trunk revision in North Myers Street, at an estimated cost of $570.00, to serve one family unit. All costs to be borne by the applicant, Highland Park Manufacturing Company.

(c) 1,942 feet of main in Colonial Village, at an estimated cost of $4,990.00, to serve 2 family units and 33 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City, and deposit by John Crosland Company in the amount of $3,990.00 to be refunded as per terms of the contract.

(d) 390 feet of main in Tinnin Street, at an estimated cost of $1,420.00, to serve 8 family units and 7 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

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

(a) One 20-ft. driveway at 1026-28 North Harrell Street.

(b) One 15-ft. driveway at 328 South Torrence Street.

CONTRACTS AUTHORIZED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS,

Contracts were authorized with the following companies for the construction of water mains, upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried:

(a) Contract with the P. & N. Realty Company for the construction of 1,500 feet of main and 4 hydrants in Bond Street, at an estimated cost of $5,950.00, to serve industrial property. All costs to be borne by the applicant. If and when the main produces a revenue equal to 5% of the costs during any 12 months continuous period, the City will pay the applicant the first cost of the project.

(b) Contract with Blankenship Brothers for the construction of 3,650 feet of main in Alleghany Street, outside the city, at an estimated cost of $9,125.00, to serve residential property. All costs will be borne by the applicant, who will own the mains until the area is incorporated into the City.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots, which motion was seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried:

(a) Deed with George B. Livingston and wife, for Lot 303, in Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at $104.00.

(b) Deed with Clyde M. Evans and wife, for Lot 40, in Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at $208.00.
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SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY GRANTED PERMISSION TO INSTALL GRATES IN SIDEWALK AT 208 NORTH CALDWELL STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the Southern Bell Telephone Company was granted permission to install grates in the sidewalk at their building located at 208 North Caldwell Street, as recommended by the City Manager.

CONTRACT AWARDED CAROLINA SASH WEIGHT COMPANY, INC., FOR 100 VALVE BOXES.

Councilman Albee moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, Carolina Sash Weight Company, Inc., for 100 No. 1 and 100 No. 2 Valve Boxes, complete, as specified, at a total price of $1,314.00, subject to 2% cash discount. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT AWARDED CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR ADDITIONAL WORK ON CONSTRUCTION OF WEST FIFTH STREET BRIDGE PROJECT.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, a supplementary contract was authorized with Crowder Construction Company for additional work required in connection with the construction of the West Fifth Street Bridge Project, as specified, on a unit price basis, all in accordance with original contract dated November 5, 1952, representing a supplementary contract amount of $14,644.19.

PETITION FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT PEGRAM AND KENNON STREETS REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER FOR SURVEY BY TRAFFIC ENGINEER AND REPORT TO COUNCIL.

Councilman Albee presented a petition dated July 2, 1953, signed by 186 persons, stating that on June 30th, 1953, a child was killed by a Duke Power Bus at the intersection of Pegram and Kennon Street; that Tech High School entrance is only one block away from this intersection, and it is impossible to cross the street without an accident; therefore, they requested the installation of a Traffic Signal Light at Pegram and Kennon Street intersection. Councilman Albee moved that the City Manager have a thorough survey of this area made by the Traffic Engineer with a report to the Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

[Signature]
City Clerk