A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber in the City Hall, on Wednesday, June 19, 1957, at 11 o'clock a.m., with Mayor Smith presiding and Council members Albea, Baxter, Brown, Dellinger, Evans, Foard and Wilkinson being present.

ABSENT: None

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INVOCATION.
The invocation was given by Councilman Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.
Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on June 12th were approved as submitted.

FIREMEN PETITION COUNCIL FOR INCREASE IN SALARIES.
The following firemen addressed the Council requesting increase in salary scale due to the increase in living costs: Capt. G. H. Beecham, Capt. B. C. Gibson, Asst. Chief E. L. Davis and Fireman L. W. Brown and J. B. Collins.

They stated that the low salaries made it difficult for them to make ends meet, that several had left the City's employment for better jobs and that it was hard to get new men for replacements and to increase their number up to requirements.

The Mayor advised them that the request would be considered in the Council's study of the budget for the incoming fiscal year.

ORDINANCE NO. 362 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING FROM R-2 TO B I-A PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF EAST 36TH STREET, DECISION DEFERRED UNTIL JULY 10TH.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and carried, Ordinance No. 362 Amending Chapter 21, Article I, Section 2 of the City Code, by amending the Building Zone Map of the City of Charlotte, by changing from R-2 to B I-A, property located on the southerly side of East 36th Street, on petition of T. A. Ratcliff, Jr., and wife, decision was deferred until July 10, 1957.
The motion passed with the following votes cast:

YEAS: Councilmembers Baxter, Brown, Dellinger and Wilkinson.

NAYS: Councilmembers Albac, Evans and Foard.

ORDINANCE NO. 363 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING FROM R-2 TO B I-A, PROPERTY LOCATED ON EAST 36TH STREET AT THE INTERSECTION OF WESLEY AVENUE, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and carried, Ordinance No. 363 Amending Chapter 21, Article I, Section 2 of the City Code, by amending the Building Zone Map of the City of Charlotte, by changing from R-2 to B I-A property on East 36th Street, at the intersection of Wesley Avenue, on petition of Mrs. Lena D. Graves, was adopted.

The following votes were cast:

YEAS: Councilmembers Baxter, Brown, Dellinger and Wilkinson.

NAYS: Councilmembers Albac, Evans and Foard.

The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 156.

ORDINANCE NO. 388 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CHARLOTTE PERIMETER AREA, BY CHANGING FROM R-2 TO B-I, PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PARK ROAD AND WOODLAWN ROAD, DENIED.

Councilman Baxter moved that Ordinance No. 388 Amending Chapter 21, Article II, Section 5 of the City Code, by amending the Building Zone Map of the Charlotte Perimeter Area, changing from R-2 to B-I, property located on the northwest corner of Park and Woodlawn Road, on petition of R. E. Gifford and Arthur C. Garrison, be denied. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 389 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF COLISEUM DRIVE AND MARGARET AVENUE, FROM R-I AND R-2 TO B I-A, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously carried, adopting Ordinance No. 389 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to amend the Building Zone Map of Charlotte, by changing the property located at the northeast corner of Coliseum Drive and Margaret Avenue, from R-I and R-2 to B I-A, on petition of Mr. D. L. Phillips, President, Coliseum Motor Court, Inc.

Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, Page 157.
ORDINANCE NO. 390 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED AT NORTHEAST CORNER OF SOUTH CECIL STREET AND INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD, FROM R-2 TO B-2, ON PETITION OF MR. JOHN M. DWELLE, ADOPTED.

Councilwoman Evans moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 390 Amending Chapter 21, Article I, Section 2 of the City Code, by amending the Building Zone Map of Charlotte by changing from R-2 to B-2, property located at the northeast corner of South Cecil Street and Independence Boulevard, on petition of Mr. John M. Dwelle. The motion was seconded by Councilman Foard, and unanimously carried.

The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, Page 158.

ORDINANCE NO. 391 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING PROPERTY ON BRUNSWICK AVENUE, BETWEEN KING’S DRIVE AND ARDSLEY ROAD, FROM R-I TO R-2, ON PETITION OF MR. E. C. GRIFFITH, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 391 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to amend the Building Zone Map of Charlotte, by changing the property on Brunswick Avenue, between King’s Drive and Ardsley Road, from R-1 to R-2, on petition of Mr. E. C. Griffith, was adopted.

Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 159.

ORDINANCE NO. 392 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2, OF THE CITY CODE, BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING PROPERTY ON THE EAST SIDE OF BEATTIES FORD ROAD, BETWEEN LINCOLN BOULEVARD AND ST. LUKE STREET, FROM R-I TO B-I, ON PETITION OF MR. C.W. WITHERS, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried, adopting Ordinance No. 392 Amending the Zoning Ordinance, to amend the Building Zone Map of Charlotte by changing the property on the east side of Beatties Ford Road, between Lincoln Boulevard and St. Luke Street, from R-1 to B-1, on petition of Mr. C. W. Withers.

The following votes were cast on the motion:

YEAS: Councilmembers Baxter, Brown, Dellinger and Wilkinson.

NAYS: Councilmembers Albee, Evans and Foard.

The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, Page 160.

ORDINANCE NO. 393 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING THE PROPERTY IN THE 2800 BLOCK OF PLAZA ROAD, FROM R-2 TO B-I, ADOPTED.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that Ordinance No. 393 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to amend the Building Zone Map of Charlotte, by changing the property in the 2800 block of Plaza Road, from R-2 to B-I on appeal of Plaza Road residents from the decision of the Planning Commission be adopted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried.
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The following votes were cast:

YEAS: Councilmembers Baxter, Brown, Dellinger and Wilkinson.

NAYS: Councilmembers Albee, Evans and Foard.

Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, Page 161.

ORDINANCE NO. 394 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2, OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED ON HANSON DRIVE, BETWEEN BRIARWOOD ROAD AND HARPER AVENUE, FROM R-1 TO R-2, DENIED.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Evans, seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 394 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to amend the Building Zone Map of Charlotte by changing the property located on Hanson Drive, between Briarwood Road and Harper Avenue, from R-1 to R-2, on appeal of Mr. C. H. Sears and Mr. E. M. Clark from the decision of the Planning Commission was denied.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS ON WEST STONEWALL STREET, FROM SOUTH CHURCH STREET TO MINT STREET.

A resolution entitled: “Resolution Authorizing Permanent Improvements on West Stonewall Street, from South Church Street to Mint Street”, was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the resolution passed on final reading. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 98.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CANCELLATION OF SCHEDULE BOND COVERING VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN FAVOR OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

A resolution entitled: “Resolution Approving Cancellation of Schedule Bond Covering Various Members of the Police Department in Favor of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina” was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously carried. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 96.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CANCELLATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HONESTY BLANKET POSITION BOND FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

A resolution entitled: “Resolution Approving Cancellation of Public Employees Honesty Blanket Position Bond for Employees of the City of Charlotte” was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously carried. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 97.

RESOLUTION ABANDONING FRANKLIN STREET: SOUTHEAST OF LUCENA STREET AND SOUTHERN RAILWAY:

A Resolution entitled: “Resolution Abandoning Franklin Street, Southeast of Lucena Street and Southern Railway”, was introduced and read. Upon motion of Councilman Evans, seconded by Councilman Foard was unanimously carried. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, Page 98.
CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAIN AND TRUNK LINES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried, the construction of sanitary sewer main and trunk lines were authorized at the following locations:

(a) Construction of 452-feet of 21-inch sanitary sewer trunk from North Long Street, west across lots to North McDowell Street, to replace old inadequate trunk line, at an estimated cost of $7,455.00. All costs to be borne by the City.

(b) Construction of 393-feet of 8-inch sewer main and trunk in Glenn Street, to serve four houses, at an estimated cost of $355.00. All costs to be borne by the City.

(c) Construction of 305-feet of 8-inch sanitary sewer main in Parker Drive, from Berryhill Road west 305 feet, to serve four houses, at an estimated cost of $775.00. All costs to be borne by the City.

PERMISSION GRANTING THE FIRESTONE TIRE AND RUBBER COMPANY TO EXTEND THE ROOF OF THEIR PROPOSED BUILDING IN THE 500 BLOCK OF SOUTH TRYON STREET OVER THE SIDEWALK, RECINDED.

Councilwoman Evans moved that action on September 12, 1956, granting permission to The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company to extend the roof of their proposed building in the 500 block of South Tryon Street over the sidewalk be rescinded, due to a change in the design of the structure by the said Company. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS AUTHORIZED.

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

(a) Deed with Mrs. Flossie C. Davis, for Lot 350, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at $240.00.
(b) Deed with Mrs. Mabel S. Kimel, for Lot 295, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at $160.00.
(c) Deed with Estate of L. L. Davis, for Lot 325, Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at $125.00.
(d) Deed with G. L. Huss and wife, Mary M. Huss, for Lot 62, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at $240.00.
(e) Deed with Mrs. Otha B. Cannon, for transfer of Lot 66, Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at $1.00.

LICENSE FOR DETECTIVE AGENCY APPROVED.

Councilman Baxter moved that the License of Mr. Roosevelt Miller, 1319 Mulberry Avenue, for Detective Agency, which has been approved by the Chief of Police, be renewed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown and passed by unanimous vote.
RESOLUTION WELCOMING THE MAYOR OF CONCORD AND THE DELEGATION TO GENE VERBLE NIGHT.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Welcoming the Mayor of Concord and the Delegation to Gene Verble Night" was introduced by Councilman Brown who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at Page 99.

TRAFFIC SURVEY OF GARDEN TERRACE AND BRUNSWICK AVENUE INTERSECTION REQUESTED.

Councilman Dellingier requested the City Manager to have a survey made to determine if a traffic light should be installed at intersection of Garden Terrace and Brunswick Avenue to reduce traffic hazards.

CITY EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO OBTAIN PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE BEFORE DRIVING CITY MOTOR EQUIPMENT.

Councilman Dellingier reported that some of the employees had complained to him that they had difficulty getting insurance to protect them while driving city equipment and the cost was so much that they had to cancel coverage on their personal cars. He said they could not understand why they should have to pay for this coverage when drivers of city equipment in some departments were not required to be insured.

City Manager Yancey stated that he did not know of any employees exempt from this ruling but he would check into this at once.

SALARY INCREASE FOR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL.

The Mayor called the Council’s attention to the recent bill passed by the State Legislature increasing the salaries of the Mayor and Councilmembers. Councilman Brown moved that the salaries of the Mayor and Councilmembers be increased as provided by Legislative Enactment to be effective on and after July 1, 1957, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter and passed by unanimous vote.

HARRY GOLDEN, FORMER CHARLOTTE OBSERVER CITY HALL REPORTER RECOGNIZED.

Mr. Harry Golden, former Charlotte Observer, City Hall Reporter and later transferred to the Detroit Free Press in Detroit, Michigan, sat in on the Council meeting. The Mayor called on Mr. Golden to stand up and be recognized and after hearing that he was in Charlotte on his vacation, stated that he thought it was a distinct honor to the Council for him to take time out to visit with them.

SPECIAL TAX COMMITTEE.

Mayor Smith announced that he was appointing Councilmen Brown and Paord to a special tax committee to study the tax assessing method policies in relationship with the City and to generally act as liaison between the Council and the County.
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MEETING FOR STUDY AND PASS ON 1957-58 BUDGET.

The Council agreed to meet at 7:30 Wednesday and Thursday nights, June 26 and 27 and again on Friday night, if necessary, to study and pass on 1957-58 budget.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

L. L. Ledbetter, Deputy City Clerk