A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, May 3, 1950, at 11 o’clock a.m., with Mayor pro tem Alkire presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Mayor Shaw.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

ACTION DEFERRED UNTIL MAY 24th ON PETITION BY JOHN CROSILAND AND OTHERS FOR ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

The Hearing on the Petition of John Crosiland Company, Carrie Marshall Galloway and Hattie S. Adams for the annexation of an 82 acre tract of land in Berryhill Township, contiguous to the city limits of Charlotte, to the City of Charlotte, was held at this time, as advertised.

Following the reading of the Petition, the Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Extending the Corporate Limits of the City of Charlotte By Annexing Thereto Certain Property" was introduced and read. Councilman Daughtry moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan.

Councilmen Albea, Boyd and Coddington expressed objections to the annexation of more territory to the City for which facilities would have to be provided while the City is unable to supply proper streets, water and sewer mains and other facilities to the area already in the city limits. Councilman Boyd also suggested as there are other petitions for annexation pending, that consideration be given all petitions at the same time at a later date. Councilman Daughtry suggested that arrangements might be made whereby the developers of the annexed area would furnish the needed facilities and later be reimbursed by the City.

Mr. Frank McElvean, Attorney for Mr. Crosiland, stated the annexed area would be financed through FHA, who much preferred that the property be inside the City limits; that 240 houses would be erected on the property to provide badly needed housing facilities to Charlotte residents. Mr. McElvean also advised that streets would be constructed and water and sewer lines installed by the developers.

Councilman Albea offered a substitute motion that action be deferred until the Council Meeting on May 24th. The motion was seconded by Councilman Boyd, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Wilkinson and Jordan.
NAY: Councilmen Daughtry and Coddington.

REQUEST FOR PAINTING OF ATANDO AVENUE TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION.

A delegation of representatives of the twenty-seven business concerns located on Atando Avenue, representing some 2000 employees, appeared before Council and requested that Atando Avenue be paved. Mr. Frank Rose, Mr. Colitz, Mr. James Oddy, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Hess, Mr. Bill Strong and Mr. Rosenborough described the bad condition of the street as practically impassable, being full of holes and extremely dusty, and causing damage to their motorized equipment, as well as to merchandise hauled by them. They also stated the traffic is exceedingly heavy over Atando Avenue, due to the
the large number of concerns located on the street. The importance of
the street as a connecting link between Hutchinson Avenue and North Tryon
Street was stressed; it being stated that concerns located on Hutchinson
Avenue in the vicinity of Atando Avenue are forced to go many blocks out
of the way to either Sylvania or Dalton Avenue to reach North Tryon Street
due to the condition of Atando Avenue. It was also stated that the Duke
Power Company had promised bus service over the street for the convenience
of the many employees when the street is paved.

Mr. Joe Choate, Realtor, stated this area of the city is growing
fast and the investment of the many concerns on Atando Avenue brings much
revenue to the City.

Mr. Tom Lynch of the Chamber of Commerce stated the branch
offices of the nationally known concerns on Atando Avenue located their
offices in Charlotte through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, who
feel that the City should cooperate in improving the street, which he des-
cribed as deplorable.

The City Manager advised that he and the City Engineer had been
studying the situation and the cost of paving the street is estimated at $95,000.00
which expenditure in this one location would prohibit work on the many other
streets in similar conditions.

Mayor pro tem Atken stated the matter would receive the attention
of Council in an endeavor to work out some arrangement to relieve the bad
condition of the street.

CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE AT EAST 25TH AND N. BREVARD STREETS AND IMPROVEMENTS
TO SIDEWALK ON N. BREVARD STREET FROM SAL MY TO HIGHLAND PARK WPG. COMPANY
TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION.

Mr. R. C. Cauley, resident of 2100 North Brevard Street, re-
quested the construction of a bridge at East 25th and North Brevard Streets,
as a connecting link to North Davidson Street. He stated it is now necessary
to go six blocks to reach N. Davidson Street. He also requested that the
sidewalk on North Brevard Street, from the Seaboard Railroad to Highland
Park Manufacturing Company be improved, stating the City had placed large
rocks on the sidewalk, making it impassable, when gravel and/or cinders
are needed.

The City Manager expressed the opinion that the rocks were
placed on the sidewalk preliminary to sidewalk construction. The matter
was referred to the City Manager by the Council.

IMPROVEMENTS TO ST. JOHN STREET AND INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHT REQUESTED.

Mr. A. L. Robinson, 204 St. John Street was spokesman for a
delegation who requested that St. John Street be improved by placing gravel
thereon and leveling the street. He stated the street condition was made
worse by the City's construction of sewer and water lines in the street
recently. The erection of a street light at the lower end of St. John Street
was also requested. The matter was referred to the City Manager.

PURCHASE OF TRACT OF LAND ON FLANK ROAD BY PINOCA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
REFERRED TO REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Charles Henderson, Attorney, representing the Pinocha Volunteer
Fire Department requested the City to sell the tract of land, containing
approximately one-tenth of an acre, on Flank Road, to the said Fire Department,
which is now under a 15-year lease to them and on which they have erected
the Fire Department Building. He advised it is deemed advisable by the
Board of Directors of the Fire Department to own the property due to the
permanent construction of the building and the desire of the financial
supporters of the Department that their investment will assure continued
fire protection to the community. He requested that the Council have prepared
the proper procedure for a fee simple title to the land and that the City
accept $50.00 to cover its expense in the matter. Following the discussion
the matter was referred to the Real Estate Committee for consideration of
advertising the land for sale at public auction, with certain stipulations.
REQUEST OF W. H. REEVES, JR. FOR RENEWAL OF TAXICAB OPERATOR'S PERMIT DENIED AND OF W. H. REEVES, SR. REPELLED TO CITY MANAGER.

The request of Mr. W. H. Reeves, Jr., for the renewal of his taxicab operator's permit was received an information and automatically denied when the City Manager advised that he had a Police record for numerous minor offenses and had admitted to him he had tampered with the governor placed on his cab by the Company for whom he was working.

The request of Mr. W. H. Reeves, Sr., for renewal of his permit was referred to the City Manager, who advised Mr. Reeves had discussed the matter previously with him and that the Permit would be issued if and when an official of a Cab Company indicated to the City Manager, either in person or by letter, that he would employ Mr. Reeves to operate a Cab.

RECESS TAKEN AT ONE P.M., TO RECONVENE AT TWO-THIRTY P.M.

A recess for lunch was called by Mayor pro tem Aitken at 1 o'clock p.m., and the meeting reconvened at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

ORDINANCE (NO. 103) AMENDING THE SMOKE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 103) Amending the Smoke Abatement Ordinance" was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albies, was unanimously adopted. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 116.

ORDINANCE (NO. 104) REWRITING THE ELECTRICAL CODE.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 104) Rewriting the Electrical Code" was introduced and read. Motion for adoption was made by Councilman Daughtery, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously adopted. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, beginning at Page 117.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO EXCAVATION UNDER SIDEWALKS AT SOUTHWESTERN CORNER OF CHURCH AND THIRD STREETS.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Relative to Excavation Under Sidewalks at Southwestern Corner of Church and Third Streets" was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman Albies, seconded by Councilman Coddington, unanimously passed on its first reading. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 276.

CONTRACT WITH MARSH REALTY COMPANY FOR WATER MAINS CONSTRUCTION IN MARSH ESTATES.

Upon motion of Councilman Albies, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, contract was authorized with Marsh Realty Company for the construction of 8,200 feet of water mains and 7 fire hydrants in Marsh Estates, at an estimated cost of $20,200.00, to serve residential property.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS IN COUNTRY CLUB LANE, AND IN MARSH ESTATES APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albies, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of new sanitary sewers in the following locations:

(a) 420 feet of sewer in Country Club Lane, at an estimated cost of $760.00, to serve 4 family units and 2 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City.

(b) 7,456 feet of sewer in Marsh Estates, at an estimated cost of $14,500.00 to serve 12 family units and 168 proposed units. All costs to be borne by the City, and applicant's deposit of $12,100.00 to be refunded in accordance with the contract.
FLAT OF MORNINGSIDE APARTMENTS, INC. APPROVED.

Councilman Jordan moved that the Flat of Morningside Apartments, Inc., be approved, as recommended by the Planning Board. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED IN HOPEDALE AVENUE AND SCOTLAND AVENUE.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, one 8-foot driveway entrance was authorized at 2028 Hope Dale Avenue and at 1410 Scotland Avenue.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MOTOR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT BUDGET AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Daughtry, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, authorizing the transfer of $12,500.00 to the Motor Transport Department Budget, Capital Outlay, Garbage Land Fill Road Machinery Account (Code 1511 G-25) from the following accounts:

- $4,000.00 from the Purchasing Department Budget (Code 1503 G-12)
- $2,250.00 from Motor Transport Dept. Equipment Depot (Code 1507)
- $5,250.00 from the Emergency Fund (Code 110)

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT AUTHORIZED TO T. P. FOWLER.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that a Special Officer Permit be issued to T. P. Fowler on the premises of Southern Bell Telephone Company. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS AUTHORIZED EXECUTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer to S. B. Hall of the east-half of Lot 86, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at a cost of $78.00.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, authorizing contracts for purchases as follows, and the allocation of funds therefor, if required:

(a) Contract with North Carolina Equipment Company for one tractor equipped with bulldozer blade, as specified, for the sum of $11,141.71.

(b) Contract with Elythe Bros. Company for construction of street improvements on various city streets, as specified, on a unit price basis, representing a total price of $52,375.50.

(c) Contract with Fred Blake, Building Contractor, for construction of shed at Mint-Museum of Art, as specified, at a bid price of $1,797.00.

(d) Contract with American Cyanamid Company, for 16,875-pounds of Sodium Fluoride, as specified, at $11.25 cent. f.o.b. shipping point, representing a total of $1,898.44.

UNFIT HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, submitted the following Quarterly Unfit Housing Progress Report:

- Number of housing units brought up to standard during period -220
- Number of housing units condemned - 65
- Number of owners cited for hearing - 16
- Number of housing units brought up to standard to date - 3,413.
- Number of housing units demolished to date - 305
LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS REPORTED.

The City Manager reported that leases had been concluded for the following Airport Buildings:

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REAPPOINTMENT OF W. T. COVINGTON TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Coddington and unanimously carried, Mr. W. T. Covington was reappointed to the Civil Service Commission for a period of three years, from the expiration of his present term of office on March 15th.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

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

RESOLUTION COMMENDING RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR ESTABLISHING AND OBSERVING NATIONAL DEFENSE WEEK, MAY 13TH TO 20TH, AND PLEDGING COOPERATION AND SUPPORT IN OBSERVANCE.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Commending Reserve Officers Association for Establishing and Observing National Defense Week, May 13th to 20th, and Pledging Cooperation and Support in Observance", was introduced and read by Councilman Coddington, who moved its adoption. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albee, and was unanimously adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 277.

FOUR DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES TO NEWLAND APARTMENTS PROJECT ON STATESVILLE ROAD AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, Two 22-foot driveway entrances on the south end of the housing project and Two 22-foot entrances on the north end, for parking areas in Newland Apartments Project on Statesville Road being developed by C. B. Spangler Company, were authorized.

TWO DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES TO NEWLAND APARTMENTS PROJECT ON STATESVILLE ROAD, AUTHORIZED FOR SERVICE ROAD.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing One 20-foot driveway entrance on Statesville Road and One 20-foot entrance on Newland Road, for service road to Newland Apartments Project, being constructed by C. B. Spangler Co.

BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADWAY AND BRIDGE EXTENDING HILLSIDE AVENUE TO PARK ROAD SCHOOL AUTHORIZED ADVERTISED.

Councilman Coddington moved that bids be authorized advertised for the construction of a roadway and bridge extending Hillside Avenue to Park Road School. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried.

NOTIFICATION OF DECONTROL OF RENTS, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 1950.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, presented a communication from Mr. Tighe E. Woods, National Housing Expediter, advising that the Resolution of the City Council of Charlotte requesting the decontrol of rents had been approved, to become effective May 1, 1950. The communication was ordered filed with the City Clerk.
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AND REPORT
GRADE CROSSING SURVEY MAP/ACCEPTED AND PAYMENT AUTHORIZED, AND PLANS FOR
EAST STONEWALL STREET UNDERPASS AUTHORIZED DRAWN BY FRANK MILLER, CONSULTING
ENGINEER.

The Report of Mr. Frank Miller, Constituting Engineer, Greensboro,
N. C., of the Grade Crossing Survey, as provided in contract dated July
22, 1949, was submitted to the City Council and accepted, and payment there-
for was authorized, as provided in said contract, following which Councilman
Goddington moved that Mr. Miller be authorized to proceed to draw detailed
plans for the East Stonewall Street Underpass (east side) at a price not to
exceed 3% of the estimated cost of said project; the plans to be delivered
to the City of Charlotte not later than between August 15th and 22nd.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MAY 17TH, 1950.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea,
and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, May 17th,
at 11 o'clock a.m.

[Signature]
City Clerk.