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 Monday, September 11, 1961, at 3 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Brookshire presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Bryant, Dellinger, Jordan, Smith, Thrower and Whittington present.

ABSENT: None.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Don G. Bryant.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on August 28, 1961, were approved as corrected changing the words "Elmwood Cemetery" to "Evergreen Cemetery" in the last line of the second item on Page 479 of the said Minutes.

FINAL REPORT ON PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE FILED BY CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING BOARD.

In the absence of Mr George Sibley, Chairman of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Board, Mr. Winifred Ervin, Board member, filed with the City Council the Final Report on the Proposed Zoning Ordinance, which he advised represented the results of 18 months work of the Board office staff. He advised that the required two formal hearings on the proposed ordinance were held, and 215 specific requests for changes in the ordinance and maps were considered individually by the Board. He expressed appreciation for the help from various agencies and associations given the Board in their endeavor to present a worthwhile proposal to the City, and stated, although the Board does not see the ordinance as a perfect instrument, it is a product they are proud of, and they feel the ordinance and maps will contribute to the growth of our city. Mr. Ervin offered their services in the Council's review and survey of the ordinance.

Mayor Brookshire expressed the sincere appreciation of the Council and the citizens to the Board and staff for the report, and states the Council will give it their serious consideration.

LOT OFFERED BY GEORGE GOODYEAR COMPANY FOR USE IN DEVELOPING A WALKWAY FROM FIRWOOD LAND TO COLLINS PARK ACCEPTED, AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF WALKWAY TO COLLINSWOOD SCHOOL.

In reply to the request of residents of Selwyn Park No. 9 that the City provide a walkway and footbridge over the ditch from Firwood Lane to Collins Park along an easement between the two residences at 4233 and 4237 Firwood Lane, the City Manager reported an inspection of the site with the Superintendent of the Park & Recreation Commission, reveals this is not a proper place for a walkway. That there is insufficient space between the two houses, steps would have to be built on a 15-ft.
Councilman Dellinger stated the residents of the area are not in favor of changing the zoning to B-1, and as the new zoning ordinance is before us, he thinks the Council should be fair and make it more acceptable to the residents by having the petitioner construct a screen or wall on the west side, which will provide the same benefit as under the new zoning ordinance.

Mr John A. McRea, Jr., stated his client, the petitioner, will be glad to erect any wall desired.

Councilman Whittington offered a substitute motion that the zoning be changed to B-1-A in lieu of B-1 and the petitioner be required to erect a brick wall on the west side of the property. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and carried. Councilman Smith stated he is abstaining from voting either way.

**CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS AUTHORIZED FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES FOR STREET RIGHT OF WAY FROM GREEN W. HOLSEY AND WM. P. ALLEN, FOR EAST 5TH AND EAST 6TH STREET CONNECTORS.**

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, condemnation proceedings were authorized for the acquisition of properties for street right of way for East 5th and East 6th Streets Connectors from Green W. Holsey and William P. Allen, at an estimated cost of $450.00 for each proceeding.

**CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS AUTHORIZED FOR ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR STREET RIGHT OF WAY FOR EAST 5TH AND EAST 6TH STREETS CONNECTORS FROM J.B. CARR ESTATE.**

Councilman Jordan moved that condemnation proceedings be authorized for the acquisition of land for street right of way for East 5th and East 6th Streets Connectors, from the J. B. Carr Estate, at an estimated cost of $450.00 for the proceedings. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

**PAYMENT AUTHORIZED FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR EAST 5TH AND EAST 6TH STREETS CONNECTORS.**

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing payment for right of way for East 5th and East 6th Streets Connectors, as follows:

- Mr G. Howard Webb $24,034.00
- Mr A. Z. Anders $8,640.00
- Mr Harold Pierce and wife $12,280.55

**CONFIRMATION OF SALE OF ONE ACRE TRACT OF LAND OPPOSITE HOSKINS FILTER PLANT TO MR CRAIG LAWING.**

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the sale at public auction of a One Acre Tract of Land opposite Hoskins Filter Plant to Mr Craig Lawing, at $7,490.00 was confirmed.
CONTRACTS AUTHORIZED FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried, contracts were authorized for the installation of water mains at the following locations:

(a) Contract with Green Oaks Apartments for the installation of 1,850-ft. of water mains and two hydrants, in the area north of Briar Creek Road and abutting on Commonwealth Avenue and Central Avenue, inside the city limits, at an estimated cost of $6,300.00. The City to finance all costs and applicant to guarantee an annual gross water revenue equal to 10% of the costs.

(b) Contract with Hidden Valley Builders, Inc., for the installation of 990 feet of water mains and one hydrant, in Hidden Valley Subdivision No. 4, inside the city limits, at an estimated cost of $3,250.00. The city to finance all costs and applicant to guarantee an annual gross water revenue equal to 10% of the costs.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, construction of sanitary sewer mains, with costs to be borne by the applicants, and deposit of the full amounts to be refunded as per terms of the contracts, was authorized at the following locations inside the city limits:

(a) Construction of 145-ft. of mains in Ross Avenue, at request of Doggett Lumber Company, at an estimated cost of $305.00.

(b) Construction of 1,020-ft. of mains in Windsor Drive, at request of Trotter & Allan Construction Co., at an estimated cost of $4,740.00.

(c) Construction of 187-ft. of mains in Chipola Drive, at request of Trotter & Allan Construction Company, at an estimated cost of $955.00.

(d) Construction of 350-ft. of mains in Ocracoke Avenue, at request of Mrs Dorothy K. Schoenith, at an estimated cost of $895.00.

(e) Construction of 600-ft. of mains in Pressley Road, at request of J. D. Little, at an estimated cost of $2,235.00.

(f) Construction of 2,550-ft. of mains in Darby Acres #4, at request of Griffin Development Corp., at an estimated cost of $8,775.00.

(g) Construction of 167-ft. of mains in Arden Street, at request of J. C. Warren, Jr. at an estimated cost of $850.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED NOLL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS IN PORTION OF THOMASBORO AND IN WESTCHESTER SUBDIVISION.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Noll Construction Company, for the construction of sanitary sewers in a portion of Thomasboro and in Westchester Subdivision, at a total bid price of $103,033.05.
The following bids were received:

- Noll Construction Company: $103,033.05
- C. D. Spangler Construction Co.: $107,134.20
- C. M. Allen & Co., Inc.: $108,267.95
- Ray D. Lowner, Inc.: $116,361.95
- Boyd & Goforth, Inc.: $124,938.40
- C. M. Gallant, Inc.: $126,463.31

**CONTRACT AWARDED CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR WIDENING OF BRIAR CREEK ROAD AND THRIFT ROAD.**

Councilman Whittington moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, Crowder Construction Company, for the widening of Briar Creek Road, from Monroe Road to the Dwight L. Phillips property towards Independence Boulevard, and of Thrift Road, from Freedom Drive to Tuckasegee Road, at a total bid price of $33,709.75. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

The following bids were received:

- Crowder Construction Company: $33,709.75
- T.A. Sherrill Construction Co.: $34,071.90
- Blythe Bros Company: $35,151.30

**RESOLUTIONS PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON OCTOBER 16TH TO CHANGE THE BUILDING ZONE MAPS OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE AND CHARLOTTE PERIMETER AREA.**

Motion was made by Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting Resolutions Providing for Public Hearings on October 16th on the following ordinances to change the Building Zone Maps of the City of Charlotte and Charlotte Perimeter Area:

- **(a)** Ordinance No. 45-Z. Change from Residence 2 to Business 1, the property located at 200-219 S. Torrence Street, in the City of Charlotte, being the property of Winchester Surgical Supply Co., Inc.

- **(b)** Ordinance No. 46-Z. Change from Residence 2 to Residence 3, the property bounded on East by Briar Creek Road, South by Waterloo Place, West by Briar Creek and North by Edwards Branch, in the City of Charlotte, being the property of D. L. Phillips Builder of N.C., Inc.

- **(c)** Ordinance No. 47-Z. Change from Residence 1 and Residence 2 to Business 1, the Two 62' lots at Northeast corner Central Avenue and Longfellow Street, in the City of Charlotte, being the property of James R. Purser.

- **(d)** Ordinance No. 48-Z. Change from Residence 2 to Business 1, the property located at 2528 Statesville Avenue, in the City of Charlotte, being the property of Mrs Edna D. Edmonds.

- **(e)** Ordinance No. 49-Z. Change from Rural to Business 1, property on the East side Airport Road between Ashley Circle and Jackson Drive, in the Charlotte Perimeter Area, being the property of A. T. Withrow.

- **(f)** Ordinance No. 50-Z. Change from Residence 1 to Residence 2 property on the west side Cheltenham Road between Tyng Way and Woodlark Lane, in the Charlotte Perimeter Area, being the property of Cedar Hills Inc., and Leon J. Kraft.

The resolutions are recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, beginning at Page 137.
TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

(a) Deed with Mr. D. C. Nesbit, Jr. for the east half of Lot 52-B, in Section D-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mrs. Rena M. Nesbit, at a cost of $3.00 for the transfer.

(b) Deed with Mrs. Myrtle Hinson Gallagher, for the north half of Lot 55, Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mrs. Z. A. Hinson, at a cost of $3.00 for the transfer.

CONTRACT AWARDED AMERICAN OIL COMPANY FOR ESTIMATED QUANTITY OF GASOLINE.

Councilman Thrower moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, American Oil Company, for estimated 725,000 gallons of regular and 67,000 gallons of Premium Grade Gasoline, in the amount of $149,788.98. Motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

The following bids were received:

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<td>American Oil Co.</td>
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<td>Cities Service Oil Co.</td>
<td>$154,782.20</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED THE PURE OIL COMPANY FOR MOTOR OIL.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, The Pure Oil Company, for 9,500 gallons Motor Oil as specified, in the amount of $4,786.15.

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<td>The Pure Oil Co.</td>
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<td>$5,119.57</td>
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<td>$5,289.05</td>
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<td>Cities Service Oil Co.</td>
<td>$5,026.68</td>
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<td>Sinclair Refining Co.</td>
<td>$6,448.44</td>
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<td>Humble Oil &amp; Refining Co.</td>
<td>$6,529.02</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR GEAR LUBRICANT.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger awarding contract to the low bidder, Shell Oil Company, for 7,400 lbs. Gear Lubricant, as specified, in the amount of $765.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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<td>Shell Oil Co.</td>
<td>$765.00</td>
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<td>The Pure Oil Co.</td>
<td>$909.58</td>
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<td>$1,141.66</td>
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<td>$1,151.07</td>
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<td>Cities Service Oil Co.</td>
<td>$1,170.46</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED THE PURE OIL COMPANY FOR CHASSIS LUBRICANT.

Upon motion of Councilman Bellinger, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the second low bidder, The Pure Oil Company, for 4,200 lbs. Chassis Lubricant, as specified, in the amount of $657.16. The low bid of Sinclair Refining Company was termed informal because bid supplement A was attached to bid.

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<td>$835.38</td>
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<td>$1,160.97</td>
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<td>Sinclair Refining Co.</td>
<td>$631.89</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED AMERICAN OIL COMPANY FOR KEROSENE.

Contract was awarded the low bidder, American Oil Company, for 11,800 gals. of kerosene, as specified, in the amount of $1,403.79 on motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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<td>$1,405.00</td>
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<td>The Pure Oil Co.</td>
<td>$1,417.84</td>
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<td>Sinclair Refining Co.</td>
<td>$1,445.11</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY FOR NO. 2 FUEL OIL.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Cities Service Oil Company, for 130,000 gallons of No. 2 Fuel Oil, as specified, in the amount of $14,059.50.

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<td>Sinclair Refining Co.</td>
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<td>Gulf Oil Co.</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED CITIES SERVICE OIL COMPANY FOR DIESEL FUEL.

Councilman Whittington moved award of contract to the low bidder, Cities Service Oil Company, in the amount of $5,515.65 for 51,000 gallons Diesel Fuel, as specified. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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<td>$5,515.65</td>
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<td>Sinclair Refining Co.</td>
<td>$5,641.72</td>
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<td>The Pure Oil Co.</td>
<td>$5,711.79</td>
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<td>American Oil Co.</td>
<td>$5,778.30</td>
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CONTRACT AWARDED AMERICAN OIL COMPANY FOR HYDRAULIC LIFT OIL.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, American Oil Company, for 1,800 gallons Hydraulic Lift Oil, as specified, in the amount of $704.52.

The following bids were received:

- American Oil Co. $ 704.52
- The Pure Oil Co. $ 732.57
- Cities Service Oil Co. $ 996.95
- Sinclair Refining Co. $ 1,046.52
- Gulf Oil Co. $ 1,051.74
- Humble Oil & Refining Co. $ 1,175.04

CONTRACT AWARDED ATLANTIC ALUMINUM & METAL DISTRIBUTORS, INC. FOR SHEET ALUMINUM.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Atlantic Aluminum & Metal Distributors, Inc. for 275 sheets of aluminum as specified, for Traffic Engineering Dept. in the amount of $7,603.89.

The following bids were received:

- Atlantic Aluminum & Metal Distributors, Inc. $ 7,603.89
- Carolina Culvert & Metal Div. $ 8,290.16
- National Safety Engineers, Inc. $ 8,431.69
- Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp. $ 8,572.82
- Aluminum Company of America $ 8,720.02
- Hubbell Metals, Inc. $ 9,109.27

ACTION ON PURCHASE OF SCOTCHLITE MATERIAL DEFERRED ONE WEEK.

The City Manager advised that the Purchasing Agent and Traffic Engineer recommend the award of contract for Scotchlite Material to the only bidder, Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company, at their bid price of $7,091.55.

Councilman Whittington stated he has had suppliers in Charlotte tell him they have never been given an opportunity to bid. The City Manager stated requests for bids are published in one of our newspapers, and invitations are sent to out-of-town companies who would not see the published notice. That in regard to the Scotchlite material, the City has had local suppliers in the past bid on the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company material; that he does not know what may have happened as this seems to be the only company now bidding. He stated that the cost of the material has dropped since receiving bids only from the manufacturer. Mayor Brookshire asked if there are any other manufacturers of this material; and the City Manager replied he does not know, but is under the impression that Scotchlite is the trade name of the material manufactured by Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company, and he suggested that action be deferred one week, and he will check into the matter.
RESOLUTION APPROVING UNDERTAKING OF SURVEYS AND PLANS FOR AN URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT AND OF FILING AN APPLICATION FOR ADVANCE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR PHASE NO. 2 OF THE PROJECT.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of a resolution entitled: "Resolution Approving Undertaking of Surveys and Plans for an Urban Renewal Project and of Filing an Application" authorizing the Redevelopment Commission to go ahead with plans and file an application for Federal Funds for Phase No. 2 of the project, which consists of a 43 acre tract of slum area bounded by East 4th Street, McDowell Street, Independence Boulevard, Davidson Street and Alexander Street, excepting the block bounded by East 4th, Myers, East 3rd and Alexander Streets. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower and carried by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Dellinger, Jordan, Smith, Thrower and Whittington.
NAYS: Councilman Bryant.

Councilman Dellinger stated he wants it understood this does not obligate the City spending any money.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, beginning at Page 143.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE COST OF REWORKING UNUSED GATES AT ELMWOOD CEMETERY SEVENTH STREET ENTRANCE FOR USE AT THE SIXTH STREET ENTRANCE, AND TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE THE WALK-WAY ENTRANCE TO CEMETERY FROM SEVENTH STREET.

The City Manager reported the cost is estimated at $1,250.00 for reworking and installing at Elmwood Cemetery Sixth Street entrance the unused wrought iron gates presently at the Seventh Street entrance, as suggested by Councilman Bryant at the last meeting. He stated they will be reworked into a 33-foot double swing gate with two 10-inch square tubing posts, 6 feet 7 inches high. It was suggested that an iron works would rework the gates at a cheaper price, and Councilman Bryant advised these gates were made by Mecklenburg Iron Works.

At the suggestion of Mayor Brookshire, the City Manager was requested to further investigate the matter, and give Council a report of his findings.

Councilman Whittington moved that the walk-way entrance to Elmwood Cemetery from East Seventh Street be closed permanently. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST THAT BUS STOP RELOCATED AT WEST TRADE STREET NEAR POPULAR STREET BE RETURNED TO FORMER LOCATION NEAR BUS STATION AND PINE STREET, DENIED.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, the requested return of the Bus Stop, relocated on West Trade Street near Poplar Street, to its former location near the Bus Station and Pine Street was denied upon the recommendation of the Traffic Engineer, who reported the Bus Stop was relocated in April since there was a second Stop near the Bus Station between Pine and Graham Streets and none near Poplar Street and the Stop interfered with traffic movement and had little passenger travel. That the City Coach Company favored the change, rather than have two Stops in one block, and that it has proved most satisfactory.
UNUSABLE TRACT OF EVERGREEN CEMETARY PROPERTY AUTHORIZED TRANSFERRED TO PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT INTO NEIGHBORHOOD PARK PROVIDED FENCE IS ERECTED ON WEST SIDE ADJOINING CEMETARY PROPER.

The City Manager reported that residents of Sheffield Subdivision have requested permission to use a portion of Evergreen Cemetery property for park purposes, which they will improve and the City retain title. He advised an investigation disclosed the area, consisting of 7.89 acres, is unsuitable for cemetery purposes and will never be used for this purpose; that the Park & Recreation Commission has agreed to accept the property, with the City retaining a 40-ft. right of way, and they will work with the residents towards developing the tract into a neighborhood park, which is badly needed.

Councilman Bryant moved that the property be transferred to the Park and Recreation Commission as recommended since the land is unsuitable for cemetery purposes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, provided the park area is separated from the Cemetery proper by a substantial fence. He expressed strong objections to the possible encroachment into the cemetery of persons visiting the park. The City Manager stated he does not know if the Park & Recreation Commission can furnish the fence from their current budget.

Councilman Whittington asked that the motion be amended to include the transfer of the property is subject to it being fenced in. The amendment was accepted by Councilmen Bryant and Albea.

The City Manager suggested that the deed provide that the tract be fenced as soon as the Park & Recreation Commission has funds available, or that the City have a cheap fence erected now.

Councilman Jordan offered a substitute motion that the City Manager check with the Park & Recreation Commission to see if they will furnish and erect the fence on the west side of the park tract and if not, that an estimate of the cost to the City be obtained and reported to Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried.

CONFERENCE REQUESTED WITH JUDGE P.B. BEACHUM, JR. RELATIVE TO HIS RECOMMENDATION AS TO ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAFFIC COURT, AND WITH ARCHITECT FOR REPORT AS TO POSSIBLE LOCATION OF COURT.

Councilman Whittington requested that a meeting be arranged with Judge P.B. Beachum, Jr. for a discussion of the proposed establishment of a Traffic Court, and that the Architect be present to report on a possible location for the Court.

STATUS OF PROPOSED UNFIT HOUSING CODE REQUESTED.

Councilman Whittington asked about the present status of the proposed Unfit Housing Code which the City Manager stated would be given immediate attention by the new City Attorney, Mr. Morrisey.

Mr Morrisey advised he has been working on the Code with Mr. McMillan, Supt. of the Building Inspection Department; that he found the Code as drawn exceeded the provisions of the state enabling legislation, therefore, it must be redrafted, and that it will have precedent over other matters. He advised further that other cities which have workable codes have been contacted and will be visited to obtain information regarding the provisions of their Code.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF VOTING MACHINES RECEIVED AS INFORMATION.

Councilman Thrower reported that he and Councilman Albea, members of the Council Voting Machine Committee, met with other Committee members and after studying the question of the establishment of voting machines in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, agreed that the City and County should split the cost of the machines used within the city limits, with the City paying 1/3 of the original cost of the machines and the county paying 2/3, the City’s portion being $88,000.00.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the report be received as information, which was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

STATUS OF PETITION OF RESIDENTS OF BROOKHURST DRIVE FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS REQUESTED.

Councilman Jordan asked about the status of the petition from residents of Brookhurst Drive for street improvements, for which they are willing to pay.

The City Attorney stated the petition was referred to him by the Engineering Department to draw the necessary papers for Council approval and on last Friday he was requested by the Department to defer preparing the papers as there may be a change in plans, and he will give it his attention as soon as it is cleared by the Department.

COUNCIL ADVISED NO FINAL DECISION AS TO LOCATION OF NEW RUNWAY AT AIRPORT WILL BE MADE BEFORE DISCUSSION BETWEEN AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Councilman Jordan asked when the new runway will be constructed at the Airport, which the members of Steele Creek Presbyterian Church are disturbed about as it is suppose to come within 1000 feet of the Church.

The City Manager advised he is not sure at this time as to whether the runway will be located as stated by the Church Board members. That the Airport Advisory Committee will not know until they hear further from Mr. Buckley, Consultant, and at any rate the matter will be thoroughly discussed with Council prior to any final decision.

DEFERMENT OF ENFORCEMENT DATE OF PEDESTRIAN ORDINANCE REQUESTED BY DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION.

Councilman Smith stated he is under the impression that the Pedestrian Ordinance was to become effective October 15th, and if this date is correct, then plans should be worked out with the Downtown Association as to what will be done about enforcement. He read a resolution adopted by the Association in meeting on September 11th asking that rigid enforcement be postponed indefinitely and that a public educational program be established, and additional Walk and Don’t Walk signs be erected at intersections. He stated he has checked with the Police Department, who has worked with the Safety Council on the question, and they have ordered posters and educational literature. He suggested that maybe the enforcement date should be changed to a more realistic one. Councilman Albea expressed the opinion that a definite date should be fixed and stuck to, however, he is willing to defer the October 15th effective date for a while.
INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHT NEAR 518-525 OAKLAND AVENUE AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Dellinger advised that several weeks ago a street light was requested installed in the 500 block of Oakland Avenue; that Duke Power went out to install it and one person in the block objected, and it was not installed. That Police Department records show there is much stealing of hub caps, broken window panes and similar offenses in the neighborhood and the residents need the protection of a street light. He moved that a street light be installed in the 500 block of Oakland Avenue, near 518-525. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

CHARLES AVENUE AUTHORIZED OPENED TO WHITING AVENUE.

Councilman Whittington called attention that two weeks ago the construction of a temporary sidewalk was authorized on Charles Avenue, from Clemson Avenue to Whiting Avenue, in lieu of opening the street to Whiting Avenue to provide egress and ingress to Highland School as requested on July 17th. He stated the parents must take their children to school by car, as there is no other way for them to get there, and he has been told that the School Board will next year send children from Plaza Road to Highland School and the need for the street opening will be essential. He advised that he thinks the street should be opened at this time, and moved that the Engineering Department be instructed to open Charles Avenue to Whiting Avenue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT ON VARIOUS ITEMS.

The City Manager was requested to investigate and report on the following items:

(1) Complaint of residents of the southern section of the city to Councilman Thrower as to bad odors and they wish to know if the present disposal plant is overloaded and not able to operate efficiently and if the new addition will take care of the situation.

(2) Needed street repairs on Connecticut Avenue and Cardill Avenue in the Shamrock area, reported to Councilman Albea.

(3) Progress report on work on East 5th and Est 6th Streets extension and date contract will be let, requested by Councilman Whittington, who stated he was under the impression that the work would be completed this year.

(4) Removal of Weeds and undergrowth from sidewalk area on Parkway Avenue, Norwood Drive, Shamrock Drive, Eastway Drive, in front of Charlottetown Mall and in the new section of Tuckasegee Road, requested by Councilman Whittington, and in the 2000 block of North Graham Street, requested by Councilman Dellinger.

In this connection, Councilman Dellinger stated he thinks another crew should be put on to take care of the weed situation.

(5) Report on request of Councilman Whittington some three months ago that improvements be made to Tillman Road, which is still in a bad condition.

(6) Report requested by Councilman Whittington on when the traffic light will be installed at Rozzells Ferry Road and Judson Street.
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(7) Check on report that four dogs at 931 Romany Road are disturbing the rest of residents by their barking, requested by Councilman Thrower.

(8) Suggestion by Councilman Jordan that Mayor Brookshire declare a special Clean-Up Week prior to the opening of the Trade Fair on October 12th, in order that a good impression of our city be made on the many visitors to the Fair from out of state.

(9) Obtain recommendation from the Traffic Engineer as to some method whereby cars can get out into South Boulevard from Greystone and Belton Streets, because of heavy traffic, at request of Councilman Smith.

(10) Erection of street light at Normandy Road at Roswell Avenue, where a 90-degree turn in the street exists, making it extremely dangerous, requested by Councilman Smith.

(11) Request of owner of Myers Park Beauty Salon for an additional weekly garbage pick-up, as the present two pick-ups do not take care of their accumulation, reported by Councilman Smith.

(12) Traffic Engineer requested by Councilman Dellinger to erect speed limit signs in 700, 800 and 900 blocks of East Park Avenue, on which speed of cars is reported excessive.

(13) Take up with Mr. Brandes of Ambulance Service, the report to Councilman Dellinger that invalids visiting doctors offices by ambulance are being charged $12.50 each way, and see if a special rate or some consideration cannot be worked out, as these people cannot afford such fare and do not want to become charity on the city, and they must receive doctor's attention.

(14) Have shrubbery cut on Robin Road, and give report on the street right of way, requested by Councilman Dellinger who advised he filed with the City Manager last year the request of the five residents of the street that it be opened, from Sharon-Amity Road one block, and improved. He stated further the residents have had the street gravelled.

(15) Check into reduction of speed limit on Independence Boulevard, requested by Councilman Dellinger, who stated people in area are much concerned over the speed limit being raised to 45 miles per hour.

(16) Construct a pedestrian walk with handrail on bridge under construction near Chantilly School, for use by school children, requested by Councilman Dellinger.

(17) Report on request for the construction of a temporary sidewalk on the right side of Arnold Drive and Draper Avenue, reported to Councilman Albea as badly needed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk