

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, June 7, 1950, at 11 o'clock a.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Aitken, Albea, Boyd, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on May 31st, were approved as submitted.

FRANCHISE GRANTED E. R. BAKER TO OPERATE TAXICAB COMPANY.

Mr. E. R. Baker, and his attorney, Mr. W. C. Davis, again requested that permission be granted Mr. Baker to withdraw his five taxicabs from the Red Top Cab Company and operate his own cab company. It was stated that two-way radio system will be installed in the cabs, that Mr. Baker will establish a headquarters for the Company and that he will in every way operate under the provisions of the City's Taxicab Ordinance.

Following the discussion, Councilman Coddington moved that a franchise be granted Mr. Baker to operate his own Cab Company with five cabs at the present time, subject to the provisions of the Taxicab Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

ALL BIDS REJECTED ON FIFTY METAL WASTE RECEPTACLES.

Councilman Daughtry moved that all bids received on Fifty Metal Waste Receptacles be rejected, and the purchase of Wire Receptacles, similar to those used in New York City, be investigated. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

Mr. Sidney Croft, representing the Janitors Supply Company of Charlotte, urged that the Metal Receptacle be purchased, as, in his opinion, it would not only provide a neater appearance on the City's streets but would serve the best interest of the city.

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR USE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was authorized renewed with the State of North Carolina for the use of 21 buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport, together with the joint usage of runways, taxiways and airport facilities by the N. C. National Guard Air Forces, for the period July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951, at a monthly rental of \$700.00.

STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following streets to be taken over for maintenance:

- (a) McArthur Street, from Mattoon Street to Carmel Street.
- (b) Edgefield Court, from Carmel Street to McArthur Street.
- (c) Carmel Street, from Edgefield Court to dead-end 75-foot north of McArthur Street.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of new sanitary sewers at the following locations:

- (a) 1207-feet of sewer in Druid Circle North and Marshall Street, at an estimated cost of \$3,190.00, to serve 16 family units and 13 vacant lots.
- (b) 100-feet of sewer in Lee Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$170.00, to serve one family unit and one vacant lot.
- (c) 620-feet of sewer in Rockway Drive, at an estimated cost of \$1,120.00, to serve 6 family units and 4 vacant lots.
- (d) 314-feet of 8-inch sewer in Cypress Street, at an estimated cost of \$560.00, to serve 4 family units and 1 vacant lot.
- (e) 521-feet of sewer in Shuman Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$1,120.00, to serve 6 buildings and 3 vacant lots.
- (f) 997-feet of sewer and 1413-feet of trunk sewer in Mathis Drive and Rogers Street, at an estimated cost of \$5,660.00, to serve 25 vacant lots. Applicant's deposit of entire cost to be refunded in accordance with the terms of the contract.
- (g) 106-feet of sewer in Monroe Road, at an estimated cost of \$280.00, to serve a service station and 3 vacant lots.
- (h) 749-feet of sewer in Ardsley Road and Coniston Place, at an estimated cost of \$1,330.00, to serve 12 vacant lots.

CONTRACT WITH STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACROSS ALBEMARLE ROAD FOR WATER MAINS CONSTRUCTION.

Councilman Coddington moved that contract be authorized with the State Highway & Public Works Commission for right-of-way across Albemarle Road (N.C. Highway No. 27) for the construction of a 6-inch water main by the City near Revel Street. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH SEABOARD AIRLINE RAILWAY COMPANY FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION IN HOSKINS AREA.

Upon motion of Councilman Daughtry, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, contract was authorized with the Seaboard Airline Railway Company for right-of-way over the Company's property for the construction of water mains by the City in the Hoskins area.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Aitken, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of driveway entrances at the following locations:

- (a) One 10-foot driveway entrance at 1907 Lee Avenue.
- (b) One 8-foot entrance at 1404 Kemson Street.
- (c) One 18-foot and One 22-foot driveway entrances at 1404 Kemson Street.
- (d) One 11-foot driveway entrance at 1404 Kemson Street.
- (e) One 11-foot driveway entrance at 1404 Kemson Street.
- (f) One 11-foot driveway entrance at 1404 Kemson Street.
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SUBDIVISION PLATS APPROVED.

Councilman Albea moved approval of the following subdivision plats, as recommended by the Planning Board. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Plat of part of Country Club Hills Subdivision, located on Marshall Boulevard, being the property of Charles C. Ervin and wife, 3110 Rozzells Ferry Road.
- (b) Plat of Westwood Apartments, Inc., being the property of C. D. Spangler.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, contracts were authorized for purchases with the following companies:

- (a) Contract with Colonial Roofing & Construction Company, for renovating and redecorating a portion of the interior of the Mint Museum of Art, as specified, for the sum of \$2,386.00.
- (b) Contract with Crowder Construction Company, for supplementary contract to contract dated March 1, 1950, covering street improvements, on a unit price basis, representing a total amount of \$2,170.37.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

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

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE AT 2124 SOUTH BOULEVARD APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the construction of a 30-foot driveway entrance at 2124 South Boulevard was authorized.

APPOINTMENT OF MESSRS. GUTHERY AND CHAPMAN TO THE CHARLOTTE PLANNING BOARD.

Councilman Aitken moved the appointment of Mr. Paul Guthery and Mr. R. L. Chapman to the Charlotte Planning Board, for three year terms beginning June 5, 1950. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER AUTHORIZED TO HAVE SURVEY MADE OF IMPORTANT STREETS TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BUILDING SETBACK LINES.

Mayor Shaw called attention to the importance of establishing setback lines on congested streets, now that a Building Setback Ordinance has been adopted. He stated he feels it is timely that a survey be made at this time before additional permanent buildings are erected at the present street lines.

Following the discussion, Councilman Coddington moved that the City Manager be authorized to organize a Survey Party for this work immediately. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CITY ATTORNEY DIRECTED TO ADVISE RELATIVE TO CITY'S RIGHT TO ESTABLISH TAXICAB RATES FROM AIRPORT INTO CITY.

The present taxicab fares from Douglas Municipal Airport to points within the city limits was discussed, it being stated that many cases of excessive fares having been charged has been reported. Mr. Yancey, City Manager, advised that the City's contract with Eastern Airlines, Inc., gives them the right to designate their carrier from the Airport into the City of Charlotte. The Council directed the City Attorney to investigate and advise as to whether the City may establish the taxicab fare from the Airport into the City.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Aitken, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lucian R. Hayman
City Clerk