

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, May 21, 1952, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Dellinger, Jordan and Van Every present.

Absent: Councilman Coddington.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 7th and Joint Meetings with the County Commissioners on May 7th and 9th were approved as submitted.

ATTORNEY FOR QUEEN CITY CAB COMPANY ADVISED TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE TAXICABS FROM EXISTING OWNERS AND REQUEST TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

Mr. Charles V. Bell, Attorney, requested that a decision be given his request for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the operation of the Queen City Cab Company.

Councilman Boyd stated that the Council does not wish to increase the number of cabs for which certificates have been issued and asked if the Queen City Cab Company officials has contacted existing Cab Companies relative to the purchase of cabs not now in operation, which the Council understands are for sale. Mr. Bell advised that the Company did not want to purchase any cabs without assurance that Certificates will be granted for their operation.

Councilman Van Every advised that the objection to the issuance of additional certificates is that cabs are now standing idle and advised Mr. Bell that there was no reason for his having any trouble securing the transfer of the Certificates on cabs already licensed.

Councilman Boyd advised Mr. Bell to endeavor to purchase 15 of the 20 cabs that Mr. Beaty of Red Top Cab Company stated were for sale.

Mr. Bell stated he would attempt to negotiate with the Cab Companies and would again appear before Council next week with the proposal he is able to work out with the said companies.

REQUEST FOR LIGHTING ON REMOUNT AVENUE REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER.

Mrs. Mary Hairston advised that four residences on Remount Avenue are wired for electricity but Duke Power Company has been unable to furnish same, and has advised that the lighting may be secured if the City will provide a right-of-way for a pole line from the highway to Remount Avenue. The matter was referred to the City Manager for investigation and report at the next Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION ABANDONING CITY'S INTEREST IN STREETS SOUTH AND EAST OF PARK STREET (PRESENTLY KNOWN AS JEFF STREET) AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 3, PAGE 357 IN 1927, AND AT PAGE 553 IN 1930, IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Abandoning City's Interest in Streets South and East of Park Street (Presently known as Jeff Street) As Recorded in Map Book 3, Page 357 in 1927 and at Page 553 in 1930, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County" was presented by Mr. Frank McCleneghan, Attorney for Mr. David Clark and wife, Aileen B. Clark, successors to the Thrift Plan Realty Company. Following the reading of the resolution, Councilman Van Every moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 482.

REVENUE ORDINANCE LEVYING, ASSESSING, IMPOSING AND DEFINING THE LICENSE AND PRIVILEGE TAXES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1952 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1953.

An ordinance entitled, "Revenue Ordinance Levying, Assessing, Imposing and Defining the License and Privilege Taxes of the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1952 through June 30, 1953" was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Baxter was unanimously adopted. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Pages 233 and 234.

RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR WIDENING AND EXTENSION OF WEST FIFTH STREET AUTHORIZED ACQUIRED AND PAYMENTS MADE FROM EXISTING STREET BOND FUNDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the City Manager and City Attorney were instructed to acquire the following listed property for rights-of-way for the widening and extension of West Fifth Street, and payments were authorized made from street bond funds now on hand:

Rachel F. & Fred C. Chastain	\$3,500.00	808-10 West 5th Street
B. F. Hager & Jane Y. Hager	2,000.00	812-14 West 5th Street
Edith H. Autry & S. G. Autry	4,000.00	816-18 West 5th Street
V. H. Davey & W. L. Davey, Jr.	3,000.00	820-22 West 5th Street
Mrs. Hattie Solomon and Mutual Building & Loan Association	3,500.00	824-42 West 5th Street
John W. Sheppard	2,500.00	908 West 5th Street
Isabel I. Graham	5,200.00	910-14 West 5th Street
Nomy J. Koury	2,000.00	913-15 West 5th Street
H. Morrison Irwin, Jr.	5,600.00	916-22 West 5th Street
A. Josephs & Louise Josephs	3,200.00	917-19 West 5th Street
J. D. Auten and First Federal Savings & Loan Association	1,000.00	Property at southeast corner of West 5th St. and Irwin Ave.
Sarah A. & Rebecca Kirschbaum	1,000.00	813-15 West 5th Street
E. Jerry & Violet S. Fox	3,500.00	817-19 West 5th Street
C. R. & Mabel V. Willmann	2,000.00	122-126 N. Clarkson Street
Charles E. & Grace H. Bloom	3,500.00	Southwesterly corner of North Clarkson & West 5th Streets.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT WITH TRIANGLE DEVELOPMENT & SALES COMPANY FOR WATER LINE IN NATION FORD HOMES SUBDIVISION AUTHORIZED AND CONTRACT APPROVED ON MAY 7th RESCINDED.

Motion was made by Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, rescinding action on May 7th approving contract with Triangle Development & Sales Company for water line in Nation Ford Homes Subdivision, and authorizing a Supplemental Contract with the said Company, to contract dated January 30, 1952, for the construction of 1,750 feet of main in Nation Ford Homes Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$4,375.00, to serve residential property on Choyce Avenue; all cost to be borne by the applicant who will dedicate the mains to the City upon completion and waive all tapping fees.

NAME OF "A" AVENUE CHANGED TO JUNE STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the name of "A" Avenue was changed to June Street, as requested by property owners and recommended by the City Engineer and Planning Board to eliminate the duplication of street names.

CONTRACT WITH STATE HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY IN WILKINSON BOULEVARD FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WATER LINE.

Councilman Boyd moved that contract be authorized with the State Highway and Public Works Commission for right-of-way for the City to install a 12 inch water main in the north side of Wilkinson Boulevard, beginning at the city limits in the center line of Ashley Road, and extending westward for approximately 7,900 feet to the east side of Mulberry Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

**CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS IN DRUID CIRCLE NORTH AND BEVERLY PLACE AND SIMPSON DRIVE, APPROVED.**

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the construction of sanitary sewer mains at the following locations was authorized:

- (a) 411 feet of sewer main in Druid Circle North, at an estimated cost of \$1,000.00 to serve 6 family units and 5 vacant lots, at the request of Bob Allen Agency. All costs to be borne by the City,
- (b) 830 feet of sewer main in Beverly Place and Simpson Drive, at an estimated cost of \$1,970.00 to serve 11 family units and 2 vacant lots, at request of Joe W. Wiggins & Sons. All costs to be borne by the City.

**CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES APPROVED.**

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

- (a) One 12 ft. and One 14 ft. entrance at 219 W. Morehead St.
- (b) One 8 ft. entrance at 1326 Carlton Avenue.
- (c) One 20 ft. entrance on Lynwood Drive for 1900 Sterling Road.
- (d) One 11 ft. entrance at 743 West Trade Street.
- (e) One 10 ft. entrance at 1120 S. Caldwell Street and One 10 ft. entrance at 1103 S. Boulevard, both for Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church.

**LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.**

The City Manager reported that leases covering the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport have been concluded:

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE
227	J. C. Critcher, Inc.	\$50.00	5-1-52 month to month
80	Morris Field M. E. Church	1.00 per yr.	4-1-52 1 year renewal
107	Morris Field M. E. Church	1.00 per yr.	4-16-52 1 year renewal
244	Franklin-Morgan Company	47.05	5-1-52 1 year renewal
252	Franklin-Morgan Company	22.50	5-1-52 1 year renewal
353	W. M. P. Industries	12.50	4-16-52 1 year renewal
354	W. M. P. Industries	5.00	4-16-52 1 year renewal
285	W. M. P. Industries	77.00	4-16-52 1 year renewal
74	Southern Airways, Inc.	1.80	3-1-52 1 year renewal
246	The Justis Company	26.25	1-15-52 1 year renewal
59	Carolina School Supply	27.32	4-15-52 1 year renewal
287	Wingate Mfg. Company	25.44	4-16-52 1 year renewal
257	Charlotte 7-Up Bottling Co.	30.00	5-1-52 1 year renewal
286	National Welders Supply	54.00	4-16-52 1 year renewal
292	S. H. Kirkpatrick	30.00	12-1-51 1 year renewal
265	S. H. Kirkpatrick	52.50	12-1-51 1 year renewal

**TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.**

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

- (a) Deed to E. R. Jones, for north half of Lot 87, in Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.
- (b) Deed to John H. Leitch, for south half of Lot 87, in Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.

NAME OF PROPOSED CITY AUDITORIUM CHANGED FROM OVENS HALL TO OVENS AUDITORIUM.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the name of the proposed city auditorium was changed from Ovens Hall to Ovens Auditorium, as recommended by the Auditorium-Coliseum Building Committee.

PETITION FOR STREET LIGHT AT CORNER OF STATE STREET AND LIMA AVENUE REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER.

A petition, signed by thirty-two residents of State Street and vicinity, requesting the installation of a street light at the corner of State Street and Lima Avenue, was presented by Councilman Dellinger, who requested that it be given attention. The request was referred to Mr. Yancey, City Manager for investigation and installation if needed.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hoffman  
City Clerk

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