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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, November 6, 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 Dr Lee Stoffell, Minister of First Presbyterian Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council on October 30, 1961 were approved as submitted.

RESOLUTION OFFERING SERVICES TO COUNTRY, STATE AND COMMUNITY OFFERED BY MECKLENBURG COUNTY BARRACKS NO. 467 - VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I.

Mr George D. Byrd stated he and Mr R. J. McRae were appointed at the regular meeting of the Mecklenburg County Barracks No. 467 - Veterans of World War I, to present the following resolution to Council:

WHEREAS, we are in the midst of a world crisis, and

WHEREAS, the temper of the people is such that some minor incident may be the beginning of a Third World War, and

WHEREAS, the Veterans of World War I know the horror of war, having served in one or more wars and having watched our sons and loved ones leave to fight in World War II and the Korean War, and

WHEREAS, our present average age is approaching sixty-seven years and we realize we can no longer stand the rigors of the battlefield, and

WHEREAS, we feel the next war will be fought with nuclear weapons and the side which strikes first will have a decided advantage in as much as whole communities may be wiped out with one bomb, and

WHEREAS, we feel that preparedness and morale will be the determining factors in winning the next war and it is our considered opinion that a strong Civil Defense program will be the means of saving many lives and home maintaining morale, and

WHEREAS, due to our past experience and advanced years, we will not be subject to hysteria and panic, and

WHEREAS, we know our days are few and any sacrifice we may make will benefit our children and our children's children and possibly save our democratic way of life.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we offer our services to our Country, Our State, and Our Community by volunteering to aid in Civil Defense or any other capacity needed.

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Fifteenth District Commander and the North Carolina Department Commanders as evidence of approval of the action taken by these bodies in recent regular meetings.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the resolution was accepted.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZED TO W. D. FLINTOM AND WIFE FOR BUILDINGS AND LAND ON E. TENTH STREET ACQUIRED AS RIGHT OF WAY FOR NORTHWEST EXPRESSWAY.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and un-animously carried, payment of \$3,800.00 was authorized to Mr W. D. Flintom and wife, Frances B. for 8,460 sq. ft. of land and three frame buildings located at 916-918 East Tenth Street, acquired for Northwest Expressway.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZED TO DAVIS & DAVIS REALTY COMPANY FOR RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH SEVERAL PROJECTS.

Councilman Whittington moved that payment of \$105.00 be authorized to Davis and Davis Realty Company for right of way services in connection with Taggart Creek Outfall - \$65.00, Marble Street Trunk - \$20.00 and Hawthorne Lane Sewer Extension - \$20.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower and unanimously carried.

PAYMENTS AUTHORIZED FOR SANITARY SEWER RIGHTS OF WAY.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, payments were authorized made the following persons in connection with the following projects:

TAGGART CREEK OUTFALL

Mary Sophie Sloan Marshall & husband, Frank L. Marshall	
Donald Ryne Sloan	
Elizabeth Sloan	
Allen Barry Sloan and wife, Charlotte F. Sloan	
	\$ 690.07

HAWTHORNE LANE SEWER EXTENSION

Barnhardt Manufacturing Company	\$ 25.00
Total	\$ 715.07

PAYMENT AUTHORIZED TO MR & MRS FRANK N. HILL FOR DIRT FILL ENCROACHMENT IN CONNECTION WITH CONSTRUCTION OF SENECA PLACE BRIDGE.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, authorizing approval of payment of \$85.00 to Mr & Mrs Frank N. Hill, 4800 Valley Stream Road, for dirt fill encroachment in connection with construction of Seneca Place Bridge.

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CONTRACT AWARDED FERGUSON GRADING COMPANY FOR BACKFILLING ROCK QUARRY ON CITY PROPERTY NEAR EMORYWOOD DRIVE.

Councilman Dellinger moved that contract be awarded the only bidder, Ferguson Grading Company, for backfilling the abandoned Rock Quarry on city property near Emorywood Drive (formerly Reid Road), at their total bid price of \$3,000.00 for the estimated 4,000 cubic yards. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED HERSEY-SPARLING METER COMPANY FOR DISPLACEMENT TYPE COLD-WATER METERS FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Hersey-Sparling Meter Company, for 4,000 - 5/8-inch Displacement Type Coldwater Meters, at their total bid price of \$113,712.00.

The following bids were received:

Hersey-Sparling Meter Company	\$113,712.00
Neptune Meter Company	114,206.40
Rockwell Mfg. Company	114,371.20
Gamon Meter Div.- Worthington Corp.	116,019.20
Badger Meter Mfg. Company	116,390.00

Councilman Thrower stated he would like to see the specifications written to include bids on the sealed type meters and he moved that in the future specifications for water meters be written so that bids may be received on both the regular type meter and the sealed type. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

At the question of Councilman Whittington as to how long tests on the different meters were going to be made, Mr. Franklin, Supt. of Water Department advised the Council was referring to the magnetic type meters and only one manufacturer is now making this meter. Also, that it would take a different type specification; that all manufacturers are not in a position to bid on the magnetic type. He stated further that the Water Department is not too sold on the accelerated type; that they have completed one series of test and have begun a second series - they are now running a competitive type, and they would like to complete the test which will take about six months.

Councilman Dellinger requested Mr Franklin to advise the Council prior to letting the next bids and write the specifications so that all magnetic type meters are included.

REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT WOODLAND DRIVE AND INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD DENIED AND TRAFFIC ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATIONS AUTHORIZED ON A 90-DAY TRIAL BASES.

Mr Veeder, City Manager, stated at the request of Council for a Traffic Signal at Woodland Drive and Independence Blvd, Mr Hoose, Traffic Engineer, has made a further study and presented his recommendations in the form of a memorandum to the City Manager in which he stated the installation of a traffic signal can have an adverse effect on traffic; that it is common knowledge that isolated signalized intersections increase accidents and he would therefore recommend that the signal not be installed. He stated the Traffic Engineer recommends that the drives be signed for "in" traffic only and traffic not enter Independence Boulevard from the shopping center at this

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location, but use the driveways to Pierson Drive, then to the intersection of Pierson Drive and Independence Boulevard, where a signal is now in operation.

Mr Hoose was present and stated they have made a study here. This is a private driveway; the developer has shrubbery at the intersection which impairs vision; the signal at Pierson could adequately handle the traffic, and when you set up isolated signals, motorists have a tendency to speed up; also, the total traffic does not warrant a traffic signal at this point.

Councilman Dellinger stated he feels these people are entitled to this protection and he would like to move that the signal light be installed. There was no second to his motion.

Mr Hoose advised that his Department has actually had fourteen requests from developers for signals at private driveways, and asked where the stopping point would be and he believes the Developer should take care of his own traffic.

Councilman Albea stated he could not understand if the intersection was worthy of a flicker, why not a light. Mr Hoose stated when you have a red flicker, a motorist is suppose to stop and then proceed with caution.

Councilman Smith stated he would like to see the signal put in on a 90-day trial bases, and stated the signal could be timed to give most of the preference to Independence Boulevard traffic.

Mr Hoose asked the City Attorney for an opinion on putting a mechanical light trip on private property to operate the light and Mr Morrissey stated he did not believe the City has the authority to put the detector on private property.

Councilman Dellinger stated the people who patronize these places are entitled to protection and Mr Hoose replied he feels it is the obligation of the developer to handle his traffic.

Mayor Brookshire asked if the developer could not make this one-way, and Mr Hoose stated this is one of his suggestions. He also advised the signal would not help left-hand turns. He then presented a map and there was a general discussion on the location.

Councilman Jordan stated this is a situation which is very bad right now, and if Mr Hoose feels he can correct it with his recommendations, he moved that it be tried on a 90 day trial bases. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and carried by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Jordan, Thrower, Albea, Bryant and Whittington.

NAYS: Councilmen Dellinger and Smith.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED TO MURREL M. HANNAH, JAMES C. HART AND DONALD A. B. YEARGIN.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, special officer permits were authorized as follows:

- (a) Mr Murrel M. Hannah for use on the premises of Elmwood, Evergreen, Oaklawn, Pinewood and North Pinewood City Cemeteries.
- (b) Mr James C. Hart for use on the premises of Johnson C. Smith University.
- (c) Mr Donald A. B. Yeargin for use on the premises of Southern Railway Company, Liddell Street.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF MR NAT G. SPIER TO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR FIVE YEAR TERM AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and un-animously carried, Mr Nat G. Spier was reappointed to the Redevelopment Commission for a five year term to expire on November 27, 1966.

CONTRACT AWARDED BOWERS BATTERY & SPARK PLUG COMPANY FOR BATTERIES FOR ROLLING EQUIPMENT ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Motion was made by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Bowers Battery & Spark Plug Company, for 246 units of 20 different sizes wet storage batteries, required for battery replacement in Police, Fire and Motor Equipment Depot Garages, in the amount of \$3,212.06.

The following bids were received:

Bowers Battery & Spark Plug Co.	\$ 3,212.06
Coleman-Tull Company	3,975.49
Dayton Tire Sales Company	4,076.79

CONTRACT AWARDED KING CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR ONE 3/4 TON STAKE BODY TRUCK FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder meeting specifications, King Chevrolet Company, for one 3/4 ton stake body truck for Health Department, in the amount of \$2,145.59.

The following bids were received:

King Chevrolet Company	\$ 2,145.59
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	2,175.99
Young Motor Company	2,188.00
International Harvester Co.	2,287.92

CONTRACT AWARDED HOLLINGSWORTH'S G.M.C. TRUCKS FOR ONE 1/2 TON PANEL CARRY-ALL TRUCK FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Bryant moved that contract be awarded Hollingsworth's G.M.C. Trucks, the only bidder, for one 1/2 ton Panel Carry-All Truck for Police Department in the amount of \$2,961.83. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

ALL BIDS REJECTED ON ONE 1/2 TON PICK-UP TRUCK FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr Veeder, City Manager, stated the Fire Department has found they do not need the 1/2 ton pick-up truck on which bids have been received, and he would therefore suggest that all bids be thrown out.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, all bids were rejected as requested by the City Manager.

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CONTRACT AWARDED KING CHEVROLET COMPANY FOR ONE 13,000 G.V.W. TRUCK COMPLETE WITH BODY & BUCKET LIFT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, King Chevrolet Company, for one 13,000 G.V.W. Truck Complete with Body and Bucket Lift, in the amount of \$9,081.03.

The following bids were received:

King Chevrolet Company	\$ 9,081.03
International Harvester Co.	9,200.53
Hutton-Scott Company	9,203.50
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	9,259.86
Young Motor Company	9,376.93
Hollingsworth's G.M.C. Trucks	9,716.71

ALL BIDS REJECTED ON ONE COMPACT PANEL TRUCK VAN FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Albea moved that all bids received on One Compact Panel Truck Van for Traffic Engineering Department be rejected as neither of the three bids received will deliver suitable equipment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED HUTTON-SCOTT COMPANY FOR ONE 3/4 TON PICKUP TRUCK FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Hutton-Scott Company, for one 3/4 Ton Pickup truck in the amount of \$1,993.74 for the Traffic Engineering Department.

The following bids were received:

Hutton-Scott Company	\$ 1,993.74
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	2,273.15
Young Motor Company	2,290.56
King Chevrolet Company	2,324.77
International Harvester Co.	2,330.39

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR ONE 1/2 TON PICKUP TRUCK FOR CEMETERIES DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the International Harvester Company, low bidder meeting specifications, for one 1/2 ton pick-up truck in the amount of \$1,842.77 for the Cemeteries Department.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Company	\$ 1,842.77
Young Motor Company	1,853.94
King Chevrolet Company	1,886.83
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	1,934.81

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CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR TWO 18,500 G.V.W. DUMP TRUCKS FOR ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to International Harvester Company, the low bidder, for two 18,500 G.V.W. Dump Trucks for the Engineering Department in the amount of \$6,410.10.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	\$ 6,410.10
Hutton-Scott Company	6,546.82
Young Motor Company	6,615.50
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	6,623.60

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR ONE 18,500 G.V.W. CHASSIS AND CAB FOR ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Bryant moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, International Harvester Company, in the amount of \$2,600.41. for one 18,500 G.V.W. Chassis & Cab for the Engineering Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower and unanimously carried.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	\$ 2,600.41
Young Motor Company	2,693.67
Hutton-Scott Company	2,694.80
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	2,745.19

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR ONE 1/4 TON PICKUP TRUCK FOR AIRPORT DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded International Harvester Company, the low bidder, for one 1/4 ton pickup truck for the Airport Department in the amount of \$1,517.12.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	\$ 1,517.12
Hutton-Scott Company	1,601.00
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	1,640.62
King Chevrolet Company	1,775.26

CONTRACT AWARDED HUTTON-SCOTT COMPANY FOR ONE 3/4 TON PICKUP TRUCK WITH SPECIAL BODY FOR MOTOR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to Hutton-Scott Company, the low bidder, for one 3/4 ton pickup truck with special body for the Motor Transport Department, in the amount of \$2,654.79.

The following bids were received:

Hutton-Scott Company	\$ 2,654.79
King Chevrolet Company	2,774.09
Young Motor Company	2,795.26
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	2,826.34
International Harvester Co.	2,859.23

CONTRACT AWARDED HUTTON-SCOTT COMPANY FOR THREE 1/2 TON PICKUP TRUCKS FOR MOTOR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and un-animously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Hutton-Scott Company for three 1/2 ton pickup trucks for the Motor Transport Department in the amount of \$5,104.79.

The following bids were received:

Hutton-Scott Company	\$ 5,104.79
International Harvester Co.	5,306.82
Young Motor Company	5,363.07
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	5,376.58

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR ONE 17,000 G.V.W. WITH DUMP BODY FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Smith, and un-animously carried, contract was awarded International Harvester Company, the low bidder, for one 17,000 G.V.W. truck with Dump Body in the amount of \$3,729.65 for the Water Department.

The following bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	\$ 3,729.65
Hutton-Scott Company	3,764.78
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	3,868.90
King Chevrolet Company	3,880.59
Young Motor Company	3,903.27

CONTRACT AWARDED HUTTON-SCOTT COMPANY FOR ONE 1/2 TON PICKUP TRUCK FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea awarding contract to Hutton-Scott Company, low bidder, for one 1/2 ton pickup truck in the amount of \$1,596.05 for the Water Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and un-animously carried.

The following bids were received:

Hutton-Scott Company	\$ 1,596.05
International Harvester Co.	1,667.30
Young Motor Company	1,709.83
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	1,744.98
King Chevrolet Company	1,772.15

CONTRACT AWARDED HUTTON-SCOTT COMPANY FOR TWO 1/2 TON PICKUP TRUCKS WITH SPECIAL BODIES, FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Jordan moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, Hutton-Scott Company, in the amount of \$4,397.04, for two 1/2 Ton Pickup Trucks, with special bodies for the Water Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and un-animously carried.

The following bids were received:

Hutton-Scott Company	\$ 4,397.04
King Chevrolet Company	4,477.26
Young Motor Company	4,534.58
International Harvester Co.	4,556.56
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	4,665.39

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BID ON WHITE DROP-ON TRAFFIC PAINT REJECTED AND AUTHORIZED READVERTISED
AND TRAFFIC ENGINEER AUTHORIZED TO BUY AS AT PRESENT TO MEET HIS NEEDS.

The City Manager reported bids have been received on 4,000 gallons of White drop-on traffic paint and only one bid was received which meets the specifications, the bidder being Prismo Safety Corporation, at a total delivered bid price of \$14,337.60.

Mr Veeder advised the City has not been buying the paint on a long term supply, but has been buying it periodically. About a year ago, specifications were approved and published by the Institute of Traffic Engineers requiring each bidder to furnish with his bid a Notarized Certificate from an independent testing laboratory certifying that the material offered meets the specifications in its entirety, and these were the specifications on which bids were asked, and some of the bidders are of the opinion they did not have time to make the test.

Councilman Smith asked if 2,000 gallons could be bought on the same bases, and if so, why not give it a trial. The City Manager advised the City has used this paint before and they are not buying just one product, but are buying a gallon of paint along with 6 lbs of beads.

Councilman Dellinger asked if these are the only people who bid on the paint and if the Southern Cotton Oil Company in Savannah had been asked to bid. Mr Hoose, Traffic Engineer, stated he did not know about that particular company, but 5 or 6 companies did bid and Prismo Safety Corporation was the only one to meet the specifications. Councilman Dellinger then asked if this is the only company to manufacture this paint and the Traffic Engineer advised they were the only ones who met the specifications.

Councilman Smith asked why all bids were not listed and was advised the other Companies did not meet the specifications.

Mr Hoose stated the City has quit being the testing grounds on these paints; that the test requires about 600 hours which would take probably a couple of months.

The City Manager suggested the paint be bought for a period of 3 months from the open market, then re-advertise for a larger supply and notify the other companies bids would be taken.

Councilman Whittington asked if they could buy 2,000 gallons and ask for re-advertisement to give these other bidders an opportunity to get this certificate, and asked Mr Hoose if he knew whether the other paint would do what Prismo paint would do and Mr Hoose stated he did not know.

Councilman Thrower advised he is familiar with this. Sometime ago he painted some white lines on the Boulevard for the State and he is in complete accord with Mr Hoose in wanting the guarantee.

Councilman Jordan asked how much paint the Traffic Engineering Department would need for the next two or three months and Mr Hoose stated he could not say as at present they are at the end of their bigger projects.

Councilman Jordan moved that the Traffic Engineer continue buying periodically as he has been and that all bids be rejected and readvertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

Mr James Boyd, representing William Armstrong Company, was present and stated this is specified paint, which is the same paint no matter who makes it. He stated bids were put out on the 11th of October and opened on the

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25th of October, and one part called for a 600 hour test which was impossible to make in the time given.

It was brought out that the specifications were set up by the Institute of Traffic Engineers over a year ago and evidently Prismo was the only company who had enough interest to run the test previously.

Mr Rogers stated it was impossible for any company to start conducting tests from the time the specifications were received and get the certificate by the opening date.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH WILKINSON BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS, ADOPTED.

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the State Highway Commission in Connection with the Wilkinson Boulevard Improvements was introduced and read and upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Thrower, was unanimously adopted.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, beginning at Page 156.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO GIVE REPORT ON WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Councilman Bryant stated he has been very interested in Workman's Compensation for City Employees and he feels the present system is not adequate, and he would like to request the City Manager to investigate the matter very thoroughly and give as early a report as possible.

REPORT ON WEST SIDE ELIMINATION PROGRAM REQUESTED.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Manager for a report on the rights of way for the west side elimination program.

Mr Veeder replied that the first option would be acted on today and the program is still on schedule.

Councilman Dellinger stated he would like to see the program speeded up; that it is now 12 years old and if the money allocated by the State is not soon expended, he understands a request will be made that the money be used for secondary roads. He feels the City should not predicate its work on what the Southern Railroad is going to do, but go ahead with it. He stated some people seem to think we are waiting on the Southern Railroad. He asked if the City is in a position to buy more rights of way. Mr Veeder replied he has talked with Mr Barrentine today and everything is moving along steadily. He also stated the City cannot go out and acquire properties without the approval of the Southern Railroad.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Manager to confer with the Southern Railroad and get approval to go ahead with these rights of way.

REPORT ON 5TH AND 6TH STREET RIGHTS OF WAY REQUESTED.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Manager if he thought the City would be able to start on the 5th and 6th Street rights of way next, and the City Manager stated that everything that can be bought has been.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REQUESTED TO WORK WITH PURCHASING AGENT AND DEPARTMENT HEADS ON BIDS TO BE PRESENTED COUNCIL.

Councilman Smith requested the City Manager to have the Administrative Assistant work with the Purchasing Agent and Department Heads on all bids and that he present them to Council for consideration.

Councilman Dellinger stated he did not think the City should wait on some certain company to make their bid as it looks like favoritism.

COMPLAINT ON RUBBAGE PICK UP ON HEMPSTEAD PLACE REPORTED.

Councilman Smith asked the City Manager how the Sanitation Department was doing on their collections two days a week, and Mr Veeder stated he had heard no complaints. Councilman Smith stated he had complaints from Hempstead Place on the rubble pick up.

REPORT ON WALKWAY FROM KINLOUGH AVENUE TO COLLINSWOOD SCHOOL REQUESTED.

Councilman Whittington asked for a report on the walkway from Kinlough Avenue to Collinswood School, and Mr Bobo, Administrative Assistant, stated the owners want to go out and look at it, but due to a death and illness in one family, they have not been able to get together and would like a little more time before they sign the agreement. That there is no real reason why they have not signed other than they want to get together and work it out on the ground.

Councilman Whittington requested Mr Bobo to contact the attorneys again and see if it cannot be brought to a finish by next Monday.

INSTALLATION OF FLASHER SIGNAL ON THE PLAZA FOR BRIARWOOD SCHOOL AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Whittington asked the Manager for a report or recommendation on Briarwood School at the Plaza and Wilann Drive.

Mr Veeder stated a few weeks ago while school was letting out in the afternoon, he and Mr Hoose went out and inspected the location. They feel there is little to be gained by putting in sidewalks that would dead-end to the school and the only thing they would suggest which would improve the situation would be flashers at both ends of the school zone on The Plaza. They found one place where it was a natural way for the children to cross and this could not be included within the area covered by the flasher signals, that the parents and school personnel would have to see that the children crossed at Wilann. While out there, they also approached the Principal about a School Patrol which could handle the intersection between the Plaza and Wilann. One of the most hazardous things they saw was parents coming to pick up their children which could be improved by the Patrol and so advised the Principal. They believe from the city's point of view the best thing is the flasher.

Councilman Whittington asked if they did not recommend the sidewalks from The Plaza and Mr Veeder stated they did not think it would serve any useful purpose.

Councilman Whittington requested Lieutenant Livingston or Captain Porter of the Traffic Division and Mr Hoose to confer with the officials of the school and see if they cannot get the School Patrol organized and do what

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they can to work with the people and educate the children and help teach these School Boy Patrols immediately. He stated further Council has had this report on two different occasions; one child has already been hurt and if we had done all we could we would have taken all the preventive measures.

Councilman Dellinger asked about a school crossing guard for this location and Mr Hoose stated they do not think it is needed.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington authorizing the installation of a "Flasher" signal at The Plaza and Wilann Drive at a cost of \$680.00, and that the funds be transferred from the Contingency Fund. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

REPORT ON BLIGHT AREAS AND HOUSING CODE REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN WHITTINGTON.

Councilman Whittington stated that much has been said since he has been on the Council about slum clearance, prevention of present and future blight and unfit housing codes; that he has proposed to the Council and Mr Veeder that inspections in these areas be made by the Health Department and Inspection Department to try to correct these problems, but to no avail. He stated he would like to recommend to the Mayor the two articles in The Charlotte News this week on cure for blight; that he believes with pilot studies, surveys such as Mr McIntyre's staff is making now, and a committee made up of the Health Department, Redevelopment Commission, Fire Department Board of Realtors and any others the Mayor should choose, the problem can be licked. He requested the Mayor to get in behind this and see if the problem can not be worked out.

The Mayor stated that he appreciates Mr Whittington's suggestions and his Charlotte Citizens Committee for Urban Renewal has been asked to give this matter better and careful study and Mr Harry Brown, Chairman, has assured him they are going to work and will try to deliver as fast as they can.

Councilman Smith stated in defense of the Fire Department and Health Department, he would like to point out they are out every day putting up signs, and Mr Whittington stated these departments were not consulted in the previous draft of the housing code.

Mr Morrissey, City Attorney, stated that Councilman Whittington's remarks on the Housing Code are well taken and well received by him and as soon as he can find the time, the Housing Code will be submitted to Council.

REPORT ON PURCHASE OF MACHINES BY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY FROM OTHER THAN LOW BIDDER REQUESTED.

Councilman Thrower requested a report from the Manager in connection with the machines purchased by the Memorial Hospital from Bond Monies not being awarded the low bidders.

Mr Veeder stated he has correspondence by the Authority and the Manufacturer on this equipment and he will get the information to Councilman Thrower.

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF C. R. MULLIS OIL & HEATING COMPANY, AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the City Attorney was authorized to settle claim out of court with C. R. Mullis Oil & Heating Company, in the amount of \$375.00 plus \$14.50 cost, for damages to truck from a loose manhole cover on E. 36th Street.

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ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY FROM MRS BEAULAH ROSS IN CONNECTION WITH THE WESTSIDE ELIMINATION PROGRAM.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower authorizing the acquisition of 1,000 sq. ft. of property located at intersection of Southern Railroad and West 6th Street, on a 90 day option, from Mrs Beulah Ross, in connection with the first option of the Westside Elimination Program. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS ON REQUEST OF RESIDENTS OF ARNOLD DRIVE THAT CITY RE-CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS.

The City Manager reported that Mr Bemont appeared before Council last week with a request for reconsideration of the gravel sidewalk to be constructed from Eastway Drive to Markham Court and at the request of Council he went out and discussed with Mr Bemont the City's recommendation and the condition at the intersection is going to be improved and Mr Bemont is now satisfied with the City's plans and it is now safe to proceed with the sidewalk.

CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY SIDEWALK FOR LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of temporary sidewalks along Newland Road, from Cummings Avenue to Kennesan Drive, for Lincoln Heights School, at a cost of \$621.00 for which funds are to be transferred from the Contingency Fund.

RESOLUTION ORDERING THE MAKING OF SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS ON ASHLEY ROAD AND KEMPTON PLACE, ADOPTED.

Resolution entitled "Resolution Ordering the Making of Sidewalk Improvements on Ashley Road and Kempton Place" was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Albea, was unanimously adopted. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, at Page 157.

BRIDGE ON LAKEWOOD AVENUE REQUESTED TAKEN OVER FOR CITY MAINTENANCE.

Mrs Thomas M. Brown, resident of the Lakewood area, stated the Lakewood Avenue Bridge serves the general public, Beechwood Acres and 25 school children and they requested the bridge be accepted by the City for maintenance.

Councilman Dellinger requested the Engineering Department to check into this and bring in a report.

NATIONAL MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TO MEET IN MIAMI BEGINNING NOVEMBER 30TH.

The City Manager advised the National Municipal League will meet in Miami, Florida from November 30th to December 2nd and recommended it to the Council. He stated the theme would be "Cooperation of All Units of Government".

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CITY MANAGER'S ATTENDANCE AT CITY MANAGER'S CONFERENCE AND VACATION
APPROVED.

The City Manager advised Council he would like to attend the City Manager's Conference at the end of the month and also take ~~several weeks~~ ^{one week's} vacation. Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried approving the request.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned for two weeks until Monday, November 20th.


L. L. Ledbetter, Deputy City Clerk