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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, October 5, 1959, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Smith presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Babcock, Dellinger, Hitch, Myers, Smith and Whittington being present.

ABSENT: None.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Babcock, and un-animously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on September 21st were approved as submitted.

REQUEST THAT WATER PIPE BE REPLACED IN PHILEMON AVENUE BY MRS. TERRY PHILEMON ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN REMOVED BY CITY STREET FORCES.

Mrs. Terry Philemon, 3536 Benard Avenue, asked that the water pipe to her property on Philemon Avenue be replaced in the ditch, which she stated was dug up and left exposed to the weather by City Street forces. Mrs. Philemon stated she was granted the right-of-way to lay the pipe in the street by the County Commissioners. Councilman Albea moved that the matter be referred to the City Manager for investigation and proper handling. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

SPECIAL ELECTION AUTHORIZED ON MARCH 8, 1960 TO SUBMIT QUESTION FOR INCREASE IN AD VOLEM TAX LEVY TO TEN CENTS FOR PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION.

Mr. Joe Grier, Chairman of the Park & Recreation Commission and Mr. Charles Lowe, Chairman of a Special Committee for the establishment of a County-wide Park System, requested the Council to call a special election on March 8, 1960 to submit to the voters the question of increasing the ad valorem tax levy from 8¢ to 10¢ to the Park & Recreation Commission. Mr. Grier stated the additional 2¢ levy would be used entirely for capital improvements for parks and playgrounds in the perimeter area to be annexed on January 1, 1960. He stated further that the 2¢ levy would produce approximately \$100,000.00. He advised that the necessary legislation was enacted by the 1959 General Assembly to establish a County-wide park system, conditioned upon a 5¢ tax levy by the County, and that the County Commissioners have voted to call the election at the same time (March 8th) as the city election. Mr. Grier stated that whether the funds are supplied by the City through a tax levy or bond issue is for the Council to decide. Councilman Babcock asked if the election were not to carry, does that imply that the annexed area would have no parks? Mr. Grier stated it would mean the Commission would do the best they could with the funds they have. Councilman Babcock then stated he thinks it should be made plain to the voters that this would be the case. He then asked Mr. Grier if the election carried and the funds thereby provided, would he be back asking for a bond issue anytime soon? Mr. Grier stated it would all depend on whether they can keep abreast of the needs and one can only wait and see what develops..

Councilman Smith moved that the Council call a special election on March 8, 1960 as requested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SUNDAY OBSERVANCE QUESTION TO BE HELD OCTOBER 26TH AND DECISION MADE BY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 2ND.

Mayor Smith stated the Council will hold a public hearing on the Sunday Observance question, as requested by several grocery store owners, on October 26th, at which time anyone interested may be heard. That the Council will then confer together to discuss their findings and their decision will be made at the Council Meeting on November 2nd.

COUNCIL TO CONFER WITH SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES AS TO CONDITION OF FENCE AND NEEDS IN THIS CONNECTION AT ELMWOOD CEMETERY AND WITH CHIEF OF POLICE RELATIVE TO BETTER PROTECTION AT CEMETERY.

Councilman Hitch stated he has received a letter or petition from Mrs. Belle C. King and others relative to the condition of the fence at Elmwood Cemetery and asking that a new fence be erected. He asked that the City Manager make an investigation, and report to Council.

Councilman Dellinger stated he has been over the cemetery since the recent murder there and the fence is badly in need of repair at the lower end of the cemetery in particular, and he moved that the City Manager be authorized to make the necessary repairs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea.

Councilman Whittington offered a substitute motion that the Council confer with Mr. Haas, Supt. of Cemeteries as to the condition of the entire fencing at the cemetery and find just what is needed. That, secondly, the need for better protection should be discussed with Chief James, as it may well be that 24 hour police protection is required. The motion was seconded by Councilman Babcock, and unanimously carried.

FIFTEEN CASES PER DAY AUTHORIZED REFERRED BY JUDGE OF CITY RECORDERS COURT TO COUNTY RECORDERS COURT.

Councilman Hitch reported that the County Commissioners today agreed to accept fifteen referral cases from the City Recorder's Court to be tried in County Recorder's Court. He moved that the action of Council on September 14th authorizing the transferral of felonies and drunk driving cases to the County Recorder's Court be rescinded, and that the referral of 15 cases per day, as decided on by the Judge of City Court be authorized. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

ADVANCE OF FUNDS AGAINST WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE DUE WIDOW OF BENJAMINE L. GRAVES TO BE REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN WHITTINGTON AT NEXT MEETING.

Councilman Whittington stated that at next week's meeting he will request the advance of \$500.00 against the Workman's Compensation Insurance due Mrs. Benjamine Lewis Graves because of the accidental death of her husband while on duty at his job with the City. He stated Mrs. Graves needs the advance to complete the purchase of a home for herself and two small children. He stated he would confer with the City Treasurer on the details of the advance.

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FINAL PAYMENT FOR JOB CLASSIFICATION PAY SCHEDULE PLAN TO BE MADE TO LEE ASSOCIATES WITHIN TEN DAYS.

Councilman Dellinger recommended that the remaining \$500.00 on the contract with Lee Associates for the Job Classification Pay Schedule Plan be made now that the work is completed and delivered. Mr. Veeder, City Manager, asked that this be delayed for a week or 10 days in order that he may make sure there are no loose ends. Councilman Dellinger was agreeable to the postponement.

MAYOR PRO TEM HITCH PRESIDES IN TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Mayor Smith left the meeting temporarily at this time and Mayor pro tem Hitch presided in his absence.

ORDINANCE NO. 611 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE TO CHANGE PROPERTY AT PARK ROAD AND WOODLAWN ROAD FROM B-1 TO R-2 DENIED.

Councilman Dellinger moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 611 changing the zoning on property at the sw corner of Park Road and Woodlawn Road from B-1 to R-2. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and lost with the votes cast as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Dellinger and Whittington.

NAYS: Councilmen Babcock, Myers and Smith, and Mayor pro tem Hitch breaking the tied vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 612 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY ON SPRING STREET, FROM R-2 TO B 1-A, ADOPTED.

Councilman Smith moved that Ordinance No. 612 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change the property on Spring Street, east of Newland Road, from R-2 to B 1-A, on petition of Luther L. Caldwell, be adopted as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Babcock, and un-animously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 417.

ORDINANCE NO. 613 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT SW CORNER OF POTTERS ROAD AND DINGLEWOOD AVENUE, FROM R-2 TO B-1, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Babcock, and un-animously carried, that Ordinance No. 613 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change property at the SW corner of Potters Road and Dinglewood Avenue, from R-2 to B-1, be adopted as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 418.

ORDINANCE NO. 614 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY IN GLENWOOD DRIVE, PLAINVIEW ROAD AND EMERSON DRIVE AREA, FROM R-2 TO INDUSTRIAL, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Babcock, seconded by Councilman Albea, and un-animously carried, Ordinance No. 614 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change property located in Glenwood Drive, Plainview Road and Emerson Drive Area, from R-2 to Industrial, on petition of the P & N Railway Company, was adopted as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 419.

MAYOR SMITH RETURNS TO MEETING AND PRESIDES FOR REMAINDER OF SESSION.

Mayor Smith returned to the meeting after a temporary absence, and presided for the remainder of the session.

ORDINANCE NO. 615 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING PROPERTY AT CENTRAL AVENUE, EAST OF CAROLYN DRIVE, FROM R-2 TO B-1, DENIED.

Councilman Albea moved that Ordinance No. 615 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change property on Central Avenue, east of Carolyn Drive, from R-2 to B-1, on petition of M. T. Morgan et al, be denied as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger.

Councilman Smith referred to the reason stated by the Planning Board in recommending that the change be disapproved namely, "In the adjacent business zoning district there is a substantial amount of space already available for expansion of business facilities....". Councilman Smith stated he is of the opinion that the Planning Board is going beyond the basic reasons for zoning in considering the type of development needed in an area; that their function is more as to how a zoning change would affect existing property, and for the protection of the property owner. He stated further he believes the petitioner will be harmed economically if the zoning is not changed to business. Councilman Myers disqualified himself from voting because of personal business reasons. The vote was then cast on the motion and lost, under the two-third affirmative vote requirement, the City Attorney having stated the petition filed by the opposition bore the signatures of 20% of the owners of property at the rear and/or opposite to the property in question.

The following votes were cast:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Dellinger, and Babcock

NAYS: Councilmen Hitch, Smith and Whittington.

ORDINANCE NO. 616 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT 1228 EAST 10TH STREET, FROM R-2 TO B-1, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 616 Amending the Zoning Ordinance changing property at 1228 East 10th Street, from R-2 to B-1, on petition of L. D. Griffin and wife, was adopted, as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 420.

ORDINANCE NO. 617 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT 201 IRWIN AVENUE FROM R-2 TO B-1, ADOPTED.

Councilman Whittington moved that the Council overrule the Planning Board and that Ordinance No. 617 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning on the property at 201 Irwin Avenue, from R-2 to B-1, be adopted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Whittington, Dellinger, Babcock, Hitch, Myers and Smith.

NAYS: Councilman Albea.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at Page 421.

ORDINANCE NO. 618 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT SHAMROCK DRIVE AND EASTWOOD DRIVE, FROM R-2 TO B-1, DENIED.

A letter from Mr. James H. Atkins, Attorney, dated September 30th, stating that he was authorized by his clients, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Bridges, to temporarily withdraw their petition that their property at 3101 Eastwood Drive be rezoned from R-1 to B-1, was presented and considered.

Councilman Babcock moved that the word "Temporarily" be stricken out and the Council acceded to the request for the withdrawal of the petition. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch.

In the discussion it was noted that no reason was given for the requested withdrawal, and that in striking out the word "temporarily" the petitioners request would not be complied with.

Mrs. Carr, President of Shamrock School P.T.A. stated she expressed for the school patrons strong opposition to the proposed change at the hearing on the matter two weeks ago, and since then they have been working on it, and it is her opinion that because of their opposition the petitioner is requesting a "temporary" withdrawal of his petition and will present it again when they are unaware of it.

Councilman Babcock withdrew his motion, and moved that the change be denied, as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was concurred in vocally by the entire Council and the ordinance was denied.

ORDINANCE NO. 619 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT 1400-02 HERRIN AVENUE, FROM R-2 TO B-1, CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

Councilman Smith moved that Ordinance No. 619 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change property at 1400-02 Herrin Avenue, from R-2 to B-1, be continued for one week, so that he might look over the property. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 620 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF THE PLAZA AND OAKWOOD AVENUE, FROM R-2 TO B-1, DENIED.

Councilman Dellinger moved that Ordinance No. 620 Amending the Zoning Ordinance to change property at the corner of The Plaza and Oakwood Avenue, from R-2 to B-1, on petition of Mrs. W. C. Wallace, be denied as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the construction of sanitary sewer mains was authorized as follows:

- (a) Construction of 600-ft. of 8-inch sewer main in Muncey Avenue, at request of Mr. Ben Heath, to serve 14 vacant lots, at an estimated cost of \$2,750.00. All costs to be borne by the City and applicant's required deposit of the entire amount to be refunded as per terms of the agreement.

- (b) Construction of 3,198 ft. of 8-inch sewer main in N. Caldwell, Anderson, Atmore Streets and Norwell Place, at request of Charlotte Lumber & Mfg. Company to serve a portion of Northmore Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$9,415.00. All costs to be borne by the City and applicant's required deposit of the entire amount to be refunded as per terms of the contract.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN INVESTMENT COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS IN CARMEL ROAD, AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Albea moved approval of a Supplemental Contract with American Investment Company, to contract dated August 22, 1956, for the installation of 3,700 ft. of water mains in Carmel Road, outside the City limits, at an estimated cost of \$11,500.00. The Company to pay the entire cost and own the mains until the area is incorporated into the city, at which time they will become the property of the City without further agreement or cost. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH DUKE POWER COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF TRANSMISSION LINES AT SUGAW CREEK SEWAGE & INDUSTRIAL WASTE TREATMENT PLANT.

Councilman Albea moved approval of an agreement with the Duke Power Company for right-of-way for the installation of certain transmission lines across city property at Sugaw Creek Sewage & Industrial Waste Treatment Plant, said lines to serve Celanese Corporation Laboratories on Reid Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

EXTENSION OF SICK LEAVE TO EMPLOYEES OF POLICE, MOTOR TRANSPORT AND WATER DEPARTMENTS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Hitch, seconded by Councilman Babcock, and unanimously carried, sick leave was extended to the following employees:

- (a) Extension through September 22nd to W. T. Renfro, and through September 18th to Maude Seabrooks, both Police Department employees.
- (b) Extension through November 13th to George D. Philemon and through November 28th to E. L. Miller, Motor Transport Department employees.
- (c) Extension through October 15th to Ernest M. Ellington, Water Department employee.

CONTRACT AWARDED RICHMOND HARDWARE COMPANY FOR 12 TARGET GUNS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Whittington moved the award of contract to the low bidder, Richmond Hardware Company for 12 Smith & Wesson 357 Magnum, Bright Blue, 5-inch barrel pistols, as specified, at a total price of \$1,004.82, subject to cash discount of 2%, representing a net delivered price of \$984.72. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

The following net delivered bids were received:

Richmond Hardware Company	\$ 984.72
Gopher Shooter's Supply Co.	\$ 1,005.95
Odell Hardware Co.	\$ 1,008.44
Chas. Greenblatt	\$ 1,012.94
W. S. Darley Co.	\$ 1,128.00
Monroe Hardware Co.	\$ 1,145.56

CONTRACT AWARDED CECIL BE THREADGILL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RECREATION BUILDING AT MCCALL AND OAKLAWN AVENUES.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Cecil B. Threadgill for construction of Recreation Building at McCall & Oaklawn Avenues, covering the total cost of constructions, including labor, material, supervision and equipment, in accordance with plans and specifications, at \$2,875.00. Councilman Myers stated he voted in favor of awarding the contract to the low bidder provided he is licensed by the State of N. C. to do public works. The Purchasing Agent, who was present, stated he is so licensed.

The following bids were received:

Cecil B. Threadgill	\$ 2,875.00
Blake Construction Company	\$ 3,214.00
T. C. Construction Company	\$ 3,388.52

CONTRACT AWARDED BURROUGHS CORPORATION FOR ONE PAYROLL MACHINE.

Councilman Whittington moved that contract be awarded Burroughs Corporation for One Payroll Machine with automatic totals (Model F506) as specified, for a total sum of \$5,735.00, subject to cash discount of \$286.75, representing a net delivered price of \$5,448.25, and the transfer of funds for the purchase be authorized from Emergency Funds (Code 110). The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried. The lowest bid of National Cash Register Company offering a carriage type machine did not meet our specifications.

The following net delivered bids were received:

Burroughs Corporation	\$ 5,448.25
The National Cash Register Company	\$ 5,350.00
ALTERNATE BID	\$ 8,575.00

ACCOUNTING OF EMERGENCY FUND REQUESTED.

Councilman Babcock requested Mr. Veeder, City Manager, to give the Council an accounting of the Emergency Fund to date.

CONTRACT AWARDED W. T. NEILL PROTECTIVE ENGINEERING FOR 16 POLICE SIRENS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded W. T. Neill Protective Engineering for 16 S-8-B Police Sirens, as specified, at a net delivered price of \$2,048.00. The three lowest bids all offered to furnish equipment by Federal Sign & Signal Corporation which is not approved by the Police Department as equal to the specifications and other requirements for police sirens.

The following net delivered bids were received:

W. T. Neill Protective Engineering	\$ 2,048.00
Edward A. Rosenblatt & Associates	\$ 1,544.48
Federal Sign & Signal Corporation	\$ 1,600.00
A. C. Nichols	\$ 1,717.92

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR 13 GARBAGE TRUCKS.

Mr. L. L. Bradford, representing Don Allen Chevrolet Company, who submitted the low bids requested permission to withdraw their bids as an error of \$820.00 was made in their calculation, which would result in a lose of \$11,000.00 to them should they be required to furnish the equipment at their bid prices.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the request be granted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

Councilman Smith then moved the award of the contract to the second lowest bidder, International Harvester Company (base bid) covering 13 garbage trucks, as specified, with Heil bodies, at a net delivered price of \$102,296.74. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

The following net delivered bids were received:

Don Allen Chevrolet Company	Garwood Body	\$ 95,503.85
ALTERNATE BID	Heil body	\$ 96,319.60
	Daybrook body	\$ 96,635.50
	Leach body	\$ 97,860.10
International Harvester Co.	Heil body	\$102,296.74
ALTERNATE BID	Daybrook body	\$103,274.99
	Garwood body	\$104,552.24
	Leach body	\$104,761.54
	Daybrook body	\$107,694.99
	with auxiliary engine	
ALTERNATE BID #2	Heil body	\$104,392.47
	Garwood body	\$104,868.40
	Leach body	\$104,878.67
	Daybrook body	\$105,529.97
	Daybrook body	\$109,949.97
	with auxiliary engine	
Young Motor Company	Heil body	\$105,982.50
ALTERNATE BID	Garwood body	\$106,623.00
	Daybrook body	\$107,432.00
	Leach body	\$107,887.00
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	Heil body	\$106,333.50
	Garwood body	\$106,353.00
	Daybrook body	\$107,198.00
	Daybrook body	\$111,618.00
	with auxiliary engine	
Hutton-Scott Company	Leach body	\$107,542.50
	Heil body	\$107,978.00
	Garwood body	\$108,283.50
	Daybrook body	\$109,297.50
	Daybrook body	\$113,717.50
	with auxiliary engine	
Hollingsworth GMC Trucks, Inc.	Daybrook body	\$108,866.94
	Garwood body	\$108,047.94
	Heil body	\$109,711.94
	Leach body	\$110,439.94

CONTRACT AWARDED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY FOR 2 GARBAGE TRUCKS.

Councilman Albea moved that contract be awarded International Harvester Company for Two 16,000 G.V.W. garbage trucks complete with special built bodies as specified on their base bid at a total net delivered price of \$7,177.58. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

The following net delivered bids were received:

International Harvester Co.	Baker body	\$ 7,177.58
Don Allen Chevrolet Company	Baker body	\$ 7,394.32
Young Motor Company	Baker body	\$ 7,528.00
Courtesy Motors, Inc.	Baker body	\$ 7,598.00
Hollingsworth GMC Trucks, Inc.	Daybrook body	\$ 7,797.24
Hutton-Scott Company	Baker body	\$ 7,835.00
ALTERNATE BID	Quality body	\$ 8,185.00

TEMPORARY POLICY FOR FUTURE SEWER EXTENSIONS BY DEVELOPERS DEFERRED FOR CITY MANAGER TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS TO THE CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING FACILITIES TO CARRY THE INCREASED LOAD.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, advised that he, the City Engineer and Planning Director met with representatives of the Home Builders Association last Friday regarding the extension of sewers into new developments. That the Association agreed they would be willing to advance funds, as they are anxious to get the work under way, with the understanding that whatever policy is evolved it will apply to the funds they will spend. He stated he believes this is a good approach. Mayor Smith called attention that it may well be that the number of requests will cause a strain on the treatment facilities, and should they be overloaded, then would the City be able to take care of the existing residents in the perimeter area, to whom we are pledged to serve? Councilman Babcock called attention that the situation at Sugaw Creek Disposal Plant is almost critical at this time. Mr. Veeder stated it is true we do not have outfall facilities, neither do we have the money. He suggested that it might be if the requests are too great the City would have to back up and see what could be done. He also suggested that it might be best if the City proceeded on the basis of using the developers money and then slow down when the requests are too great. Councilman Myers stated if there are going to be limitations, then they should be placed on the little developers as well as the large one.

Councilman Whittington moved that Mr. Veeder study the situation and report back on the capacity of the existing facilities for carrying the increased load. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER TO ATTEND MEETING BEFORE MEDICAL CARE ASSOCIATION IN RALEIGH RELATIVE TO CONSTRUCTION OF MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC ON HEALTH CENTER GROUNDS, FOR WHICH ASSOCIATION HAS MADE GRANT.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated that sometime back the Council approved the construction of a Mental Health Clinic as part of the Health Center. That in February, Mr. Ben Bostic, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Mental Health Clinic appeared before Council and stated they would pay half the cost if they could secure the remainder from the Federal Government. Council gave permission for the Clinic to be located on the Center grounds. That as a result application was made to the Medical Care Association for a grant, and we now have notice that a grant in the amount of \$41,250.00 and the Commission's participation is authorized

in a project not to exceed \$75,000.00 in cost. That the Medical Care Asso. requests that the City's representatives appear before them at an early date, and tentative arrangements have been made for Dr. Corkey, Dr. Fisher, and himself to go to Raleigh on Friday for a meeting. Mr. Veeder stated it would appear that Council approved it on the basis of the grant being obtained, therefore he would presume it is alright to proceed and go to Raleigh, if it meets Council approval. He called attention that the future of the Mental Health Clinic is up to the City. Mr. Shaw, City Attorney, suggested that Mr. Veeder discuss the matter with Mr. Bostic prior to going to Raleigh. Councilman Albea moved that Mr. Veeder go to Raleigh as suggested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried.

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUCK ROUTE VIA CREOSOTE ROAD, CALDWELL STREET AND BREVARD STREET TO ELEVENTH STREET AUTHORIZED.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated that Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, recommends the establishment of a truck route via Creosote Road from Tryon Street to Caldwell Street, Caldwell Street from Creosote Road to Brevard Street, and Brevard Street from Caldwell Street to 11th Street as feasible and desirable, as requested by Bruce Johnson Trucking Company. Councilman Babcock moved that the City Attorney prepare the necessary ordinance for adoption by the Council to establish the truck route as recommended. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRAFFIC ENGINEER THAT MERCURY VAPOR LIGHTS BE INSTALLED ON COLLEGE AND CHURCH STREETS, IN CENTRAL BUSINESS AREA, DEFERRED UNTIL FIGURES SUBMITTED ON COST OF PROVIDING PROPER LIGHTING IN PERIMETER AREA.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated that Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer will present a request for funds to provide improvements in street lighting in the central business area. Mr. Hoose recommended the replacement of lights in the downtown area, along College and Church Streets, from Morehead Street to 11th Street, with 20,000-lumen mercury vapor lights, which can be installed by December 1st, at a cost for the remainder of the fiscal year of \$9,876.00, which would have to be provided as his budget for such lighting now stands at around \$5,000.00. Mr. Hoose stated he feels the improved lighting will be necessary with the removal of the projecting store signs.

Councilman Whittington stated that because of the removal of the signs it would appear to him that the recommendation merits consideration, and he moved that the request be granted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea.

Mr. Veeder was requested to make a recommendation. He stated he thinks that without question the mercury vapor lights in the central business area must have a high priority, and in his opinion it should be done. Councilman Babcock asked Mr. Hoose if he is of the opinion that the installation of these lights are more important than the installation of some lights in the perimeter area? Councilman Hitch expressed the opinion that if the lights are not installed in the perimeter area, it will be breaking faith with the residents. Mr. Hoose reiterated that he has only about \$5,000.00 left in this fund, and an appropriation will have to be made by Council.

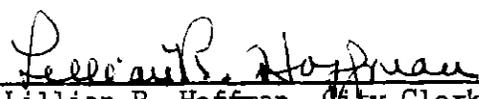
Councilman Smith offered a substitute motion that Mr. Veeder and Mr. Hoose refigure the cost of supplying proper lighting in the perimeter area and give the Council the figure. The motion was seconded by Councilman Babcock, and unanimously carried.

PETITION FOR ABANDONMENT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AT INTERSECTION OF INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD AND PARK DRIVE RECOMMENDED DISAPPROVED.

Mr. Veeder advised that a petition has been filed by Mr. George Economou for the abandonment of a portion of the right-of-way located at the intersection of Independence Boulevard and Park Drive, across the front of his property. That the petition has been checked by the City Engineer and Traffic Engineer, who recommend that the City retain the right-of-way for future use, and the request not be acted on favorably. Mr. Veeder stated that Mr. Economou's attorney had stated he would attend today's meeting but he is not present.

ADJOURNMENT.

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


Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk