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A special meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, July 27, 1936, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of adopting the appropriation budget of the City of Charlotte for the year 1936-1937. Mayor Ben E. Douglas presiding and present: Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Nance, Sides, Tipton and Wilkinson.

Absent: Councilmen Baxter and Durham.

MINUTES OF JULY 22, 1936 MEETING APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hovis, the minutes of the meeting of July 22nd. were approved as read.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE.

The City Manager stated that the Appropriation Budget for the fiscal year 1936-1937 had been prepared and is now submitted for adoption, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE
RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE APPROPRIATION
BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 1936 - 1937.

Whereas, the following appropriation budget has been prepared and submitted to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Charlotte, which has been considered and studied by the Mayor and each of the City Councilmen and City Manager, and

Whereas, the Law requires that this appropriation budget be adopted by Ordinance not later than the fourth Monday in July in each year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Charlotte:

Section 1. That there is hereby set aside and appropriated from the funds on hand and current revenues received and to be received during the fiscal year 1936-1937, for the maintenance and operation of the general government of the City of Charlotte, the following amounts of money and the payment of said sums are hereby authorized for the items herein set out:

CITY OF CHARLOTTE
BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
FOR - FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1936 TO JUNE 30, 1937
SUMMARY

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DEPARTMENT	CODE	EXPENDITURES		BUDGET
		1934-1935	1935-1936	1936-1937
<u>OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE</u>				
General Fund		1,009,488.67	980,580.81	1,081,886.59
Water & Sewer Fund		265,272.59	263,639.87	280,627.61
<u>TOTAL OPERATING & MAINTENANCE</u>		<u>1,274,761.26</u>	<u>1,244,220.68</u>	<u>1,362,514.20</u>
<u>C APITAL OUTLAY</u>				
General Fund		55,853.31	33,283.86	70,586.00
Water & Sewer Fund		14,994.02	24,316.82	27,480.00
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>		<u>70,847.33</u>	<u>57,600.68</u>	<u>98,066.00</u>
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
Municipal Debt Service		473,638.03	410,090.79	404,865.43
Water & Sewer Debt Service		280,732.18	285,576.70	295,683.85
<u>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</u>		<u>754,370.21</u>	<u>695,667.49</u>	<u>700,549.28</u>
DEFICIT - GENERAL FUND		-0-	88,437.34	-0-
DEFICIT - SEWER DEBT SERVICE FUND		-0-	-0-	13,580.08
<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>2,099,978.80</u>	<u>2,085,926.19</u>	<u>2,174,709.56</u>

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CITY OF CHARLOTTE
BUDGET REQUIREMENTS
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1936 TO JUNE 30, 1937

DEPARTMENT	CODE	REVENUE 1934-1935	REVENUE 1935-1936	BUDGET 1936-1937
<u>REVENUES</u>				
General Fund		952,667.65	1,153,001.48	1,151,368.72
Water Sewer Fund		299,608.10	289,335.58	308,107.61
TOTAL		1,252,275.75	1,442,337.06	1,459,476.33
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Municipal Debt Service		518,876.86	439,097.29	404,865.43
Water & Sewer Debt Service		279,459.51	272,410.96	309,263.93
TOTAL		798,336.37	711,508.25	714,129.36
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TOTAL REVENUES		2,050,612.12	2,153,845.31	2,173,605.69
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<u>SALES OF CAPITAL ASSETS</u>				
General Fund		911.18	3,143.37	1,103.87
Water & Sewer Fund		6,900.00	27.50	-0-
TOTAL SALES OF CAPITAL ASSETS		7,811.18	3,170.87	1,103.87
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TOTAL REVENUES AND SALES OF CAPITAL ASSETS		2,058,423.30	2,157,016.18	2,174,709.56
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Councilman Boyd moved that the Ordinance be adopted, which was seconded by Councilman Sides.

Councilman Albea, Chairman of the Health Committee, made a request that \$3,000 of money be appropriated for the Mental Hygiene or Childs Guidance Clinic. This was discussed along with the Cancer Clinic, which is being established this year. Councilman Tipton stated he was heartily in favor of the Childs Guidance Clinic but if there can be only one clinic then he was in favor of the Cancer Clinic.

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The City Manager asked if this matter could not be held up until a later date and taken care of out of the Contingent Fund.

A vote was taken on the Budget Ordinance, with the following result:

Councilman Albea	Vote	AYE (with exception)
Councilman Boyd	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hovis	Vote	AYE
Councilman Huntley	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hudson	Vote	AYE
Councilman Nance	Vote	AYE
Councilman Sides	Vote	AYE
Councilman Tipton	Vote	AYE
Councilman Wilkinson	Vote	AYE

Rules were suspended and the ordinance immediately put upon its second reading, with the following results:

Councilman Albea	Vote	AYE (with exception)*
Councilman Boyd	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hovis	Vote	AYE
Councilman Huntley	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hudson	Vote	AYE
Councilman Nance	Vote	AYE
Councilman Sides	Vote	AYE
Councilman Tipton	Vote	AYE
Councilman Wilkinson	Vote	AYE

Rules were suspended and the ordinance immediately put upon its third and final reading with the following result:

Councilman Albea	Vote	AYE (with exception)
Councilman Boyd	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hovis	Vote	AYE
Councilman Huntley	Vote	AYE
Councilman Hudson	Vote	AYE
Councilman Nance	Vote	AYE
Councilman Sides	Vote	AYE
Councilman Tipton	Vote	AYE
Councilman Wilkinson	Vote	AYE

Upon the foregoing recorded vote the ordinance was declared adopted.

Ratified this 27th day of July 1936.

Councilman Albea asked to go on record as voting for the above ordinance to include the Mental Hygiene Clinic.

Councilman Albea then made a motion to appropriate \$3,000.00 out of the Contingent Fund for the Childs Guidance or Mental Hygiene Clinic to be under the direction of the Health Department, Dr. Rea, Health Officer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and after discussion the following vote was taken:

AYE: Councilman Albea, Boyd, Huntley and Nance
NAY: Councilmen Hovis, Hudson, Sides, Tipton and Wilkinson.

The Mayor declared the motion lost.

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TAX RATE ORDINANCE

The following ordinance fixing the tax rate for the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1936-37 was then submitted, and on motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Tipton, was unanimously adopted on three readings, and declared to be the Tax Rate Ordinance of the City of Charlotte for the year 1936-37 by the Mayor:

AN ORDINANCE
ENTITLED "FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY
OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1936-1937,
AND THE LEVYING OF TAXES ON ALL REAL AND
PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE."

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte in regular session:

Section 1. For the purpose of defraying the general expenses of the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1936-1937; for the paying of interest accrued and to accrue, the retirement of maturing bonds, additions to the sinking funds; for the partial operation of schools; for the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission, there is hereby levied upon all real and personal property located within the limits of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, the following rates of taxation:

(a) For general government expenses .7536 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property and a tax on polls of \$1.00 each.

(b) For the payment of interest, the retirement of maturing bonds and additions to sinking funds of the general government debt and street bonds .2273 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property.

(c) For the payment of interest, the retirement of maturing bonds and additions to sinking funds on sewerage bonds .0662 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property, and 3¢ per lineal front footage of real estate of each respective owner having sewerage lines in front of the said property or which is being served by City sewerage.

(d) For the payment of interest, the retirement of maturing bonds and additions to sinking funds, on school bonds .1129 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property.

(e) For the partial operation of schools .25 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property.

(f) For the use of Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission .02 on the One Hundred Dollars valuation of real and personal property.

Section 2. The City Tax Collector is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed to collect taxes levied upon all real and personal property located within the City of Charlotte, based upon the foregoing rates; provided, that on all taxes paid after the first Monday in October 1936 there shall be added interest at the rate of eight per centum per annum for one year from due date and six per centum per annum thereafter until paid.

Section 3. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to apportion the funds coming into his hands from taxes collected for the fiscal year 1936-1937, according to the rates and classifications fixed in Section 1 hereof.

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Section 4. That all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

RATIFIED THIS 27th. day of July 1936.

RESOLUTION REGARDING STADIUM CONSTRUCTION

The City Manager reported that in a resolution adopted by the Council last February in regard to the Park & Recreation Commission's contribution to the Stadium the money which the Park & Recreation Commission borrowed from the City was to be held by the Treasurer of the City of Charlotte and paid to the P.W.A. He stated that this was in error and that later the Park and Recreation Commission adopted a resolution that the \$2,500.00 borrowed from the City was to be disbursed by the Treasurer for materials required in the construction of the Stadium, and asked that the Treasurer be authorized to disburse this \$2,500.00 for materials for this purpose.

Thereupon, Councilman Hudson moved that the City Treasurer be given authority to disburse this \$2,500.00 for materials for the Stadium, which motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

OFFICE RENT FOR W.P.A.

The City Manager presented a report from the City Attorneys in regard to office rent for the Works Progress Administration, in which they stated that it would be legal for the City to join with the County in paying rent for WPA headquarters on the ground that it was relieving need. The City's share of this rent would be one-half of \$501.00 and \$50.00 or \$75.00 per month rent on the warehouse.

After discussion, Councilman Hudson made a motion that the City join with the County in paying this rent. Motion seconded by Councilman Boyd, with the following vote taken:

AYE: Councilmen Hudson, Boyd, Sides and Nance.

NAY: Councilmen Albea, Hovis, Huntley, Tipton and Wilkinson.

The Mayor declared the motion lost.

Councilman Wilkinson then moved to pay one-third of this rent, which is \$192.00 per month and make it on a monthly basis. Motion seconded by Councilman Huntley, with the following vote taken:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Nance, Huntley, Tipton and Wilkinson.

NAY: Councilmen Hovis, Boyd and Sides.
Councilman Hudson not voting.

This was not a two-thirds majority of those present and the motion was declared lost.

Councilman Tipton then asked to hear from the City Manager regarding this matter, and Mr. Marshall stated that he felt that the WPA would be glad to receive one-third of the rent from the City on this building, but that the Council could appoint a committee to confer with County and the WPA and work out some satisfactory manner of handling this.

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Councilman Tipton moved that a committee from the City Council be appointed by the Mayor to confer with a committee from the County and the WPA officials to see what can be done. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and carried unanimously.

Mayor Douglas then appointed on this committee, Councilmen Hudson, Huntley and Tipton.

CITY MAINTENANCE OF ST. JULIAN STREET.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley St. Julian Street was taken over for City maintenance, this street having been topsoiled by the developers.

COLLECTION OF WATER BILLS TRANSFERRED BACK TO WATER DEPARTMENT.

The City Manager recommended that the collection of water bills, which has been handled in the office of the Collector of Revenue, be transferred back to the Water Division in order to save time lost in going to and from these two offices in checking accounts, etc., and that the collection of automobile license tag fees and dog tag fees be transferred back to the office of the Collector of Revenue, all in the interest of efficiency, stating that this change had been recommended by Mr. Ledbetter, City Treasurer, Mr. Northrop, the Auditor, and himself.

Councilman Nance made a motion that this change be made, which was seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

NOISE ABATEMENT QUESTION.

The City Manager stated that he had been giving quite a bit of time to the study of noise abatement in the City; that he had written to a number of manufacturing concerns relative to the blowing of whistles in the early morning, and had received replies from a number of such concerns, as well as the different railroads, promising to cooperate in so far as possible.

VACATION FOR CITY MANAGER

On motion of Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, the City Manager was granted a ten day vacation, by unanimous vote of the Council.

CEMETERY DEEDS

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Tipton the following cemetery deeds and transfers were ordered recorded:

J. T. Walker, West Half of Lot No. 339, Section "U"	\$35.00
Perpetual care on same	25.00
M. C. Howard Perpetual care on Lot No. D, Sec. "U"	24.00
Miss Virginia Bartley, East Half of Lot No. 339, Sec. "U"	35.00
Transfer of Lot No. 87, Sec. "U" from J. M. Harry & Co. to the Estate of Mrs. Lilly Phipp Stewart	1.00
The following transfers from Z. A. Hovis & Son to:	
Mrs. E. E. Peel, Admnx. of Estate of Mrs. Alice Baker, Lot "WW", Sec. "U"	
Mrs. L. E. Wooten, North Half of Lot #21, Section "X"	

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Transfer of deed from Z. A. Hovis & Son to Mrs. Chas. R. Cathey, Lot No.128, Section "U".

Transfer of S Half of Lot #169 from Tipton Funeral Home to A. B. Sizemore, Section "U".

Transfer of W Half of Lot 277, Sec. "U" to Mrs. Julia Helton

Transfer of N.W. Quarter of Lot #160, Sec. "U" to Mrs. Henry T. Pate.

Transfer of S.W. Quarter of Lot #160, Sec. "U" to Mrs. E. R. Doster.

RESOLUTION ON DEATH OF R. L. HARGETT

The following Resolution was read by the Clerk and on motion of Councilman Albaea, seconded by Councilman Boyd, was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the Providence of the Almighty God, He has called our friend and fellow-worker, Robert L. Hargett, to his final reward, and

WHEREAS, Robert L. Hargett passed away while in the service of the Police Department of the City of Charlotte, and through his death the City has lost a valuable servant, and

WHEREAS, we respect and honor his memory and appreciate his service to the City,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we as members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, in regular session convened, this the 27th day of July 1936, mourn the passing of this man, and we extend to his wife and family our sincere sympathy.

A copy of this Resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the meeting of the City Council, and a copy sent to Mrs. Robert L. Hargett, wife of the departed, and also to the newspapers in the City of Charlotte.

COUNCIL NOT TO HOLD REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING JULY 29th.

Councilman Sides moved that the City Council not convene on its regular meeting day, Wednesday, July 29th. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albaea, seconded by Councilman Nance the meeting adjourned.

Alice B. McPherson
City Clerk