

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, February 6, 1952, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Coddington, Dellinger, Jordan and Van Every present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

PETITION PRESENTED REQUESTING OPENING OF GOLD STREET FROM MINT STREET TO DOWD ROAD.

Mr. J. H. Carson presented a petition signed by forty property owners on Gold Street, requesting the opening of the street from Mint Street to Dowd Road, a distance of three blocks. He stated that he is the owner of 300 feet of property on Gold Street and that he and the other property owners are willing to pay their assessments for the improvement to the street; that it is estimated that the cost for opening and widening the street would be \$62,400.00. Mr. Carson stated that the improvement has been approved by the Planning Board and the City has been requested several times within the past five years to open the street. He urged that the project be given preference to other projects and the work be done immediately. Councilman Van Every moved that the City Manager investigate the matter and report to Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

MAYOR PRO TEM PRESIDES FOR REMAINDER OF MEETING.

Mayor Shaw left the meeting at this time and Mayor pro tem Van Every presided for the remainder of the session.

PLAT OF CHERRYTOWN APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Plat of a Section of Cherrytown, owned and being developed by Mr. Brevard S. Myers, was approved as recommended by the Planning Board.

STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, approving the following streets for maintenance by the City:

- (a) Red Bird Street, from June Street to Hickory Nut Street.
- (b) Hickory Nut Street, from June St. to Independence Boulevard.
- (c) June Street, from Fugate Ave. south to dead-end.
- (d) Mohigan Street, from June Street to dead-end.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION IN EAST 5TH STREET.

Councilman Albea moved that the construction of 143 feet of 8 inch sanitary sewer be authorized in East 5th Street toward Weddington Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$440.00, to serve 4 family units, at request of Ervin Construction Company, with all costs to be borne by the City. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED LYNCHBURG FOUNDRY COMPANY FOR CAST IRON PIPE.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, a contract was awarded Lynchburg Foundry Company for 990 feet of 24 inch Cast Iron Pipe, One 24 inch B.S. 45 degree Bend and One 24 inch B.S. 11 1/4 degree Bend, as specified, on a unit price basis, representing a net delivered price of \$10,287.03.

BIDS REJECTED ON ONE-WAY THREE SECTION SPAN WIRE TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

Councilman Albea moved that all bids received for Twenty one-way three-section span wire Traffic Signals be rejected and the specifications be rewritten, as recommended by the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the construction of driveway entrances at the following locations was approved:

- (a) One 30 ft. entrance at 205 East Boulevard.
- (b) One 30 ft. entrance at 303 West Second Street.
- (c) One 18 ft. entrance at 1366 East Morehead Street.
- (d) One 10 ft. entrance at 1632 Maryland Avenue.

EMPLOYMENT OF J. H. HOLDEN AS SUPT. OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS, AND PERSONNEL DIRECTOR.

The City Manager reported that Mr. J. H. Holden has been promoted from Assistant Superintendent of Cemeteries to the position of Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds and Personnel Director, effective February 1st.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed to Mr. Frank Hovis for Perpetual Care on Lot 26, in Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$100.00.
- (b) Deed to Mrs. Frances B. Wood for Lot 26, in Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mr. Frank Hovis and wife, at \$1.00 for transfer.
- (c) Deed to Mr. J. T. and Miss Minnie Nasser, for East half of Lot 7, in Section F, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mr. F. B. Ludwig, at \$1.00 for transfer.
- (d) Deed to Mr. F. B. Ludwig, for West half of Lot 7, in Section F, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for new deed to said portion of lot.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF DEED TO R. E. BECK FOR LOT 1, IN BLOCK 6, OF THE SARAH PHARR PROPERTY.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing the execution of Deed to R. E. Beck for Lot 1, in Block 6, of the Sarah Pharr Property" was introduced and read. Councilman Dellinger moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 462.

AMENDMENT TO LEASE (No. W-09-133-Eng-1097) WITH U. S. GOVERNMENT FOR BUILDINGS AND LANDS AND USAGE OF FACILITIES AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Councilman Albea moved that Lease (No. W-09-133-eng-1097) between the United States Government and the City of Charlotte, originally covering 21 buildings and certain lands, together with the joint usage of runways, taxiways and facilities, at Douglas Municipal Airport, presently in effect, be amended so as to extend the expiration date of said lease to June 30, 1996, and to delete Article 19 thereof. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and carried, with Councilman Boyd not voting.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO LEARN IF WATER-PROOF CLOTHING FURNISHED EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN OUTDOOR WORK AND IF NOT TO FURNISH ESTIMATE OF COST OF SUCH CLOTHING.

Councilman Boyd moved that the City Manager be requested to learn if employees of the Sanitary Department and other departments who are engaged in outdoor work are provided with raincoats, hoods and boots, and if not that he furnish the Council an estimate of the cost of such clothing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE PROPOSAL OF I. D. BLUMENTHAL TO PLACE BENCHES, BEARING ADVERTISEMENTS, ON SIDEWALKS.

Councilman Jordan reported that a scheduled meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Mr. I. D. Blumenthal on his proposal to place benches on the sidewalk, was held today with only Mr. Blumenthal, Councilman Albea and himself present. That Mr. Blumenthal stated he wished to place the benches only in the outlying areas of the city, that they would be of concrete with wood backs, that he would carry insurance on the benches which would relieve the City of any liability and that he desired a franchise. Councilman Jordan stated that he advised Mr. Blumenthal that in previous years similar requests have been made to the Council and if the benches are permitted on the streets then these requests should also be considered. Mr. Yancey, City Manager, stated that if a franchise is to be given it will probably be necessary for the City to advertise the facts and let all interested persons have the opportunity to submit their proposals. Councilman Baxter moved that the report be accepted as information, which was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

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


Lillian R. Hayman
City Clerk