

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, September 26, 1960, at 3 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Smith presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Dellinger, Hitch, Myers, Smith and Whittington being present.

ABSENT: Councilman Babcock.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Herbert Hitch.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on September 19, 1960 were approved as corrected on Page 63 to record Councilman Dellinger voting in favor of the motion to award contract for Auto and Motorcycle Tags to the N. C. League of Municipalities, in lieu of voting against the motion.

TEMPORARY SIDEWALKS AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTED ON RUNNYMEAD ROAD, AND BUS COMPANY OFFICIALS TO BE INVITED TO MEET WITH COUNCIL NEXT MONDAY RELATIVE TO BETTER BUS SERVICE TO SERVE SCHOOLS IN SELWYN AVE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND MAYOR TO APPOINT COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH BUS COMPANY OFFICIALS, THE SCHOOL PTA AND THE CITY ENGINEER AND TAKEUP THE WHOLE PROBLEM OF BETTER FACILITIES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE SELWYN SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Mrs. W. E. Rixon, 2400 Ferncliff Road, presented a petition from the majority of the residents of Ferncliff Road requesting that "the north side of Ferncliff Road, from Sharon Road to Rothwood Drive", be withdrawn from the list of streets in the Selwyn Avenue School District on which temporary sidewalks were authorized constructed on September 12th on request of the Chairman of the Selwyn PTA Safety Committee and the Principal of Selwyn Elementary School. Mrs Rixon stated the residents in the area included in the north side of Ferncliff Road were uninformed about the plan to request temporary sidewalks and they question the value of such sidewalks as good long-range neighborhood planning and they feel the Foxcroft area should consider the problem as a whole and not on a partial basis. That the drainage in the area is so bad it would wash out temporary sidewalks. She presented a letter from the City Engineer in response to her request for a statement from him as to the engineering feasibility of such sidewalks, in which Mr. Cheek, City Engineer, advised he is generally not in favor of the construction of temporary gravel walks at any location as they present a continuing and difficult problem of maintenance and they are economically a poor investment for all concerned; that the only permanent solution to the problem can be found in the construction of curb and gutter and permanent sidewalks.

Mr. I. M. Cook, Jr., 3301 Sharon Road, presented a similar petition, signed by a majority of the residents in the area included in "the east side of Sharon Road, from Ferncliff Road to Brandon Circle," and requesting that this location be withdrawn from the list of streets in the area on which temporary sidewalks were authorized constructed for the same reasons as stated by Mrs. Rixon.

Mrs. W. W. Transou, Chairman of the Selwyn Elementary PTA Safety Committee, stated her committee presented the petition for the temporary sidewalks after a 2 year survey to fit the needs of children attending the three schools in the area, and the routes were selected as the most direct to serve the maximum number of children at the minimum cost to the city; that they did not ask the permission of the Ferncliff residents as to the route because they did not think the city had to have permission to use its own right-of-way. She advised that many children would walk the short distance to school if there were sidewalks and they would not be exposed to the dangerous traffic conditions; that the Busses are so crowded there is not sufficient space on them for the children.

Mrs Hugh Cochran presented a petition bearing 223 individual signatures of residents of the Sharon-Wendover Section, for safe walking conditions for the children attending Selwyn Elementary, Alexander Graham Junior High and Myers Park High Schools because the present auto traffic conditions have become acute and presents a serious hazard to the safety of the 2700 students attending these three schools. Mrs. Cochran stated the petition is signed by residents of Overhill Road, Forest Drive, Harris Road, Tanglewood Lane, Brookwood Road, Wendover Road, Shoreham Drive and Sharon Road, on which children reside who attend these schools.

Mrs. Joseph Elliott, Jr., also presented a petition signed by 135 residents of Ferncliff Road, Seward Place, Foxcroft Road, Sanford Lane, Rothwood Drive, Wintergreen Place, Knollwood Place, Woodbrook Lane and Sharon Lane, requesting safe walking conditions for the children attending the three schools because the present automobile traffic conditions endanger their lives. She advised this includes the parents of 82 children who could walk to school if conditions were made safe. Mrs. Elliott stated there is a right-of-way which could be opened up by the city as a street from Foxcroft Road through to Sharon-Amity Road.

Councilman Dellinger expressed the opinion that better bus service would go a long way towards solving the problem, which the Council was told by Bus officials would be provided in the annexed area, especially in school areas.

Mayor Smith called attention to the statement by Mrs. Rixon that the drainage condition is bad, and he asked the City Engineer about it and if it should be improved before any type of sidewalks are laid? Mr. Cheek, City Engineer, stated the drainage in Foxcroft leaves much to be desired, and it definitely should be improved before any sidewalks are laid.

The method by which permanent sidewalks may be laid was discussed generally.

Councilman Smith moved that the temporary sidewalks be constructed on Runnymede Road and Sharon Road, and hold in abeyance the work on Ferncliff and Rothwood for further study. The motion lost for lack of a second.

Councilman Hitch moved that the Mayor be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with the Bus Company officials and the PTA and see if a workable plan cannot be resolved. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

Councilman Dellinger offered a substitute motion that Bus Company Officials be invited to meet with the Council next Monday in the Mayor's office and see if something cannot be worked out for better bus service. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and carried by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Dellinger, Hitch, Myers and Whittington.  
NAYS: Councilman Smith.

Councilman Smith stated that more busses are alright but will not solve the problem, and he again stressed that work should be started on Runnymead and Sharon and Barclay Downs. Mrs. Elliott stated there is no one present from Barclay Downs and she understands there is a divided opinion on the street.

Councilman Hitch moved that the Committee appointed by the Mayor confer with Bus Company Officials and School PTA and take up the problem as a whole and make recommendations to the Council for approval before any work is started. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

Councilman Smith moved that temporary sidewalks be constructed on Runnymead Road, to which there are no objections. The motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD AT ASHLEY AND DUBLIN ROADS DEFERRED FOR STUDY.

Mr. Marvin Burton, Chairman of the Ashley Park School Safety Committee, presented a petition signed by residents of the Westerly Hills section whose children attend Ashley Park School, requesting a School Patrolwoman be placed at Dublin Road and Ashley Road, which is heavily traveled at a rapid speed. Mr. Burton stated there are 658 students in the school, some 90 of whom cross Ashley Road at Dublin Road and others cross the Road at Kempton Place, together with children going to Herbert Spaugh Jr. High School.

Councilman Albea moved that a School Crossing Guard be placed as requested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

Councilman Myers suggested that the request be referred to the Police Department for recommendation. He asked Lieut. Livingston if there are other intersections where a Guard is needed more? Lieut. Livingston stated the intersection of Eastway Drive and Burgin Street is bad, but funds were budgeted for a Guard at this location, and would have been placed earlier but the Guard had to be used at Statesville Avenue to serve Parks Hutchinson School, which was a worse intersection. Councilman Myers stated the employment of additional guards will exceed budget provisions and he would like to have each location appraised and if some Guards are not really needed, they can be switched to a location where most effective.

Councilman Smith offered a substitute motion that a study of intersections be made and a report be made to Council next week of the places where guards are most needed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Myers, and carried by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Dellinger, Hitch, Myers and Smith.  
NAYS: Councilmen Albea and Whittington.

CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY SIDEWALKS ON EAST SIDE OF BEATTIES FORD ROAD, BETWEEN RUSSELL AND ST. LUKE STREETS AUTHORIZED.

Mr. Lemmey Barnes, President of the University Park School PTA, stated in April, 1959 the PTA presented a petition for sidewalks on Beatties Ford Road, between Russell Street and LaSalle Street and also a traffic signal. That the signal has been installed and they earnestly request that the sidewalks be constructed.

Councilman Dellinger moved that temporary sidewalks be constructed on the east side of Beatties Ford Road, between Russell and St. Luke Streets, at an estimated cost of \$200.00 and that the amount be transferred from the Contingency Fund to the Engineering Department to cover the construction cost. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 689 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 689 Amending the Zoning Ordinance by amending the Building Zone Map of the Perimeter Area by changing property on the north side of West Boulevard, west of Walter Street, from B-1 and Rural to Industrial, on petition of Winton Products Company, Inc., was adopted as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, beginning at Page 15.

ORDINANCE NO. 693 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, DEFERRED.

Consideration was given the request of H. E. Cline, Jr. and Marion C. Still for a change in zoning from R-2 to B-1 on property at 145 S. King's Drive, which was recommended disapproved by the Planning Board.

Councilman Hitch suggested that instead of considering the rezoning of the single lot that the entire block be rezoned to B-1, and he moved that the Planning Board be requested to make a recommendation as to the Council on its own motion changing King's Drive, from East 4th Street to Independence Boulevard, from R-2 to B-1. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 694 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, ADOPTED.

Councilman Smith moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 694 Amending the Zoning Ordinance by amending the Building Zone Map of Charlotte by changing property southwest of Freedom Drive near Cannon Airport, from R-2 to Light Industrial, on petition of Mrs. S. B. Alexander, as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, beginning at Page 16.

ORDINANCE NO. 695 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting Ordinance No. 695 Amending the Zoning Ordinance by amending the Building Zone Map of the Perimeter Area by changing property southwest of Freedom Drive, from Rural to Light Industrial, on petition of Mrs. S. B. Alexander, as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, beginning at Page 17.

ORDINANCE NO. 696 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, DEFERRED FOR STUDY BY THE PLANNING BOARD.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 696 Amending the Zoning Ordinance by amending the Building Zone Map of the Perimeter Area by changing property on both sides of Fairview Road from Rural to O-I, on petition of James J. Harris et al, was deferred for further study by the Planning Board upon their request.

ORDINANCE NO. 697 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, DENIED.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, denying the petition of R. S. Dickson, Marsh Realty Company and the American Red Cross, for change in zoning from R-1 and R-2 to O-1 on property at 2620 Park Road, as recommended by the Planning Board.

ORDINANCE NO. 690 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF THE CITY CODE AMENDING THE BUILDING ZONE MAP, ADOPTED.

Councilman Whittington moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 690 Amending the Zoning Ordinance by amending the Building Zone Map of Charlotte by changing property at the rear of 2421 Park Road, from R-2 to B-1, on petition of J. H. Frickhoeffter and wife, as recommended by the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 18.

CHANGES IN LAW GOVERNING ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF CITY RECORDER'S COURT RECOMMENDED BY MECKLENBURG BAR ASSOCIATION ADOPTED AND CITY ATTORNEY DIRECTED TO DRAW BILL FOR PRESENTING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, the following changes in the law governing the organization and operation of the City Recorder's Court recommended by the Committee on Courts and Judiciary of the Mecklenburg County Bar Association, were approved:

- (1) That the Council be authorized to elect one or more City Recorders, to fix their salaries and to provide for the time and places of holding sessions of court.
- (2) That the Council be authorized to elect a City Solicitor, together with as many assistants as it deems wise, and to fix their salaries.
- (3) That the Council be authorized to elect one or more Vice-Recorders, to fix their salaries. That the Vice-Recorders so elected would be authorized to hold court in the absence of one or more of the Recorders or at such other times and places as the Council may determine by resolution duly adopted.
- (4) That the jurisdiction of the court remain as it is with the exception that it be county-wide instead of city-wide.
- (5) That the Council be authorized to employ one or more court reporters, to fix their salaries and to designate by appropriate resolution what class of cases, if any, the court reporter should report.

Councilman Whittington stated that Judge Currie suggested that Council approve engaging an Attorney to draft the law incorporating the recommended changes, and he moved that the City employ Mr. Frank Snapp. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, who stated Mr. Snapp was suggested because of his experience in the General Assembly.

Councilman Dellinger stated he sees no reason why the City Attorney should not draw the Bill instead of delegating the authority to someone else. Councilman Smith stated the Committee advised it will take quite a bit of research and study.

Councilman Dellinger offered a substitute motion that Mr. John Shaw, City Attorney, confer with the Attorney General and take whatever steps are necessary to draw the Bill. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED UNION SUPPLY & ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

Upon motion of Councilman Hitch, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Union Supply & Electric Company, the low bidder, for 50 One-way Three Section Traffic Signals, as specified, representing a net delivered price of \$2,948.50.

The following net delivered bids were received:

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| Union Supply & Electric Company      | \$ 2,948.50 |
| Mill-Power Supply Company            | \$ 2,950.00 |
| General Electric Supply Company      | \$ 2,950.00 |
| Graybar Electric Company, Inc.       | \$ 2,972.50 |
| Traffic Engineers Supply Corp.       | \$ 2,985.00 |
| Marbleite Company, Inc.              | \$ 2,997.50 |
| Westinghouse Electric Supply Company | \$ 3,153.00 |

CONTRACT AWARDED NATIONAL SAFETY ENGINEERS, INC. FOR 250 SHEETS OF ALUMINUM MATERIAL.

Councilman Hitch moved the award of contract to National Safety Engineers, Inc., the low bidder, for 250 Sheets of Aluminum Material, as specified, at a net delivered price of \$6,760.45. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

The following net delivered bids were received:

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| National Safety Engineers, Inc.              | \$ 6,760.45 |
| Atlantic Aluminum & Metal Distributors, Inc. | \$ 6,777.92 |
| Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Sales, Inc.       | \$ 7,559.22 |
| Aluminum Company of America                  | \$ 7,560.90 |
| Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp.                | \$ 7,566.48 |
| Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc.                | \$ 7,852.20 |

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS APPROVED.

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

- (a) Construction of 3,341 feet of mains in Greentree Subdivision, inside the city, at request of Charlotte Development Company, at an estimated cost of \$14,080.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, whose deposit of the entire cost will be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (b) Construction of 1,950 feet of mains to serve portion of Hillsboro Acres, inside the city, at request of J. R. Purser, 4001 Sheridan Drive, at an estimated cost of \$7,530.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, whose deposit of the entire cost will be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (c) Construction of 150 feet of mains in Beal Street, inside the city, at request of Yearwood Construction Company, at an estimated cost of \$550.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, whose deposit of the entire cost will be refunded as per terms of the contract.

- (d) Construction of 3,555 feet of sewer trunk from Tarrington Avenue to Hickory Grove Road and Sharon-Amity Road, to serve existing mains on Driftwood Drive, Campbell Drive, Sharon-Amity Road and Hickory Grove Road, at an estimated cost of \$9,925.00. All costs to be borne by the City with bond funds.

STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Upon motion of Councilman Hitch, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the following streets were taken over for maintenance:

- (a) Moncure Street from turnaround south 610 feet.
- (b) Hatherly Road from Moncure Street east 150 feet.
- (c) Olando Street from Norris Avenue south 450 feet.
- (d) Paddock Circle from Heather Lane to Ashbrook Place.
- (e) Ashbrook Place from Paddock Circle to Heather Lane.
- (f) Byerly Court from Paddock Circle 150 feet to end.
- (g) Wimbledon Drive from Ashcraft Road to Paddock Circle.
- (h) Heather Lane from Ashbrook Place to within 150 feet of Ashcraft Rd.

AGREEMENT WITH STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT & U. S. BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG INTERSTATE #85 FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER IN SERVICE ROAD BETWEEN GLENWOOD DRIVE AND BRADFORD DRIVE.

Councilman Dellinger moved approval of an agreement with the State Highway Department and the U. S. Bureau of Public Works for right-of-way along Interstate #85 for the installation of water mains for a distance of 1,000-ft. in the service road between Glenwood Drive and Bradford Drive. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

AGREEMENTS WITH STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the following agreements were authorized with the State Highway Department for rights-of-way for the installation of water mains:

- (a) Agreement for the installation of a 20-inch main in State Highway #21, Pineville Road, inside the city limits, for a distance of 9,400-feet, in connection with the contract with Lance, Inc. dated Sept. 12, 1960.
- (b) Agreement for the installation of an 8-inch main in the west side of Belhaven Boulevard, Highway #16.
- (c) Agreement for the installation of a 16-inch main for a distance of 15,000-feet in State Highway #21, Pineville Road, outside the city limits, in connection with contract with Lance, Inc, dated September 12, 1960.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH LYERLY-MORGAN COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS IN PINECROFT SUBDIVISION.

Councilman Hitch moved approval of contract with Lyerly-Morgan Company

for the installation of 2,550-ft. of water mains and 2 hydrants in Pinecroft Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$6,000.00. The city to finance all costs and applicant to guarantee a gross water revenue equal to 10% of the total cost. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

PAYMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH SANITARY SEWER RIGHTS-OF-WAY AUTHORIZED TO GRIER, PARKER, POE AND THOMPSON, ATTORNEYS FROM SEWER BOND FUND.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing payment of \$350 from Sewer Bond Fund to Grier, Parker, Poe & Thompson, Attorneys for legal services in connection with sanitary sewer rights-of-way in the 1960 city limit area.

NAME OF GWENFETT PLACE CHANGED TO CURRITUCK DRIVE.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried, the name of Gwenfett Place was changed to Currituck Drive, as requested by the property owners on the street and recommended by the Planning Board.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT GRANTED PERMISSION TO DESTROY CERTAIN RECORDS.

Councilman Whittington moved that the Accounting Department be authorized to destroy certain records which have been kept intact for the required number of years under the State Statutes, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOT.

Councilman Albea moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deed with Mr. O. B. Torrence and wife, for the transfer of Lot 351, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$252.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

JAMES C. BUCKLEY, INC. EMPLOYED AS CONSULTANT FOR LONG-RANGE STUDY OF NEEDS AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Councilman Dellinger moved that James C. Buckley, Inc., be employed as consultant to make a long-range study of the Airport needs, as recommended by the Airport Advisory Committee, on a per diem basis at a total sum not to exceed \$27,500.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

NEGOTIATIONS AUTHORIZED WITH WHITEHEAD & ZICKEL, INC. FOR DRAWING PLANS FOR ~~WHITEHEAD AND ZICKEL, INC. EMPLOYED AS ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS ON THE WEST SIDE GRADE SEPARATION PROGRAM.~~

Corrected  
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Councilman Myers, Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Mayor to recommend an engineering consultant for the Grade Separation program, reviewed the steps taken by the Committee in their investigation of applicants, and stated they determined to recommend the employment of the firm of Whitehead & Zickel, Inc. for the west side grade separation work only. He advised that Mr. Zickel is thoroughly familiar with Charlotte Grade Separation Program, having worked with the former Engineering Consultant. Councilman Myers moved that ~~Whitehead & Zickel, Inc. be~~





negotiations be authorized with Whitehead & Zickel, Inc. for drawing plans ~~employed to draw the plans~~ for rebuilding the Southern Railway overpass on East Morehead Street, a new overpass at West Trade Street and the Southern Railway and track elevations to connect the two overpasses. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hitch, and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER ADVISES EAST 3RD STREET OPENING AWAITING RIGHT-OF-WAY APPRAISALS FROM STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Myers inquired as to the progress on the acquisition of the right-of-way for the opening of East 3rd Street? Mr. Veeder stated the State is now completing the right-of-way appraisal and this is all that is holding it up, as the City's money is available. He stated the State was not willing to accept the City's right-of-way estimates.

APPOINTMENT OF S. R. JORDAN AS ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE CHARLOTTE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

Councilman Whittington stated that Mr. Frank Thies has advised he cannot accept the appointment as an Alternate Member of the Charlotte Zoning Board of Adjustment; therefore, he moved the appointment of Mr. Sanford R. Jordan to fill the vacancy. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CHARLOTTE POLICE CAR TO TAKE STATE COMMANDER TO AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION IN MIAMI WITH POLICE OFFICER, WHO IS CHEF DE GARE OF THE 40 AND 8 VOITURE DRIVING, BOTH IF LEGAL.

Councilman Whittington advised that in October the American Legion Convention will be held in Miami, and as the North Carolina Commander of the American Legion resides in Charlotte, if legal he would like the City to send him to the Convention in a Police Car to represent the City of Charlotte and that it be driven by the Chef de gare of the 40 and 8 Voiture, who is a member of the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, who stated usually a State Highway Department car is sent but they will not do so this year, and he thinks it would be well for Charlotte to do so.

The City Attorney stated he questions the legality of it. The City Manager stated he does not question the good effect it would have but he is wondering if it would not be setting a precedent for other organizations to make the same request. Mayor Smith expressed the opinion that one of the Automobile Companies might loan a car for the occasion.

The vote was then taken on the motion and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

- YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Dellinger, Hitch, Smith and Whittington.
- NAYS: Councilman Myers.

REPORT OF POLICE ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH BREAKINS AT RADIO HOSPITAL ON NORTH BREVARD STREET.

Councilman Smith referred to the complaint of Mr. E. C. Bruton at last week's meeting that his Radio Hospital on N. Brevard Street has been broken into four times recently and he is not receiving proper police protection. Councilman Smith stated he checked with the Police Department and learned that each of the three breakins were discovered by the Police and reported to Mr. Bruton as well as the recent attempted breakin

when a window was broken, and the one larceny which occurred while the Store Manager was present, the Police arrested the thief and recovered the stolen radio. Councilman Smith stated he is of the opinion that the Police are on the job and the implication that they are not is entirely wrong.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CROSS-WALKS IN MIDDLE OF BLOCK ON ONE-WAY STREETS  
RECOMMENDED.

Councilman Smith recommended that cross-walks be put in the middle of the block on all one-way streets which would provide safer crossing than at intersections, particularly where traffic is allowed to turn. He stated there is much discussion in the downtown area about the ban on jay-walking, which is difficult to enforce, as it is now. Mr. Hoose Traffic Engineer, stated that their surveys show that crossing at intersections is much safer than persons coming out from between cars in the middle of the block. He stated the lack of pedestrian education is hampering the program from being a success. He stated further that he will be glad to make another check on the one-way streets.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hoffman  
Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk