

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, June 4, 1962, at 3 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Brookshire presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Bryant, Dellinger, Jordan, Smith, Thrower and Whittington present.

ABSENT: None.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Rev. Frank B. Yandell, Retired Presbyterian Minister.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on May 28th were approved as submitted.

CITY OF CHARLOTTE CITIZENSHIP AWARD PRESENTED DR. ELMER H. GARINGER, SUPT. OF CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Mayor Brookshire requested Dr. Garinger to please come forward as he would like to direct a few remarks to him and give him something. He stated in recent weeks and months, Dr. Garinger has been given very wide recognition, acclaim and praise for the some 41 years of service which he has rendered to this community. That he and Council merely want to echo all of these very fine things that have been said for the services which he has rendered to the community over the years, and to show him the City of Charlotte is not unmindful of that splendid record and in appreciation of the service which has been rendered, he would like to give Dr. Garinger an official City of Charlotte Citizenship Award. Mayor Brookshire stated it is his very great pleasure to present this to Dr. Elmer H. Garinger in acknowledgement and appreciation of outstanding services rendered to the people of the City of Charlotte as Superintendent of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education.

Dr. Garinger stated he certainly appreciates this recognition; that he has been with the Charlotte public schools for 41 years. The public schools in this city are just 80 years old this year, so he has been attached to this school system six months more than half that period of time. He stated they have been very enjoyable years for both he and Mrs Garinger. That Charlotte has been good to them, and they have given of their best to it, and the relationship between the Schools and the City Council over the years has been one of the very finest that he knows of in any American city. Dr. Garinger said that our Boards of Education have prepared their budgets, they have come to Council and explained their positions on certain matters, the Councils have listened, asked questions, the two Boards have gotten together on their thoughts and have come to wise decisions, and he is sure as the future unfolds that same sort of practice will be made. That as Dr. Phillips takes his place on July 5th, he would ask Council to give him the same kind of cooperation that has been given to him. He stated this is a great city, a great area with all working together.

Dr. Garinger stated he has been endorsed as a candidate for the House of Representatives, and he, and he imagines the other people who are

nominees for this important office, would like to spend the time between now and February familarizing themselves with the problems of Council and the men in other organizations here in our City— the problems they think ought to be tackled by the General Assembly. Dr. Garinger stated he would like to go to Raleigh, and if he happens to, he should like to go as an informed person, who can do for the city, the area, the kind of job that ought to be done for it, and he would appreciate an opportunity of sitting down with Council at some time, and just have a session on some of the things that should be done by the General Assembly. He again expressed his thanks for the recognition given him, and assured the Council they have his great sympathy, respect and pledge to work for the best interest of the City, the County and the area.

MEMBERS OF THE CITY STAFF WHO ATTENDED COURSE IN MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AT INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT, CHAPEL HILL, INTRODUCED.

Mayor Brookshire advised several of the city staff finished a course of training at Chapel Hill in the Institute of Government - Mr. Fred Bryant, Planning Department, Chief Walter Black, Fire Department, Mr. Wesley York, Treasurer's Office and Mr. Ernest Davis, Engineering Department. That on behalf of the City Council, he would like to thank all of those for having taken the period of training, which will enable them to better serve the City.

Chief Black stated he would like to say just a word in relation to the school; that he has attended several schools throughout the years and he feels the school at Chapel Hill is the best school of its type in the southeast. That all gained considerable additional knowledge to the workings of the Departments and the coordinating of the best phases between the other departments. He expressed his appreciation for the privilege of attending and stated he feels the City will get back their money many times over that spent for text books and so forth.

CERTIFICATES FROM THE INSTITUTE OF TRAINING IN MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND THE INTERNATIONAL MANAGERS ASSOCIATION PRESENTED 22 CITY EMPLOYEES.

Mayor Brookshire stated certificates from the Institute of Training in Municipal Administration and the International City Managers Association are to be presented to some 22 City Employees who have finished a course in Supervisory Methods in Municipal Administration. He congratulated all of them and stated one of the responsibilities as a public employer is to maintain a competent working force, and in meeting this responsibility the City has encouraged employees to enter into the training programs available to them; new programs are being developed to meet the needs. He stated however, encouraging training is only part of the picture; employees must enthusiastically enter into the training activities if the goals of training are to be achieved.

Mayor Brookshire stated 26 employees are present today who voluntarily devoted time and energy in taking the training programs for the past few months. Four participated in 165 hour course in the Municipal Administration offered by the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill, which required them to devote many of their weekends over the past 6 months in classroom sessions at the Institute. Twenty-two have for the past 3 months been devoting a great deal of their off-duty time to the preparation required for participation in a course of Supervisory Methods. He stated all are to be congratulated for the efforts they have expended in self-improvement and to increasing their value to the City and to the public which the City serves.

Certificates were presented the following:

Mr. Pressley Beaver, Mr. Luther P. Bobo, Mr. Cyrus Brooks, Mr. Samuel Neal Broome, Mrs Elizabeth Corkey, Mr. W. P.Davis, Mr. Wm. Odis Dowdy, Miss Leila J. Finlayson, Mr. Henry Lee Forest, Jr., Mr. Thomas G. Ginn, Major J. C. Goodman, Jr., Mr. Frank Haas, Mr. E. K. Hoffman, Mr. Robert E. Huneycutt, Mr. Wm. H. Jamison, Dr. Maurice Kamp, Miss Betty Keziah, Mr. David Lucas, Mr. John R. McClelland, Mr. Thomas A. Stafford, Mr. Arthur B. Torrence and Mr. Clarence N. Underwood.

The Mayor expressed his sincere congratulations to each.

COMPLAINT OF RESIDENT CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF INFLAMMABLE HOUSE ON WEST BOULEVARD REFERRED TO THE BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Irving Quist, property owner on West Boulevard, reported that Mr. Ron Handschuh is constructing a house which is inflammable out in the area, and which is located inside the city limits. She stated there is an old house located behind the Winton Products building which is in very bad condition, and two other old houses which should be condemned; there are no baths in them, they have never had anything done to them and they have been there for quite some time. That she sold the property to the Griers in 1954 and the condition of the house was not so bad then; they bought bathrooms fixtures from Sears-Roebuck Company but they were not installed. Mr Handschuh went out and bought the property and stated he was going to put the inflammable house out there which will be in a short distance of white people. Mrs Quist stated she has spent lots of money in Reid Park trying to clean it up. She asked if Mr. Handschuh could construct this building which would hurt her and all the other people.

At the suggestion of the City Manager, Mrs Quist was referred to Mr. W. H. Jamison of the Building Inspection Department.

COMPLAINT OF W.H. TRAYWICK REFERRED TO ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT FOR COST ESTIMATE ON CONSTRUCTING DITCH BETWEEN HIS PROPERTY AND THAT OF HIS NEIGHBOR ON SHEFFIELD DRIVE.

Mr. Wayne H. Traywick, 3837 Sheffield Drive, appeared before Council and presented a sketch of his property to each council member. He stated he regretted having to appear with his problem; that he felt it should have been settled on a much lower echelon. He stated the property is located at the rear of Evergreen Cemetery, the main entrance is on Central Avenue, and this is over on Sheffield Avenue but it is the undeveloped portion; that he has tried to settle the diversion of water on a congenial basis but he has not been able to solve the problem; that Mr. Davis of the Engineering Department has been out and told the family who erected the dam, in his presence, that it was illegial to divert water and that all property owners should take their fair share of the drainage from the woods. Mr. Traywick stated that Mr. Davis told them the dam was backing water up on the undeveloped area of the city property and the city could not prove damage. That he could not do anything about it. Mr. Traywick stated further that the water backed up was then diverted into his yard. He said that Mr Haas of the Cemetery Department came out and talked with Mrs Yemm, after Mr Davis had been there. After the conversation between the three of them, the part of the dam which was washed out has been filled in, they built a large mound of dirt on the property line on the inside running parallel to the City, which has been seeded and planted, and after 6 months when the grass comes out and the shrubbery has been sown, it could well be argued that the bank has been there for several years. Then there

would be no evidence. He stated the Council is involved as City Employees have expressed an opinion, which could well be an interpretation of go ahead. He asked the Council if they as custodian of public property owned by the City are willing to authorize one citizen to use public property to do damage to another citizen, a taxpayer, a consistent voter, especially in local elections. He stated there are a number of property owners along this same property line but only one had taken it upon himself to take action that would cause water to be diverted on a neighbor. He asked the Council to note what would happen if he and other property owners should erect a similar dam to back the water up, the water would stand in the undergrowth on the city's property a breeding place for mosquitoes, and most unsanitary conditions. He stated that on April 26th the Council granted permission to use city personnel and property to correct a similar situation on Crater Street, using taxpayers money to improve privately owned property, or to improve sanitary conditions. In this case, the City owns part of the property, which offers an opportunity to correct a similar situation without cost to the taxpayers by merely issuing a directive to the person who erected the dam stating that it is illegial and must be moved on or before a designated date. He stated that a few weeks ago he called on Mr. Veeder but he had previously formed an opinion based on hear say as he had not been out to look at the place. He stated further that after much consideration he had decided to bring the matter to Council. He asked Council to take action to cause the obstruction to be removed and to allow the drainage of the water from the city owned property to flow its natural path. He asked Council to base their decision upon what they see and not what they hear.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Attorney if Mr. Traywick has any claim against the City, and Mr. Morrisey, City Attorney, stated the matter has been discussed many times with different city departments, the last time being with the Engineering Department and he has advised the Department that this is a private matter that should be settled between the neighbors, and did not involve the city in any way.

Councilman Thrower asked that Mr Haas, Supt. of Cemetery Department speak. Mr. Haas stated this is an old thing with him, that it has been discussed for several years; that it has not happened in just the last couple of months. He stated he has tried to settle it but could not make much progress. That he had asked Mr. Shaw, former City Attorney, to please advise him and he, as Mr. Morrisey has just stated, advised that it is not a city matter, that the city is not involved and he told him to stay out of it.

Councilman Smith stated he recognizes that the City is not legally involved but the city has 287 acres out there, and this is a low point that carries water off the city's property; that he feels the City owes it to the citizenship not to stand on a strictly legal question here unless they are forced to. That the city is diverting a lot of water in there and with the help of the Engineering Department, the water could be diverted down the line between the two houses, to the storm sewer where it rightfully should flow.

Mr. Morrisey stated that it now flows in a natural drainage area, that the City is not diverting it in any way.

Councilman Dellinger asked if any part of the wall is on City property and Mr. Haas advised that it is not.

Councilman Smith stated he knows that water has to take a natural flow but when one man puts up a wall and diverts the water that's a private fight between them, but rather than to encourage a private fight he would rather

find out how much it will cost to take this water on into the storm sewer on Sheffield, take it down the line between the two property owners. He stated that a good bit of this water is coming off the 200 acres.

Councilman Dellinger asked if this would not be setting a precedent, and Councilman Smith stated there are not very many places where the City is diverting water into a man's yard. Councilman Smith stated he would like to find out how much it will cost to divert the water down the property line.

Mayor Brookshire asked Mr. Traywick the difference in elevation between the two properties in relation to the line in between the properties, if that is a low area through which the water would naturally flow to Sheffield Dr. Mr. Traywick stated it would flow down in the back yard of Mr. Yemm from the natural elevation.

Councilman Dellinger asked if the rock wall was not there, would not the water flow down the same line. Mr. Traywick stated if the wall was not there, the water would flow down into the back yard at 3845 just as it is coming down to 3847. That he just has not built a dam there to stop it. He stated he did not want to start a precedent out there, but if Mr. Yemm could do it he could, and it would cost him a lot less money to build a concrete wall than it would to employ an attorney.

Councilman Smith asked if he and Mr. Yemm have discussed putting down a drain on the property line between the two houses to take the water off. Mr. Traywick stated Mr Davis had suggested that when he came out and he was willing but Mr. Yemm was not willing.

At Councilman Dellinger's question if the city can put in a drainage pipe on private property, Mr. Morrisey stated they can not.

Councilman Bryant stated he feels this is a situation that the City need not get involved in and he would like to receive it as information and thank Mr. Traywick for making Council aware of the problem.

Councilman Smith asked if it would help to have the Engineering Department give an estimate of putting a ditch in, how much it would cost, so Mr. Traywick can get with Mr. Yemm and try to work it out. Mr. Traywick stated he has expressed the opinion he did not want to do it, and he has already made provision to take care of the water coming down into his yard; however, he will be willing to cooperate.

Mr. Veeder suggested that the City determine how much it would cost the gentlemen to solve the problem mutually, send the information to both of them and what they do with it would be up to them.

The Mayor stated this would be done.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT INTERSECTION OF PLAZA ROAD AND ANDERSON STREET AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND AUTHORIZED.

Mr. Dan Brooks, representing the group from Plaza Road School, was present and asked for a report on the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Plaza Road and Anderson Street to serve the Plaza Road Elementary School.

The City Manager reported the estimated cost of the installation is \$1,800, which includes the signal, signal heads and detector, and that the installation is not recommended.

Councilman Smith stated he thought the City should more and more call in the Safety Council to give their opinions on these matters. The City is paying part of their fees, they are active and want to help, and he can see no objections to letting them review this and give a recommendation. Mayor Brookshire and Councilman Jordan stated they feel this is a good suggestion. Councilman Bryant stated he disagrees with the matter of bringing in the Safety Council, that he appreciates their position in the matter but he does not think they are set up for this particular type of appraisal of the situation.

Councilman Smith stated the Safety Council went out on Sharon Road when the hassel developed on putting the light out there, they made a complete study, went out to see the people, they explained the statistics and finally worked it out.

Mr Brooks stated they contacted Mr Terrell on this, that he seemed very enthused but they have not heard from his since then. Councilman Smith stated they have not had a request from Council. He stated there is time and he would like to see the Safety Council more active and cooperate with the City Council and County Commissioners on such matters.

The City Manager stated the Safety Council does not have any Traffic engineers on its staff, and a good deal of the technical work on the Sharon Road which had been mentioned was done by the City's staff.

Councilman Smith stated he has a two fold purpose. That he wants to strengthen the Safety Council, he wants them to work with the City on projects, he wants to give them encouragement, endorsement and he is very much in favor of the Safety Council; that he can see no harm that can come from this, they represent the people and the Engineering Department represents the budget, a lot of times, and he believes the Safety Council can profit in this instance. He therefore moved that the Safety Council be requested to review this and make a recommendation.

Councilman Whittington asked Councilman Smith if he would amend his motion that the report and recommendation be made in two weeks, at which time the Council can act on it one way or another. Councilman Smith stated he would amend his motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower.

Councilman Dellinger stated he has been out and observed the location on three different mornings and he is ready to vote now. Any report the Committee would recommend will have no bearing on his vote.

Mr. Veeder asked that the Council hear from Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, before the vote is taken on the motion to ask the Safety Council to review it.

Mr. Hoose stated that he would object to the Safety Council reviewing the location because he does not believe there is anyone on the staff to make the survey or do that type of work. He feels the City's staff is capable of doing this work. Councilman Smith stated he is not comparing Mr. Hoose's staff with the Safety Council but since there is a Safety Council for which some \$25,000 is being spent - both the U.S.C. and the City Government and probably the County Government - he does not see any reason whey they should not make the survey. That it would educate them, and later they can spot other areas like this.

Mr. Hoose stated he does not object to the education but he does not think they have anybody on the staff who is a trained traffic engineer. He does not see any objections to the Safety Council backing up the work that the traffic engineering department does but he does not think it is up to them to make a decision.

Councilman Bryant stated he understood the Safety Council is here to make people aware of traffic hazards and to help them have better habits as far as driving and pedestrian traffic is concerned, that he did not realize they were coming here as experts in traffic study.

Mr. Hoose stated he thought the best thing to do would be to hold up on the installation as he has seen in the paper where the schools would be redistricted, some of the school zones are being shuffled in the area now. He said they have the same problem every September, crosswalks and everything has to be changed.

The principal of the school, Mr. Scott, stated the boundary lines have been drawn for this district; they have one empty classroom, and he has been told they will not get any more students, but they will have as many students as they have this year; that the district has been extended from Highway Place to Garinger High School, taking in about 25 duplex apartments, being about 50 more families. He stated they want to be sure they have an improved situation by September.

Councilman Whittington stated he feels the installation of the traffic light is in order, he thought so last week after the people pointed out there are 154 pupils crossing at one time and 132 at another time, and 246 live in the area down to the Plaza. On the other hand, in all respect to Mr. Hoose, the City has a stake in the Safety Council and any cooperation received from that group should be encouraged as the City is a contributing body to their operation and for that reason he will go along with Mr. Smith's motion and request that the Safety Council be consulted; he does not believe it is the intent of anyone on the Council to overrule the fact that Mr. Hoose is the Traffic Engineer. That his recommendation is what Council acts on, either for or against, and for that reason he will be willing to wait two weeks.

Councilman Dellinger stated he disagrees with Mr. Whittington as the City has its own traffic engineer and he does not feel the government should farm out business that the city engineer and Council is suppose to handle; that he does not think they are qualified and he feels the City should handle it. Councilman Bryant stated he agrees and if the Council doesn't think they can, he feels they should beef it up to the point where they can; that if the Council sets a precedent like this, they will have to go out to the other agencies who are involved in other types of operations that the city is too. Councilman Smith stated if both the gentlemen are going to vote against their engineering department, he can see no reason why the Safety Council can not arbitrate the matter. Councilman Dellinger stated he wants no arbitration from outsiders who know nothing about it, that he feels he knows as much about the area as the department they would ask to come in. Councilman Dellinger stated he is in a position to oppose Mr. Hoose, but he is not in a position to negotiate with the Safety Council:

Mr. Hoose stated he has no objections to the Safety Council; that he works closely with them but they have a mutual understanding, and on engineering problems, even in the county, they consult with the Traffic Engineering Department; that he has worked with them on lots of traffic engineering problems, but this is not their field, they are in public relations and mostly educational. That his objections are if this is a discussion between the Traffic Engineering Department and members of the City Council on this one instance, it can be straightened out here without bringing in an outsider.

The vote was taken on the motion by Councilman Smith, and failed to carry on the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Smith, Whittington and Thrower.

NAYS: Councilmen Dellinger, Bryant, Albea and Jordan.

Councilman Bryant moved that the traffic light be installed by August 15th and that \$1.800 be transferred from the Contingency Fund for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger.

Councilman Albea made a substitute motion that it be delayed for two weeks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith.

The vote was taken on the substitute motion by Councilman Albea, and failed to carry by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Albea, Smith and Thrower.

NAYS: Councilmen Bryant, Dellinger, Jordan and Whittington.

The vote was taken on the original motion and carried by the following recorded vote:

Councilmen Bryant, Dellinger, Jordan, Whittington and Thrower.

NAYS: Councilman Albea.

Councilman Smith abstained from voting.

Councilman Albea stated he is not opposed to installing the light, he is opposed to voting today.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO CONSULT WITH DUKE POWER COMPANY TO SEE IF CITY CAN BUILD ACROSS THEIR RIGHT OF WAY AND TO OBTAIN COST OF CONSTRUCTING A FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS DITCH ON KAY STREET.

Mr. O. N. Freeman, 1925 Erie Street, representing the Lincoln Heights Community and Lincoln Heights School, requested the extension of Kay Street to intersect what is now Newcastle, a distance of about 30 feet. He stated this is a main route for students in the Oaklawn Park section attending the Lincoln Heights School; that in trying to get this area passable they ran into a conflict. The area in question is a part of the Duke Power Company right-of-way. Therefore, the developer of Oaklawn Park stopped the paving of Kay Street at a point of right of way; he stated this is a natural route from Oaklawn Park for approximately 150 or 200 children and imposes an additional traveling distance of 8 to 10 blocks on these students when it would be approximately 4 blocks to the school if they could use this area; also, there is an incline there and it is at the point where water has washed deep gulleys. He stated further that the Oaklawn Park and Lincoln Heights P.T.A. groups combined two years ago and secured concrete tile to put in this drain area to try to make it passable for children, but in the past two winters this has all washed away and it is a bad situation; the Street Department is now cutting up Russell Avenue with the idea of putting down a base gravel and resurfacing it and he has been told that dirt cannot even be dumped in this area for the convenience of these children without an official order, so he, representing the Lincoln Heights P.T.A. and the Oaklawn Park Community, is pleading with the Council to look at the situation again and, if at all possible, give them some relief.

Councilman Dellinger asked Mr. Veeder if he would check with Duke Power and see if they will allow the city to do something for the people.

The City Manager asked Mr. Freeman if their primary interest is a walkway for the children. Mr. Freeman stated he is serving in a dual capacity first as a principal, he wants the children to be able to get through without getting wet and muddy and second, the Oaklawn Park group wants a paved street through so they can drive through without going around the extra ten blocks.

Mr. Veeder stated the cost of paving this area is estimated at \$2,500.00. The problem is not an easy one because some existing paving will have to be removed to build up an incline to get over a drainage area, and the drainage area will have to be piped; but if the principle need is for a walkway for the children, he assumes that could be done at a substantially lesser price than paving the street. He stated the street has not been under city maintenance, that it is an unopened portion of the street, only about 96 feet. That it is impassable now because of the drainage area there. If extended to Newcastle it would tie-in Lincoln Heights with Oaklawn Park. He asked Mr. Freeman if the drainage ditch there now did not preclude vehicles using it and Mr. Freeman replied it is adequate for one car at a time; that it is not adequate for two cars nor for the water that is channeled into this area during heavy rainy seasons.

Councilman Whittington moved that the City Manager consult with Duke Power Company and also get the cost of putting a footbridge across the ditch for consideration by Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and carried unanimously.

DECISION ON PETITION NO. 62-9 BY FRANCES M. GRIGG FOR CHANGE IN ZONING FROM R-9MF TO B-1 OF TRACT AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF MILTON ROAD AND NEWELL-HICKORY GROVE ROAD, DEFERRED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, decision on Petition No. 62-9 by Frances M. Grigg for change in zoning from R-9MF to B-1 of 3.09 acre tract at northwest corner of Milton Road and Newell-Hickory Grove Road was deferred as recommended by the Planning Board for their further study.

ORDINANCE NO. 98-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 22, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY AT 1314 DOWNS AVENUE, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting Ordinance No. 98-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code changing the zoning from R-6MF to 0-6 of lot at 1314 Downs Avenue, upon petition of Ralph J. Blalock, as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 264.

ORDINANCE NO. 99-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY BOUNDED BY N. DAVIDSON STREET, E. 36TH STREET AND THE NORFOLK-SOUTHERN RAILROAD, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 99-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code, changing zoning from B-1 to I-2 of property bounded by N. Davidson Street, E. 36th Street and the Norfolk-Southern Railroad, upon petition of Frank O. Ratcliffe, H. T. Davis and Lawrence Simpson and wife, was adopted as recommended by the Planning Board.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 265.

ORDINANCE NO. 100-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF TRACT AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BEATTIES FORD ROAD AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 85, ADOPTED.

Councilman Jordan moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 100-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code, changing zoning from R-6 to B-1 of tract

of land at the southwest corner of Beatties Ford Road and Interstate High-way 85, upon petition of C. D. Spangler Construction Company, 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, at Page 266.

REQUEST OF ATTORNEY FOR W. J. MCARTHUR ON PETITION NO. 62-17 FOR CHANGE IN ZONING TO BE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION AT THEIR NEXT HEARING DATE ON JUNE 18TH, GRANTED.

Councilman Thrower moved that Petition No. 62-17 by W. J. McArthur for change in zoning from R-6MF to I-1 and I-2 of property north of Freeland Lane be denied as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

Councilman Smith stated the petitioners talked with him this week and they would like very much to have this postponed for one week, and he offered a substitute motion that it be postponed for one week. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant.

Mr. Jack Hamilton, Attorney, asked to be heard. Mayor Brookshire asked Mr. Morrisey, City Attorney, for a ruling on city policy, stating the hearing was last week, and he did not believe, in fairness to any who might oppose the petition, that he should be heard a second time. Mr. Morrisey stated it is a matter of policy for the Council.

Councilman Dellinger moved that Mr. Hamilton be heard, as he wants to make a request. Councilman Smith stated he thinks hearing Mr. Hamilton is in the interest of good zoning, and he seconded the motion.

Councilman Smith stated in the interest of hearing Mr. Hamilton he would withdraw his substitute motion.

The vote was taken on the motion by Councilman Dellinger to hear a request from Mr. Hamilton, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hamilton stated he represents the purchaser of the property and also he is working with Mr. Ray Rankin, attorney for the petitioner. He stated he would like to request that the matter be referred to the Planning Commission for the consideration of additional and, in some cases, newly discovered evidence to be presented to the Planning Commission at their next hearing on zoning matters on the 18th of June.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the request be granted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith.

Councilman Whittington asked Mr. Hamilton what he means by giving consideration, and Mr. Hamilton stated it seems the arguments presented last week to Council and the Planning Commission was for a decision as to whether this property was going to be used for industrial property or not and what the limits of that use would be. The residents' objections were solely predicated on their desire to maintain a buffer zone of trees. They were concerned lest industry be right up under their nose and the trees be taken down; that a correct appraisal and analysis of the situation will show that the only way to preserve the buffer zone and the only way to keep objectional industry from under the residents' nose will be to allow and not to deny the petition. The property owner is willing to set aside 50 feet of no man's land.

Councilman Albea asked if the opposition will be allowed to be heard by the Planning Board.

Councilman Dellinger asked for clarification by the City Attorney if Council can, by motion at any time, hear a man if he comes in on a matter like this, and the City Attorney replied they can.

Mayor Brookshire stated that in fairness if one side of a petition is to be heard the other side should be given the same opportunity. Councilman Dellinger replied that if they come up and make their request they will be heard.

Councilman Albea stated he would like to hear both sides in order to vote favorably.

Mr. Hamilton stated their presentation to the Planning Commission will involve their submission of their proposal together with what they expect to be the residents agreement. That they have discussed the matter with the spokesman of the residents who were present at the hearing.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 101-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING FROM R-6MF TO 0-6 OF A 40-FT. LOT ON SOUTH SIDE OF STATE STREET, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, adopting Ordinance No. 101-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code, changing zoning of a 40-ft. lot on the south side of State Street from R-6MF to 0-6, upon petition of Furr Realty Company, as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 267.

ORDINANCE NO. 102-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING FROM R-6 TO R-6MF ON BOTH SIDES OF WYANOKE AVENUE, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 102-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code, changing zoning from R-6 to R-6MF of property on both sides of Wyanoke Avenue, upon petition of Virgil E. Williams, was adopted as recommended by the Planning Board. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 268.

ORDINANCE NO. 103-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING FROM 0-6 TO I-1 OF PROPERTY AT THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF MEACHAM STREET AND PROPERTY ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE OF IVERSON WAY, ADOPTED.

Councilman Dellinger moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 103-Z Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-8 of the City Code changing zoning from 0-6 to I-1 of property on the southwest side of Meacham Street and property on the northeast side of Iverson Way, upon petition of Mr. G. P. Hunter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 269.

ORDINANCE NO. 97 RELATIVE TO LICENSES AND PRIVILEGE TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1962, ADOPTED.

Councilman Whittington moved the adoption of Ordinance No. 97 Relative to Licenses and Privilege Taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1962. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 13, at Page 270.

STREETS IN DARBY ACRES #2 TAKEN OVER FOR CONTINUOUS MAINTENANCE.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, the following streets in Darby Acres #2 were authorized taken over for continuous maintenance;

- Woodleaf Road, from Birchcrest Drive 170 ft. east. (a)
- Birchcrest Drive, from Woodleaf Road 765 ft. north. (d)
- Enfield Road, from Birchcrest Drive 760 ft. west. (a)

CHANGE IN CONTRACT WITH SMITH, POLLITTEE & ASSOCIATES, ENGINEERING CON-SULTANTS FOR THE NORTHWEST EXPRESSWAY APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, approving the following change in Smith, Pollittee & Associates, engineering consultants for the Northwest Expressway, contract with the city to comply with the terms of their liability insurance:

Change the wording from "The Consultant shall save harmless the City, State and other governmental agencies from claims and liabilities arising from activities of the Consultant, his agents or employees" to read "The Consultant hereby agrees to save harmless the City, State and other governmental agencies from all claims and liabilities due to negligence of the Consultant".

LEASE WITH HOLMAN & MOODY, INC. FOR AIRPORT BUILDING NO. 60 AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, lease was authorized with Holman & Moody, Inc. for Airport building No. 60, comprising 3,378 sq. feet, for a period of one year, at a monthly rental of \$120.00.

LEASE WITH UNIVERSAL FIELD SERVICE, INC. FOR SPACE IN NEW FAA BUILDING,

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, authorizing lease with Universal Field Services, Inc. for 1380 sq. feet of space in the new FAA Building, for a period of 6 months with option for another 6 months, at \$4.50 per sq. foot or a monthly rental of \$517.50,

## DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of the following driveway entrances;

- One 35-ft, entrance at 520 Dalton Avenue. (a)
- One 11-ft. entrance on W. 11th St. for 723 N. Church Street. (b)
- (c) One 12-ft. entrance at 538 Billingsley Road.
- (d)
- One 20-ft, entrance at 3816 Northmore Street.
  One 20-ft, entrance at 3850 N. Davidson Street. (e)
- (f) Two 24-ft, entrances at 3205 Monroe Road.
- (g) One 30-ft, entrance at 937 Eastway Drive.
- (h) Two 15-ft, and One 35-ft, entrance on Doggett Street for 2001 Hawkins St.
- (i)
- One 18-ft. entrance at 121 Greenwick Road.
  One 18-ft. entrance at 117-23 Skyland Drive. One 18-ft. entrance at 117-23 Skyland Done 12-ft. entrance at 513 Kings Drive. (j)
- (k)
- Two 24-ft., One 25-ft. and One 30-ft. entrance at 1513 Montford Drive. (1)
- (m) Two 24-ft, entrances on E. Palmer St., One 30-ft, entrance on Independence Blvd., all for 1101 S. Tryon Street.

CONTRACT WITH ERVIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER TRUNK AND MAIN IN BROOKWAY DRIVE APPROVED.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of the Construction of 300-ft. of sanitary sewer trunk and main in Brookway Drive at request of Ervin Construction Company, at an estimated cost of \$1,110.00, with all costs to be borne by the applicant and deposit of the entire cost to be refunded as per terms of the contract. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED STEEL & TANK SERVICE COMPANY FOR PAINTING & CLEANING ELEVATED STEEL WATER TANKS.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder meeting specifications, Steel & Tank Service Company for cleaning and painting  $1\frac{1}{4}$  million gallon tank on Patton Avenue, exterior of 1 million gallon tank on Pecan Avenue and exterior of 1/2 million gallon tank on Plaza, in the amount of \$8,513.46.

The following bids were received:

Steel & Tank Service Company	\$ 8,513.40
R. E. McLean Tank Company	9,500.00
Barlowe Painting Company	9,520.50

The bid of Virginia Erection Corp, in the amount of \$8,337.85 did not meet specifications.

ALL BIDS AUTHORIZED REJECTED ON 8" VITRIFIED CLAY PIPE.

Councilman Whittington moved that all bids received on 8" Vitrified Clay Pipe with Polytite Joints be rejected as the City Engineer advises his plans for the Cedar Hills project have been changed and the pipe will not be required. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED SAMPLE SHOE STORE, INC. FOR 400 PAIRS OF MEN'S CHUKKA BOOTS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Thrower, seconded by Councilman Bryant, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded Sample Shoe Store, Inc., the low bidder meeting specifications, for 400 pairs of Men's Chukka Boots for Police Department in the amount of \$3.687.40.

The following bids were received:

Sample Shoe Store, Inc.	\$ 3,687.40
J. B. Ivey & Company	4,519.64
The Hub Uniform Company, Inc.	4,939.88
Freeman Shoe Corporation	5,837.80

The bids of Goodyear Shoe Shop did not meet the specifications.

MR. WALTER D. TOY AND MR. JOHN J. DELANEY NOMINATED FOR 3 YEAR TERMS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Councilman Albea nominated Mr. Walter D. Toy and Mr. John J. Delaney for 3 year terms to succeed themselves on the Planning Board.

Councilman Dellinger moved that the appointments be postponed. The motion did not receive a second.

Councilman Albea moved the appointment of the two nominees, Mr. Toy and Mr. Delaney. The motion did not receive a second.

Mayor Brookshire stated the nominations would stand until Council acts on them.

APPOINTMENTS TO CHARLOTTE-COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DEFERRED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, appointments to the Charlotte-Community College System Board of Trustees were deferred.

AMENDMENT TO STREET IMPROVEMENT POLICY, ADOPTED APRIL 24, 1962, ADOPTED.

Councilman Thrower moved that the Street Improvement Policy, adopted April 24, 1962, be amended to put back into the policy Item No. VII, Special Policy, Non-System Streets in the 1960 Annexation Area, which was deleted when the Policy was adopted April 24th. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and carried by the following recorded vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Thrower, Smith, Bryant, Jordan and Whittington. NAYS: Councilmen Albea and Dellinger.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT POLICY AND A RETIREMENT COUNSELING PROGRAM FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, ADOPTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, Resolution Establishing a Retirement Policy and a Retirement Counseling Program for the Employees of the City of Charlotte was adopted. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, beginning at Page 197.

Councilman Dellinger requested that the policy providing for longevity awards be amended so that an employee retiring will not be deprived of the longevity allowance because of the lack of a few months to complete his year.

AGREEMENTS WITH CRISMAN REALTY COMPANY, MRS LILLY L. PIERCE AND DR. WILLIAM FRANCIS MARTIN FOR MODIFICATION OF PROPERTY AS REQUIRED VERTICAL RE-ALIGNMENT OF STREETS ON WEST SIDE GRADE CROSSING ELIMINATION PROJECT, AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the following agreements were authorized for modification of property as required by vertical realignment of streets on West Side Grade Crossing Elimination Project:

1. Agreement with Crisman Realty Company, Inc. for the demolition and removal of existing buildings and the grading of the lot to the new street level on the north side of West Fifth Street. The estimated cost of the demolition is estimated at \$3,850.00 and the cost of grading will save the project money as the earth is needed and it will eliminate the cost of a small retaining wall. No payment to the owner is required.

- 2. Agreement with Mrs Lilly L. Pierce for the necessary building alterations including the underpinning of foundations and sloping of the lot on the south side of West Fourth between the Railway right of way and South Graham Street. The estimated cost of the necessary alterations and sloping of the lot is estimated at \$2,550.00. No payment to the owner is required.
- 3. Agreement with Dr. William Francis Martin for alterations to a three story building located on the south side of West Fifth Street adjacent to the Southern Railway right of way, at an estimated cost of \$9,190.00. Payment to the owner of \$5,000 damages due to the severity of the street realignment and the interference that will result to the use of the building during project construction.

CITY LICENSE TAGS FOR 1963 APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilman Thrower, and unanimously carried, City License Tags for 1963 are to be duplicates of the 1962 tags.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO GIVE A REPORT ON TEMPORARY SIDEWALKS ON HILLIARD DRIVE.

Councilman Whittington asked the City Manager for a report on temporary sidewalks for Hilliard Drive.

PROGRESS REPORT REQUESTED ON THE WEST SIDE ELIMINATION PROGRAM.

Councilman Whittington asked the City Manager for a progress report on the West Side Grade Elimination Program. He asked that the Consulting Engineer, and the realtors if they are needed, be present at the next meeting and give a report.

Mayor Brookshire asked the City Manager to have this on the agenda for next week.

Councilman Dellinger advised he, too, has been contacted by several people about the West Side Elimination Program. That the Southern Railroad and American Crankshaft Company are deadlocked. He stated the American Crankshaft Company claims they have an investment of \$250,000 and the City has purchased the right of way on the east side of the underpass and the American Crankshaft is on the west side. They would like to know how many tracks will be placed at this location. The City Manager stated he believes it is the same number as now but he will find out for sure and notify Councilman Dellinger.

REPORT ON THE BROOKLYN REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REQUESTED.

Councilman Whittington asked the City Manager for a report on the Brooklyn Redevelopment Program as to where the city stands, and how many parcels of land have been sold and demolished.

REPORT ON THE NORTHWEST EXPRESS CORRIDOR REQUESTED.

Councilman Whittington asked the City Manager for a report on how much money has been spent on the Northwest Express Corridor, and how far along the City is in establishing the corridor.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED PAY PLAN TO BE PLACED ON CONFERENCE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK.

Councilman Whittington asked the Council to get together on the Pay Plan prior to getting into the Budget. He stated he has a lot of reservations about it, there are lot of things about it that he does not understand, and he believes a date should be set to go over the Plan to get that part behind them before getting into the Budget.

Mayor Brookshire asked that the Pay Plan be placed on the conference agenda for next week.

CITY MANAGER TO CONTACT SEABOARD RAILROAD ABOUT CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK ON MONROE ROAD UNDER THE UNDERPASS.

Councilman Jordan asked the Council to approve the expenditure of \$1,500.00 for a sidewalk under the Monroe Road underpass. The City Manager advised the Seaboard Railroad would have to be contacted first. Council asked Mr. Veeder to give a pedestrian count on the location.

BUDGET TO BE SENT TO COUNCIL THIS WEEK.

Councilman Jordan stated he hopes the City Manager can get the budget to Council within the next week or ten days so they can start working on it and get through with it before June is over.

Mr. Veeder advised the Budget will be out to Council this week without fail.

REPORT ON THE NORTHWEST BOULEVARD REQUESTED.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Manager for a report on the North West Boulevard as to the right of way.

Mr. Veeder stated the only report which has been made to date is the one where the public hearing was held, and they are working now towards having another meeting with the residents of McCrorey Heights to straighten out what will be done in that area. That this is the next step and they hope it can be held perhaps in the next couple of weeks.

STREETS APPROVED BY COUNCIL FOR RESURFACING ON APRIL 30, 1962 AND MAY 23, 1962 REQUESTED INCLUDED IN MINUTES.

Councilman Dellinger requested that the following Streets approved by Council on April 30th and May 23rd for Resurfacing be incorporated into the Minutes today:

# 28 Streets - 13.2 miles approved for resurfacing April 30, 1962

Wintercrest Lane from Scofield Road 250 feet south.

Seneca Place from South Boulevard to Park Road.

Currituck Drive from Murrayhill Road 350 feet south.

Bradbury Drive from Montford Drive to Longwood Drive.

East Tremont Avenue from South Boulevard west to Railroad.

Waddell Street from Dean Street to Russell Avenue.

Russell Avenue from Eastern end to near Orvis Street.

Gunn Street from Kay Street to Russell Avenue.

Kay Street from Russell Avenue to northern end.

Shamrock Drive from The Plaza to Glenville Avenue.

Elkwood Circle from Hayes Court circling northwest to Shamrock Drive. Hayes Court from Elkwood Circle to northern end. Foxford Road from Delgany Drive to Tipperary Place. Delgany Drive from Foxford Road to Tipperary Place. Tipperary Place from Delgany Drive to Foxford Road. Chatham Avenue from Central Avenue to Belvedere Avenue. Enfield Road from Dunaire Drive 500 feet east. Raymond Place from Pierson Drive to Cutler Place. Kistler Avenue from Raymond Place to Dudley Drive. Unaka Avenue from Sharon Amity Road to 2375 feet west. Eaton Road from Lanier Avenue to dead end south of Kistler Avenue. Dudley Drive from Kistler Avenue to Eaton Road. Gwynne Avenue from Lanier Avenue to Buena Vista Avenue. Buena Vista Avenue from Lanier Avenue to Sharon Amity Road. Emory Lane from Sharon Amity Road to Stafford Circle. Woodlark Lane from Randolph Road to Sharon Amity Road. Cloister Drive in its entirety. Pickwick Lane from Cloister Drive to Cloister Drive, and any other streets which may be assigned in writing by the Engineer.

### 11 Streets - 3.53 miles approved for resurfacing May 23, 1962

Sixth Street, Myers to Brevard.
Whitby Lane, end to Sharon Amity.
Lansdale Drive, Central Avenue to Birchcrest Drive.
Starhaven Drive, Plaza Road Ext. to end of curb and gutter.
Randolph Road, Laurel Avenue to Caswell Road.
Princeton Avenue, Park Road to Queens Road West.
Scalybark Road, Murrayhill Road to Woodlawn Road.
Middleton Drive, Providence Road to Cherokee Place.
N. Davidson Street, Belmont Avenue to East 18th Street.
S. Spencer Street, East 36th Street to Herrin Avenue.
Airlie Street, Country Club Drive to Eastwood Drive.

REPORT REQUESTED FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT ON BEAUX STREET.

Councilman Dellinger asked the City Manager to have the Engineering Department to bring in a report on Beaux Street.

DISCUSSION OF 1% EARNINGS TAX LEVY.

Councilman Bryant stated that in his opinion tax on property has become intolerable as it continues to go up, and as a result he feels a more equitable means of getting revenue needs to be found, in other words for more people to share in the costs of the city. That last year he made reference to the study made by the Mayor's Committee of 1959 on additional sources of revenue and it showed the most logical path was a 1% City Earning's Tax, combined with the abandonment of the personal property tax and the inventory tax; they recommended that, because in 1959 it would bring in \$10,000,000 worth of revenue and the abandonment of the other two taxes would lessen that by \$3,040,000 which would give almost \$7,000,000 additional tax, and in his opinion this would more fairly distribute the cost to others of the City and more people would benefit from it, those living out of the city and otherwise. He stated there are other sources but none which would be as equitable as this. He asked that serious consideration be given this matter, with the idea of preparing the necessary recommendation for our Representatives to present in the next session of the Legislature.

Councilman Dellinger stated about 6 years ago the City of Charlotte made a survey on which Mr. Ledbetter spent considerable time, of the 75 mile radius of Charlotte. He asked if it would be wise to support this measure without considerable study because the City of Charlotte claims to have the

finest trading area in the 75 mile radius of Charlotte. He said he feels the discussion on this should be starting now as he will have to be sold on this income tax.

Councilman Albea stated he can not see the payroll tax for the City, not with all the other taxes we have now.

Councilman Whittington asked if the abandonment of the two taxes which Mr. Bryant mentioned is in the new recommendation of the Committee, and he was advised it is not.

Councilman Bryant stated he would like to have a thorough discussion of the matter with those who have made the studies and other people who might be drawn in. That up to now Council has received the information as information and there has been no further discussion.

Mayor Brookshire stated that Councilman Bryant's suggestion is in order and he thinks the Council should keep in mind the fact that there is a joint community committee composed of representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, the City Government and the County Government which is currently studying the problem. That the recommendations of the committee should be considered when the Council discusses with the new state legislators permissive legislation during the next session of the legislature.

Councilman Smith asked if the 1% income tax would be cut off at any point. Councilman Bryant stated it would be non-progressive, 1% straight. Councilman Smith stated about all the incentive is taken out of a man making money today with income tax from the state, federal government, and he just cannot see it on the first go round. That he believes there are other places to get income.

Councilman Thrower stated he agrees with Mr. Bryant this is just a starting point; that he has been against this from the beginning and he does not believe Council can talk about it intelligently in a few minutes; that, at Mr. Bryant's suggestion, he would like to have a meeting and discuss it throughly, completely, both sides.

Mayor Brookshire suggested that Council get a report from the Joint Community Committee before the matter is considered in detail.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO CONTACT CITY BUS COMPANY REGARDING USE OF FOUR POINTS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS FOR COMMUTER STATIONS.

Councilman Bryant stated he has an experiment he would like to see the City Bus lines try. It is a situation similar to a commuter station; pick four points in the four corners of the city in residential areas, have a leaving point where men and women who come to work at 8 or 9 o'clock can get on a non-stop bus in order to get them to work at these particular times. He stated the City Bus lines have been doing a fine job, and they probably have given this thought along with others, but it seems logical to him that a lot of people could be brought into town in one vehicle or a great deal fewer automobiles than are now used. This would eliminate a few automobiles from Downtown. He asked the City Manager to bring this request to the Bus Company.

CHECK SENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF N.C. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,300 FROM UNCLAIMED WATER DEPOSITS.

The City Manager reported the City is in the process of sending a check for \$2,300 to the University of N. C. He stated the S. G. Officer for the State has requested the City to turn in the money from unclaimed water deposits. That this by Statute has to be turned in and goes to the University of North Carolina.

#### REPORT ON BUDGET.

Councilman Smith asked the City Manager to give a report on the budget, what the plans are, when Council will meet, etc.

Mr. Veeder stated during the course of the year Council has talked from time to time on the possibility of getting the budget finished by July 1st. He stated he feels the budget should be something that is adopted and in effect before the start of the fiscal year and not after the start of the fiscal year. He suggested that when Council receives the budget this week, they try to work out jointly, times which will be convenient to all members of Council and the Mayor so that a series of sessions can be held during June to get into the Budget and make the judgments that will have to be made, so that it will be finished before July 1st if at all possible.

Mayor Brookshire stated if the Budget is received this week, they will have time to review it before next Monday and then perhaps on Monday, Council can set dates for considering it.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

L. L. Ledbetter, Deputy City Clerk