

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, July 3, 1967, at 3 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Stan R. Brookshire presiding, and Councilmen Fred D. Alexander, Sandy R. Jordan, Milton Short, Jerry Tuttle and James B. Whittington present.

ABSENT: Councilmen Gibson L. Smith and James B. Stegall.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Fred D. Alexander.

MINUTES APPROVED AS CORRECTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last regular meeting on June 26 and of the Special Meeting on June 28, 1967, were approved as submitted with the following correction in the regular meeting: Page 9, Paragraph 4, change "Smith", to "Short", voting Nay on the motion.

ALBERT PEARSON SUGGESTS THAT COUNCIL CLEAR WITH CITY ATTORNEY WHETHER OR NOT \$339,000 FUNDS CAN BE USED FOR THE PLANNING IN THE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT.

Mr. Albert Pearson stated there was an article in the paper concerning Mr. John Tate and it was stated he had \$13 million worth of patience, and he suggested going ahead and using the planning money in the amount of \$339,000 which has been stated would be at no cost to the City.

Mr. Pearson stated there is considerable doubt as to whether the City of Charlotte can spend the \$339,000 if it means using any of the bond money that has been approved. From the way it was on the ballot, he believes the money was for appropriations to the Redevelopment Commission of Charlotte to aid them in the acquisition of land and any improvements thereof by the said Commission in carrying out its lawful powers and functions. He stated he finds it inconceivable that the Redevelopment Board has a lawful power and function in the downtown redevelopment if it is not approved by the federal government. He suggested that Council clear with the City Attorney whether the money can be spent in that manner and he is not talking about money from the contingency fund for any planning by the Planning Board. That this is a question the people of the City of Charlotte should have answered.

COUNCIL ADVISED HOUSE LOCATED AT 4224 HOWIE CIRCLE HAS BEEN DECLARED UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND ORDERED DEMOLISHED OR REMOVED WITHIN 30 DAYS; SUGGESTIONS FOR ZONING REGULATIONS CONCERNING PROBLEM TO BE BROUGHT TO COUNCIL AT LATER DATE.

Mr. William Kemenczky stated on June 19 he appeared before Council and Council by motion requested the City Attorney and Building Inspector to stop construction on the house located at 4224 Howie Circle and to proceed with condemning it for human habitation and also that the Building Inspector,

City Attorney and Planning Commission consider zoning regulations to prevent houses moved by expressways from being moved into residential neighborhoods and take measures to prevent this in the future. Mr. Kemenczky asked if any action has been taken on this motion.

Mr. Jamison, Inspection Department Superintendent, advised a hearing was held this morning concerning the house and it was declared unfit for human habitation and could not be repaired for 50% of its value and was ordered demolished or removed within 30 days.

Mr. Kemenczky asked what other steps have been taken to prevent this in the future? Mr. Veeder, City Manager, replied following Council's conversation on the subject, there have been several meetings held by Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Jamison, Mr. Kiser and himself to discuss various approaches to the subject; that they also have sought assistance from the staff of the Institute of Government. He stated there is no obvious answer at this stage that they can point to and say this is what Council might consider. They are working on various alternatives and hope to present them to Council with the advantages and disadvantages so that Council can make an appropriate judgment. Mr. Veeder stated he will see that Mr. Kemenczky is notified at the time this is brought to Council for consideration.

**DISCUSSION OF PROPERTY MOVING INTO RESIDENTIAL AREA CREATING SLUM AREA;
 METHOD OF PREVENTING IT IN FUTURE DISCUSSED.**

Mr. Willie Morris, 4317 Dinglewood Avenue, stated he is representing the residents of Dinglewood Avenue and they have a petition which they would like to submit, and reads as follows:

A petition is hereby filed and signed by five or more residents of the City of Charlotte, charging that the houses being moved from slum clearance areas and transported into Howie Acres - specifically to 4207, 4211, 4307 and 4043 Dinglewood Avenue, 4224 Howie Circle and 4134 Redwood Avenue - by Mr. Gary Watts to be substandard and detrimental to the mutually invested values and pride of the neighborhood.

We do hereby petition the City of Charlotte and request an official inspection of Mr. Watts' houses to determine the legality of their presence and true condition.

Mr. Morris passed around pictures and called attention to the house at 4307 Dinglewood Avenue, zoned R-6, and stated although it is occupied by only one family, it has the appearance of an apartment, and does not upgrade the neighborhood. That they do not like to see these houses because sooner or later their neighborhood will be a slum area and they take pride in their neighborhood. Councilman Alexander asked if this is the house that the dividing petition was left out, and Mr. Morris replied it is.

Mr. Jamison, Superintendent of the Inspection Department, stated he received the subject petition on June 21 and his department has about completed its inspection of all the houses through that area that have been moved in by Mr. Watts and others. Some of the houses referred to have not been inspected for final inspection and there are some minor corrections that must be made. They cannot do anything about the one at 4307 Dinglewood just because it has two front doors, but there are some minor corrections that will be made, and his department will see they are made.

He stated the one at 4207 Dinglewood Avenue which was sold to a Mr. Kiser was inspected and the only thing wrong was a few loose bricks in the attic. He stated they have already sent out a notice of a complaint to the owner on the one located at 4043 Dinglewood Circle and the hearing will be held this Thursday.

Councilman Alexander stated the house at 4134 Redwood Avenue has two families living in it. The families have separate light meters, one has the number 4132 and the other one 4134. He asked if the house is in the proper area as far as zoning is concerned? Mr. Jamison replied it is located in R-6MF zone which permits duplexes, and even if it was located in a single family area, it could be a duplex on a corner lot and there is only one minor correction to be made.

Mr. Morris stated to his way of thinking the appearance of this house at 4307 would have to change in order for it to be halfway satisfactory to the neighborhood.

Councilman Jordan asked if there are many of these houses being bought and moved into these neighborhoods? Mr. Jamison replied there is not a large number of them. Councilman Jordan stated the State is doing this, and he asked if the State has the right to take the houses and do whatever they wish to with them? Mr. Jamison replied the State did ask his department to inspect the houses and determine the ones that comply with the minimum code requirements that they might sell them. This was done and during the interim some of the houses were vandalized. He stated they are tightening up on this and he has issued orders in his department not to issue any permits to move until an inspection is made on the day the house will be moved.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated Mr. Morris has commented on the appearance of the house at 4307 Dinglewood Avenue. That he agrees appearance-wise this house might leave something lacking to the eye with two front doors giving the appearance that it is a house that has been moved. He stated the key word is "appearance". On this same street are some houses that were identified as houses that had been moved to the street and if he had not been told they had been moved there, he would have thought they were built in place. They are nice appearing houses on the outside and appear to add to the neighborhood. The problem is how to treat the subject of appearance, assuming structural members are satisfactory, how far do you go in terms of consideration of the appearance?

Councilman Alexander stated our zoning regulations determines the type of structure up to a point, but appearance is not involved. You can build any kind of monstrosity as long as it complies with other things. He asked if it is possible to give consideration where appearance could be considered to conform in some fashion? Mr. Fred Bryant, Assistant Planning Director, replied you would have to proceed slowly in that direction; the courts generally have said this is beyond the zoning jurisdiction as zoning is primarily concerned with the use of the property, and not with the type of structure. Perhaps something could be done, but it would have to be done very slowly with a great deal of care.

Councilman Short stated zoning relates to the space or size; and the code enforcement relates to the strength and stability and toughness, but we have nothing that relates to the financial price or to the taste of the home to be built. That he would suggest to these people that while the City is doing what it can, there seems to be another possible avenue of approach and that is in the courts. If they had a lawyer standing by and they got a temporary injunction, they could get it into the courts instantly. That he does not know what would happen but it is something he would do if his neighborhood was in this situation, rather than relying exclusively on the Council on Monday afternoon and what Mr. Jamison can do administratively.

Councilman Alexander stated the fact is if Mr. Watts wanted to build a similar house and put three doors to it, there would be nothing legally to stop him, regardless of how obnoxious its appearance would be in the neighborhood? Mr. Veeder stated there is nothing in the building or zoning code that relates to appearance. That is up to the economics, conscience and the taste of the individual. The building code is concerning with the mechanical, plumbing, electrical safety and structural aspects.

Councilman Alexander asked if there is any relief from future happenings such as this that could be determined now? Mr. Veeder replied it is difficult, that he would not say it is impossible; this has been accomplished in some respects in other communities. There are such things as architectural review boards that require plans be submitted for architectural review so that you keep the sameness of a neighborhood. Mr. Veeder stated what one person might think attractive, another might not, and it is a matter of esthetics.

Councilman Tuttle stated this is a most unfortunate situation, and he would hate to have it next door to him looking like a duplex in a single family district. As far as the law is concerned on his own house if he wanted to have another entrance into a bedroom at the front, he does not think anyone could stop him from doing so. He stated an approach could be made to these builders to get them on the city's side to the extent that these things are corrected while the house is in poor shape. It would not have cost the man much more to put a couple of windows there with a door in the middle. That it seems the only way to solve this problem is to get some cooperation from the movers and builders themselves. That he doubts that any court would say you could only have one door on the front of a house.

Mayor Brookshire advised Mr. Morris that Council is sympathetic and that Mr. Jamison understands the problem and is sympathetic and will do what he can within the city's codes to protect the neighborhood as far as he can.

Mr. Morris requested Mr. Jamison to advise them as soon as possible what is to be done about the one that has a hearing scheduled for this Thursday.

Councilman Tuttle asked if these movers and builders would not be willing to cooperate to some extent? Mr. Jamison replied some would and some would not if it cost an extra buck. Councilman Tuttle asked Mr. Jamison if he would make that effort, and Mr. Jamison replied he would.

Councilman Alexander asked if Mr. M. F. McNeil could be requested to talk to this man to see if he would give further consideration to what he is doing.

Mayor Brookshire stated that it is suggested that Mr. McNeil take on additional functions and duties as Chairman of the Redevelopment Commission Committee on community improvements; that he thinks this kind of problem falls within the scope of the committee's operation and responsibility; that he might be the agent for relieving this problem in this particular neighborhood and in any others where it might occur. Mr. McNeil replied that he would try.

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 7, ON REQUEST TO CLOSE PORTIONS OF WEST THIRD STREET, WEST HILL STREET AND DUNBAR STREET AT THEIR CROSSING WITH THE MAIN LINE OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Councilman Whittington moved the adoption of the subject resolution setting date of hearing on Monday, August 7th. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 5, at Page 456.

CONTRACT AWARDED WALKER & WHITESIDE, INC. FOR EMERGENCY GENERATOR AT AIRPORT.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington and seconded by Councilman Jordan, awarding contract to the low bidder, Walker & Whiteside, Inc., in the amount of \$33,560 for the installation of the emergency generator at the airport.

Councilman Tuttle stated there may be a reason why the purchasing department or the user would prefer Walker and Whiteside, but when you get down to a bid involving this much money and do business with a Greenville, South Carolina organization - spend \$33,000 in money which could be kept at home for a difference of \$24.00 - it makes no sense to him. That he is still of the opinion there should be a \$50 or \$100 leeway on such things as this.

Mr. Kiser, City Attorney, advised under the statutes the City is required to let a bid to the lowest responsible bidder, taking into consideration certain things as quality, performance, time of delivery or time of performance of the contract, etc. Within the framework of that, the City has the option of accepting a higher bid. Based strictly upon the location of the bidder within the State or outside the State the City has no option.

Councilman Tuttle stated then it would take legislative action all things being equal to pay \$24.00 to favor a local organization. He stated he thinks it is something the City should have and he would hope the next time the Legislature meets this is something that is brought up and ask for a percentage not to exceed a certain amount, and give the city the right where all things are equal to place some of the bids locally.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

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| Walker & Whiteside, Inc. | \$ 33,560.00 |
| Todd Electric Company, Inc. | 33,584.00 |
| Electrical Contracting & Engineering | 36,420.00 |

PETITION NO. 67-27 BY SOUTHERN APPLIANCES, ET AL FOR CHANGE IN ZONING FROM O-6 TO B-1 OF THE ENTIRE BLOCK ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD, FROM ROCKWAY DRIVE TO BRIAR CREEK ROAD, DENIED.

Councilman Alexander stated the subject matter was deferred by Council in the hope that the School Board would purchase the property back of the school. That the School Board is only interested in the portion of the property at the corner and has proceeded to implement condemnation proceedings on the two lots on the corner. That Council has before it the entire block to be considered and their action has nothing to do with the manner in which the petition is handled as it is submitted today in its entirety; he asked if that is correct? Mayor Brookshire replied what decision Council

reaches might have some effect on their efforts to procure those two particular lots. Councilman Tuttle stated there would be a major difference in the value of the property zoned business and the value zoned office.

Mr. Cleve Davis, representing the Board of Education on real estate matters, stated they are totally opposed to the rezoning of the entire strip of land. That they have formally filed condemnation proceedings on the first two lots. Over a period of time they may want the remainder of the property but at present they are concerned with the building of a service station on the corner which would bring about underground storage of gasoline, and other factors which they feel are very hazardous to the school facility.

Councilman Tuttle asked Mr. Davis if he is familiar with the value of the land as now zoned? Mr. Davis replied the two corner lots were appraised by the Charlotte Board of Realtors and the value of the corner property with one house and two lots is \$31,150. Councilman Tuttle stated he understands Shell is paying approximately \$84,000, and Mr. Davis replied Shell has an option to buy a total of five pieces, and he is only talking about two lots.

Councilman Short moved that the subject petition for a change in zoning be denied, which motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

Councilman Short stated he feels if the petition is not denied it will penalize the investment we have in education. If the policy of putting filling stations and commercial activities in such positions was followed generally, we would be penalizing \$35 million or some portion of it that we are preparing to spend for schools. As to these people there, there are hundreds of pieces of land in Charlotte where the owners could sell it more advantageously if it were not next to something else, such as a church with a lot of cars, or a business or railroad tracks. If there is some discomfort for these people there are a lot of people who have the same problem.

Councilman Whittington stated in 1960, he voted to zone both sides of Independence Boulevard from the creek up to Briar Creek Road as office institution. This was done at the time to protect the school investment and the church, both of which are still located there. On June 5 of this year, he made a motion to delay decision for 30 days to allow the School Board an opportunity to negotiate for this property. Then and now and in 1960, the Council's responsibility is to protect this school or any other educational institution from business where it is possible, to allow the school and its children to learn in an educational environment. That he is not one who believes safety is a primary factor because the problem of safety is already a bad one. That he does think a B-1 zone where you can have underground storage tanks, fumes and odor from cars and trucks, noise and unsightliness is objectionable to a school.

Councilman Alexander stated he can agree with all the arguments he has heard for and against the petition. But this is a new consideration which we are not giving due consideration in view of the fact the School Board has initiated condemnation proceedings against the two pieces of property on the corner. That he sees nothing wrong with Council approving the petition, leaving the persons who own the pieces of property in that block an opportunity to get the most they can on the open market for their property. If the School Board is issuing condemnation proceedings against the two pieces on the corner, then the financial factor would be involved to a different degree that it would if all the pieces of property were on the open market together. In approving this petition, it would give the

other property owners an opportunity to get a fair shake on their property, and he thinks they deserve some consideration.

Councilman Alexander made a substitute motion to approve the subject petition. The motion did not receive a second.

Mayor Brookshire stated he must disagree with Mr. Alexander's reasons for his substitute motion as he does not believe that financial gain or loss has any part in Council's consideration of the proper use of land under its zoning.

The vote was taken on the motion to deny the petition and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Short, Whittington, Jordan and Tuttle.
NAYS: Councilman Alexander.

ORDINANCE NO. 656-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 CHANGING THE ZONING OF A 25-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT THE DEAD END OF SCOTTSDALE ROAD, SOUTH OF BROADVIEW DRIVE.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, the subject ordinance changing the zoning from O-6 and I-2 to R-9MF as recommended by the Planning Commission, was adopted.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 55.

MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY APPOINTED PAYING, ACCOUNTING AND CREMATION AGENT ON \$47,000 BONDS WITH VARIOUS ISSUE DATES.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, Morgan Guaranty Trust Company was appointed as Paying, Accounting and Cremation Agent on \$47,000 Bonds with various issue dates, and the fee as follows:

Bonds

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| \$1,000 Denomination | .52½¢ Each |
| \$5,000 Denomination | \$1.27½ Each |

Coupons

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| \$1,000 Denomination | ¼ of 1% of interest paid plus .02½¢ Per Coupon |
| \$5,000 Denomination | .12½¢ Each |

APPRAISAL CONTRACTS AUTHORIZED:

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, approving the following appraisal contracts:

- (a) Contract with Lionel D. Bass, Sr. for appraisal of one parcel of property for the West Fourth Street Extension;
- (b) Contract with B. Brevard Brookshire for appraisal of one parcel of property for the West Fourth Street Extension;

- (c) Contract with Harry G. Brown for appraisal of one parcel of property for the East Third Street Connector, and one parcel for the West Fourth Street Extension;
- (d) Contract with Wallace D. Gibbs, Jr. for appraisal of one parcel of property for the Sixth Street Improvement Project.

DETECTIVE LICENSE APPROVED FOR COLEY MABENE SHARPE.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of a privilege license for Coley Mabene Sharpe covering the classification of Detective. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and carried unanimously.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the following Special Officer Permits were approved:

- (a) Special Officer Permit to Jack Franklin Faw for use on the premises of Charlotte Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond;
- (b) Special Officer Permit to Earl Andrew Frady for use on the premises of Charlotte Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed with Mrs. Lorraine Little Thompson for Lot No. 149, Section 6, Oaklawn Cemetery, at \$300.00;
- (b) Duplicate deed with T. A. Snyder for north half of Lot No. 142, Section Q, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$3.00 for new deed.

CONTRACT AWARDED CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the low bidder, Crowder Construction Company, in the amount of \$15,624.25, on a unit price basis for the construction of street improvements on Alexander Street, PHA Project NC 3-5. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

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| Crowder Construction Company | \$15,624.25 |
| T. A. Sherrill Const. Co. | 16,605.00 |
| Blythe Brothers Company | 16,938.50 |

CONTRACT AWARDED O. L. NIXON GRADING COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES IN HAMPSHIRE HILLS AND SPRING VALLEY SUBDIVISIONS.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, O. L. Nixon Grading Company in the amount of \$23,127.10 on a unit price basis for the construction of sanitary sewer facilities in Hampshire Hills Subdivision and Spring Valley Subdivision.

The following bids were received:

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| O. L. Nixon Grading Co. | \$ 23,127.10 |
| Sanders Brothers, Inc. | 27,459.50 |
| Howie Crane Service, Inc. | 29,081.50 |
| L. O. Chapman Co., Inc. | 34,164.00 |

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Alexander and unanimously carried, the following property transactions were authorized:

- (a) Condemnation of 650 square feet of property of Jack Norman and wife, at 3100 Providence Road, at a price of \$1.00 for the Providence Road Sidewalk Project;
- (b) Acquisition of construction easement 349.53 square feet at the north side of Westbrook, between Walnut Avenue and Heathcliff Street, from Mary Jenkins Price, et al, at \$300.00 for the West Fourth Street Extension;
- (c) Acquisition of entire parcel of property at 1220 East Fourth Street, from Mrs. Lomis-Cooke Bush (Divorced), at \$19,250.00, for the East Third Street Connector;
- (d) Acquisition of 3,769.15 square feet at the southeast corner Westbrook and Heathcliff from M. Y. and Mary B. Stinson, at \$2,900, for the West Fourth Street Extension;
- (e) Acquisition of 7,845.48 square feet of property at 423-25 Tuckaseegee Road, from Mary Jenkins Price, et al, at \$12,200.00, for the West Fourth Street Extension;
- (f) Acquisition of 236 square feet of property at the corner Sixth and College Streets, from Gaston G. Gallaway and wife, at \$7,800, for the Sixth Street Improvement Project;
- (g) Acquisition of 1,365 square feet of property at 2717 Eastway Drive, from Floyd Lawson Kluttz, at \$2,750.00, for the Eastway Drive Widening.

CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS AUTHORIZED ON PROPERTY AT NORTHEAST CORNER NORTH TRYON AND SIXTH STREETS FOR THE SIXTH STREET IMPROVEMENT.

Councilman Short stated last week Council deferred action on the subject property so that he might have a change to talk to these businessmen to see what kind of havoc the City was putting upon them by condemning the property. That he has talked with them and they were very appreciative. One is a shoe business operated by people from Portsmouth, Ohio, and they were very appreciative that he contacted them and he thinks it was well worth the

trouble in terms of community relations. Some of the comments made indicated strength and resolve to relocate and stay in Charlotte. The other firm, a finance company, has no problem as they are building a place of business on Freedom Drive.

Councilman Short moved that condemnation proceedings be authorized for property at the northeast corner of North Tryon Street and Sixth Street, owned by F. G. Robinson et al, consisting of 1,425 square feet, at a price of \$30,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS SET FOR JULY 17, AUGUST 7 AND AUGUST 21.

Upon motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, Council set the next regular council meeting dates for July 17, August 7 and August 21, 1967.

PLANNING COMMISSION REQUESTED TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ANNEXING AREA IN INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD AND IDLEWILD SECTION.

Councilman Tuttle stated over two years ago certain property on Independence Boulevard was rezoned. A part of the consideration and a part of the argument made by the petitioners was that this would ultimately put a sizeable amount of revenue on the tax books. That he is referring to the area in the Idlewild section of Independence Boulevard where the City Chevrolet is now located.

Councilman Tuttle moved that the Planning Commission be requested to study the feasibility of annexing the areas in the Independence Boulevard and Idlewild Section. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 655-X ADOPTING THE 1967-68 BUDGET ORDINANCE SETTING TAX RATE AT \$1.65.

Councilman Tuttle stated this Council has made every effort to forestall an increase in property tax with the hope that help would come by way of additional sources approved by the Legislature. This help has not come with the exception of the right of a referendum for a local increase in the one cent sales tax and that is too late for this year even if approved by the people. Additional revenues are needed now; hopefully we may be able to reduce the property tax next year if and when the sales tax is approved. For now, an additional eleven cents is urgently needed.

Councilman Tuttle moved the adoption of an ordinance entitled: Ordinance No. 655-X, 1967-68 Budget Ordinance, setting tax rate at \$1.65. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, beginning at Page 56.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO NAME REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE TWO DEPARTMENTS TO PREPARE REPORT FOR COUNCIL AS TO WHAT IT SHOULD DO TO MAKE USE OF THE MAP STREET ACT.

Councilman Short stated he would urge the City's administration to proceed now to see that we make use of the Map Street Act, and he moved that Mr. Kiser name someone from his staff, and Mr. Cheek name someone from the Engineering Office to prepare a report for Council as to what it should now do to make use of the Map Street Act; and that the names of the two individuals be advised to Council in the next Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

INCREASE IN SALARY OF CITY MANAGER AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Whittington moved that the salary of the City Manager, Mr. William J. Veeder, be incorporated in the 1967-68 Budget at \$26,500 a year to coincide with the effective date of the City Employees pay plan revision. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander, and carried unanimously.

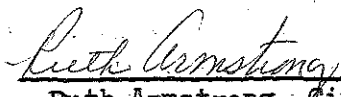
ORDINANCE NO. 657-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 498-X, THE 1966-67 Budget Ordinance AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUNDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the subject ordinance to balance bookkeeping transactions at the end of the fiscal year, was adopted.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 62.

ADJOURNMENT.

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


Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk