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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 24, 1968, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Stan R. Brookshire presiding, and Councilmen Fred D. Alexander, Milton Short, Gibson L. Smith, James B. Stegall, and Jerry Tuttle present.

ABSENT: Councilmen Sandy R. Jordan and James B. Whittington

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Reverend H. D. Garmon, Minister of Pleasant Grove Methodist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on Monday, June 17, 1968 were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN ASKS REASONS FOR INCREASING TAX RATE.

Mr. William Smith asked what reasons the Council has for going up on taxes?

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated Council would not even consider going up on taxes if it were not for the sales tax litigation. Council had committed the City Government to cutting back the tax rate to last year's level if the sales tax referendum passed and the money was made available. To date the money has not been made available and there is some litigation. This means this anticipated source of revenue, at this moment, is not available to Council, so they will have to consider some different alternatives, assuming this money does not become available. The only alternative available is the property tax rate. This is the most unacceptable alternative, but at present it is the only alternative open to the City Council if it wishes to proceed with meeting the demands and needs as they see them toward the end of providing services the city government is required to provide to the residents of Charlotte. He stated this includes some significant increases for the police department budget - up some 27%; includes some salary increases not only for police but for firemen as well as other city employees in order to stay competitive; includes some programs the residents have expressed interest in; at the same time it includes cutting back on capital improvements significantly.

Mr. Smith asked if Council did not make the statement on television and in the newspaper that if the one cent sales tax did not pass, the city taxes would increase? Did they not force the people to vote for the tax? Mr. Veeder replied Council specifically made the commitment if the sales tax referendum passed, that the Council would then cut

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back the tax rate to last year's level - this would mean a reduction in the tax rate of 11 cents; the only way it can do it is if the revenue that would come from the sales tax is, in fact, made available. If this revenue becomes available in time to be used, the Council will cut back the tax rate this year. Mr. Veeder stated he cannot speak for the City Council, but he would predict that if the litigation now in process holds up the sales tax, that certainly the City Council will honor this commitment next year, cutting back the 11 cents. That it would prefer to do it this year.

ORDINANCE NO. 908-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF HARTFORD AVENUE AND WEST STREET.

Councilman Smith moved adoption of the subject ordinance changing the zoning from R-9MF to O-6 of two lots as recommended by the Planning Commission and requested by Radio Center, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 335.

ORDINANCE NO. 909-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY AT 3000 SPRINGWAY DRIVE ON PETITION OF HENRY G. THOMAS.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle and seconded by Councilman Stegall, to adopt the subject ordinance changing the zoning from R-9MF to O-6 as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Councilman Short stated Council has had this intersection for handling a number of times on a piece meal basis. That this is not a very good zoning pattern - there is B-1 around the middle of the intersection; out further, closer to the homes is B-2; one of the filling stations is able to have an automobile laundry and truck repair and tire recapping plant, various other things, and another station right across the street cannot do these things. At this corner there is office zoning running back along residential streets, sometimes further on one side of the street than on the other side without any apparent reason.

Councilman Short made a substitute motion to defer decision on the subject petition and the Planning Commission be asked to study the intersection and come back to Council with a comprehensive plan. The motion did not receive a second.

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

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 336.

PLANNING COMMISSION REQUESTED TO STUDY THE ENTIRE INTERSECTION OF SHAMROCK DRIVE AND EASTWAY DRIVE AND COME BACK TO COUNCIL WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Councilman Short moved that the Planning Commission study the entire intersection of Shamrock and Eastway Drives, and come back to Council with a comprehensive plan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle.

After discussion the vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCE NO. 910-Z AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SECTION 23-8 OF THE CITY CODE CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY ON THE NORTHWEST SIDE OF LILLINGTON AVENUE, FROM RANLO STREET TO NEAR LUTHER STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Stegall, and unanimously carried, the subject ordinance was adopted changing the zoning from R-6MF to O-6 as recommended by the Planning Commission and petitioned by Catherine D. Lineberger, et. al.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 337.

DECISION ON PETITION NO. 68-47 BY CHARLOTTE CITY COUNCIL FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FROM R-9 TO R-9MF OF ALL PROPERTY IN THE BLOCK BOUNDED BY PARK ROAD, HILLSIDE AVENUE, HAVEN DRIVE AND THE REAR OF LOTS HAVING FRONTAGE ON REECE ROAD, DEFERRED UNTIL SEVEN MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ARE PRESENT.

Councilman Stegall moved that decision on the subject petition be deferred until seven members of Council are present. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

REPORT ON REVIEW OF ZONING IN THE ENTIRE UNIVERSITY AREA TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NO LATER THAN AUGUST.

Councilman Short stated at the time of the research park zoning he had a conversation with Mr. Fred Bryant, Assistant Planning Director, about zoning the entire University area, and whether this should not be reviewed by the Planning Commission and Council. He stated he would like to encourage the Planning Commission to do this as quickly as they find it possible. That the area now has everything in it to attract any kind of commerce or industry. When Highway 49 is widened there will be three four-lane highways going through with another planned by the state; the railroad goes through; there are two water lines; there is an industrial operation across the street from the University now. That he hopes we do not get into some kind of situation there similar to the one at the Airport. That this would be an excellent place for Council to consider some conditional zoning, and he hopes until Council has an opportunity for conditional zoning that Council will protect the situation with available zoning categories.

Mr. Bryant stated the whole concept of planning for the university city area has been one of the foremost objects on their work program for some time. This is being approached not only from a zoning standpoint, but a very thorough detailed planning relationship job. They are right now working with consultants on the final phase of this planned preparation. Tentatively, they hope to arrange a joint meeting with the City Council and the Board of County Commissioners for a presentation of this plan and proposal, hopefully sometime in August. They anticipate the plan will be completed during the month of July and hope they will be able to have this meeting in August. He stated the area they are studying is partially under the jurisdiction of the City through the perimeter area control and partially under control of the County Commissioners through county zoning.

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RESOLUTION DECLARING ANTI-LITTER WEEK.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander adopting a resolution declaring the week of June 25 through July 2, ANTI-LITTER WEEK. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at page 154.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Stegall, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, the following property transactions were approved:

(a) Advertisement of sale of residue of Parcels 82 and 83, purchased from Robert G. Austin, for West Fourth Street Extension Project, at a starting bid of \$6,500.00.

(b) Acquisition of 2,567 square feet of property at 422-28 North McDowell Street from Louise M. Watkins (widow), at \$16,700.00, for McDowell Street Widening.

(c) Acquisition of 769 square feet of property at 1315 Matheson Avenue, from Hilda Moss Kirkpatrick (widow), at \$2,000.00, for the East Thirtieth Street Project.

APPRAISAL CONTRACTS APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, approving appraisal contracts, as follows:

(a) Contract with Alfred E. Smith for appraisal of one parcel of land for Woodlawn Road Widening.

(b) Contract with L. H. Griffith for appraisal of one parcel of land for Woodlawn Road Widening.

RESOLUTION APPROVING ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WITH SEABOARD COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER LINE UNDER THE COMPANY'S TRACKS IN THE VICINITY OF IRWIN CREEK.

Councilman Smith moved adoption of the subject resolution approving an encroachment agreement with the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company for the construction of a sanitary sewer line under the company's tracks in the vicinity of Irwin Creek, near the unopened portion of Andrill Terrace. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short.

Councilman Smith stated about every week an item appears on the docket for encroachment purposes; if a set of rules could be set up generally to go under the railroads and the City agrees when it does go under, that from January 1, 1968, to a date certain, that all will be treated the same way, then the City could proceed without all the extra paper work. Mr. Veeder, City Manager, replied this point is well taken; that they have been raising the same question with the State Highway Commission trying to preclude all the paper work on the State's part and on the City's part and still come to the same end result.

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The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 155.

SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Alexander and unanimously carried, contracts for the construction of sanitary sewer mains, were approved, as follows:

- (a) Construction of 92 feet of 8-inch main in Overlook Trail, inside the city, at the request of Tri-Development Corporation, at an estimated cost of \$1,575.00. All cost of construction will be borne by the Applicant. Applicant's deposit in the full amount has been received and will be refunded as per terms of the agreement.
- (b) Construction of 980 feet of 10-inch trunk, 235 feet of 8-inch trunk and 2,227 feet of 8-inch main to serve Hampshire Hills inside the city, at the request of John Crosland Company, at an estimated cost of \$22,735.00. All cost of construction will be borne by the applicant whose deposit in the full amount has been received and will be refunded as per terms of the agreement.

STREETS TAKEN OVER FOR CONTINUOUS MAINTENANCE BY THE CITY.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following streets be taken over for continuous maintenance by the City:

- (a) Charmepag Avenue, from 210 feet east of centerline of Blairmore Drive to 365 feet east of centerline of Roselawn Place.
- (b) Roselawn Place, from Charmepag Avenue to 340 feet south of centerline of Havilon Court.
- (c) Havilon Court, from Roselawn Court to 350 feet east of centerline of Roselawn Place.

CONTRACT-AGREEMENT WITH PITOMETER ASSOCIATES AUTHORIZED.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated this contract is provided for in the current 1967-68 water department budget; they have waited to this point in the fiscal year to suggest going into such agreement until the County's report was finished so that any data developed by that report could be considered in terms of the work by Pitometer. This is a hydraulic study of the needs of the water distribution system and extends the projections for a period of fifteen years. This will be the fourth time the city has done this - it was done originally in 1942; again in 1949 and about ten years later in 1958, at a cost of \$15,500.00. The results of the study will help to measure and relate the hydraulic system and distribution system to the future; help in the sizing of lines; take into consideration some of the fire service needs as relates to volume and flows. This is a technical but most important activity.

Councilman Smith stated it seems that something like this is desirable but in light of the city's very tight budget and the various things coming up that are not even in the budget, that he would like to defer passing on this until budget time; this may be one item that can be put off until 1969.

Mr. Veeder stated in terms of hydraulics, this is basic for the future growth of the system to make sure it is being done. That Mr. Franklin feels it is an appropriate time to do it.

Councilman Tuttle stated if the city can get the sizing of lines determined for the next ten years, he believes it will make the \$29,500, and he moved the approval of the contract-agreement with Pitometer Associates to conduct a review and re-evaluation of the city's entire water distribution system, in the amount of \$29,500.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short.

After further discussion, the vote was taken on the motion, and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT WITH C. D. SPANGLER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS.

Motion was made by Councilman Stegall approving a contract with C. D. Spangler Construction Company for the installation of 3,090 feet of water main and four fire hydrants in Spangler N-29 Industrial Park, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$19,594.00, to be installed under the terms of Paragraph D-1 of the City Water Extension Policy, dated April 17, 1967. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Stegall, Short, Smith, and Tuttle.
NAYS: None

Councilman Alexander abstained from voting.

RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED BETWEEN THE CITY AND N. C. STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN IN WEST SIDE OF U. S. N-29.

Councilman Short moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a right-of-way agreement between the City and the State Highway Commission for the installation of approximately 1,350 feet of 6-inch C. I. Water Main in the west side of U. S. N-29, between Stetson Drive and Newport Road, to serve the Spangler Industrial Park, outside the city. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stegall, and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Short, Stegall, Smith and Tuttle.
NAYS: None.

Councilman Alexander abstained from voting.

ORDINANCES ORDERING THE REMOVAL OF WEEDS AND GRASS PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.103 AND 6.104 OF THE CITY CHARTER, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE I, SECTION 10-9 OF THE CITY CODE AND CHAPTER 160-200 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, adopting the following ordinances:

- (a) Ordinance No. 911-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass on property at 1020 Oriole Street.
- (b) Ordinance No. 912-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass on property adjacent to 1818 Patton Street.

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- (c) Ordinance No. 913-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass on property adjacent to 912 Rodey Street.
- (d) Ordinance No. 914-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass on property adjacent to 1634 Eastway Drive.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, beginning at Page 338.

EXTENSION OF SERVICE FOR PERIOD OF ONE YEAR TO EMPLOYEES 65 YEARS AND OVER.

Upon motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Tuttle and unanimously carried, the following city employees services were extended for one year through June 30, 1969:

Will Caldwell	- Cemeteries Department
John A. House	- Engineering Department
John W. Huffaker	- Engineering Department
Leon G. Justice	- Engineering Department
S. L. Kirkpatrick	- Water Department
J. H. Surratte	- Motor Transport Department
P. M. Ritch	- Police Department

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO ACCEPT FOR MAINTENANCE CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

Councilman Short moved adoption of the subject resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Stegall, and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 156.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,250,000 REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, adopting the subject resolution authorizing the issuance of \$2,250,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 157.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING AND FILING OF APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Stegall and unanimously carried, the subject resolution authorizing the signing and filing of application for proposed revenue anticipation notes with the Local Government Commission was adopted, and is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 158.

RESOLUTION SETTING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, JULY 15 ON REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO GOLDWYN STREET, BETWEEN ALPHA STREET AND MARNEY AVENUE.

Councilman Short moved approval of the subject resolution setting the date of public hearing on Monday, July 15 on request for improvements to Goldwyn Street, between Alpha Street and Marney Avenue at an estimated cost of \$1,550.00 with cost to be assessed against the abutting property

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owners as provided under Section 7.103(d)(1) of the City Charter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 6, at Page 159.

LEASE WITH JED, INC. FOR OFFICE SPACE IN BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT CORNER OF EAST TRADE AND ALEXANDER STREETS.

Motion was made by Councilman Stegall and seconded by Councilman Tuttle, approving a lease with JED, Inc., for 6,839 square feet, at \$4.75 per square foot, of office space in the new building under construction at the corner of East Trade and Alexander Streets, for a term of three years.

Mr. Bobo, Administrative Assistant, stated the \$4.75 includes janitorial services, the building will be air-conditioned, and parking spaces will be provided for visitors to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, advised the space will be used by the Accounting Division of the Finance Department, and the Planning Commission; the space being vacated by the Planning Commission may be used by the Building Inspection Department, also by the Engineering Department that is now split in two locations.

Councilman Smith stated his firm, Gibson Smith Realty Company, manages this property. That Mr. Charles Welling has handled the negotiations with the City. Councilman Smith stated he did do one thing - the going rate is \$5.00 and he asked them if the City took this much space if they could get it for \$4.75. He stated new buildings projected are going to have to bring in \$5.50 to \$6.00 to justify the 8 per cent interest and the additional cost of construction.

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

YEAS: Councilmen Stegall, Tuttle, Alexander and Short.
NAYS: None.

Councilman Smith abstained from voting.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Stegall, seconded by Councilman Tuttle 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. Mary Sledge Todd for Graves No. 1 and 2, in Lot No. 14, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$120.00.
- (b) Deed with Mrs. Phillip F. Howerton for Lots No. 381 and 382, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$945.00.
- (c) Deed with Mrs. P. H. Brown for Lot No. 7, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$3.00 for duplicate deed.

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CONTRACT AWARDED BLYTHE BROTHERS COMPANY FOR RELOCATING SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES AT THE NORTH-SOUTH EXPRESSWAY AT SEABOARD RAILROAD.

Councilman Alexander moved award of contract to the low bidder, Blythe Brothers Company, in the amount of \$176,608.00, on a unit price basis, for relocating sanitary sewer facilities at the North-South Expressway at the Seaboard Railroad, between 6th Street and Oaklawn Avenue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Blythe Brothers Company	\$ 176,608.00
Boyd & Goforth, Inc.	184,544.00
Dickerson, Inc.	224,581.95

CONTRACT AWARDED BOYD & GOFORTH, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WATER MAIN CROSSING PROPOSED I-77.

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Stegall and unanimously carried awarding contract to the low bidder, Boyd & Goforth, Inc., in the amount of \$90,692.14 on a unit price basis for the construction of a 30 inch diameter distribution system water main crossing the proposed I-77 at the Irwin Creek Crossing.

The following bids were received:

Boyd & Goforth, Inc.	\$ 90,692.14
Blythe Brother Company	97,617.00
Thomas Structure Company	110,922.00
Sanders Brothers Company	151,360.00

CONTRACT AWARDED BOYD & GOFORTH INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WATER MAIN IN QUAIL HOLLOW ROAD.

Councilman Short moved award of contract to the low bidder, Boyd & Goforth, Inc., in the amount of \$69,485.00, on a unit price basis for the construction of a 12 inch diameter distribution system water main in Quail Hollow Road, from Sharon Road to Carmel Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle, and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Boyd & Goforth, Inc.	\$ 69,485.00
Thomas Structure Company	70,333.00
C. M. Allen Company	70,737.50
Blythe Brothers Company	74,685.00
Bryant Electric Company	82,356.50

CONTRACT AWARDED BLYTHE BROTHERS COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DISTRIBUTION WATER VALVE IMPROVEMENTS IN UPTOWN DISTRICT.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Stegall and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Blythe Brothers Company, in the amount of \$53,300.00 on a unit price basis for the construction of distribution system water valve improvements in the uptown area.

The following bids were received:

Blythe Brothers Company	\$ 53,300.00
Bryant Electric Company	55,096.00
Sanders Brothers Company	56,600.00
Thomas Structure Company	56,600.00
Crowder Construction Company	61,300.00
Boyd & Goforth, Inc.	72,050.00

GROUP OF STUDENTS REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN FINDING SUMMER JOBS FOR GIRLS.

Miss Joyce McGriff stated she represents a group of students who have not been able to find summer jobs and the majority of the group are girls who are 18 or older and are high school graduates. That they are presently enrolled in colleges or will be attending in the fall and depend on summer jobs to help further their educational growth. She asked what will be done and how soon it will be done as they are interested in offering their services to the City; that many of them are able to do things they are not given credit for now.

Mayor Brookshire replied he met with the Council on Youth Opportunities this morning and Mr. Reitzel Snider reported about 550 jobs have been found in business and industry in Charlotte for young men and women; at the present time, the applications are being handled by a special desk at the North Carolina Employment Securities Commission. That the report this morning indicated there is actually a shortage of young men for the jobs, but there are more applications from young ladies than they have jobs. The effort has not been brought to a conclusion and letters are now going out to some 700 other employers who employ 25 to 99 persons. Mayor Brookshire suggested that the group keep in touch with the North Carolina Employment Securities Commission.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE CLANTON PARK ROLLINGWOOD AREA.

Councilman Stegall requested the City Manager to check with Chief Goodman of the Police Department about using some of the special forces, who attack special problems, to work in the Clanton Park-Rollingwood Area. That two young boys were attacked by a group of boys, and in the past several months there have been a number of these occurrences. That he has received several calls from people in the area today saying they have a problem since school is out; that this occurs sometimes up to 12 and 1 and 2 O'clock in the morning. That one man said he was going home the other night and about 12 boys locked arms across the street and he had to stop his automobile; that he thought they were going to take him out of the car, but he locked his doors and decided to drive through them and they moved out of the eay.

Mr. Veeder stated he has discussed the problem with Chief Goodman and special attention is being given. That the Police Department had a staff meeting this morning and this was the only subject of conversation of how they can help this area.

CITY MANAGER'S ATTENTION CALLED TO PAVING ON INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION FROM ERVIN BUILDING AND MEDIAN STRIP ON ALBEMARLE ROAD.

Councilman Stegall called the City Manager's attention to Independence Boulevard, between the Ervin Building, in an easterly direction, where

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there is some side area that has been curbed and guttered but still not paved; also, the intersection at Albemarle Road where the median is still in the middle of the street.

Mr. Veeder stated he has had conversation with the State Highway Department regarding the completion of the paving on Independence Boulevard for the outside lane, but to date they have not been in a position to finish up the work.

PROPOSAL THAT FUNDS BE APPROPRIATED IN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FOR 1968-1969 TO PROVIDE SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO AMITY PLACE.

Councilman Smith stated last week he brought up Mr. Bolt's problem of getting sewer to his property on Amity Place because his septic tank had given out. That he received a report from the Engineering Department which advises the estimated cost to extend the sanitary sewer to 4736 Amity Place is \$1,270.00, and the extension will serve two houses; there are eight additional houses along this street which presently use septic tanks and the estimated cost to provide sewer service to the ten houses is \$4,570.00. That the Engineering Department advises the street is approximately 100% developed and since it meets the requirements for sewer service under the policy adopted in the 1960 city limits extension, the Council may want to consider appropriating the necessary funds to cover the cost of the construction, along with other similar areas, in the 1968-69 Capital Improvement Budget.

Councilman Smith stated he is proposing that this be included in the Capital Improvement Budget for 1968-69. The City Manager advised there are some other areas similar to this situation, that are included in the budget.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO ASK TRAFFIC ENGINEER FOR PROGRESS REPORT ON INTERSECTIONS WHERE THE VIEW IS BLOCKED BY OVERGROWN SHUBBERY AND BUSHES.

Councilman Smith asked if the Traffic Engineering Department has money in its budget, and a system to check intersections where views are being blocked, and suggested the City Manager ask for a progress report.

The City Manager replied they have within limitations; that they do not have adequate staff for someone to be assigned to this on a full time basis.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO CHECK REPORT THAT TRASH HAS NOT BEEN PICKED UP FOR THREE WEEKS ON FANNIE CIRCLE.

Councilman Alexander stated he received three calls from residents of Fannie Circle stating they have not had a trash pick up for three weeks and when they call the Department, they get short talked. He requested the City Manager to look into this with the Motor Transport Department, so the trash will be picked up.

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REQUEST THAT FENCE BETWEEN ELMWOOD CEMETERY AND PINWOOD CEMETERY BE TAKEN DOWN.

Councilman Alexander asked when the fence between Elmwood Cemetery and Pinewood Cemetery will be taken down? Mr. Veeder, City Manager, replied some work has been done on this, and if Council wants the work finished, he will proceed on the basis of Council's wish.

Councilman Alexander moved that the fence between Elmwood and Pinewood Cemeteries, discussed some three months ago, be taken down. The motion did not receive a second

After discussion, Councilman Alexander stated he would withdraw his motion.

DISCUSSION OF AUCTION SALE OF GUNS BY THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Short stated the City Police Department auctions off unclaimed guns. Some of them undoubtedly are the cheap imported guns. That he talked with Captain Adams this morning and was told they auction off anything that is unclaimed. Councilman Stegall stated this is rifles and shotguns - no hand guns. Councilman Short stated inexpensive guns of some type are being auctioned off and the city makes them even more inexpensive by selling them second hand and at a public auction. That he is sure there are citizens who do not want their government to engage in the sale of guns at any price.

Councilman Short stated from the information he has been able to get, apparently there are individuals who attend the auction sales regularly, and this would seem to lead to the inference they have some sort of business going of reselling guns that are bought at this auction of unclaimed weapons. That he has checked the Statutes, and the Statutes do not require the City to auction off the guns; it merely permits the city to do it if it wants to do so. That he does not think the City should do this, that it is inappropriate for government, and is contrary to the will of a lot of the taxpayers who support the government.

Councilman Short moved that Chief Goodman be instructed to discontinue the sale of these unclaimed guns and to destroy them when they have been held for the required length of time. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander.

Councilman Stegall made a substitute motion to hold Mr. Short's motion in abeyance until Mr. Underhill, Mr. Veeder and Chief Goodman can meet with the various chiefs and officers of the County who sell guns and come to an agreement about the sell of the guns, and come back to Council with a recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle.

After further discussion the vote was taken on the substitute motion and failed to carry for the lack of four affirmative votes, as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Stegall and Tuttle.
NAYS: Councilmen Alexander, Short and Smith.

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The vote was then taken on the original motion and failed to carry for the lack of four affirmative votes, as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Short and Alexander
NAYS: Councilmen Stegall, Smith and Tuttle.

INTRODUCTION OF INTERNS SERVING WITH CITY FOR SUMMER MONTHS.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated the following interns are working with the City of Charlotte for the summer months:

Mr. Lew Brown graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and will enter the graduate program in public administration at Chapel Hill this fall.

Mr. Paul Houck is working with the Police Department; he is a graduate of the University of the South at Sewanee and plans to enter law school this fall.

Mr. Julian Prosser is working with the Traffic Engineering Department; he is a 1968 graduate of Davidson and plans to enter graduate work in public administration in the fall.

Mr. Joe Shedd is working in the Personnel Department; he is a senior at Chapel Hill.

CONTRACT WITH R. L. POLK & COMPANY FOR SPECIAL SERVICES ON URBAN INFORMATION, AND ORDINANCE AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND ADOPTED.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated for sometime various departments have been talking with the R. L. Polk & Company to determine what data can be had from them for planning purposes that can be used by the various city departments. That Charlotte is one of the few cities that can make use of the information they can furnish by use of the present equipment and facilities.

He stated the data available annually from this source is population, dwelling units, employment status of residents 18 and over, vacant housing units, new housing since last census, business establishments, employment by business establishments, kind of occupancy of each dwelling unit, number of children and head of household information.

That R. L. Polk is putting this information on tape and is working with Detroit, Pittsburg, and other places that have the capacity to make use of this data by taking the computer tape and drawing off various information for planning purposes.

He stated the Planning Commission, Traffic Engineering Department, Street Department, Redevelopment Commission and the Concentrated Employment Program, Model Cities, and possibly the School Board have met to discuss the data and the need and the desirability of it. That the City has the capacity to make meaningful use of the data and would like to have it. That the 1967 data acquired by surveys last July is available now, and the 1968 data which will be completed within a matter of days will be available in October. This will help in many ways by updating and doing things that we cannot do and relate it to other data we have acquired.

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The Redevelopment Commission can make use of the data for relocation purposes; the Traffic Engineering Department and Planning are most anxious to get it and use it for additional transportation and planning activities. That he has seen how some of the data has been used in Detroit to pinpoint needs in crime prevention; they have seen some of the prints the Police Department would be interested in.

Mr. Veeder stated those who can use it have indicated a willingness collectively to purchase these tapes, and the maps and projections that go with it if Council is willing. They believe it can provide a type of information not now available than can be real helpful.

He stated the cost will be \$15,200 and the agencies involved, some of which are not city agencies, have indicated a willingness to participate in the program, and if Council is willing to approve the contract, it can be funded from the Traffic Engineering, Model Cities, Planning Commission, and Police Department, the Concentrated Employment Program and the Redevelopment Commission, and the School Board has a real interest in this but does not know if they will be able to participate in this financially.

Councilman Smith moved approval of a contract with R. L. Polk and Company and the adoption of an ordinance amending the 1967-68 Budget Ordinance authorizing the transfer of \$15,200.00 within the general fund as recommended by the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander.

Councilman Short stated he does not know enough about the program, and asked if it is possible to see one before spending \$15,000? He asked if at the next meeting Mr. Veeder would bring in some samples and go into this a little further before voting on it.

After further discussion the vote was taken on the motion and carried by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmen Smith, Alexander, Stegall and Tuttle.
 NAYS: Councilman Short.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 15, at Page 342.

REPORT ON USE OF MACE BY THE CHARLOTTE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated he has discussed with Chief Goodman of the Police Department the use of Mace. That since last October the City has used it on 25 occasions in arrest. The Department keeps an individual record and report on each and every instance that it is used in order to evaluate its effectiveness. From its records, the Department concludes that it was effective in 21 of the 25 cases. During this time there has been one complaint of injury stemming from its use, and this came about when a woman was accidentally sprayed during the arrest of her son. She was treated by an ophthalmologist, who reported no permanent injury.

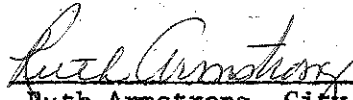
Chief Goodman also pointed out since the department started using Mace, complaints of unnecessary force have been reduced by a third.

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Councilman Alexander stated the article he read last week said the Public Health Service is determining the final conclusions about the long range effect of the chemicals which cannot be made and that further tests are being conducted by the Food and Drug Administration. He asked that a request be made from the Public Health Service to find out if there is any timing as to when they expect some definite results from the testings.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Stegall, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.


Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk