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The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, met on Monday, September 30, 1974, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., in the Council Chamber, City Hall, with Mayor John M. Belk presiding, and Councilmembers Fred D. Alexander, Kenneth R. Harris, Pat Locke, Milton Short, James B. Whittington, Neil C. Williams and Joe D. Withrow present.

ABSENT: None

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman James B. Whittington.

RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL COMMENDING GRANT WHITNEY FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE FESTIVAL IN THE PARK.

Mayor Belk requested Mr. Grant Whitney to come forward and presented him with the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the 11th annual Festival in the Park was recently held; and

WHEREAS, several hundred thousand people attended and enjoyed the Festival in the Park this year; and

WHEREAS, the Festival in the Park is certainly one of Charlotte's outstanding events and finest achievements; and

WHEREAS, this year's Festival in the Park, as well as all previous Festivals, has resulted largely from the tireless work and unending dedication of Grant Whitney; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Whitney has rendered invaluable service to the community in overseeing and promoting the Festival in the Park, giving generously and unselfishly of his time and efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Charlotte desires to express its appreciation to Mr. Whitney for his work in this regard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Charlotte in regular session, duly assembled, expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to Grant Whitney for his overwhelming service and devotion to the City and commends Mr. Whitney for a job well done; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy thereof be presented to Mr. Whitney."

Appreciation was expressed to Mr. Whitney by each Councilmember.

1975 GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD OF THE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS OF NORTH CAROLINA PRESENTED TO CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Mr. Hal L. Carnes, Jr. President of the PENC South Piedmont Chapter in Charlotte, stated he is very pleased to announce that the engineering staff of the City of Charlotte has been named by the Professional Engineers of North Carolina to receive the 1975 PENC Government Professional Development Award for its progressive engineering employment practices.

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He read a letter addressed to the City Manager in which it was stated that the plaque will be presented at the PENC Winter Meeting in Winston Salem in January. That the City won the award over nine other North Carolina cities because of its attitudes and policies that properly encourage the practice of engineering. As a result, Charlotte is being nominated to the National Society of Professional Engineers for its corresponding Professional Development Award for 1975 at the national level. The PENC award honors all City engineering staffs including Utilities, Traffic Engineering, and Public Works.

Mayor Belk expressed appreciation on behalf of the City Council stating they are very proud of these departments and they receive less credit than they should.

ORDINANCES APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER, ADOPTED.

Three ordinances were presented for Council's consideration appropriating funds to facilitate the construction of the Belmont Regional Center.

Speaking for the construction of the Center were the following:

- (1) Ms. Doretha Cornelius, 205 N. Myers Street.
- (2) Rev. Paul Drummond, Pastor St. Paul's Baptist Church, and resident of 2416 Newland Road.
- (3) Kelly Alexander, Sr., 2228 Senior Drive.
- (4) Rev. E. E. Newberry, 2201 English Drive.
- (5) Miss Shelia Townsend, 901 Parkwood Avenue.
- (6) William Convey, 1420 Lilac Road.
- (7) G. T. Nah, Representing the Young At Heart Club, and resident of 1933 Russell Avenue.
- (8) Rev. Lemar Foster, 3100 Dogwood Avenue.
- (9) Rev. Andrew Cuthbertson, 2400 Jefferson Davis Street, representing the Northwest Community Action Association.
- (10) Rev. J. H. Bailey, 1932 Pegram Street.
- (11) Bishop J. H. Sherman, 1411 Parkwood Avenue.
- (12) Z. Alexander, Jr., 628 Baldwin Avenue.
- (13) Bob Morgan, 1720 Flynnwood Avenue.

Mayor Belk stated he thinks Council is obligated to this Center; they have obligated themselves from the bond package, as well as other actions they have taken. However, the prices are high, but he still feels Council has obligated itself since 1969 on this project. Time has run out on the project, and today is the last day.

Councilman Alexander moved adoption of the following ordinances to provide funds for the construction of Belmont Center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short:

- (a) Ordinance No. 396-X amending Ordinance No. 708-X, the 1974 Model Cities Budget Ordinance, revising appropriations to provide funds to facilitate the construction of the Center. (\$120,317.)
- (b) Ordinance No. 397-X amending Ordinance No. 214-X, the 1974-75 Budget Ordinance to transfer \$119,000 from the Unappropriated Balance of the General Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to facilitate the construction of the Center.

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- (c) Ordinance No. 398-X transferring \$1,081,000 from the 1969 Public Building Bond Fund and other sources to establish an appropriation for the construction of the Center, with the sum of \$61,897 established as a reserve pending a reimbursement from the U. S. Department of HUD for expenditures incurred by the City on the Greenville Center.

Councilman Williams stated in his mind it is not so much a question of whether or not this center should be built; he thinks it should be built. But to him it is the size and scope of the center. In 1969 the people were not promised just two centers; they were promised at least four centers. He would assume these centers would be scattered around town so that the people in the south side, in the Bethlehem Center Area, and on West Boulevard in the area of Boulevard Homes would also have some facility, where it must be just as much needed as in the Belmont neighborhood. In 1969, according to some of the information received from the Staff in the last few days, it was contemplated that the total cost of four centers would be in the neighborhood of \$2.4 million, or approximately \$600,000 a piece. Now we are asked to spend something in the neighborhood of \$1.2 million for one center in one neighborhood. That he knows construction costs have risen drastically in the last five years, and probably something should have been done about this before now. But it has not, and we are faced with what we have today.

Councilman Williams stated on Saturday, he and Mrs. Locke went to the office of the architect and saw for the first time the floor plan for this facility. It is not a two level facility, but a three level facility. They also went to the lot and saw the slopping contours of the lot. Anything that is built would probably require at least two stories because of the slope and one story being needed in the back. They were shown that on the first level would be the day care center, about 3,000 square feet. No one will question the need for the day care center. That is a very worthwhile thing and that much space is needed for that. On the main level, the level you enter from the street, in the area above the day center there were offices for the medical clinics and the social service provisions. It was easy to see from looking at that diagram that within that space of about 33 to 40 percent of the building is where the nitty-gritty would be done. That is where worthwhile efforts would take place. Also on that main level was a lounge for the staff, toilets for the staff as opposed to the public toilets for other people, a library which occupied about 1500 square feet, a lobby which was larger than the library, a classroom which was somewhat smaller than the library, and two conference rooms, combined would be in the neighborhood of 5,000 square feet. Some of that could have been combined and consolidated to make that more efficient.

Councilman Williams stated on the third level were four executive offices and one conference room together with the secretarial and receptionist space to service the four executive offices. On that floor was probably 2,000 to 3,000 square feet. To his mind, that is going a little far in this day and time when everything cost so much. The center should be built, but at that price \$1.2 million for what we are getting in one neighborhood, when people on the other side of town and in other sections of town are not getting anything, is a little too much.

Councilwoman Locke stated where the services are to be rendered and the day care center is a total of 10,000 square feet; the remainder was mostly dual, multi-purpose rooms, and offices. The \$1.2 million does not include any furniture in that building which will up the price. That she is concerned about the price. She was not on Council in 1969, and why this has waited from 1969 to 1974 is beyond reason as far as she is concerned.

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Councilman Short stated he is not sure that it is the most logical approach to compare this center with the several other centers that were proposed. It is true that six were mentioned, but this one was somewhat special. At the time this plan was proposed before Council for consideration there were two sections of the Model Neighborhood. One was the western section - Greenville, the other was the eastern section - Belmont.

The western section was smaller - about 60 blocks. The eastern section was approximately 105 blocks. Council deliberated on what could be done to save these two huge, heavily populated sections of the city. It was decided and put into execution that it would require a \$14.0 million urban renewal program to save Greenville. That program was voted and put into effect and is being worked on today. On those 60 blocks we are spending local and national tax monies of \$14.0 million; they are still drawing money from that urban renewal program for Greenville now. They are building things, and inflation has overtaken that program just as much as this one. In a lot of careful and prayerful sections at which Bill Carstarphen was particularly helpful, it was determined if we could put in a NIP program in the 105 block Belmont area, plus this center, this would forestall a program that someday would have to be done on the same scale as Greenville at a cost of \$14.0 million for half as much space. That thinking still applies. We have proceeded with the NIP program, but he thinks it has stabilized that neighborhood, and he believes the adding of this additional item, which was in the original plan, will accomplish for this neighborhood what we have had to spend \$14.0 million to accomplish in the area just on the other side of Tryon Street. This is the type of comparison that should be made.

Councilman Short stated what was spent in the NIP program was \$2,226,000 and to that we are now proposing the price of this center.

Councilman Harris stated if this center is approved, what is the cost. We are not talking just about \$1.2 million; the biggest cost is for leaders to stand up in the community and take credit for getting things through by coercion, veiled threats, unwarranted attack, or whatever you want to call it. That is an expensive proposition. It makes it difficult to ask meaningful questions here on Council to try to resolve how we can deliver services to people instead of building concrete and steel.

He stated his concern is that we are perhaps trying to build a monument for a bureaucracy in this area, instead of providing a real meaningful area delivering services. That he said last week he would vote then to spend \$1.0 million if he knew the \$1.0 million was going to the people who need it. That he is concerned about these prior promises made before he came on Council. Speaking not only on his personal behalf but perhaps for Mrs. Locke and Mr. Williams, too, until this past week, they did not have the information concerning the previous bond issue, the stands taken, and the information circulated at that time. Perhaps that is as much their error as staffs, but it is another case of Council being provided inadequate information before trying to make a decision. That Council talks about COG, and it is something Council gets concerned about, and it is another level of government between where the money comes from and people. We are concerned about that. Here we are talking about social services people coming through another level of government in the neighborhood centers area, and trying again to interpret programs where these programs need to be delivered by the people administering them directly. We need to cut levels of red tape rather than create additional red tape. We need to open up avenue for these services to be provided instead of providing another facility and spending money that was intended to provide services to people, and now we are going to put it into bricks and mortar.

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He stated as far as he is concerned it is not whether we build this center, but how elaborate and how expensive and how we as "stewarts" of the public treasury do as far as doing our job and making sure this money is used properly. Council is being asked to reallocate \$120,317 from model cities mental health, neighborhood based health support, night medical services at Memorial Hospital, and the Central Administration budgets. Council is asked to reallocate this money to build a building. As far as the bond funds, he has no objections, and he thinks we must use this money to build this center. We have HUD money that is available, that definitely should be used. We also have model cities money, which he has mentioned, that is being reallocated, and this should be used in the area, but he wants the people to understand where it is coming from. Council is being asked to reallocate a \$119,000 of revenue sharing money to supplement that. The last item is what he sort of disagrees with. In looking at the staffing of these centers, according to the information given to him, there are 22 staff members at Alexander Street Center; there are eight at Greenville. That he assumes we were staffing up for neighborhood centers. That he believes we could wind up having the staffing done at the Belmont Center similar to the one at Greenville Center. That he thinks some monies could be saved there and re-allocated to the building of this building instead of taking it away from the services money.

Councilman Harris made a substitute motion to approve this project as it is, with the provision that the revenue sharing monies not be reallocated, but that the City Manager find these funds in our administrative budget and go forward with the system. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

Following was an explanation and discussion of the motion, after which Councilman Harris amended his motion to approve the ordinances with the understanding that the monies from revenue sharing is to be loaned for the purpose of letting the contracts and staff will explore every possibility of replacing this with model cities funds. The amendment was seconded by Councilman Short.

Councilman Whittington stated it has been stated that some members of Council were here in 1969, and that is true. That he was a member of Council in 1969 when this bond issue was held. He stated he has been here long enough and has shared in nearly fifteen years on this Council with some of the problems this community has faced, and we have faced them together, and not always agreed. To the good citizens of Charlotte who have come here today and Mr. Harris used the words "veiled threats", that they were not veiled threats at all, they were just threats. It puts this community in a bad state of affairs when we get into a standoff situation where people are trying to resolve their own problems within their hearts, and their own differences, trying to resolve the problem at hand. Most of the people who spoke threatened the city and the City Council. And he says this ought not to be and it is regrettable. You can look at all the bond projects, you can look at the capital projects, the NIP project, and he believes you can tell very quickly whom they have benefitted.

Councilman Whittington stated whatever has happened in Greenville is no responsibility of this Council. Council did everything it said it would do, and met the commitments, and they can speak now to the disposed President of the United States for what happened in Greenville. Mr. Short has mentioned the \$14.0 million for the Greenville section; he mentioned the \$2,226,000 plus this center for Belmont. Those who have been in Charlotte for a while should know what Belmont, Villa Heights and North Charlotte are. They are three different neighborhoods. Belmont-Villa Heights is together from about 23rd Street back to Belmont Avenue; beyond that is North Charlotte. It goes from the railroad tracks over to about Seigle Avenue or Hawthorne Lane.

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Councilman Whittington stated for the last three weeks he has concerned himself with the Belmont Regional Center. He did this because he was a member of this Council when the bond issue was passed in 1969. That he thinks he made one speech during that bond election and that was to the North Charlotte Rotary Club. The only record staff has furnished Council relates to so much money for neighborhood centers and other programs.

Councilman Whittington stated today the Council finds itself in this position. On September 13, Council was provided with a memo stating that the Center was going to cost \$960,000 instead of the \$660,000 estimated in 1969. At that time he said this project should be shelved or delayed, and Council should look at the North Charlotte Y. This is a million dollar building today with everything in it, way beyond what they will get in this 22,000 square feet of floor space. This \$960,000 does not include the land acquisition, which was \$38,316.18; the engineering and administration which was \$1,378.76; the soil testing \$1,449.32; and the furnishings of this building is an addition and we do not know what that will cost at this time. Council was told in that memo that they had until today, September 30 to approve or disapprove the contracts for this center. Then on September 20, Council was sent a second memo giving a historical profile of Council's decisions as they related to the Belmont Regional Center. Then on the 27th, last Friday, Council was given another memo stating why HUD rejected the Alexander Street site, and how the Council has committed itself through legislative action to support the neighborhood center concept. In all this communication, no one has justified to him why we should spend over \$1.0 million on a project that was projected to cost \$660,000.

Earlier, he stated that he was a member of this Council in 1969, but that does not relieve the fact that it is right to spend this much money today. This center complex, he believes, has had three different architects to one degree or another. It is costing in excess of \$40 per square foot, and is to be built on terrain that drops fifty feet from McDowell Street to Sugar Creek, and it will have three floors. He stated the City Council did not select this site, and did not know the site was selected until it was brought to Council to purchase. Last but not least, the people who have to approve this project, and how much it costs were given the facts for the first time on September 13, and then it was on the agenda for Council action on the 16th and no later than today.

Our God and our Lord has been mentioned several times today, and he can face his, and he believes these citizens can face theirs. If he has mislead the citizens of this city, he is truly sorry, but he has been mislead too. Two mistakes do not make a right, so his conscience is clear when he says he is going to vote no today for this Belmont Regional Center, and it will be the burden of the staff and City Manager to come back to Council with something we can live with.

Councilman Williams stated he appreciates Mr. Whittington's comments and agrees with them. There is one more thing that should be clearly understood at this point. To his knowledge there are no more neighborhood centers planned or on the drawing board, and there is no money for any such thing. This is it! If we spend \$1.2 million for this, it will be one center, when in his opinion we could get the job done with something like six or eight hundred thousand dollars and build two centers. One in another neighborhood of Charlotte where it is needed just as much.

Councilwoman Locke stated the lack of communication points up the need for building and site committee review. That she is appalled that Council is suddenly faced with this decision. If we cannot have a committee system on Council we will have to propose a Civic Design Commission, so it can view these things, and not come up at the last minute with a \$1.2 million structure that should have cost \$680,000.

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The vote was taken on the amended motion, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmen Harris, Short, Alexander and Withrow.

MAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, beginning at Page 281.

MEETING RECESSED AND RECONVENED.

Mayor Belk called a recess at 5:02 P.M., and reconvened the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

ORDINANCE NO 399 AMENDING CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE IV, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE RELATING TO CONDUCT IN PUBLIC PARKS PERMITTING THE SALE AND DISPENSING OF BEER AT MEMORIAL STADIUM.

The subject ordinance was presented to amend Chapter 13, Article IV by adding the following sentence:

"However, this provision shall not apply to the sale and dispensing of beer and wine at Memorial Stadium and Park Center on such occasions and upon such terms as are approved by the Commission."

Councilwoman Locke asked if the Park & Recreation Commission will decide who sells beer and when? Mr. Underhill, City Attorney, replied yes, that is the thrust of the amendment to place under the control of the Commission those occasions and upon such terms beer and/or wine may be sold at those two facilities. They make the decision. Councilwoman Locke asked why the Park Center is included? Mr. Silverman, member of the Commission, replied they did it to have a liberal interpretation so if some time in the future they wanted the privilege of doing it they would have the right without coming back to Council. They are not adamant about it and do not think it is a necessary thing. Councilwoman Locke replied she would be afraid if the Park Center is included, that the Coliseum would also say they wanted to sell beer and she is opposed to that.

Councilwoman Locke moved that the phrase " and Park Center" be deleted and the ordinance be adopted with that deletion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington, Alexander, Harris, Short and Williams.

NAYS: Councilman Withrow.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, at Page 284.

ORDINANCE NO. 400 AMENDING CHAPTER 3 "ANIMALS" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Councilman Short moved adoption of the ordinance amending Chapter 3, entitled "Animals" of the Code of the City of Charlotte, as follows:

- 1.) Delete in its entirety Section 3-18 and substitute a new section entitled: "Confinement of Animals in Motor Vehicles."

Section 3-18 is repealed as a result of an opinion of the City Attorney's office. The extent and degree of regulation of wild and game animals by the State of North Carolina preclude any local control that might

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conflict with State provisions. The section is being replaced by an ordinance prohibiting keeping or maintaining an animal in motor vehicles in such a manner as to endanger the animal's health or well-being.

- 2.) Delete in its entirety the fee schedule in Section 3-23 and substituting a new fee schedule.

Section 3-23 is being amended to reflect current costs of impounding animals and caring and feeding them.

- 3.) Re-numbering Section 3-41 to Section 3-42, and adding a sentence to Subsection (d), as follows:

"The arrest shall be for the violation of the section of this chapter charged in the citation and, upon conviction, the defendant shall be subject to the penalties prescribed by Sec. 1-6."

- 4.) Delete the existing Section 3-42 in its entirety, and entitling the new Section 3-41, as "Enforcement."

Section 3-41 and 3-42 are amended to provide the Department with a wider and more effective means of enforcing the terms of Chapter 3 to include criminal sanctions and also an option to proceed in a civil action to correct an improper condition on real property.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander, and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, beginning at Page 285.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO WORK WITH COUNTY ON BETTER FACILITIES FOR ANIMALS.

Mayor Belk stated he would like to recommend that the City Manager work with the County for a better relationship on their animal facilities; that the County does not have many animals, and he thinks a better job can be done by working this out. That he thinks something can be done at this time if Council would like the City Manager to bring something back.

Councilman Short stated the City Council has been willing to do this in the past.

Councilman Alexander moved approval of Mayor Belk's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF TRANSIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CITIZENS OF CHARLOTTE.

Mr. Herman Hoose, Coordinator of Transportation Planning, stated in July when they presented the TAPE program they were requested by the City Council to investigate the feasibility of including the physically handicapped in the same type program.

They have been busy getting the data together from four different sources - National Health Survey, U. S. Census Bureau, Mayor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, which included information on the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, and they contacted 54 local and county agencies who work with the handicapped.

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He stated the Mayor's Committee estimated there are between twelve and fourteen thousand handicapped up to the age 62 in the County. This compares with the U. S. National total which indicated 12,527, so the Mayor's Committee was in the ballpark. Then they related the City to County which shows there are 8,570 persons residing in Charlotte. Due to the present bus system, they have deleted from this figure 272 who use wheel chairs, 490 with acute conditions, and 27 who are institutionalized for a total deletion of 789 from the 8,570 persons, which leaves a total of 7,781 persons who are dealing with existing bus systems and existing service areas.

Using an estimated annual rides-per-capital figure of 20, and the approximately 8,000 persons, they came to a total of 160,000 rides per year.

Using the same figure as the TAPE program which costs 15 cents per ride, the total cost will be \$24,000.00, with the administration cost of \$1,000 brings it to a total of \$25,000 for a 12-months period to the City.

Mr. Hoose stated to be eligible for this they used the same criteria as for the 62 years and over, with one exception. The eligibility of permanent physical disability certificate from a medical doctor is required.

Mr. Hoose stated the information has been given to Council in detail in a report today.

Councilman Withrow stated some of the bus drivers say that people have been trying to ride the buses with the elderly tickets. How will they check these people to see that they are eligible? Mr. Hoose replied the handicapped and the elderly have identification cards which the Driver can ask to see at any time.

On motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Alexander, and unanimously carried, the City Manager was requested to bring the proper ordinances to Council to implement the program.

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PAY PLAN OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE BY ADDING CLASS NO. 333, ASSISTANT FINANCE DIRECTOR, ASSIGNED TO PAY RANGE 35.

Upon motion of Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, the subject resolution was adopted amending the Pay Plan of the City of Charlotte by adding Class No. 333, Assistant Finance Director, assigned to Pay Range 35.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 10, at Page 126.

RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING REQUESTS FOR STATE CLEAN WATER BOND FUNDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, resolutions authorizing requests for State Clean Water Bond Funds, were adopted, as follows:

- (a) Resolution authorizing the City Manager to file an Application requesting state grant assistance for water works improvements for 16" water main extension to Green Acres Rest Home.
- (b) Resolution authorizing City Manager to file an application requesting state grant assistance for Wastewater Facilities Planning for Metro Charlotte "201" Wastewater Facilities Planning.

The resolutions are recorded in full in Resolutions Book 10, beginning at Page 127.

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ORDINANCE NO. 401-X TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE AIRPORT FUND AND TO ESTABLISH A REVENUE ESTIMATE FOR FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY FENCING AND CRASH FIRE RESCUE VEHICLE AT AIRPORT.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, the subject ordinance was adopted transferring funds, in the amount of \$391,500.00, from the Unappropriated Balance of the Airport Fund and to establish a revenue estimate for Federal Aviation Administration Grant to provide funds for the installation of security fencing purchase of one Crash fire rescue vehicle at Airport.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, at Page 289.

SUBGRANT AWARD CONTRACT WITH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES, DIVISION OF LAW AND ORDER TO PROVIDE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH A DOCUMENT STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM, APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Short and seconded by Councilman Whittington to approve the subject subgrant award contract between the City and the Department of Natural and Economic Resources, Division of Law and Order in the amount of \$223,102 to supplement a city contribution of \$18,089 to provide the Police Department with a Document Storage and Retrieval System.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Short, Whittington, Alexander, Locke, Williams and Withrow.

NAYS: Councilman Harris.

ORDINANCE NO. 402-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 214-X, THE 1974-75 BUDGET ORDINANCE, AMENDING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE LEAA FUNDED DOCUMENT RETRIEVAL SYSTEM.

Councilman Whittington moved adoption of the subject ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander, and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, at Page 290.

ORDINANCE NO. 403-X, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 209-X, THE 1974-75 BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES TO ESTABLISH AN APPROPRIATION FOR ENROLLEE TRAINING FOR THE CHARLOTTE MANPOWER DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Harris stated Mr. Whittington brought up the question about counselors for veterans recently? He asked if there is any way these counselors could provide counseling services for people, not necessarily those who will be placed in one of these slots, as far as training goes. His idea is to provide counseling services for these veterans to have someone to talk to about what is available in the market and this type of service.

Mr. Person, Manpower Director, replied he does not know the answer to the question at this point as they are just getting started. If the counselors are as busy as he thinks they will be, it will probably be a little difficult for them to offer the type of counseling he thinks the handicapped would need. That he said to Mr. Whittington earlier that within the next couple of weeks, hopefully they will have a plan in conjunction with an on-going agency in our community to do what he is inquiring about. They recognize

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there is a need not only to work with the handicapped, but they must find out who they are and where they are and in what numbers. They will be proposing a system of registering these handicapped people, and they will develop a knowledge of those who can work, who are available for work, and those who are not.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Alexander and unanimously carried, adopting the subject ordinance in the amount of \$157,062.00.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, at Page 291.

AGREEMENT FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA MANPOWER PLANNING COUNCIL, APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, approving a non-financial agreement for technical assistance with the North Carolina Manpower Planning Council for vocational education, in the amount of \$22,871, with the local community college.

CONTRACT FOR TECHNICAL SERVICE WITH CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TRAINING.

Councilman Short moved approval of contract for technical service with Central Piedmont Community College for vocational education training not covered under the Non-Financial Agreement, which motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

CLAIM FILED BY SHELIA D. CAULDER, FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE, DENIED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Harris, and unanimously carried, claim filed by Shelia D. Caulder, 405 Ideal Way, in the amount of \$497.66 for property damage, was denied as recommended by the City Attorney.

PROPERTY OWNER AT CORNER OF ST. PAUL AND IRMA STREETS GIVEN EXTENSION OF TEN DAYS TO CLEAR PROPERTY OF WEEDS AND GRASS.

Council was advised that Mr. P. L. Ross was cited for an unkempt piece of property at St. Paul and Irma Streets which is before Council today. That he had the property cleared, but it did not meet the approval of the inspector who inspected it, and the inspector had said he would have the property placed on the agenda for Council to authorize the clearing of the property. That Mr. Ross is asking that Council action be deferred so that the man who he had hired to clear the property could come back and go over the property again; that he expects to have this done within the week.

Councilman Whittington moved that Mr. Ross be granted a ten day extension. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short, and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES ORDERING THE REMOVAL OF WEEDS, GRASS, TRASH AND TREE LIMBS, ADOPTED.

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried, adopting the following ordinances ordering the removal of weeds, grass, trash and tree limbs:

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- (a) Ordinance No. 404-X ordering removal of weeds and grass on vacant lot adjacent to 2927 Wheelock Road.
- (b) Ordinance No. 405-X ordering removal of weeds and grass at 1109 Nations Ford Road.
- (c) Ordinance No. 406-X ordering the removal of tree limbs at 538 Briarwood Avenue.
- (d) Ordinance No. 407-X ordering the removal of tree limbs on vacant lot across from 1907 St. Paul Street.
- (e) Ordinance No. 408-X ordering the removal of weeds and trash on vacant lot at 501 N. Graham Street.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 21, beginning on Page 292.

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PINOCA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT OF PAW CREEK TOWNSHIP, INC., EXTENDED AND RENEWED.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of the extension and renewal of the lease agreement between the City and the Pinoca Volunteer Fire Department of Paw Creek Township, Inc., for a small parcel of property owned by the City at the intersection of Hovis Road and Salem Church Road in Mecklenburg County, which motion was seconded by Councilman Harris, and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO ANTHONY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LOCATED AT 7411 CITY VIEW DRIVE AT CAMPBELL CREEK, IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, FOR THE CAMPBELL CREEK SANITARY SEWER OUTFALL PROJECT.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, subject resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Anthony Development Company, located at 7411 City View Drive at Campbell Creek, in the City of Charlotte, for the Campbell Creek Sanitary Sewer Outfall Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 10, at Page 131.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO DUKE POWER COMPANY AT 1409 WHISNANT STREET, AND 1101 GOUGH STREET, IN THE GREENVILLE URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT NO. N.C. R-78.

Motion was made by Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting subject resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Duke Power Company, at 1409 Whisnant Street, and 1101 Gough Street, in the Greenville Urban Renewal Project No. N. C. R-78.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 10, at Page 132.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES OF HARRY SCHAFFER, GEORGE EDWARD MCLAUGHLIN, AND EDWARD M. GIBSON, IN THE FIRST WARD URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT NO. N. C. R-79.

Councilman Short moved adoption of the subject resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of properties of Harry Schaffer, George Edward McLaughlin, and Edward M. Gibson, in the First Ward Urban Renewal Project No. N. C. R-79, which motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in resolutions Book 10, at Page 133.

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SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS FOR ANNEXATION AREAS, APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, the following twenty-nine (29) parcels of sanitary sewer easements for annexation areas were approved:

- (a) Annexation Area I (11) Sanitary Sewer Trunks
2 Parcels
- (b) Annexation Area II (7) Sanitary Sewer Additions
9 Parcels
- (c) Annexation Area I (4) Sanitary Sewer Additions
3 Parcels
- (d) Annexation Area I (1 & 12) Sanitary Sewer Trunks
1 Parcel
- (e) Annexation Area I (3) Sanitary Sewer Trunks
1 Parcel
- (f) Annexation Area I (2) Sanitary Sewer Trunks
13 Parcels

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Withrow, and unanimously carried, authorizing the following property transactions:

- (a) Acquisition of 47,700+ sq. ft. of property, plus construction easement, Park Road at Selwyn Avenue, from Park Selwyn Development Company, at \$1.00, for Sugar Creek Flood Control Project.
- (b) Acquisition of 19' x 11.51' x 16.80' x 12.91' x 26.55' x 21.23' of property, at 3421 East Independence Boulevard, from James H. Canupp and wife, Ethel Wiggins Canupp, at \$550.00, for additional right of way Eastway Drive.
- (c) Acquisition of 7.61' x 243.04' x 9.19' x 245.14' of property at 5423 Albemarle Road, from C.P.I. Executive Equity Program Limited, at \$1,000.00, for Sharon Amity Widening.
- (d) Acquisition of 60.77' x 75.87' x 58.17' x 73.08' of property with 2 story brick and masonry commercial building, at 110 S. Poplar Street, from John Bass Brown, Jr., Angela W. Brown, Sutherland Brown, Sophie A. Brown, Mildred B. Montgomery, and John C. Montgomery, at \$34,000.00, for Popular Street Widening.
- (e) Acquisition of 15' x 511.33' of property at 5720 Green Rea Road, from Augustus E. Green and wife, Anne Z., at \$980.00, for Sanitary Sewer to serve Carmel South.
- (f) Acquisition of 15' ± x 92.92' of property at 5620 Merry Mount Drive, from R. L. Jones and wife, Jean H., at \$100.00, for Sanitary Sewer to serve Carmel South.
- (g) Acquisition of 39,371.70 sq. ft. of property at 13400 Westinghouse Boulevard, from Regent Company, at \$1.00, for trunk to serve Steel Creek Road.

- (h) Acquisition of 23,501.70[±] sq. ft. of property at 11945 Goodrich Drive, from Godley Construction and Vinson Realty Company, Albert C. Kirby, et ux Mildred B. Kirby, at \$1.00, for trunk to serve Steel Creek Road.
- (i) Acquisition of 15' x 1024.21' of property at 12300 Westinghouse Boulevard, from Westhall, Inc., at \$1.00, for Trunk to Steel Creek Road.
- (j) Acquisition of 13,222.50[±] sq. ft. of property at 11801 Fruehauf Drive, from Pat Hall Enterprises, Inc., at \$1.00, for Trunk to Steel Creek Road.
- (k) Acquisition of 15' x 335.80' of property at 11727 Fruehauf Drive, from The Pelton and Crane Company, at \$1.00, for Sanitary Sewer Trunk to Steel Creek Road.
- (l) Acquisition of 37,108.95[±] sq. ft. of property at 12101 Steel Creek Road, from Brovard Corporation, at \$1.00, for Trunk to serve Steel Creek Road.
- (m) Acquisition of 15' x 717.98' of property, at Steel Creek Road (NC 160), from Nyanza, Inc., at \$1.00 for trunk to serve Steel Creek Road.
- (n) Acquisition of seven (7) parcels of real property in the First Ward Urban Renewal Project, as follows:
 - (1) 4,901 sq. ft. from Zerfass, at 700 N. Caldwell Street and 507 East 10th Street, in the amount of \$9,500.00.
 - (2) 5,288 sq. ft. from Wentz, at 625 East 5th Street, in the amount of \$16,000.00.
 - (3) 5,314 sq. ft. from Wentz, at 633 East 5th Street, in the amount of \$16,000.00.
 - (4) 10,524 sq. ft. from Wentz & Austin, at 641 East Fifth Street, in the amount of \$33,000.00.
 - (5) 5,418 sq. ft. from Johnston & Johnston, at 645 East 5th Street, in the amount of \$16,250.00.
 - (6) 4,951 sq. ft. from Alexander, at 709 East 8th Street, in the amount of \$6,000.00.
 - (7) 3,038 sq. ft. from Howie, at 830-34 East 7th Street, in the amount of \$17,500.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED VULCAN SIGNS & STAMPINGS, INC. FOR ALUMINUM TO BE USED IN THE FABRICATION OF VARIOUS STREET SIGNS.

Councilman Short moved award of subject contract to the low bidder, Vulcan Signs & Stampings, Inc., in the amount of \$11,640.00, on a unit price basis, for aluminum to be used in the fabrication of various street signs, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously

The following bids were received:

Vulcan Signs & Stampings, Inc.	\$ 11,640.00
U. S. Standard Sign Co., Inc.	12,816.00
Edgcomb Steel Company	14,549.50

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CONTRACT AWARDED LEDBETTERS BROTHERS, INC. FOR INSTALLATION OF SECURITY FENCING AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Short, and unanimously carried, subject contract was awarded to the low bidder, Ledbetters Brothers, Inc., in the amount of \$315,090, for installation of security fencing at Douglas Municipal Airport, subject to FAA's concurrence in the award to the low bidder, satisfying EEOC compliance determined by FAA, and to the FAA grant offer and official acceptance by City Council.

The following bids were received:

Ledbetters Brothers, Inc.	\$315,090.00
Parks Enterprises, Inc.	342,505.00
Allsteel Products Co.	356,900.00

CONTRACT AWARDED GATES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilman Short, to award contract to the low bidder, Gates Construction Company, on a lump sum basis, in the amount of \$657,770.00, for general construction for the Belmont Regional Center.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Alexander, Short, Harris, and Withrow.

NAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The following bids were received:

Gates Construction Company	\$657,770.00
Barger Construction Company	661,400.00
Rodgers Builders, Inc.	686,200.00
Grant Construction Company	690,672.00

CONTRACT AWARDED STAHL-RIDER, INC. FOR THE MECHANICAL CONTRACT FOR THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Councilman Alexander moved award of contract to the low bidder, Stahl-Rider, Inc., in the amount of \$138,831.00, on a lump sum basis for the Mechanical Contract for the Belmont Regional Center, which motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Alexander, Withrow, Harris and Short.

NAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The following bids were received:

Stahl-Rider, Inc.	\$138,831.00
Ross & Witmer, Inc.	146,500.00
Southern Comfort	159,000.00

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CONTRACT AWARDED GASTONIA PLUMBING & HEATING COMPANY, INC. FOR PLUMBING CONTRACT FOR THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Upon motion of Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilman Withrow, subject contract was awarded the low bidder, Gastonia Plumbing & Heating Company, Inc., in the amount of \$28,675.00, on a lump sum basis, for the plumbing contract for the Belmont Regional Center by the following vote:

YEAS: Councilmembers Alexander, Withrow, Harris and Short.
NAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The following bids were received:

Gastonia Plumbing & Heating Co., Inc.	\$ 28,675.00
Tompkins-Johnston Co., Inc.	29,493.00
Mecklenburg Plumbing Company	38,963.00
City Plumbing & Heating of Charlotte	41,734.13
R. L. Walker Plumbing Company, Inc.	41,759.00

CONTRACT AWARDED WATSON ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. FOR ELECTRICAL CONTRACT FOR THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander and seconded by Councilman Withrow to award contract to the low bidder, Watson Electric Company, Inc., in the amount of \$97,238.00, on a lump sum basis, for the electrical contract for the Belmont Regional Center.

The vote was taken on the motion, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Alexander, Withrow, Harris and Short.
NAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The following bids were received:

Watson Electric Company, Inc.	\$ 97,238.00
Ind-Com Electric Company	99,201.00
Reid Electric Company, Inc.	103,445.00
Fudge & Greene Electric Co., Inc.	116,200.00
Hensley & Mosley, Inc.	146,062.00

CONTRACT AWARDED DOVER ELEVATOR COMPANY FOR ELEVATOR CONTRACT FOR THE BELMONT REGIONAL CENTER.

Councilman Alexander moved award of contract to the low bidder, Dover Elevator Company, in the amount of \$18,287.00, on a lump sum basis, for the elevator contract for the Belmont Regional Center, which motion was seconded by Councilman Withrow, and carried as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Alexander, Withrow, Harris and Short.
NAYS: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington and Williams.

The following bids were received:

Dover Elevator Company	\$ 18,287.00
Otis Elevator Company	19,463.00
Southern Elevator Company, Inc.	20,504.00