The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, met in regular session on Monday, September 12, 1977, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., in the Council Chamber, with Mayor John M. Belk presiding, and Councilmembers Betty Chafin, Louis Davis, Harvey Gantt, Pat Locke and James B. Whittington present.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Neil Williams and Joe Withrow.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Mrs. Martha Evans, former Councilmember and State Senator.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Chafin, seconded by Councilman Davis, and unanimously carried, approving the minutes of the last regular meeting on Monday, August 22, 1977, and the Special Meeting on Monday, August 29, 1977.

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGES.

Mayor Belk advised that a request has been filed in connection with Agenda Item No. 23 that it be considered earlier in the meeting as the Rosh Hashanah Holiday begins tonight, and the person to speak would like to leave before the holiday begins.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Davis, and unanimously carried, to consider Agenda Item No. 23 at this time.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER PERMITTED TO HOLD ARCHERY CLASS ON GROUNDS OF THE CENTER AT 600 NORTH SHARON AMITY ROAD.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried, approving request of the Jewish Community Center Youth Director to hold archery classes on the grounds of the center at 600 North Sharon Amity Road.

HEARING ON QUESTION OF ABOLISHING THE CHARLOTTE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND ESTABLISHING A CITY DEPARTMENT TO BE KNOWN AS PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

The public hearing was held on the question of abolishing the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission and establishing a city department to be known as Park and Recreation Department.

Mr. Bill Bridgewater, Chairman of the Park & Recreation Commission, stated he feels somewhat like a man before the firing squad, and somewhat dismayed having been a member of the Commission for the past seven years. He stated he and the other members of the Commission feel they were appointed in good faith, accepted the appointments in good faith and have served in good faith. Now they find they are fighting for their lives as commissioners. They are volunteers, serving without any pay, and doing something because they are dedicated, and because they believe the citizens of Charlotte can best be served by a semi-independent commission, without the entanglement that goes on within a bureaucracy sometimes.

Mr. Bridgewater stated they are responsive to the Council; the Council controls the purse strings; they do control the Commission's purchase powers as far as land acquisitions and so on. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission tells them where they can buy property; where parks are needed; and sets the priorities. So they do not run rampant through the community placing parks at their own discretion.

They feel the citizens of Charlotte can best be served by a semi-independent commission as we currently have it, and they would like to see it remain.

Mr. Joe Grier stated the suggestion that the Park and Recreation Commission be a city department is not a new suggestion. It has been made twice and formally considered. In 1965 the present charter of the City was re-written. A Committee of which he was Chairman considered the status of this and similar other bodies in connection with the re-drafting of the charter. There was a proposal at that time and considerable sentiment to do what is now under consideration. Again, approximately four or five years ago, when city-county consolidation was up for consideration, the same question was studied again. Yet there were pros and cons. In each instance the people who had the matter under deliberation concluded there were more advantages in retaining the present arrangement, than there would be in making the Park Commission a part of city government.

He recognizes the fact that orderly authority would be favored by making the Park Commission a department like other operations. He recognizes the fact that having authority of this sort in the hands of other people, there are at times some starts and misses and lack of efficiency. He believes that on balance the benefits that are achieved by having the present arrangement, outweigh those advantages. The arrangement you have has been in existence since about 1904 when Harry Clarkson who was Judge Francis Clarkson's father organized what was then the Charlotte Park and Tree Commission. The fact that it has gone on for such a long time does not necessarily prove that it ought not to be changed; but it has rendered good service with the development of recreational facilities in Charlotte. We complain that we do not have a park here and a park there, and it is a basic truth we do not have nearly enough parks as we might have. If you compare the recreational facilities in Charlotte with other places in North Carolina we have the reputation of having a good recreation program in Charlotte, and he thinks among the recreation people it is regarded as one of the very best in North Carolina.

Mr. Grier stated it seems to him that in principle utilization of a commission in matters of this sort is a philosophy of government that people on the council take into account in the modern day to involve as many people as possible in government and should find it to be an advantageous thing. To have the people now on the Commission to devote their time and attention to a particular aspect of government is a way by which more citizens can be involved in government. He thinks it is a concept whose time is present, and whose popularity should be on the increase rather than on the decrease. Here are people who have well-defined authority, specific responsibilities and are appointed by the Council with some idea of their interest and expertise in the thing who will be prepared to give their very attention to this very thing.

A group of people with interest of this sort will be able to do a very good job, and perhaps one that would be better than the Council would do, taking into account all the other things that the Council has to do. As Charlotte becomes larger, the Park and Recreation Commission would be an additional burden on the City Council. It seems to him they should be looking for ways to get more help in doing the city government, rather than trying to centralize more and more things. While the system we have is not perfect, it is administered by people who are fallible. Sometimes they have made mistakes. He served on the Commission for a long period of time, and recognizes the number of things that were done while he was there that were not all wise.

By and large they have a group of people who are devoting themselves to this task and seems to him it would be a mistake to change the system, even though he thinks it would be worthwhile to try to find ways in which the cooperation could be even more effective.

Mr. Grier stated it has been suggested that there should be a consolidated city-county recreational activity. That is a song he has been preaching since 1959 when there was a plan drawn and there was a vote, and they were sure it was going to pass; it snowed, there was a light vote, and it did not pass. Various plans have been advanced since that time to find a way to consolidate the city-county recreational facilities. Basically, it has been a question of money. If you look at the area to be served with recreation and the county as a whole, then the county should bear a substantally larger portion than up to now the county government has been willing to bear. He would suggest if they wish to improve the system the thing that attention might most effectively be directed to would be some way by which the operations in the city and county could be brought under one administrative group, that was not a department of either government but had the responsibility overall of attending to the recreation program in the city and county. That is the improvement he would suggest to Council.

Mr. Warren Jeffries, Shrine Bowl Association, stated for more than 25 years the Park and Recreation Commission, along with their staff, has worked very closely with his Association for the annual Shrine Bowl game each year in Charlotte. It is the largest in the nation, and is one of the biggest and best of its kind. Many thousands from all over the Carolinas come each year to see this game.

He stated he would be remiss to come before Council, and not thank the Commission for their time on behalf of their game - a high school all star game that has produced more than \$10.0 million since its inception in 1937. This \$10.0 million goes toward burn and crippled children.

Mrs Martha Evans, former Councilmember and State Senator, stated Park and Recreation has been a pet project of hers even before Joe Grier was Chairman of the Commission. The late Ernest Sifford served this community well as Chairman and gave to this community seven days a week, day and night. Mr. Grier then picked up the Chairmanship, and we have had many, many people to serve well, including the members of the Commission, all of whom are here today to say they oppose the change which this Council has in its authority right now to be effective. This Council went in a package deal with the City Manager and the City Attorney to Raleigh, and asked the Delegation for authority to make this change. There is a lot of misinformation circulating about that, and she thinks Council and the Delegation needs to clear the air for it.

Mrs. Evans stated Council has the power now; but she asks them to reconsider before taking the final vote. As Mr. Jeffries pointed out there is a wealth of material pouring into this Park and Recreation Commission. Time, skill, talent as well as money. There is a lot of opposition to this; there are many Temples in North and South Carolina who would like to take the Shrine Bowl game away from Charlotte. Columbia is the leading contender right now. Raleigh would also like to have it. That she thinks it is worth considering for Council to realize what has gone into making, not just the Shrine Bowl games, and that week that brings the "coffers heavy with shekels", but all year long the number of parks and the materials that go into them. And the way some of the materials are obtained because of the great influence and interest of many citizens.

We could not ask for better use of money and personnel that we now have. If you go on the other premise, you will be creating a lot of jobs for a lot of people which will again raise the budget and the tax revenues for disbursement of salaries. She knows one person on the Park Commission from the County, and when he gave up, it took eleven hired personnel to do the job he was doing for free. Another thing they must remember is that the Commission is developing parks and recreation under Council's dual capacity as supervisors. Council appointed these commissioners; the staff of the Planning Commission supervises their selection of sites. This Commission does not make it on their own. The Planning Commission supervises that. How much more supervision do you want them to have? If you are unhappy with them, then get rid of them just like you created them. But leave it as it is because the people and the children need what we now have.

She stated Government regulation of many parks gives much shorter work days than the parks are open now, and there are very few nighttime privileges like families taking their children after work to enjoy the facilities. Since she has sat where some of the Councilmembers are sitting and has sat in Raleigh, she realizes that when she was sitting up there they were very jealous of the power and she wonders if the Council realizes just what power it has. Some of them are going back out now and ask the people to vote for them again; but aside from that do not abdicate the power as an advisory council that they have and turn it over to the City Manager to make the decisions. Everytime you give that City Manager another job, Councilmembers The people in the street lose some of their effectiveness and power. are wondering and asking her questions about Council and she is not making any commitments, but she thinks they ought to realize that many of them went out and extolled district representation to get more people in, and here they are cutting down on this wealth and potential material with all their connections to do a job for you that is outstanding in the whole southeast region.

She asked that they please bear these points in mind. When they took the oath of office they took it under the Seal of the North Carolina Constitutional Government and that Seal says at its base the motto "Esse Quam Videri" - To Be Rather Than To Seem. She asks them to stay as Council people with all the authority of that seat and exercise it to the best of their ability, and not abdicate it to an advisory council.

Ms. Brenda Tittman, Director of the Cerebral Palsy Center, stated she represents the handicapped and special population of the City of Charlotte who are served at present by the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission. That during the past several years they have benefited from carefully thought out plans for the Special Olympics, giving their children an opportunity to excell in their own way. Each summer their children look forward to Camp Spirit, an outdoor experience that 75 percent of their children would never have if it were not for the good plans that these people have laid out. Each week their children look forward to the happy sharing time brought to them through music therapy, again sponsored by Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission. During the Arts and Crafts Festival for the Special Population each of their children won an award in the form of a little ribbon. This did so much for their self confidence. She stated any time there has been a need for professional, creative leadership and recreation it has been provided by the folks at the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission. She stated, as a professional and advocate of the handicapped, she feels it is her responsibility to request that Council consider the needs of this very special population; that they should give full support and consideration to the matter of the handicapped and to the special population before they make their final decision. They have been well served by the Park and Recreation Commission as it now stands.

"Doc" Martin urged Council to leave this Commission as it is and continue to appoint good people to it and let them devote one hundred percent of their time to the Park and Recreation system that has been built and is thriving here in Charlotte.

Mr. Marc Silverman spoke in opposition to the change, stating people who have already spoken have given his position. That as a member of the Commission he devotes a hundred percent of his time to it and not having other things to think about he thinks they can do a good job. That the City will benefit if they leave it a separate commission.

Juddie Bacot, member of the Commission, concurred in Mr. Silverman's remarks

Mr. William Oliver, member of the Commission, stated he has enjoyed his service on the Commission; that being given this opportunity to serve has opened his eyes to the problems that we have in City Government, public recreation and all public facilities. That we need to keep this same system. He stated his time on the Commission is limited as his term expires next year but he would like other people to have the same opportunity.

Mr. Bill Convey, 1420 Lilac Road, stated he is in favor of the Park and Recreation Commission becoming a city department. That perhaps it would eliminate duplication of services as it presently exists. For example, the city

Landscape Division cannot cross the line of the Park Landscape Department. You have to call the Park, and not the City, Tree Commission to have a dead tree removed and then you do not get any action. He stated he lives adjacent to Freedom Park and over the years he has observed a gradual erosion of the green, a necessary ingredient for a pleasant park, with the replacement by asphalt and concrete. A city department would give the public greater opportunity before decisions affecting our parks are made. There would be more responsiveness to the needs of the citizens for beautifully landscaped parks.

Mr. Don Carroll stated his reasons for believing the Park and Recreation Commission should become a department of the City. He does not believe the fears of some of the people regarding the Shrine Bowl or the good services of the Recreation Commission with the handicapped will come true. He hopes it will increase the source of these worthwhile endeavors. He also does not feel that a decision to change would in any way reflect upon the worthwhile job that the Park and Recreation Commissioners have done. That he knows in particular that Mr. Chet Whelchel has done an awful lot - he has worked personally with him and has nothing but the highest praise for what he has done.

He stated that in the past few months he has had occasion to mention this issue with people in the Elizabeth area where he lives, in Tryon Hills, Piedmont Courts, North Charlotte, Fairview Homes. That the reaction of these people has been almost unanimous that they believe the decision making authority should be before an elected body. The problems that are created by the split authority that we now have we may seem to be blaming the Park Commission but they are not their fault. It is the result of the fact that the authority is split. He illustrated with a problem that he knows about in Elizabeth that reflects some of the difficulty with the split authority.

He stated that Independence Park - a large portion of it right off of Seventh Street, near St. Martin's Episcopal Church, was given to the City by the church. For the past few years that area that was given as a park and intended to be a park, a large portion of it has been gradually expanded into a maintenance yard to serve park activities throughout the entire city. They have talked with the Park Commission about this; they have talked with Mr. Whelchel and he has been very receptive to the problem. That he thinks part of the problem has been that some of the authority he has and the authority that would perhaps be necessary to use other city maintenance facilities has perhaps gotten the thing tied up. The tennis courts which were lighted in the past are being used now to park vehicles on and just as a storage area. That space that was park space two or three years ago is now being used as a place for city park employees to park their cars. That it would be of benefit to the kind of parks program that the City Council is trying to provide for the people of Charlotte to have the Commission consolidated as a department of the City so that maintenance functions could perhaps be consolidated for all the City vehicles and other implements that are needed. Then this particular portion which was given to the City by a church to be a park could return to being a park and clear lines of authority could be drawn.

He stated he feels the comments made about citizen input are good and that by having the parks directed by a department of the City is not going to cut down on any of the worthwhile input that some of the dedicated citizens of Charlotte have expressed to Council, and the time that they are willing to spend on park matters. It is his opinion that the City would be better served if it were made a department. It is the view that he gets from talking with a lot of people in neighborhoods and it is the conclusion he has come to in wrestling with the problem in his own neighborhood.

Mrs. T. E. McKinney, 216 Martin Street, stated her concern is to pay tribute to the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission for the work that has been done. The issue is controversial. She has been a resident of Charlotte for more than 40 years; a member of a community club in one of the nine target areas with proposals for redevelopment; and a member of a Senior Citizens club at one of our 15 recreation centers. She has visited a few of our 86 parks and feels they reflect credit on the members of this independent board. She commends them for the selection of supervisory and staff personnel in the operations that she has viewed and on the quality of programming in the same.

She believes that as we progress historically many elements blend together to make for conditions such as we have today. That as we become more enlightened we appreciate more the fact that children are entitled to play, and that grown-ups deserve some arrangement for off-the-job living that will help them out. That more adjustment and distribution of park and recreational facilities for the convenience of all citizens will come as the result of this increasing awareness which she has intimated. Her participation in the program has been limited by reason of circumstances she will not mention, however, she would like to pay a special tribute to the West Charlotte Community Center for the wealth and variety of programs offered - something for everybody. She stated the Senior Citizens club members away on vacation during the month of August are now simply raring to get back to this particular center because of the very excellent work done there.

Mrs. McKinney stated she hopes persons who are better qualified than she, will make the decision based upon surveys taken in other cities. She believes that somehow we are going to come to a good conclusion.

Mr. Donald Tepper stated he has some peculiar personal familiarity with the problem. He represented a client coming before Council about sixteen months ago to seek a redress from a grievance they had with the Commission on a leasing policy at Park Center. At that time it was really difficult to get some redress to this board of elected officials. In fact, he observed that Council was sort of powerless to do much about it but to ask for a policy statement from the Commission. He was particularly disturbed to see that elected officials had people who were serving in government underneath them, yet could exercise little control, other than some guidance or some hope that the proper thing would be done.

He stated he personally feels that this particular commission is an anomaly in government - it is a separately chartered corporation; he would like to see it fall under City Government and directly under the purview of elected officials so that those people who serve the citizenry are accountable directly to elected officials and you do not perpetuate a clique of people who stay there as long as they want until such time as they are not attending regularly and at that time they get substituted.

He stated if Councilmembers can recall when he came before them on behalf of his client, they will agree it was an unfortunate set of circumstances.

Mr. George Selden stated in the early '70's he had the privilege of designing a park survey that was undertaken through a mail-out with water bills. During that time and subsequent times he has had occasion to attend Commission meetings and watch the public reaction of certain areas where people felt that they did not have full answers to their requests, some of which were justified. He very highly lauds the past Park and Recreation Commission members. The staff and workers have made a great contribution to this city. He brings today not so much a solution but a sensitivity to a problem. There seems to be a very strong existence of some latent problems in Park and Recreation that frustrates some of the citizens in not finding an answer. Whether the transfer over to the City Council will solve this or not he does not know. He recognizes that such a transfer would burden the City Council with some additional pressures in certain areas, but if it is not transferred he would urge that some means be established for a recourse of problem areas that do not seem to be resolved.

Councilwoman Locke stated they cannot come to a decision on this today because there are two members absent who have not heard what was said at the hearing. She reminded other Councilmembers that the budget for 1978 for Park and Recreation of 4¢ on the dollar generates \$1.8 million. In addition, Council has given another \$1.4 million and Federal Revenue Sharing money for capital improvements would add another \$1.6 million, which gives approximately \$5.0 million to the Park and Recreation Commission in 1978.

She asked that they remember these facts and also that they should thank the Commission for what they have done. They have spent many long hours, as do other advisory boards that we have in the City. That if they do bring

the Commission under the department of the City Manager, they could possibly be an advisory board such as we have at the airport, and as other cities do. This would allow the City to orderly purchase things, allow support for the Public Works Department and the Engineering and Landscaping Divisions. She requested this matter be deferred until next week when all Councilmembers are present.

Mr. Burkhalter, City Manager, stated it would be at least a couple of weeks before a report would be available on the retirement situation.

Councilman Gantt asked that the City Manager, in the period they will be waiting for this to come back on the agenda for a vote, provide Councilmembers with information regarding the organizational structure or the way he sees this department being incorporated into the City; any changes in the present structure of organization.

He stated there has been a lot of intimation regarding the possibility that we might be losing certain types of services that the Park and Recreation Commission has provided in the past. That has not been his intention for the resolution to abolish and he wants to know whether or not the City Manager sees it as being any different than it has been.

Councilman Whittington advised Council that Councilmember Withrow is in Mexico attending a convention and has requested that there not be a decision made on this matter until he had the opportunity to be present and vote. That on something this important they certainly want all seven members present.

Councilman Davis stated there are a number of people in the audience who have come down here in opposition to this change - people whose opinions he feels they all have a great deal of respect for. That he was one of the Councilmembers who voted to seek this authority from the Legislature, but at that time he had no preconceived notion that they should do it or should not do it. He does think that since we operate a government where we have the Council-Manager form of government and we have some independent commissions such as the Park and Recreation that we should certainly look at this and after a detailed study they might decide that they should make more of our departments of city government independent or it may seem apparent that they should consolidate the Park and Recreation Commission and make it a part of city government.

He stated if he heard correctly what the various speakers were saying, it seemed to come across to him that they feel that any change presupposes some lessening of citizen input into Park and Recreation and some lessening of authority or control by a citizens group. That a proposal that would make sense to him would be to incorporate this very system of citizen input into the Parks and Recreation system. There is no reason why, as an advisory board, the Park and Recreation Commission could not enjoy as much or more authority as they now have over the Park and Recreation activities. He personally would prefer a system of that type.

Mr. Bridgewater stated he would not like there to be a misconception in the figures Councilwoman Locke had mentioned. The figures as far as tax monies, Revenue Sharing and the other funds are true. As far as the expenditure of those funds, the budget of the Parks and Recreation Commission is directly under the regular City budgetary procedures now, and has been for five years. As far as the purchase of equipment, etc., this is done through regular City purchasing procedures. If they go out to buy a new truck, they take the City of Charlotte Purchasing Department's specifications, their bids, and the purchase is made through the City. They are not out spending that money without the direction of the City.

Mayor Belk stated he is sure the members of the Commission as well as Council-members would like to recognize Mr. Marion Diehl, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, and his staff for the outstanding job they have done through the years; the City is proud of what they have accomplished.

Councilman Gantt commended Mr. Diehl and the Park and Recreation Commission for the very nice facility at the new Hornets' Nest Park which has just opened.

HEARING ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A LOGICAL STREET NAME PATTERN FOR THE FAIRVIEW/CARMEL/SARDIS ROADWAY CONFIGURATION.

The scheduled public hearing was held on the recommendation of the Planning Commission to establish a logical street name pattern for the Fairview/Carmel/Sardis Roadway Configuration.

Mr. William McIntyre, Planning Director, stated their recommendation would accomplish about three things. For the first time, it would officially establish a name for the new segment of the road on the eastern side of the city that extends from Sharon Road over to Carmel Road, and it proposes to place the name Fairview Road on that new road segment.

He stated secondly the new road section comes into Carmel Road, and it is proposed to change the name of that segment of Carmel Road over to Providence Road to Fairview Road.

Mr. Kent T. Paterson, Clerk of the Session of Sardis Presbyterian Church, stated he is representing the Church in its plea to retain the name of Sardis Road. This plea was officially expressed to Council in a resolution read before Council and filed with the City Clerk on July 27, 1977. That each of the members of Council received a copy of the resolution at that time.

Mr. Paterson stated he checked some mileages along this road, and he would like to point out those figures. That working from N. C. Highway #51 towards SouthPark, from N. C. #51 to Providence Road, his automobile speedometer reads 5.1 miles, whereas the overlay and widening of Carmel Road from Providence to the entirely new construction that begins where Carmel turns sharply to the left is only 6/10ths of a mile. That the section from this latter point to Sharon Road is 1.8 miles and residential construction is underway there with a few units completed and occupied.

He stated he was unable to find a street name along this section, but the section presently known as Fairview from Sharon Road to Park Road is 6/10ths of a mile and is all business occupancy. Thus, we have 8.1 miles of continuous thoroughfare, 5.1 miles of which are named Sardis, 6/10ths of a mile, Carmel, and 6/10ths, Fairview and 1.8, unnamed.

Mr. Paterson stated the members of Sardis Presbyterian Church believe that to change the name of Sardis Road would be offensive to the sensibilities of most of those now living along this anciently named thoroughfare. Therefore, it is their renewed plea that Council leave them with the name of their present address, Sardis Road, especially from Providence on down to North Carolina #51. That they are proud of this name and hope Council will continue with this. At the request of Mr. Paterson a number of people stood in opposition to the change in the name of Sardis Road.

Mr. John Miller, 1125 Carmel Road, stated he is one of the few people who live on Carmel Road; there are only about 11 or 12 of them out there who own property on the segment of the road they are talking about. That it seems to him that the City Council has an obligation when the majority of the people directly affected by this name change, feel their address should remain Carmel Road.

He stated they feel they have suffered enough indignity and enough damage to their properties by having a thoroughfare placed im front of their homes. That they realize the road had to be built some place and they just happened to be the group of people it affected at this time. They cannot do anything about that, but they have suffered a 15-20% loss of value when the Fairview Road Extension was put in their front doors. He stated in his personal opinion, a lot on Fairview Road is worth \$10,000 and a lot on Carmel Road is worth \$15,000.

Mr. Miller stated when the developers built Foxcroft East, they took into consideration the Fairview Road Extension and chose not to place any homes on that street for economic reasons because people do not want to live on a commercial street.

He stated he can appreciate the importance of interests wanting Fairview Road being named from SouthPark over which would be convenient from the advertising standpoint, but the residents do not need any advertising on Carmel Road. That Carmel Road has been there for 50 or more years and serves a good purpose. Fairview Road, which was a three block street, was put in for the convenience of a farmer, who happened also to be Governor of North Carolina at one time, to feed his cattle on more conveniently. That his point is that this is a commercial road now and the people who live along the area between the intersection of Providence Road and Carmel Road and the intersection of Carmel Road and Fairview feel this is a residential area and would like for it to remain so.

Mr. Miller stated Fairview has a magic word of "commercialism" attached to it and the residents would like to keep the residential approach to their neighborhood concept and leave it that way.

He stated he does have some suggestions that might be worthwhile. That Council might approach the idea of instead of worrying about naming one street the same name, on a street like this that is going to be a connector, they might go by numbers and have a certain number that might follow all the way from I-77 over to Independence Boulevard and you can simply call that number. or they might go the route of taking the "blue" route, or the "red" route, or the "orange" route for the convenience of the connector. There are ways of doing this and still leave the name of roads in neighborhoods as fitted and suited the neighbors in the past, present and hopefully in the future times.

Mr. Miller stated he pointed out in a letter to all the members of Council that Eastway Drive is being extended now and he wonders how the residents of Wendover Road are going to feel if someone comes up a year from now and tells them to change the name of Wendover Road to Eastway Drive, since Eastway Drive starts out here, off North Tryon Street and would run straight on through.

He stated we could site Queens Road, or Hawthorne Lane, down Queens Road and curve around to about Selwyn Avenue and stop down at the creek. That there are a lot of ways to do these things, but the point is there are many good ideas for changing the name of a road and there are many good ideas for not changing the name of a road. Basically, the only thing he can see that made any sense to him is the fact that when the residents in his community have wanted road changes made, Council has reasonably gone along, but at the same time when people in other communities did not want the name changed, Council has not seen fit to go along with it, or we would have more consecutive names.

Mr. Miller stated he did not see any need for picking out Carmel Road at this particular time and telling them they are going to be No. 1 again. That they have 14,000 or 15,000 cars a day in traffic now where they used to have 7,000 or 8,000.

He stated it might very well be that a different type of sign approach to the intersection of Carmel Road and Fairview might be helpful to people traveling south on Fairview, going towards the shopping center or going down Carmel Road. If there were some more distinct signs at that point, it might be helpful at that intersection. It is a busy intersection. That they cannot say Carmel Road does not have traffic already because they had about 7,500 cars a day out there on a two lane road and they were all right; they cannot say this is a secondary road since Carmel Road starts at Providence Road intersection, it crosses #51 and he supposes if Ervin Company gets back on its feet, it will come out on 521 below Pineville, so it is going to be an important road to us.

Mr. Miller stated they appreciate Council listening to them and trust that they will not mess up anymore of their neighborhood than what has already been done. He asked the residents of Carmel Road to stand up and be recognized by Mayor Belk and Councilmembers.

Mayor Belk read a portion of a letter from Mr. John T. Fielder, 1220 Carmel Road, President of Ivey's Department Store, as follows:

"I am writing to oppose renaming that portion of Carmel Road on which I have resided for the past 17 years to Fairview Road. My reasons are as follows:

- (1) Fairview Road is a business road.
- (2) Carmel Road is a residential road.
- (3) My home value will be lowered in addition to the tremendous loss already suffered as a result of the widening of Carmel Road."

Dr. Herbert Hechenbleikner, 1701 Wensley Drive, stated he no longer lives on Carmel Road, but his father and Attorney Cansler were the first city residents to build out in that area of the country. That he thinks Mr. Cansler built in 1924 and his father built in 1926. He stated there is the matter of Carmel Country Club, Carmel Acres, Carmel Vista and Carmel Junion High to consider and if this beginning portion leading from Providence has a name change, the people in these areas are going to lose some identity and since it is such a short stretch, he is sure people who want to go to SouthPark and to Fairview, can find their way.

He stated he remembers when the way of No. 16 on Providence Road was indicated by a cast iron sign "C" with a 16 in it. That a similar system could be adopted for making roads with different names through roads by numbering them as it has already been suggested - No. 1, No. 2, or by the color blue, red, yellow, etc. He stated it is unfair to all the people who have built down Carmel Road to rename the beginning stretch at Providence.

Mrs. John Rodgers, 4910 Carmel Park Drive, stated she lives in the area and this is something that is going to keep coming up. That Charlotte has developed a main thoroughfare system to try to get motorists across town by connecting many already existing streets. She stated this is a precedent-setting type thing and is going to happen again and again when you take six or seven streets and build little connectors.

Mrs. Rodgers stated the color designation solution would be best. You could start out at 85 and take the blue route and end up at 77 and not change the names and just have blue signs. This way none of the names would have to be changed. That this would be a positive compromise that would make everyone happy.

Councilman Whittington moved that Council accept the recommendations of the Planning Commission to change that portion of Sardis Road to "Old Sardis Road" and the rest of the proposed Fairview and Sardis stay as it is. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

Councilman Davis stated he would hope this will not come up for a decision at today's meeting. That he has heard from a number of people and has not had time to talk with these people or with the City Staff. He asked if anyone had considered the possibility of just eliminating the name of "Fairview", since no one seems to like that name, and just make Sardis Road run all the way to the intersection of Park Road and Park Road Extension and Mr. McIntyre replied we would run into the same problem if we tried to extend Sardis Road to this

Councilman Davis asked if anyone was lobbying for the extension of Fairview and Mr. McIntyre replied not to his knowledge. That he has not heard anything about it but this idea was never proposed.

Councilman Davis stated two of the speakers on Carmel Road objected to having a commercial road as their residential address and he can understand why. He asked if they would be equally against having Carmel Road changed to Sardis Road and Mr. Miller replied he would have to go back to the neighborhood residents and discuss this fully with them.

Councilman Davis stated this is a real sensitive issue and one which involves people's homes and the values of them and this would certainly simplify the road markings. He stated if this item can be carried over for one week, he would appreciate the Planning Commission giving Council some advice on whether this idea would be acceptable.

Councilman Whittington withdrew his motion, which was accepted by Councilwoman Locke.

Councilman Gantt moved this decision be deferred for one week and at the same time requested more information on the "colored", or "numbered" system, or some other similar system. He stated he feels Mrs. Rogers and the others made an interesting point that when the Wendover Road Belt is completed, we will be talking again about a similar type problem and we do need to look at the circumferential roads that will be developed in terms of a system by which we That he does not see this as an isolated problem. was seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried.

ORDER AUTHORIZING \$4,400,000 SANITARY SEWER BONDS, APPROVED.

The scheduled public hearing was called and no one spoke for or against the subject bond order.

Thereupon, upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried, the order introduced on August 22, 1977, entitled "Order Authorizing \$4,400,000 Sanitary Sewer Bonds, was read a second time and placed upon its adoption. The vote upon the adoption of said order was:

AYES: Councilmembers Locke, Gantt, Chafin, Davis and Whittington. NAYS:

Thereupon, upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the City Clerk was directed to publish said order in The Charlotte Observer, and to publish at the foot of said order the appended note as required by The Local Government Bond Act, as amended. The vote upon the adoption of said motion was:

AYES: Councilmembers Locke, Whittington, Chafin, Gantt and Davis.

NAYS: None.

TWO ADDITIONAL SECTION 8 HOUSING PROJECTS FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED, APPROVED.

Councilman Gantt asked the location of Midland Avenue and Councilman Whittington replied it is off Wilkinson Boulevard, beyond the Park-N-Shop and Woolco.

Mr. Vernon Sawyer, Community Development Director, pointed out the location of Midland Avenue on a map and stated it is on the north side of Wilkinson Boulevard, between the Park-N-Shop and Morris Field Drive.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried, two additional Section 8 Housing Projects for the Elderly and Handicapped were approved to be located on Midland Avenue and on Plaza Road Extension, at Fairmarket Place.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLANTING OF TREES AND THE BEAUTIFICATION OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, FAILED TO CARRY FOR LACK OF FOUR AFFIRMATIVE VOTES.

Councilman Gantt moved adoption of an ordinance regulating the planting of trees and the beautification of commercial and industrial development within the City of Charlotte. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Chafin.

Mr. James Alexander stated he represents the Charlotte Board of Realtors and the Home Builders Association of Charlotte. He stated these organizations were informed this morning that this item was going to be on Council's agenda and they were not prepared for it. He has been asked to request an extension because they have not had an opportunity to have any input into the preparation of the proposed ordinance and have not had an opportunity to read over it to know whether they can endorse it or not.

Mr. David Reule stated they are not present to disagree with the proposed ordinance because they do not know what is in it. They would like to support the ordinance, if possible. He stated he understands that certain members of the Board of Realtors and the Home Builders Association did have some input, but not as a Body, and have not seen it. That his purpose in coming today is only to get a chance to look at the proposed ordinance and perhaps support it.

Councilman Gantt stated the proposed ordinance has been watered down quite a bit but he still feels there is some substance to it. That Council still hears a lot about trees in Charlotte and the various kinds of things they need to do to preserve them. He stated the ordinance has been modified to the extent that we will not become rigid with it but the spirit of what we are trying to do is still there. That someone has said that this is more like a parking lot ordinance because that is what we are trying to do - to get some shrubbery around those large paved asphalt areas and this ordinance does that very well, in addition to establishing some criteria for placing trees on public property. It also strengthens or reinforces a need for utility companies to carry out their responsibilities.

He stated he hates to say this because Council always wants the opportunity to allow citizens to have a chance to review and have some input into things like this but it was his understanding that the Board of Realtors and the Home Builders Association members did have an opportunity to respond to this and since Council has been very patient as to having as much input as they possibly could have from the various organizations, he would urge that the motion stand and Council vote on this ordinance today.

Councilwoman Locke stated she understands what Councilman Gantt is saying but she would like to point out that two members of Council are absent today and it would not hurt anything to defer action on this ordinance so they can have an opportunity to look at it.

Councilman Whittington stated he has a copy of a letter, dated April 5, signed by the President of the Charlotte Board of Realtors and by the Commercial Listing Exchange, and they are opposed to this ordinance. He asked the Chairman of the Tree Commission, Dr. Hechenbleikner, if he had met with these people. That apparently there are some members he has met with and some he has not met with and he would like to get this cleared up before Council votes on it.

Dr. Hechenbleikner replied shortly after their first presentation, Councilman Williams met with the Commission and suggested certain revisions and certain changes which they incorporated. That Mr. Reule and some companions from the Board of Realtors met with them, too. He stated representatives from Duke Power, Southern Bell and some commercial developers met with them. That they have been working on this ordinance for about two years.

Councilman Whittington askedif they approved this "watered down" version and Dr. Hechenbleikner replied not with Mr. Reule. That he does not think Mr. Reule would approve of anything they could possibly come up with and possibly some of his associates. He stated they cannot please everyone. That this is a fair and workable ordinance and so far as input by commercial developers are concerned, he would appreciate Council giving a minute or two to a new member of the Commission, Mr. Henry Faison.

Mr. Faison stated he had only been a member of the Tree Commission for a short time but had attended meetings prior to becoming a member. He stated although he agrees with Dr. Hechenbliekner that we are never going to get something that everyone agrees with, he certainly does think this is a good ordinance and the members of the developers of the community of Charlotte should support it because he certainly does.

Councilman Gantt stated this is not a question of trying to deny certain members of Council who are absent today the opportunity to vote on this ordinance. In fact, he believes Councilman Williams is very much involved in the revision. That he feels to delay this to simply allow another group to have their input would cause some substantial time delay in trying to pass what they have been so patient in allowing those inputs to occur. That Council is never going to get an ordinance in which we are going to have 100% support.

Councilwoman Locke stated she agrees with Councilman Gantt and she plans to vote for this ordinance but she does feel Council should give the other members who are absent the opportunity to vote on it, too.

Councilman Davis stated this proposed ordinance was delivered to him on Friday with the agenda material and he did not open it until Saturday afternoon. He stated this is the first time he knew it was going to be on the agenda and he has not had an opportunity to study it. That he feels it is an important ordinance and one that he would want to support. He stated from a quick reading of it, it looks as though he could support it, but he is still concerned about the lack of coordination between Council and members of the community who are concerned about it.

He stated this has come up about three or four times and he would like to ask Dr. Hechenbliekner to get a statement from some official of the Board of Realtors and from the Home Builders Association that they have seen the proposed ordinance and they either approve it or disapprove it, and say why. That if Council could get this in writing, it might enable them to go ahead and in all good conscience vote on it, knowing that we have had public input.

Councilman Davis made a substitute motion that Council defer decision on the proposed ordinance for two weeks to allow time for members of Council to discuss it with the public. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

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

YEAS: Councilmembers Davis, Locke and Whittington.

NAYS: Councilmembers Gantt and Chafin.

Councilwoman Chafin stated she agrees with Councilman Gantt. That she also appreciates having the point of view of the members of the Board of Realtors and the Home Builders Association, but in talking with members of the Tree Commission, it is her impression that the perspective of both bodies has been thoroughly incorporated in this ordinance and it is a very positive approach to what we are all trying to accomplish in preserving and, in fact, increasing our tree coverage in Charlotte.

Mr. Alexander stated he appreciates Councilman Gantt's feelings about this ordinance but the fact is they were completely caught without knowing the ordinance was published and finished where they could read it and they did not know this until this morning. He stated between the two groups, they are a pretty large segment of the community and this ordinance so vitally affects them that they have asked for a delay.

Mr. Reule stated he understands that certain members of the Board of Realtors and the Home Builders Association did have input into this proposed ordinance and that both he and Mr. Alexander would like to support it. They would like for it to become an ordinance that is supported by all the members. He stated he feels the problem is that once the input was given, and they did have a great deal to object to in the original ordinance which Councilman Whittington referred to, they had hoped they could get a chance to read the final copy. Then they could come to Council and either support it or not support it and say why. He stated he would like to have a chance to read the proposed ordinance and offer his support to it. That the majority of the members of the Board of Realtors are as concerned about the appearance of our City and the beautification of the City of Charlotte as anybody else should be and would like to have an ordinance they could support. He stated this may very well be the ordinance; they do not know until they read it.

Mrs. Rodgers stated it would have been impossible for the Tree Commission to send a copy of the proposed ordinance to every member of the Board of Realtors. However, they did send letters to them, inviting any number of them to come and work with the Commission. That she must say that those who have not read it, have been duly informed and it is by their own negligence if they have not read it. That they come up here with some delaying tactics that the Commission has heard before. She stated every time they had a hearing on it, they heard "we have not had time to read it, or you are surprising us with the ordinance"; that if they have not read it, it is not because they have not been made aware of it.— It has been there for them to read if they wanted to.

A vote was taken on the main motion to adopt the proposed ordinance, and failed to carry for lack of four affirmative votes, as follows:

YEAS: Councilmembers Gantt and Chafin.

NAYS: Councilmembers Davis, Locke and Whittington.

Mr. Underhill, City Attorney, advised that both motions had failed to carry for lack of four affirmative votes.

Mr. Burkhalter advised the proposed ordinance would be placed on the next Council Agenda.

ORDINANCE NO. 693-X REAPPROPRIATING UNSPENT, BUT OBLIGATED OR PROGRAMMED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS, PREVIOUSLY ALLOCATED TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAM DURING FISCAL YEAR 1977.

Councilman Gantt moved adoption of subject ordinance reappropriating \$1,868.100.19 of unspent, but obligated or programmed, Community Development Block Grant Funds previously allocated to the Human Resources Program during FY77, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, on Page 423,

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN AMENDATORY NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR THE DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried, subject resolution was adopted authorizing the filing of an amendatory Neighborhood Development Program Application for the Downtown Urban Renewal Project to begin an early close-out of this project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 498.

APPROVAL OF THE CHARGE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE DELINQUENT RENTAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT NO. N. C. A-3.

Councilwoman Chafin moved approval of the charge-off of uncollectible delinquent rental accounts for the Downtown Urban Renewal Project No. N. C. A-3, in the amount of \$38,947.22. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

Councilman Davis asked why the amounts were so large and Mr. Vernon Sawyer, Director of Community Development, replied because these were tenants in our Downtown Urban Renewal Project and all of them, except two, were involved in a lawsuit and they just stopped paying rent over a long period of time. That we were unable to collect those amounts.

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

APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR FOR FUNDS TO PLAN AND IMPLEMENT THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAM AND TO PLAN THE YOUTH COMMUNITY CONSERVATION AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Mr. Robert Person, Manpower Director, stated this is a part of the economic stimulus package related to Youth—that President Carter signed on August 5. He stated they have been given \$400,000-plus as an allocation for Charlotte, plus \$92,000 for a special youth incentive program. That this is about as much as he can tell Council because they have not received any guidelines as yet. He stated he understands they will have a meeting the latter part of this month in Atlanta where they will be further instructed.

Councilman Gantt asked if we are getting \$23,000 to do some planning in terms of coordinating this program with other existing programs and Mr. Person replied we have not gotten that amount yet; that the \$23,000 that was mentioned in the memorandum is what they will get immediately if Council will give approval to the application for the Grant.

Councilman Gantt asked if he knew the unemployment rate for this area for youth and Mr. Person replied for youth, it is very high, but he does not know because they do not keep these figures separate. Councilman Gantt asked if Charlotte is approaching those levels that he has heard they are talking about in other places, like about 30 to 40% and Mr. Person replied that nationally, they are reporting between 39 and 40% but he would not be surprised if Charlotte was not pretty close to it in certain areas.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried, approving subject application to the U.S. Department of Labor for funds in the amount of \$461,192 to plan and implement the Youth Employment and Training Program and \$92,337 to plan the Youth Community Conservation and Improvement Program.

ACCEPTANCE OF CETA TITLE II FUNDS FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE JOBS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1978.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, CETA Title II funds, in the amount of \$648,991 were accepted from the U.S. Department of Labor to provide for the continuation of 163 Public Service jobs through September 30, 1978.

RESOLUTION REGARDING VEHICULAR TRAFFIC IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS, DEFERRED.

Council was advised that City Staff recommends adoption of this resolution be postponed pending a report of the Task Force studying this problem.

Councilman Whittington moved to defer action of a resolution regarding vehicular traffic in residential neighborhoods, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 694 REGULATING POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke and seconded by Councilman Whittington adopting subject ordinance regulating political and charitable solicitations at Douglas Municipal Airport.

Councilman Davis stated the proposed ordinance looks like a real complicated ordinance that is very vague in some parts and asked if this is really something that will stand up in the courts and why should Council adopt an ordinance to apply just to the airport. Mr. Underhill, City Attorney, replied because it is Public Property and is owned by the City of Charlotte. That the solicitations that are cause for concern are primarily taking place at the airport and there are ways of controlling and we already have existing ordinances to control

solicitation on city sidewalks, from medians and median strips and places of this nature. He stated we had no such ordinance, however, at the airport. In answer to the first question, any time you are attempting to regulate a person's First Amendment rights, or the right to exercise their religious beliefs, as protected by the First Amendment, you have to be extremely careful. He stated he would hope that the Ordinance is not vague because that is one of the things they have tried to avoid. They have tried to spell out as clearly as possible the purpose of the ordinance and to balance that right of regulation against the person's exercise of their constitutional freedom.

Mr. Underhill stated this ordinance is patterned after a couple of ordinances which have been challenged by religious groups from other airports and which have been upheld as being constitutional. Councilman Davis asked if those include the busy hours and Mr. Underhill replied yes. That basically, they have used two ordinances; that of Dallas-Fort Worth and the one at Seattle, Washington and both ordinances attempted to regulate based upon the peak and no peak hours. He stated in fact, in Seattle they prohibit solicitations totally from the terminal; they permit it only from the sidewalk area because they apparently have more of a congestion problem than Charlotte does in non-peak hours.

Councilman Davis asked if consideration was given to setting aside an area of the airport for solicitations and Mr. Underhill replied yes.

Mr. Josh Birmingham, Airport Manager, stated we have a space problem at the airport and he would not know where to put them. That the intent of this ordinance is to balance the solicitation rights of the person and the traveling public rights. That they feel it is a happy medium.

Mr. Underhill stated actually he feels that people who are engaged in solicitation of this sort would be more opposed or more likely to challenge an ordinance if you tried to restrict them to one particular area.

Mr. Underhill asked the Airport Manager if the groups have looked at this ordinance and Mr. Birmingham replied no. That they started making announcement, in the terminal building approximately four weeks ago pertaining to these solicitors and they left and have not been back. That he has not seen them in about four weeks. He stated they did know at the time that he was working on an ordinance because he talked with them himself.

Councilman Davis asked if a person solicits at the airport in conflict with this ordinance would he be arrested and Mr. Underhill replied the groups would be allowed to have an opportunity to become familiar with the new ordinance. Mr. Birmingham stated the Airport Staff would talk with these people themselves before the Police talked with them and they would be told their rights. That he would be lenient enough to give them a certain amount of time in order to conform; that this ordinance would not be enforced tomorrow.

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

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, at Pages 424-429.

ORDINANCE NO. 695 AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE CITY CODE, ENTITLED AVIATION, TO ALLOW THE AIRPORT MANAGER TO AUTHORIZE TOWING AND STORAGE OF ILLEGALLY PARKED AIRCRAFT.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried, the subject ordinance was adopted amending Chapter 4 of the City Code, entitled Aviation, to allow the Airport Manager to authorize towing and storage of illegally parked aircraft.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, at Pages 430-36.

ORDINANCE NO.696-X TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE THOMPSON ORPHANAGE CHAPEL RENOVATION ACCOUNT TO THE MINT MUSEUM OF HISTORY TO PROVIDE A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO FINANCE ALTERATIONS OF TELEPHONE LINES AND CONSTRUCTION OF DISPLAY CASES.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, adopting subject ordinance transferring \$4,630 from the Thompson Orphanage Chapel Renovation Account to the Mint Museum of History to provide a supplemental appropriation to finance alterations of telephone lines and construction of display cases.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, at Page 437.

CITY MANAGER AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A GRANT TO ASSESS THE IMPACT ON AIR QUALITY OF IMPLEMENTING TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.

Councilman Gantt moved that the City Manager be authorized to submit a proposal to the Environmental Protection Agency for a grant, in the amount of \$60,143, to assess the impact on air quality of implementing transportation improvement programs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN LEAA SUBGRANT APPLICATION TO FUND A MANAGEMENT PROJECT FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Motion was made by Councilman Gantt and seconded by Councilwoman Locke to adopt a resolution authorizing the filing of an LEAA Subgrant Application, in the amount of \$37,705, to fund a management project for the District Attorney's Office.

Mr. Peter Gilcrest, District Attorney for Mecklenburg County, stated this application is the result of the Luncheon Meeting which he attended with members of Council.

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

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 499.

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO RESEARCH TRIANGLE INSTITUTE TO DESIGN A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE AN AREA-WIDE FIRE EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM.

Councilwoman Chafin moved award of contract to Research Triangle Institute, in the amount of \$64,859, to design a program to provide an area-wide Fire Education and Training Program. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis.

Councilman Davis asked Chief Lee if this would provide maximum utilization of the Charlotte Fire Academy and Chief Lee replied the purpose is to maximize the use of the Charlotte Fire Academy; they are not at all sure it will provide the maximum utilization but they will do their best in that direction.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 IN CONTRACT WITH CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, APPROVED.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of Change Order No. 1, in the contract with Crowder Contruction Company, increasing the contract price by \$27,456, for curb and gutter improvements at the Police and Fire Training Academy. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis.

Councilman Gantt asked how much more money are we expecting to spend on the Police and Fire Training Academy and Mr. Burkhalter replied this is not additional money; this is part of what Council has already approved and the idea was to add it on to this contract that is existing out there and the people can do it for probably less money now than putting it in a separate contract. That this is money that Council has already decided to approve - it is just an add on and is done in an unusual way, by Change Order, rather than a separate contract.

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

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE AND MECKLENBURG COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR THE MONITORING OF THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM BY THE CHARLOTTE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, subject agreement was approved between the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County to provide for the monitoring of the Mecklenburg County Flood Warning System by the Charlotte Fire Department.

CONTRACT WITH KISER'S MOBILE AUTO CRUSHERS, INC., FOR THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF ABANDONED AND JUNK AUTOMOBILES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried, approving the subject contract with Kiser's Mobile Auto Crushers, Inc., for the removal and disposal of abandoned and junk automobiles within the corporate limits of the City.

REVIEW OF REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT REGARDING POLICE SERGEANTS PAY AND EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVE PAY, DEFERRED.

Councilman Gantt moved that the review of the report by the Personnel Department regarding Police Sergeants pay and educational incentive pay be deferred, which motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke.

Mr. Eddie Knox, Attorney, stated the captains in the Police Department believe that parity would mean that Council would raise them to the top level of the 24 Grade level as opposed to the pay of the general supervisory captains back down to the team commanders, back down to general supervisory captain. They hope Council will implement it as Council originally suggested and voted on for the team commanders - that they all be brought up to that payment.

Councilman Gantt asked if he is suggesting that the pay range for captains be 24 and range 26 for majors, and then the incentive pay be dropped. Mr. Knox replied the initial suggestion as they understood the plan would be a Grade 24, without the incentive pay for captains.

Mr. Knox stated what they are doing is pulling the team commanders with the 24 grade, and that is what Council voted on, and pulling them back to the 23 grade level. He would assume Council would keep the incentive pay on that, and take part of that money and give it to the majors. They say Council has already put the team commanders there, and Council should bring the general supervisory captains up to that level.

Mr. James Walker, Attorney, stated in this plan they have done away with the rank of lieutenant which is where the sergeants would naturally go, and have added the rank of master police officer, where with a four year degree, they could earn the same as a sergeant. A sergeant at the bottom level is about six pay grades from captain, so it would make it very difficult for him to have someplace to go. It was pointed out by Mr. Mayes, Personnel Department, in his report to Council, this adjustment to the basic pay structure should not be made simply in order to avoid infrequent situations brought on by educational incentive pay, although there will be some cases in which a master police officer will make the same salary as a supervising sergeant. The number of these cases will be minimal by administrative assignments made by the police chief.

A quick check shows right now there are 46 out of 81 sergeants earning the minimum sergeant's pay of \$321.56. There are to be 110 master police officers by December 1, 1977, according to this plan. There are about 300 applicants for master police officer and of these 300 applicants, there are approximately 61 who have four year degrees, 116 who have two year degrees and are working toward a four year degree. Under this plan, within two years, you could have all 110 with a four year degree and earning the same as the 46 sergeants out of 81 who would be making the minimum pay. They think this is an inequitable distribution and sergeants should be paid where the lieutenants were which is about \$370 rather than \$321.

Mayor Belk asked if Council deleted the classification of master police officer would that be the point he is getting at? Mr. Walker replied that would not be accurate. That everybody would like to earn more money and then status comes second.

Councilman Gantt stated the understanding he is getting from Mr. Mayes is there may be a situation where the master police officer with a four year college degree will earn the same as a sergeant who does not have any of the two. The only reason he is going to earn that is because his educational incentive pay allows him to make as much as the sergeant. We would be giving him a bonus because he has a four year college degree as opposed to a sergeant who has no formal training. He asked if the sergeant would not have the opportunity to increase his pay by additional education? Mr. Walker replied he assumes he would if he has the opportunity, but there may be other reasons he cannot do that. He is not sure everybody can go to college and get a degree. But he has the same responsibility as the man who has the education. He stated he is not one for educating people just for education's sake. We need somebody who can do the job.

Mr. Walker stated you can have the education as far as he is concerned. He feels there is too much emphasis on getting a degree just so you will have a degree.

Councilman Gantt stated we have a differential that does exist between a master police officer and a sergeant in the pay scale. He asked if Mr. Walker is suggesting that the differential be a greater one, or is he suggesting Council eliminate the incentive pay for the master police officer? Mr. Walker replied he would like to see Council increase the sergeant's pay.

Mayor Belk stated it is a matter of prestige, and has nothing to do with the other. That Mr. Walker says his primary purpose is to get more money for the sergeants, then the other things come into play. Mr. Walker stated that is an accurate summary of the facts.

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

RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN EXPENSE ALLOWANCE FOR THE MAYOR OF CHARLOTTE:

(a) Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried, adopting a resolution authorizing an expense allowance inthe amount of \$200 per month effective December 2, 1977 for the Mayor of Charlotte.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 12, at Page 500.

(b) Councilwoman Locke moved adoption of an ordinance transferring \$1,400 from the General Fund Contingency Account to provide for the expense allowance for the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Davis, and carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 697-X is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, at Page 438.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION OF COUNCIL SCHEDULED.

Councilwoman Locke moved that City Council hold an Executive Session on Tuesday, September 13, 1977, at 7:30 a.m., in the Sheraton Motel, for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney regarding the Steele Creek Community Association v. U. S. Department of Transportation lawsuite pursuant to G. S. 143-318.3. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION DEFERRED.

Councilman Whittington moved that consideration of the appointment to the Planning Commission be deferred. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously.

# AWARD OF CONTRACTS.

1. On motion by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder meeting specifications, Clifford of Vermont, in the amount of \$13,340.25, on a unit price basis for traffic control wire.

The following bids were received:

Clifford of Vermont	\$ 13,340.25
Bryant Supply Company	13,465.24
Dixie Electronics	13,792.42
Anixter-Greensboro	14,315.40
Graybar Electric Co., Inc.	14,388.73
Mill Power Supply Co.	16,028.52

2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Gantt, and carried unanimously, awarding contract to the low bidder, Amico, Inc. in the amount of \$15,896.42, on a unit price basis for Data Processing Cards.

The following bids were received:

Amico, Inc.	•	\$ 15,896.42
IBM Corporation		16,456.90
National Electronics		16,836.20
Globe Ticket Company		17,231.80
Lewis Business Forms		20,313.10
National Electronics Globe Ticket Company		16,836.20 17,231.80

- 3. Motion was made by Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, extending present contracts for an additional year, as follows:
  - (a) Extension of contract with Motorola Communications and Electronics for radio equipment for various departments.
  - (b) Extension of contract with Hub Uniform Company for work clothing for Sanitation Division.

- 4. Councilman Gantt moved approval to purchase off present contracts for construction equipment, as follows:
  - (a) Purchase of one hydraulic excavator in the amount of \$57,120.29, from Case Power and Equipment Company.
  - (b) Purchase of three truck mounted material spray units and one walk-behind vibratory roller, in the total amount of \$32,764.55 from Contractors Service and Rentals, Inc.
  - (c) Purchase of two self-contained full hydraulic hopper type material spreaders, in the amount of \$6,050, from A. E. Finley & Associates.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried.

5. On motion by Councilwoman Chafin, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder, Battery and Ignition Dist., in the amount of \$18,964.34, on a unit price basis for automotive filters.

The following bids were received:

Battery & Ignition Dist.	\$ 18,964.34
Joint & Clutch Service Co.	19,250.56
Quality Auto Parts	20,817.15
Genuine Parts Company	23,616.60

6. Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Quality Auto Parts, in the amount of \$7,338.53, on a unit price basis for automotive ignition parts.

The following bids were received:

Quality Auto Parts	\$	7,338.53
Joint & Clutch Service		7,775.92
Genuine Parts Company		8,138.39

7. Councilwoman Locke moved award of contract to the low bidder, ITT Grinnell Corporation, in the amount of \$5,835.20, on a unit price basis for tapping sleeves and valves. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

The following bids were received:

ITT Grinnell Corporation \$ 5,835.20 Southern Meter & Supply Co. \$ 9,066.00

8. On motion by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and carried unanimously, contract was awarded to the low bidder, Seagrave Fire Apparatus, Inc., in the amount of \$214,888, on a unit price basis, for four fire trucks.

The following bids were received:

Seagrave Fire Apparatus, Inc.	\$214,888.00
Hamerly Custom Productions	216,168.00
Pierce Mfg. Company	217,380.00
Jack Cocke & Co., Inc.	219,377.48
Sutphen Corporation	222,252.00
Quality Mfg., Inc.	224,216.52
Howe Fire Apparatus Co., Inc.	224,380.00
American Fire Apparatus Co.	234,370.00
Peter Pirsch & Sons Co.	237,600.00
Emergency One, Inc.	244,456.00
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RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY, ADOPTED.

(a) Upon motion of Councilwoman Chafin, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Michael S. Shulimson and wife, Rebecca, located at 6521 Trenton Place in the City of Charlotte, for a sanitary sewer to serve 6600 Providence Road Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 1.

(b) Councilman Whittington moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Marshall Lee Herrin, Jamie T. Herrin and Nancy Jean Herrin, located at 365 Eastway Drive in the City of Charlotte for the sanitary sewer to serve North Park Mall Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gantt, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 2.

(c) Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and unanimously carried, adopting resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Wilburn W. Williamson and wife, Sadie H., located at 4937 Idlewild Road North in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 3.

(d) Councilwoman Locke moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to James P. Hovis and wife, Faye R., located at 4921 Idlewild Road, in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 4.

(e) Motion was made by Councilwoman Chafin, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to W. Erwin Jones and wife, Macy R. Jones located at 5025 Idlewild Road in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 5.

(f) Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilwoman Chafin, and unanimously carried, resolution was adopted authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to George E. Wimbish and wife, Brenda Gayle R. and Thies Realty & Mtg. Co., Frank R. Thies, Jr., Trustee First Lien Holder, North Carolina National Bank, John E. McDonald, Jr., Trustee second lien holder, located at 4911 Idlewild Road, in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 6.

(g) Motion was made by Councilwoman Chafin, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to James W. Dewese and wife, Madge E., located at 4903 Idlewild Road, North, in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 7.

(h) Motion was made by Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, adopting resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Glenn H. Reynolds and wife, Edith G., located at 4939 Idlewild Road, North in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 8.

(i) Councilwoman Locke moved adoption of a resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Thomas G. Ginn and wife, Virginia P., located at 5005 Idlewild Road, North in the City of Charlotte for the Delta Road Extension Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 9.

(j) Motion was made by Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilwoman Locke, and carried unanimously, authorizing condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of property belonging to Charles D. Keith, Jr., at 1217 S. Church Street; to NCNB, Trustee U/W Charles D. Keith, Sr., at 1221 S. Church Street; to Charles D. Keith, Jr., at 1216 Winnifred Street; and to Helen W. Hoke, at 1204-06 S. Church Street and 203 W. Palmer Street, for the West Morehead Community Development Target Area.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Page 10.

### CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Locke, seconded by Councilman Whittington, and unanimously carried, the following action was taken on Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of a settlement in the case of City of Charlotte v. William P. Allan and wife, Martha H. Allan, in the amount of \$2,400, for Remount Road Widening, Parcel 49.
- 2. Denial of claim of Charles E. Horne and wife, Dorothy, in the amount of \$5,000 for alleged trespass upon private property as a result of City Council's authorization to remove weeds, trash and garbage from claimants' property located at 3909 Freedom Drive.
- 3. Adoption of a resolution authorizing the refund of certain taxes in the total amount of \$2,162.74 which were collected through clerical error and illegal levy against seven tax accounts.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Pages 12 and 13.

4. Adoption of a resolution declaring an intent to abandon and close portions of Estelle Street, Elsie Street, Rosetta Street and Onyx Street, located in the North-West Park off Beatties Ford Road, and calling a public hearing on the question on Monday, October 3, 1977.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 13 at Pages 14 & 15.

- 5. Approval of contracts for the installation of water and sewer mains, as follows:
  - (a) With Walnut Properties for the construction of 7530 feet of 8-inch, 6-inch and 2-inch water mains and six fire hydrants to serve Walnut Creek, Section 1-E, D, C, B (Fernbrook) outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$59,300.
  - (b) With Bevins Development Company for the construction of 2,080 feet of 6-inch and 2-inch water mains and two fire hydrants to serve Slatewood Subdivision, inside the city, at an estimated cost of \$18,600.
  - (c) With Klutts Realty & Construction Company for the construction of 1,411 feet of 6-inch, 2-inch and one and half inch water mains and two fire hydrants to serve The Timbers on Carmel, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$9,700.
  - (d) With W. Pike Construction Company for the construction of 900 feet of 6-inch and 2-inch water mains and one fire hydrant to serve Old Saybrook Court, inside the city, at an estimated cost of \$6,800.

- (e) With Klutts Realty and Construction Company, Inc., for the construction of 1,280 linear feet of 8-inch sanitary sewer line to serve The Timbers on Carmel, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$19,200.
- (f) With Sharon Station Associates for the construction of 590 linear feet of 8-inch sanitary sewer line to serve 4515 Sharon Road, inside the city, at an estimated cost of \$8,850.
- (g) With Investment Mortgage Company for the construction of 800 linear feet of 12-inch and 8-inch sanitary sewer line to serve Quail Hollow, Section 5, outside the city, at an estimated cost of \$16,000.
- 6. Adoption of ordinances affecting housing declared unfit for human habitation:
  - (a) Ordinance No. 698-X ordering an occupied dwelling at 1615 Duckworth Avenue to be vacated and closed.
  - (b) Ordinance No. 699-X ordering the unoccupied dwelling at 2849 Old Steele Creek Road to be demolished and removed.
  - (c) Ordinance No. 700-X ordering the unoccupied dwelling at 1218 North Alexander Street to be demolished and removed.
  - (d) Ordinance No. 701-X ordering the unoccupied dwelling at 4027 Bearwood Avenue in a Community Development Area to be demolished and removed.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, beginning at Page 439 and ending at Page 442.

- 7. Adoption of ordinances ordering the removal of weeds, grass, limbs, vines and trash:
  - (a) Ordinance No. 702-X ordering the removal of overgrown vines from vacant lot adjacent to 414 N. Summit Avenue.
  - (b) Ordinance No. 703-X ordering the removal of weeds and debris from 1929 Marguerite Avenue.
  - (c) Ordinance No. 704-X ordering the removal of weeds, grass and limbs from vacant lot adjacent to 1905 Washington Avenue.
  - (d) Ordinance No. 705-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot right of 143 S. Irwin Avenue.
  - (e) Ordinance No. 706-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from 816 Bilmark Avenue.
  - (f) Ordinance No. 707-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot at rear of 908 Charles Avenue.
  - (g) Ordinance No. 708-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from 1234 Saratoga Drive.
  - (h) Ordinance No. 709-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot left of 215 S. Irwin Avenue.
  - (i) Ordinance No. 710-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from 1109 State Street.
  - (j) Ordinance No. 711-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from 2213 Booker Avenue.
  - (k) Ordinance No. 712-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot 1142 S. Kings Drive.

- Ordinance No. 713-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot adjacent to 2935 Burgess Drive.
- Ordinance No. 714-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass adjacent to 1608 N. Allen Street.
- Ordinance No. 715-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass adjacent to 409 Beatties Ford Road.
- Ordinance No. 716-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot at corner of Arundel Drive and Wintercrest Lane.
- Ordinance No. 717-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot adjacent to 751 Museum Drive.
- Ordinance No. 718-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot at 2838 N. Graham Street.
- (r) Ordinance No. 719-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from rear of 1315 The Plaza in 1600 block Central Avenue.
- Ordinance No. 720-X ordering the removal of weeds and grass from vacant lot adjacent to 1710 Irma Street.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 24, beginning at Page 443 and ending at Page 461.

- The following streets were taken over for continuous maintenance by the City:
  - Granby Avenue, from Denniny Place to Barncliff Road.
  - Elm Field Court, from Barncliff Road to 470 feet south of Barncliff (b) Road to end.
  - Barncliff Road, from 430 feet west of centerline of Granby Avenue to 115 feet south of centerline of Grenada Drive.
  - Fair Springs Road, from Barncliff Road to 175 feet south of centerline of Pine Field Court.
  - Pine Field Court, from Fair Springs Road to 640 feet east of Fair Springs Road to end.
  - Grenada Drive, from 220 feet west of Elwood Drive to Barncliff Road.
  - Policy Place, from Morrison Boulevard to 629 feet north of Morrison (g) Boulevard.
  - Piney Grove Road, from 140 feet west of Eaglewind Drive to 947 (h) feet west of Eaglewind Drive.
  - Piney Grove Road, also, from centerline of Amelia Drive to 506 feet south of centerline of Amelia Drive.
  - (j)
  - Cool Springs Lane, from Rea Road to 340 feet north to end. Castlegate Drive, from 106 feet south of Old Forge Drive to 181 feet south of Old Forge Drive to end.
- Approval of Encroachment Agreements with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, as follows:
  - Agreement to construct an 8-inch water main in Goodrich Drive.
  - Agreement to construct a 2-inch water main in Old Statesville (b) Road, N. C. Highway 115.
  - Agreement to construct an 8-inch VCP sanitary sewer line in (c) Central Avenue to serve 5706 Central Avenue.
  - Agreement to construct a 12-inch sanitary sewer pressure line and 70 linear feet of 20-inch steel pipe casing from Davidson Treatment Plant in N. C. 115.
  - (e) Agreement to construct a 12-inch water main in North Graham Street from Atando Avenue north.
  - Agreement to construct a 20-inch water main in Plaza Road for the Plaza Road Widening Project.

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- 10. Approval of Property Transactions.
  - (a) Acquisition of 30' x 161.43' of easement, plus temporary construction easement, at 13700 Circle Avenue, from Hubert D. Crotts and wife, at \$261, for Mallard Creek Outfall.
  - (b) Acquisition of 30' x 160.66' of easement, plus temporary construction easement, at 13617 Circle Drive, from Wilbert Ray Ennis, at \$300, for Mallard Creek Outfall.
  - (c) Acquisition of 30' x 212.19' of easement, plus temporary construction easement, at 13427 Circle Drive, from W. C. Hill and wife, at \$340, for Mallard Creek Outfall.
  - (d) Acquisition of 30' x 248.02' of easement, at P. O. Box 428, Huntersville, N. C., from Thomas L. Ward and wife, at \$250, for Torrence Creek Outfall, Phase III.
  - (e) Acquisition of 30' x 327.29' of easement, plus temporary construction easement, at 19621 Tryon Street, Cornelius, N. C., from Feriba R. Stough, at \$1,000, for McDowell Creek Outfall, Phase III.
  - (f) Acquisition of 6' x 424' x 9' x 495' of right-of-way at Shopping Center, corner of Woodlawn Road and Park Road, from Park Road Shopping Center, Inc., at \$1.00 for proposed sidewalk easement for Woodlawn Road.
  - (g) Option on 1,424 square feet plus 440 square feet of construction easement, at 4839 Idlewild Road North, from Everett L. Gantt and wife, at \$550, for Delta Road Extension.
  - (h) Temporary construction easement at 4919 Easthaven Drive, from Carroll R. Merrell and wife, at \$400 for Delta Road Extension.
  - (i) Temporary construction easement at 4811 Idlewild Road North, from Frank Edwin Swicegood and Joyce C. Swicegood, at \$500, for Delta Road Extension.
  - (j) Acquisition of right-of-way 92.16' x 14.46' x 90.23' at 1145 Crestbrook Drive, from Alfred A. Grant and wife, at \$1.00 for proposed right-of-way Crestbrook Drive.
  - (k) Acquisition of channel improvement easement on the north side of Tyvola Road at Sugar Creek, from Harry E. Bush, Jr. and First Union National Bank, Trustee u/w Harry E. Bush, Sr., at \$1,000, for Sugar Creek Dredging.
  - (1) Acquisition of three parcels for the Grier Heights Target Area:
    - 1.) 60 sq. ft. from J. Mason Wallace, at 3135 and 3139 Jewell Street, at \$150.
    - 2.) 475 sq. ft. from William J. Brown, at 3125 Goldwyn Street, at \$1,700.
    - 3.) 268 sq. ft., from Otho Gamble, at 131 Goldwyn Street, at \$1,700.
  - (m) Acquisition of two parcels for the West Morehead Target Area:
    - 1.) 5,440 sq. ft., from Lenoir C. Keesler, at 1204 Winnifred Street, at \$5,600.
    - 2.) 13,775 sq. ft., from Rebekah B. Mauney, at 200 W. Bland Street, at \$11,500.
  - (n) Acquisition of five parcels for the Third Ward Target Area:
    - 1.) 52,400 sq. ft., from Kathryn P. Monty Heirs, at 408-20 S. Cedar Street and 808 W. 1st Street, at \$46,200.

- 1,515 sq. ft., from James C. Brown, 911 Greenleaf Avenue, 2.) at \$8,750.
- 5,980 sq. ft., from Russell Transfer, Inc., at 915 Greenleaf Avenue, at \$9,000.
- 6,970 sq. ft. from Bernard L. Abrams, at 1009 Greenleaf Avenue, at \$9,000.
- 6,845 sq. ft., from Dr. Frank O. Alford, at 1100 West First 5.) Street, at \$9,000.
- (o) Acquisition of two parcels for Southside Park Target Area:
  - 3,017 sq. ft., from George W. Brown, at 2705 S. Tryon
  - Street, at \$3,000. 303 sq. ft., from Sterling Development Company, at 216 Fairwood Avenue, at \$300.
- Approval of Special Officer permits for a period of one year each for use on the premises of Charlotte Park and Recreation:
  - Renewal of permit to Freeman Totten, 400 East Morehead Street.
  - Renewal of permit to Robert Dale Blackwell, 512 Pecan Avenue. (b)

# REMINDER OF SEVERAL MEETINGS.

The City Manager reminded Council of the following meetings which have been scheduled:

- (1)
- Executive Session of City Council, Tuesday morning at 7:30. COG meeting Wednesday night, at 6:15 P.M., at Top of Towers and City Council is the co-host.
- Council Meeting next Monday, September 19, will be at 2:00 P.M. at (3)the Educational Center.
- Groundbreaking for the McDowell Sewer Plant on September 20,

### ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Gantt, seconded by Councilman Davis, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.

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