

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR & COUNCIL
September 19, 1949

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p. m. Those present: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Nies, Parkerson and Perring. ✓
Absent: Mayor Post, Councilmen Oosterhous and Perring.

The Clerk and Treasurer presented to Council the matter of installing an aerial tower for the mounting of the siren at the Fire House on Carroll Avenue and fire proofing of the present 30 inch "I" beams, as this was not included in the original estimate.

Councilman Nies moved that we approve this additional expense of \$759.39, for the fire proofing of the present 30 inch "I" beams.

Councilman Parkerson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

The matter of installing an aerial tower for the mounting of the siren was referred to the Superintendent of Public Works for investigation.

Estimates of three companies were presented to Council for their consideration in connection with the installation of storm sewer at the corner of New Hampshire and Ethan Allen Avenues. After further discussion, Councilman Nies moved that we accept Circle Paving Company's bid subject to the following conditions:

1. that an agreement in writing be received from Mr. Glaize for his pro rata share of the cost of installing this storm sewer.
2. that the division of cost be in the same ration as the lineal footage covering the entire project in the amount of \$5,285.00.

Councilman Parkerson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon moved that authorization be granted to him to find a place to hold a meeting on the 13th of October for the purpose of a Public Hearing to discuss the City Manager Plan at a cost not to exceed \$5,00, and further that the Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to have mimeographed not more than a 100 copies of the proposed City Manager Plan.

Councilman Nies seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Heffner moved that authorization be granted to him to replace the lights in the Municipal Building with lights having more candle power.

Councilman Nies seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p. m.

Harold J. Hilliard Sr
 Clerk and Treasurer

John C Post
 MAYOR

STREET HEARING
 MAYOR & COUNCIL
 September 19, 1949

Councilman Beville, Chairman of the Streets and Highways Committee, gave a brief resume of the purpose of the meeting.

Ordinance for street improvements were presented and results of the hearing were as follows:

Ordinance No. 958, covering Eastern Avenue from Second Street to Ash Avenue - In favor: John L. Young, Jr., 6729 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. Rose Lee, 6625 Eastern Avenue; Mr. L. E. Lee, 6625 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. D. W. Carpenter, 6621 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. Abrams, 6633-6637 Eastern Avenue; Mr. R. V. Garrison, 6749 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. I. M. Garrison, 6749 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. Mable L. Titington, 6753 Eastern Avenue; Mr. Fred Southgate, 6711 Eastern Avenue; Mrs. Fred Southgate, 6711 Eastern Avenue.

Ordinance No. 956, covering Elson Place from the Intersection of 13th Avenue to the end of Lot 5 in Block 6 of Hillwood Manor Subdivision and 13th Avenue from the intersection of Elson Place to the end of Lot 9 in Block 2 of Hillwood Manor Subdivision - In Favor: Mrs. Harold Shaffer, 1207 Elson Place; Mr. John A. Belt, 7110 13th Avenue; Mrs. John A. Belt, 7110 13th Avenue; Mr. Julian Blagg, 7203 13th Avenue; Mr. Allen C. Minnix, Hillwood Manor. Opposed: Mr. Samuel V. Merick, 7201 13th Avenue.

Ordinance No. 957, covering Elson Court from the intersection of Elson Place to the end of the Court in Block 7 of Hillwood Manor Sub-
 fidion. In favor: Mr. Allen C. Minnix, Hillwood Manor; Mary W. Oliphant.

Ordinance No. 960, covering Ritchie Avenue from Oswego Avenue to Piney Branch Road - In favor: J. R. Sypher, 114 Ritchie Avenue; Mrs. R. J. Haugh, 509 Ritchie Avenue; Mr. Thomsen, 131 Ritchie Avenue; Miss Louise F. Denney, 1903 3rd Street, N. W.

Ordinance No. 959, covering New Hampshire Avenue Service Drive from Wildwood Drive to a point 43 feet beyond to corner of Lot 9 in New Hampshire Highlands Subdivision. No representation of Citizens at meeting.

Upon motion properly seconded and carried the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p. m.

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR & COUNCIL
September 26, 1949

Meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. Those present: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Absent: Mayor Post and Councilman Nies.

Councilman McClenon moved that the reading of the minutes of the last meeting be dispensed with.

Councilman Beville seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

The Clerk and Treasurer submitted bills in amount of \$25,830.40 and Councilman McClenon raised the question as to why we are paying so much for engineering fees. Councilman Beville stated that this is necessary inasmuch as the Council has refused to hire an assistant for the City Engineer, and that even though an assistant engineer was hired, there would still be some expenditure for outside engineering services.

Councilman McClenon moved that the bills be approved for payment.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

The financial statement for the month of August, 1949 was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer and upon motion properly seconded and carried was ordered filed as follows:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

General Taxes	\$78,092.17
Less Discounts	1,467.22
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	\$76,624.95
Railroad and Public Utilities	2,253.45
Interest and Penalties	3.45
Delinquent Taxes	34.50
Overpaid Taxes	6.78
Gas & Motor Vehicle Tax - State of Md.	3,681.04
Franchise Tax " " "	6.25
Fire Tax 22nd Precinct - Montgomery Co.	17.25
Parking Meter Collections	541.10
Construction Permits	4.00
Excavation "	3.00
Huckster "	1.00
Licenses - Montg. & Pr. Geo. Counties	89.69
Dog Tax	23.00
Parking Meter Fines	85.00
Trial Magistrate Fines - Counties	48.00
Fire House Gym. Rental	12.00
Montgomery County Police Telephone	6.00

Taxicab Badge Deposits	\$	5.50
Special Assessments		407.39
Interest on Spec. Assessment		12.94
Special Trash Pickup		28.00
Commercial " "		94.00
Commission Pay Tele. Police Station		.92
1 Map		1.00
Sale of Old Ambulance - Fire Dept.		200.50
Special Police Badge #17		2.00
		<u>\$84,192.71</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

OFFICE:

Salaries - Clerk & Treas - Exec. Secy.	416.66	
" Clerks	798.29	
Stationery Supplies	156.75	
Telephones	45.58	
Rent	100.00	
Mayor & Council Expense - Telephone	7.50	
Equipment (Mimeograph Machine)	250.00	
Miscellaneous	71.19	\$1,845.97
	<u>50.00</u>	50.00
Salary - Justice of Peace (2)		
	<u>80.00</u>	80.00
Salary - Legal Counsel		
	<u>70.84</u>	70.84

POLICE DEPT:

Salaries - Chief	375.00	
" - Sgt.	277.00	
" - Corporals (2)	520.00	
" - Officers (8)	1563.20	
Telephones	114.26	
Building Maintenance	74.88	
Insurance	159.00	
Car Wash	4.00	
Oil	.80	
Car Repairs	104.52	
Tires - Tubes	41.40	
Clothing Allowance	43.80	
Utilities: Gas	2.21	
Electricity	11.26	
Stationery Supplies	7.90	
Equipment - Handcuffs	25.00	
Miscellaneous	45.75	3,369.98

FIRE DEPT:

Salaries - Chief	375.00
" - Sgt	250.00
" - Firemen (5)	1030.00
Apparatus repairs	20.60
Utilities - Gas	12.20
Electricity	22.46
Telephone	18.60
Clothing - Uniforms	401.75

Fire Fighting Supplies	53.14	
Laundry	8.67	
Insurance	209.28	
Volunteer Fire Dept.	1800.00	
Building Renovation	<u>1307.91</u>	5,509.61
HIGHWAYS: Material Streets Repairs		
Salaries - Supt. of Public Works	1227.13	
Wages - Driver	208.33	
" - Laborers	177.15	
Engineers Fees	1369.95	
Telephone	10.72	
Insurance	20.90	
Stationery Supplies	325.00	
Hardware Supplies	36.56	
Truck repairs	39.88	
Special Assessments	160.58	
Equipment-Street Cleaner Carries & Can	4692.35	
Miscellaneous	<u>89.93</u>	8,386.43
	27.95	
REFUSE:		
Salaries - Supt. of Public Works	208.33	
" - Foreman	156.00	
" - Laborers	3204.30	
Insurance	478.10	
Truck Repairs	193.28	
Trash Disposal	593.60	
Gasoline	2.50	
Grease	11.50	
Hardware Supplies	9.05	
Miscellaneous	<u>5.15</u>	4,861.81
Street Lighting	651.88	
Traffic Lights (3)	13.43	
Traffic Light Expense	<u>34.70</u>	700.01
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS:		
Labor Maintenance	225.64	
Equipment	<u>5.39</u>	231.03
Henry Field's Retirement	25.00	
General Retirement Expense	<u>84.40</u>	109.40
MISCELLANEOUS		
Commercial Trash Pickup - Labor	184.90	
Gasoline Account	307.50	
Oil Account	20.32	
Parking Meter Expense	<u>6.04</u>	518.76
Traffic Light Installation (One-half cost)	<u>1908.81</u>	1,908.81
		27,642.65

GENERAL ACCOUNTS:

7/31/49 - Bal. Citizens Bank	\$67,397.40	
Deposits Aug. 1949	80,485.99	
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	147,883.39	
Withdrawn Aug. 1949	27,642.65	
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8/31/47 Balance		\$120,240.74
7/31/49 Bal. Sub. Nat'l Bank of T.P.	5,949.01	
Deposits Aug. 1949	3,706.72	
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	9,655.73	
No Withdrawals		
8/31/49 Balance		<hr/>
		9,655.73
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8/31/49 Balance both banks		129,896.47

Councilman Parkerson asked how tax payments are progressing and Mr. Hilliard stated that we have only about 30% to 40% left to collect

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Bliss Electrical School commending Chief Thomas on his cooperation in recovering stolen property.

Petition concerning sidewalks for 7200 block of Garland Avenue.

Letter from Congressman Lloyd Bentson, commending Chief Thomas and Takoma Park Police Force.

Letter from Ralph Shure, concerning damages to property of Mr. Arthur L. Reynolds, 301 Carroll Avenue, by recent resurfacing of Manor Circle.

Letter from Arthur Stebbins concerning loading zone in front of his grocery store.

OPEN MEETING: Mr. Joseph Horn, 717 Auburn Avenue, stated he had attended a previous meeting and presented a serious drainage problem on his property and asked what had been done. Councilman Beville stated that a survey is now being made of the drainage problems in that area.

Mr. Richard Buddeke, 7205 Central Avenue, presented again the drainage problem on Garland Avenue covering properties built by the Joseph Light Construction Company. Mr. Hilliard stated that he had written the Joseph Light Construction Company in an effort to have something done for the citizens living in that area, but that no reply has been received. Several citizens from this area presented their views of the situation and it was suggested by Councilman Beville that the citizens go as a delegation to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and that the Council would stand back of them. He also suggested that Mr. Hegarty submit a plan and cost figures for correcting this situation at their next citizens association meeting. Councilman Perring suggested that this subject be continued in the Executive Session.

A discussion was held on a petition for sidewalks on both sides of Garland Avenue in the 7200 block and Mr. Beville's Committee will report on this.

Mr. Hilliard read a petition on Heather Avenue and this was referred to the Executive Session.

Mr. Robert Mohr, 217 Spring Avenue, asked about installation of a traffic light at the Enos Ray School, explaining that there was a traffic hazard there for first grade children. He was told that this must be handled through the State Roads Commission and it was agreed that Mr. Hilliard would write to them about the matter.

Mr. Mohr also asked about possible causes of contamination in the spring located at corner of Elm and Poplar Avenues and Mr. Hilliard will check into this question.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Councilman Perring presented a proposed sketch of Spring Park and moved that final plans be drawn up and that we advertise for bids.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Perring presented a map of the area for a colored playground and moved that we purchase lots 16, 17 and 18 in Block 60, Gilbert's Subdivision, for the assessed valuation of \$4400 in accordance with offer made by Mr. W. W. W. Parker.

Councilman Heffner seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Parkerson said he thought a study should be made by a committee on the question of ample parking space.

Councilman Perring suggested a study be made by the Civic Improvement Committee on the question of elimination of Takoma Park from the Office of Housing Administration.

Councilman Parkerson moved adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 961

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. That the parking of any commercial or passenger vehicles of any type shall be prohibited at any time on both sides of Philadelphia Avenue from Piney Branch Road west to the intersection of Chicago Avenue and on Flower Avenue from the crosswalk in front of the school to the intersection of Carroll Avenue; also, no parking at any time shall be permitted along the west side of Flower Avenue from Carroll Avenue north to the crosswalk in front of the school, a distance of approximately 284 feet.

Section 2. It is further ordained that ~~the~~ failure to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance is subject to ~~the~~ penalties ^{as} prescribed by the City of Takoma Park in the Ordinance governing traffic regulations.

Section 3. That the State Roads Commission be so notified and request that they erect the required "No Parking" signs and paint curbing or lines, if necessary, to enforce this Ordinance.

Section 4. That a copy of this Ordinance be forwarded to the State Roads Commission.

Councilman Heffner seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Parkerson read a communication from the Chief of Police requesting the installation of a teletype machine in the Takoma Park Police Station. It was brought out that maintenance of this would cost approximately \$50 per month.

Councilman Perring made a motion that Mr. Hilliard be instructed to negotiate for the installation of this apparatus.

Councilman Beville seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon moved that we change the date of the meeting on the City Manager Bill from October 13 to October 17.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Councilman McClenon read a proposed ordinance concerning shingles and it was agreed that the Corporation Counsel and Mr. Hilliard would coordinate in the writing of two separate ordinances covering this subject to be presented at the next meeting.

Councilman Perring moved that after the two ordinances on shingles are prepared that they be sent immediately to the Maryland Fire Underwriters Association as proposed ordinances to determine whether or not they will meet with their requirements for the purpose of reclassification of City's Fire Rate.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Heffner moved that the matter of Heather Avenue be taken off the table.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Beville moved adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Heather Avenue.

ORDINANCE NO. 962

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of Heather Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 931, adopted by the Mayor and Council at a Special Meeting on December 1, 1948, and the improvement of said Heather Avenue is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance. 16:225

Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of the bituminous concrete surfacing shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City. The entire cost of curb and gutter shall be assessed against the properties abutting thereon. 345

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved that we adopt an Ordinance to hold a public hearing covering the petition for sidewalks on both sides of Garland Avenue in the 7200 block:

ORDINANCE NO. 963

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the installation of concrete sidewalks on Garland Avenue, J. W. Fletcher Subdivision, Block 38C abutting Lots 1, 25-31 inclusive; Block 38-D abutting Lots 1, 9-14 inclusive; and Block 38E abutting Lots 4-24 inclusive.

Section 2. The estimated cost of this improvement is approximately One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per front foot, the entire cost to be assessed against the abutting property owners.

Section 3. The Mayor and Council at a special meeting on October 24, 1949, convening at 7:30 P. M. at 8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park,

Maryland, will hear all property owners desiring to be heard in regard to the improvements herein proposed.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved the adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Ordinance No. 958:

ORDINANCE NO. 964

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of Eastern Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 958, adopted by the Mayor and Council at its Regular Meeting on August 22, 1949, and the improvement of said Eastern Avenue is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance.

Section 2. One-half of the total cost of grading and bituminous concrete surfacing shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-half of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved the adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Ordinance No. 956:

ORDINANCE NO. 965

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health, safety,

and comfort require the improvement of Elson Place, as advertised in Ordinance No. 956, adopted by the Mayor and Council at its Regular Meeting on August 22, 1949, and the improvement of said Elson Place is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance. *h.124*

Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of preparation of the sub-grade and surfacing with sand asphalt shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved the adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Ordinance No. 957:

ORDINANCE NO. 966

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

A.124
Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of Elson Court, as advertised in Ordinance No. 957, adopted by the Mayor and Council at its Regular Meeting on August 22, 1949, and the improvement of said Elson Court is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance.

Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of preparation of the sub-grade and surfacing with sand asphalt shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or

excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved the adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Ordinance No. 960.

ORDINANCE NO. 967

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

A. 126
Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein are of the opinion that the public health, safety, and comfort require the improvement of Ritchie Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 960, adopted by the Mayor and Council at its Regular Meeting on August 22, 1949, and the improvement of said Ritchie Avenue is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance.

Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of preparation of the sub-grade and surfacing with sand asphalt and construction of necessary storm drainage structures shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City. The entire cost of curb and gutter shall be assessed against the properties abutting thereon.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved the adoption of the following Ordinance to advertise for bids on Ordinance No. 959.

ORDINANCE NO. 968

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of New Hampshire Avenue Service Drive, as advertised in Ordinance No. 959, adopted by the Mayor and Council at its Regular Meeting on August 22, 1949, and ^{h. 125} the improvement of said New Hampshire Service Drive is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance.

Section 2. One-third of the total cost of preparation of the sub-grade and surfacing with sand asphalt shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and two-thirds of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City. The entire cost of curb and gutter shall be assessed against the properties abutting thereon.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Oosterhous, Parkerson, and Perring, Nays: Councilmen Heffner and McClenon.

Councilman Beville discussed the breakdown of cost on Heather Service Drive as presented by Mr. Hegarty. Councilman Perring moved we take this off the table.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Beville proposed the following Ordinance covering Heather Service Drive:

ORDINANCE NO. 969

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 1198 of the City Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing, as provided therein are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of Heather Service Drive, as advertised in Ordinance No. 941, adopted by the Mayor and Council at a Special Meeting on May 18, 1949, and the improvement of said Heather Service Drive is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance. ^{h. 55}

Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of grading storm drainage, and bituminous concrete surfacing shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of same shall be assessed against the revenues of the City.

Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in three equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of approval thereof, and the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year; provided further that payment of one-third, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Councilman Perring seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Not Voting: Councilman Heffner.

Councilman Beville stated that sometime ago the Council received a petition for widening and repaving Lincoln Avenue between Jackson and Carroll Avenues and there have been various attempts made by the Council to secure the right of way. However, four people will not dedicate sufficient property for widening of the street. Councilman Beville moved that since this work needs to be done badly, the Corporation Counsel be empowered to proceed with condemnation proceedings for right of way along Lincoln Avenue.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Beville Heffner McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkerson and Perring. Nays: None.

Councilman Beville moved that the Corporation Counsel be authorized to instruct those who will not sign the dedication that under condemnation proceedings they will be paid on the same basis as those who are willing to dedicate.

Councilman Perring seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Perring moved that the Superintendent of Public Works be instructed to prepare an estimate of cost on the drainage problem on Garland and Central Avenues to be submitted to the Council at the next regular meeting and at the same time to establish the drainage area in that district and that the Citizens Group be so advised and also advised that some action will be taken by the Council at the next regular meeting.

Councilman Beville seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Beville asked that each Councilman be furnished with a map of the City and the City Charter at the City's expense. Mr. Hilliard will look into this matter and see what can be done.

Councilman Perring moved that the Streets and Highways Committee be empowered to take action regarding the hiring of an assistant

Superintendent of Public Works and specify his duties.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Private Carter of the Fire Department explained the situation existing at the Fire House during the renovation and Councilman Heffner moved that we appoint a temporary man during this period of renovation.

Councilman Beville seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: Councilmen Beville, Heffner, Oosterhous and Parkerson. Nays: Councilmen McClenon and Perring.

Councilman Parkerson moved that Mr. K. B. Hamilton be employed at the base pay for this position.

Councilman Beville seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Beville brought up the matter of acquisition of easement on Wolf's property on Garland Avenue. Before Mr. Wolfe signs the easement he wants to know what it will cost him. Councilman Beville recommended a figure of approximately \$600.00, and moved that the Corporation Counsel negotiate with Mr. Wolfe, advising him that he will be assessed in an amount of 25 per cent or not to exceed \$600.00.

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Harold J. Hilliard Sr
Clerk and Treasurer

John C. Post
MAYOR