

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
November 8, 1954

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present: Councilmen Collison, Forehand, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Juhl.

Councilman Sidell moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of October 24, 1954, and that they be accepted as correct. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from B & O Railroad to the Corporation Counsel relative to North Takoma drainage situation. Referred to Public Works Committee.
2. Letter from Horace J. Phelps relative to alley opening upon west side of Garland Avenue north of Carroll Avenue, being in dangerous condition. Referred to Public Works Committee.
3. Card from Ernest R. King, M.D., relative to article on Safety Drive. Council file.
4. Letter from Charles E. Johnson, President, Hampshire Green Community Assn., relative to the confusing direction sign at New Hampshire Avenue & University Lane. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
5. Letter from American Municipal Assn., notifying of the 31st annual American Municipal Congress in Philadelphia, 11/28 to 12/1/54. Civic Improvement Committee.
6. Letter from Carlyle B. Haynes, thanking the Council for the speedy adjustment regarding his complaint of October 5th. Referred to Public Works Committee.
7. Letter from Bernard J. Beary relative to condition existing on unpaved section of Jackson Avenue. Referred to Council file.
8. Letter from PEPCO relative to the requested adjustment of street lighting bill during the outage caused by the hurricane. Referred to Finance Committee.
9. Letter from O'Connell Co. giving comments and recommendations on the recent audit Council file on Auditing.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Relative to the letter received by Mr. Gingerich from the B & O Railroad, regarding the drainage problem in North Takoma, Councilman Collison recommended that the City Clerk address another letter to the B & O Railroad to the effect that the drainage problem is not the City's responsibility.

Councilman Collison moved that Maple Avenue be accepted for maintenance in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinances now in effect.

Councilman Sidell seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Collison moved that the greenhouse renovation be completed at an approximate cost of \$100.00.

Councilman Sidell seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Councilman Forehand moved that all City employees including the members of the Council go to the City office on pay days and identify themselves and sign for their checks beginning the first pay day in December.

Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Forehand moved that Glenn Minton be given \$1.50 per day plus \$2.00 car allowance for the required time needed to take the refresher course at Olney, Maryland, not to exceed \$22.00.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Forehand advised the Council that the fact the Walk sign on the Stop Light at Laurel and Carroll Avenues was difficult to see when the sun was bright had been brought to the attention of the Council, and that it had been suggested to have this sign put on poles on each side of the street instead of on the Stop light. Therefore, he asked the Supt. of Public Works to investigate into the cost of the erection of these signs.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Councilman Kozel advised the Council that in answer to our request to the Board of Education to use the Junior High School gym on Friday nights, their answer was that this night was reserved by the school, but suggested that perhaps Saturday night might suffice and would consider and investigate on this night further.

Concerning the matter of placing a street light at the end of Darwin Avenue to supply light at the Recreation Center, Councilman Kozel recommended that the Committee on lighting, which comprises of the Chief of Police and Chief of Fire Department, the City Clerk and the Supt. of Public Works, investigate the possibility of lighting and to secure from the PEPCO information concerning the type of light necessary,

Councilman Kozel suggested that investigation be made into the matter of cutting a hole in the wall of the gym at the point that would go into the room now occupied by the Link Trainer. This matter was referred to the Public Works Committee for recommendation.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilman Tymeson recommended that the Corporation Counsel give an opinion as to whether or not we could set up discount on tax bills on the Increased Assessments due to new improvements on 1/2 or 3/4 year basis as is done on the regular tax bills and if now paid, could we declare them delinquent after a certain time limit.

The matter of payment on the new meters which were on trial for 90 days was brought up. It was suggested that due to the fact that these meters have been most satisfactory that the City contact the Company and advise that there was no appropriation for these meters in the 1954-55 budget, but that the City would be able to pay \$750.00 at this time as a deposit and ask them if it would be possible to pay the balance after July 1955.

Councilman Tymeson moved that the budget be printed in the Takoma Journal.

Councilman Forehand seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

Councilman Sidell moved that some type of written notices be sent to all residents of the City advising them of the schedule of collection of leaves.

Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Mayor Miller declared that Veterans Day on November 11 be a holiday for all City employees, and further stated that he felt that all concerns should honor our veterans for their service to their country on a legal holiday.

DEPARTMENT HEAD'S REPORT:

Corporation Counsel Gingerich advised the Council that now since the Home Rule had been adopted that it was most important that our Ordinances be brought up to date completely and put into printed form in order that the citizens might have access to these Ordinances. Corporation Counsel Gingerich also advised that all Ordinances before their adoption should be distributed to the Council members in writing.

Supt. of Public Works, Earl Thomas, suggested that the expense of his department resulting from Hurricane Hazel be deducted from the emergency reserve and appropriated to the Public Works operating budget.

Supt. of Public Works, Earl Thomas, suggested that the recommended procedure of having the Public Works employees come to the City office for the payroll might create some problem that had been overlooked.

An Ordinance authorizing a Certificate of Indebtedness was adopted and the Clerk was authorized to proceed with the issuance of the Certificate of Indebtedness in the amount of \$17,600.00 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1281

(See Page 152 for copy of same)

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time upon motion being properly made, seconded and carried the meeting adjourned.

George M. Miller
Mayor

Stuart D. Willard
Clerk and Treasurer

ORDINANCE NO. 1281

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

An Ordinance to authorize the issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness under and by virtue of authority granted to the City Council under Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 953 and 958 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1299 and 1304 of the Prince George's County Code (1943 Edition) and Sections 104-8 and 104-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1950) as amended by Chapter 237 of the Acts of the Regular Session of 1951, and providing for the amount, form and terms of said Certificates, the manner of repayment thereof, the pledging the full faith and credit of the City for their repayment in the event that the special assessments prove insufficient for that purpose, and further providing for publication of a Notice to Bidders offering said Certificates for sale.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Takoma Park as authorized by Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 953 and 958 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended the said Sections being also Sections 1299 and 1304 of the Prince George's County Code (1943 Edition) and Sections 104-8 and 104-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1950) as amended by Chapter 237 of the Acts of the Regular Session of 1951, and providing for the amount, form and terms of said Certificates, the manner of repayment thereof, the pledging the full faith and credit of the City for their repayment in the event that the special assessments prove insufficient for that purpose, and further providing for publication of a Notice to Bidders offering said Certificates for sale.

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WHEREAS, by the terms and provisions of the Sections herein above mentioned, the City Council of Takoma Park is authorized and empowered to borrow money upon the faith and credit of said City by the issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness, the proceeds therefrom to be used in the grading, constructing, reconstructing, paving or otherwise improving streets, alleys, sidewalks, public highways, or parts thereof, the cost of such improvements or any part thereof, to be charged against the abutting properties found benefited thereby; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the said City Council, the public health, safety and comfort, require the improvements of

<u>SUB.</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>BL.</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LEVY DATE</u>	<u>BAL. DUE</u>
Gil.	Pt 14	88	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	\$1173.75
	13A	89	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	1794.87
	22,23,				
	&24	50A	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	2694.51
	25	50A	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	837.50
	10	50A	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	555.80
	11	50A	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	335.00
	26	50A	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	837.50
	Pt 9	50A	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	486.72
Gil.	Pt 12	60	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	425.68
Hodges	1, 2,				
	& 3	102	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	3519.84
Hodges	1	104	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	166.99
Gil.	1,2,3 &				
	Pt 14	88	Paving Maple Avenue	2/22/54	2582.25
Gil.	7	89	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	1249.50
Gil.		89	Paving & Sidewalk Maple Ave.	2/22/54	1005.00

\$17,664.91

and that the said streets have been improved and the cost thereof paid from general City funds, all pursuant to a public hearing of which due and timely notice was given in the form and manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, the said City Council now desires to reimburse the said general City funds in the amounts paid therefrom for the improvement of said streets,

THEREFOR, BE IT ORDAINED, that the City Council aforesaid borrow upon the faith and credit of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, the sum of \$17,600.00 and to issue for said amount ten Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$1760.00 each, numbered 54-S2-1 to 54-S2-10 inclusive, and to mature in order of their consecutive numbers on December 1st in each year, 1955 to 1964, the said Certificates to be specially designated "City of Takoma Park Special Improvement Certificates of Indebtedness 1954."

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that said Certificates of Indebtedness be offered at public sale to the highest bidder or bidders on an interest rate bid basis and that notice of such sale be given by advertisement inserted at least twice in one or more daily or weekly newspapers having a general circulation in the City of Takoma Park and that said sale be held not sooner than ten days following the first insertion of said advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the form of the advertisement shall be as follows:

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids in writing on an interest rate basis will be received until 10:00 a.m., November 22, 1954, by the Mayor and City Council for the purchase of ten "City of Takoma Park Special Improvement Certificates of Indebtedness 1954", ten in the amount of \$1760.00 each, which Certificates will be numbered 54-S2-1 to 54-S2-10 inclusive, and to mature in order of their consecutive numbers on December 1st in each year 1955 to 1964, one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1955; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1956; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1957; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1958; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1959; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1960; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1961; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1962; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1963; one (1) \$1760.00 Certificate to mature in 1964. Bids may be for one or more of the said Certificates and must be accompanied by a certified check in an amount equal to 5% of the face value of the Certificate or Certificates bid upon. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. The said Certificates are issued by and under the authority of the provisions of Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 953 and 958 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1299 and 1304 of the Prince George's County Code (1943 Edition) and Sections 104-8 and 104-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1950), as amended by Chapter 237 of the Acts of the Regular Session of 1951, and the proceeds therefrom are to be used for the construction, paving of streets, curbs, gutters, etc., the principal part of which is to be assessed as a benefit against properties abutting the improvements. The said Certificates shall be issued in bearer form with coupons attached for the semi-annual payment of interest and may be registered as to principal or interest or both. The said bids will be opened at a meeting of the Mayor and City Council to be held at 8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, on the _____ day of _____ 1954, at _____.

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK

BY _____
George M. Miller, Mayor

Test:

Harold J. Hilliard, Sr.
Clerk and Treasurer

Adopted by the Mayor and Council

_____ 1954

The form of the Certificate herein above mentioned is to be substantially as follows:

(BACK OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS)

NO. _____

United States of America

State of Maryland

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT
CERTIFICATE
OF INDEBTEDNESS

Issue of 19 _____

(FACE OF CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS)

United States of America

State of Maryland

NO. _____

\$ _____

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT
CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS 1954

Issue of 19 _____

The City of Takoma Park, a Body Politic and Corporate, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, hereby certifies it is justly indebted and for value received hereby promises to pay to the bearer, or if this Certificate be registered otherwise, than to bearer, to the registered holder hereof, on the _____ day of _____, 19 _____, the principal sum of _____ together with interest thereon at the rate of _____ per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the _____ day of _____ of each year upon presentation and surrender of the annexed interest coupons as they severally mature.

Both the principal and interest of this Certificate are payable at the _____.

The full faith and credit of said City of Takoma Park is hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt payment of both the principal and the interest of this obligation as the same shall fall due, payable at _____.

This Certificate is issued by the said City of Takoma Park pursuant to an Ordinance duly adopted by the City Council and under the authority of and in full compliance with the provisions of Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 953 and 958 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1299 and 1304 of the Prince George's County Code (1943 edition) and Sections 104-8 and 104-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1950) as amended by Chapter 237 of the Acts of the Regular Session of 1951, empowering the City Council of said City to grade, construct, pave or otherwise improve streets, sidewalks, alleys or highways in the City of Takoma Park and to assess the cost or any part therefor against abutting properties found benefited thereby; and further, in the event of a deficiency in the collection of said assessments to levy therefor on all taxable property in the said City.

This Certificate may be registered in the name of the owner on the Registration Books at the Office of the Clerk and Treasurer at his office in the said City.

It is hereby certified and recited that all Acts, conditions and things required to happen, exist and be performed, exist and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by the law and Constitution of Maryland and the Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Takoma Park; and that together with all other obligations of the City of Takoma Park issued and outstanding under the provisions of its Charter, the total of such obligations do not exceed the total amount authorized by laws.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Council of the City of Takoma Park, Acting for and in behalf of said City, has caused this Certificate to be signed by its Mayor, its Corporate Seal to be affixed hereto, attested by its Clerk, and the interest coupons hereto attached to be executed by its Mayor, all done at the City of Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, as of

the _____ day of _____,
1954.

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK

By _____
MAYOR

ATTESTED:

CLERK

(FORM OF REGISTRATION)

This Certificate of Indebtedness may be registered as to principal and interest and can only be registered by the Clerk and Treasurer of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland.

REGISTERED

DATE IN NAME OF REGISTRAR

(FORM OF COUPON)

Coupon No. _____ \$ _____

On the _____ day of _____, 19____, The City of Takoma Park, Maryland, will pay to the bearer upon presentation and surrender of this coupon at the sum of _____ Dollars, being the semi-annual interest then due, at the rate of _____ per centum per annum on the City of Takoma Park Special Improvement Certificate of Indebtedness 19____.

MAYOR

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That said Certificate of Indebtedness shall be executed on behalf of the City of Takoma Park by the Mayor of said City and that the Corporate Seal of said City be affixed to each Certificate, attested by the Clerk, and that said Certificate together with the interest thereon, shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That all money received from abutting property owners for said special assessments shall be applied solely to the payment of the principal and interest of the Certificates of Indebtedness hereby authorized to be issued and sold; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That there be included in the annual tax levy each year on all property in the City of Takoma Park such sums as may be necessary to raise the amount needed to pay the interest and retire maturing certificates, less special assessments in hand or to be received in the said levy year, if there then be a deficiency, to levy against all taxable property in the City of Takoma Park, Maryland.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That the Mayor and City Council do hereby certify that no litigation of any nature is now pending or threatened, restraining or enjoining the issuance and delivery of said Certificate of Indebtedness or the authority under which the same is made or affecting the validity thereof nor in any manner questioning the use of the proceeds and the provisions for the payment of said Certificates of Indebtedness and the interest thereon, as set forth in the Sections of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended in the Prince George's County Code (1943 Edition) and Montgomery County Code (1950) referred to elsewhere in this resolution.

MAPLE AVENUE TRAFFIC HEARING

November 8, 1954

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and welcomed those present, explaining the purpose of this hearing and then turned the meeting over to Councilman Forehand, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee.

Councilman Forehand thanked the citizens for showing an interest in this matter by attending the meeting and gave the following resume of the recent traffic count taken on Maple Avenue:

1st day from noon to midnight-----	2178 cars
2nd day from midnight to midnight (24 hrs.)-----	3304 cars
3rd day " " " "-----	3438 cars
4th " " " "-----	2638 cars
5th " " " "-----	2127 cars
6th " " " "-----	3432 cars

Heaviest day ----- (6:00 to 10:00 a.m. ----- 1034)
 ----- (4:00 to 8:00 p.m. ----- 1410)

The following citizens spoke favoring the following solutions:

IN FAVOR OF OFF-STREET PARKING

Mr. Kephart, 7306 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Paul Johnson
 Mr. Weeden, 7315 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Stephen Curtis, 717 Erie Ave.
 Mr. Clayton Railey, 7410 Cedar Ave.
 Mr. Luke Bennett, 7211 Maple Ave.

IN FAVOR OF OFF-STREET PARKING
 DURING RUSH HOURS ONLY

Mr. & Mrs. Walter Swett, 7212 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Frank Rice, 7207 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Howland Pike, 7125 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Holt, 7110 Maple Ave.

ONE-WAY GOING NORTH ON MAPLE AND
 SOUTH ON CEDAR AVENUE

Mr. Clarence Kiefer, 7406 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Holt, 7110 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Simpson, 7105 Cedar Ave.
 Mr. Reichard, 7105 Cedar Ave.
 Mr. O. W. Youngblood, 7131 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Ferrer, 7413 Maple Ave.
 Mrs. Louise Brooke, 7127 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Stouffer, 7405 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Pike, 7125 Maple Ave.
 Mr. & Mrs. Spear, 1 Valley View Ave.
 Mr. McConnoughey, Maple Ave.

REDUCTION OF SPEED

Mr. Carter, 7316 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Kephart, 7306 Maple Ave.
 Mr. Simpson, 7105 Cedar Ave.
 Mr. Frank Rice, 7207 Maple Ave.

NOT IN FAVOR OF WIDENING

Mr. Ed. Myers, 7410 Maple Ave.
 Mr. & Mrs. Ross, 7133 Maple Ave.
 Mr. McConnoughey, Maple Ave.

The following citizens registered their desires in writing inasmuch as they would be unable to attend the hearing:

Dr. & Mrs. Ditzler, 7100 Cedar Ave.-----	In favor of widening Maple Ave. and making one-way.
Mrs. Carrie Braver, 7123 Maple Ave.-----	Make Maple Ave. one-way.
Lester J. Welch, President, Board of Trustees, Takoma Park Presbyterian Ch.-	One-way or secondly restricted hours for off-street parking.

Mr. George N. Lewis, Jr., Director of State Roads Commission, Baltimore, Md., and Mr. Wm. H. Voltz, Associate Traffic Engineer, Department of Vehicles and Traffic

of the District of Columbia were present. Each addressed the citizens in an endeavor to clarify any of their problems and answer their questions.

Mr. Lewis advised that the State Roads Commission has no jurisdiction over the setting of any speed limit within the City of Takoma Park other than the highways maintained by them, however, the speed limit is set on other streets by the Legislature thru the Motor Vehicle Laws of Maryland.

Following the discussion with Mr. Lewis and Mr. Voltz a showing of hands indicated the following count:

MAPLE AVENUE

1. Those in favor of one-way going north-----14
2. Off-street parking during rush hours-----34
3. Widening----- 3

CEDAR AVENUE

1. One-way going south----- 3
2. Off-street parking during rush hours----- 4
3. Widening----- 2

There being no further business to come before the meeting at this time upon motion properly made, seconded and carried the meeting adjourned.

George M. Miller
Mayor

Harold J. Willard
Clerk and Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
November 22, 1954

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Those present: Councilmen Collison, Forehand, Juhl, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Tymeson. Absent: None.

Reverend David Waterworth of the Takoma Park Christian Church delivered the Invocation.

Motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes of October 8, 1954, and that they be accepted as correct.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

Mr. Hilliard presented the financial statement for the month of October, 1954.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Revenues Oct. 1954	Revenues to 10/31/54	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/55	Total Budget
9/30/54 Bal. Citiz. Bank	86799.77			
9/30/54 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	9718.78			
9/30/54 Bal. Both Banks	96518.55			

REVENUES

1. Taxes: General	23673.62	283838.39	78192.05	362030.44
1. Penalty & Interest	.00	82.71	417.29	500.00
2. Licenses & Permits	14310.84	15578.06	7771.94	23350.00
3. Fines & Forfeitures	116.70	299.40	1900.60	2200.00
4. Use of Money & Property	.00	.00	175.00	175.00
5. Revenue-other sources	831.40	662.86	30237.14	30900.00
6. Service Charges	513.00	1150.00	850.00	2000.00
7. Room & Apt. Reg.	22.50	217.96	7782.04	8000.00
Towing Charges	20.00			
Accounts Received	55.00			
	<u>39543.06</u>	<u>301829.38</u>	<u>127326.06</u>	<u>429155.44</u>
Less Discount	33.91	39509.15		
	<u>136027.70</u>			

DISBURSEMENTS

		Spent to 10/31/54	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/55	Total Budget
10.1 Clerk's Office	3030.62	13502.41	24418.59	37921.00
10.81 Govt. Bldg.	271.01	1032.67	3597.33	4630.00
10.1001 P/W Dept: Repair Shop	888.77	8393.01	2906.99	11300.00
11.1 Police Dept.	5498.78	23850.76	48423.11	72273.87
11.2 Fire Dept.	3622.21	17974.89	30130.11	48105.00
11.3 Protective Inspection	512.65	2181.55	4268.45	6450.00
12.1 P/W Dept. Office	1908.16	6833.33	14431.67	21265.00
12.201 P/W Dept. General	10006.05	49149.97	42916.03	92066.00
12.202 " " Highways	1473.47	5890.61	349.39	6240.00
12.401 " " Highway Lgting	942.42	3806.53	6493.47	10300.00
13.1 " " Sanitation	1378.20	5805.10	11194.90	17000.00
19.3 " " Recreation	293.69	2088.56	2701.44	4790.00
19.1 Cultural: Library	.00	10362.43	3347.57	13710.00
21.1 Misc. Expense	3495.95	7682.64	2227.36	9910.00
22.1 Capital Budget	9518.65	19080.11	8434.76	27514.87
23.1 Insurance	3200.85	4727.38	2962.62	7690.00
Accounts Received	382.70			
Towing Chg. Acct.	.00	46424.18		
		<u>182361.95</u>	<u>208803.79</u>	<u>391165.74</u>
		89603.52		

Check # cancelled

10/31/54	Bal. Citiz. Bk.	79038.41
"	" Sub. Tr. Co.	10569.73
"	" Both Banks	89608.14

4.62	Estimated appropriations 7/1/54 -	
89608.14	From unappropriated	382639.90
	surplus --	8525.84
	Total estimated appropriations	391165.74
		10/31/54

<u>Special Improvement Account</u>		
9/30/54	Bal. Citiz. Bk.	22993.01
	Deposits	483.10
		23476.11
	Withdrawals	162.50
10/31/54	Bal. Citiz. Bk.	23313.61

<u>Special Library Bldg. Account</u>		
9/30/54	Bal. Citiz. Bank	32790.92
	No deposits or withdrawals	.00
10/31/54	Bal. Citiz. Bank	32790.92

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Mrs. Emily Monitor, Secretary, Citizens' Advisory Committee, transmitting the Committee's recommendation to change the word "Town" to "City" wherever it appears in the Charter. Referred to Law and Ordinances Committee.
2. Letter from the Montgomery County Health Department regarding the uncovered storm sewer which crosses Tulip Avenue between Birch and Holly Avenues. Referred to Public Works Committee.
3. Letter from Eugene E. Hunt, Assistant General Attorney, B. & O. Railroad Co. with reference to the drainage of storm waters in the vicinity of the B. & O. right of way. Referred to Public Works Committee.
4. Letter from Ruth M. Gray, Corresponding Secretary, Takoma Park Elementary School PTA requesting "SLOW - SCHOOL ZONE" sign on approach to intersection of Valley View and Philadelphia Avenues. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
5. Letter from George N. Lewis, Jr., Director, State Roads Commission, concerning the directional sign at New Hampshire Avenue and University Lane. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
6. Letter from Emily P. Monitor, Secretary, Citizens' Advisory Committee, regarding leaf removal and street cleaning services. Referred to Public Works Committee.
7. Letter from PEPCO relative to the future plans of PEPCO for the installation of underground service facilities in the City of Takoma Park. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
8. Letter from PEPCO stating that there would be an undue financial burden on the Company and its customers if underground facilities were installed. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
9. Letter from PEPCO stating that no adjustment would be made due to service failure caused by the recent hurricane. Referred to Finance Committee.
10. Letter from Charles H. Howe, Jr., expressing appreciation to the Council for the installation of the "SLOW" signs along Poplar Avenue. Council files.
11. Letter from Virginia M. Kidd, Secretary, Spring Park Community Association, expressing appreciation to the Council for their cooperation in making the summer recreation program at Forest Park a worthwhile project. Council files.
12. Letter from H. Earle Russell, Chairman, Joint Committee of the Prince Georges-

13. Letter from Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission regarding the installation of a light adjacent to the Takoma Recreation Center. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
14. Letter from PEPCO acknowledging receipt of letter from City in regard to installation of street light adjacent to the Takoma Recreation Center. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
15. Letter from PEPCO suggesting a standard street light in the area of the Takoma Recreation Center. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
16. Letter from James B. Parkhill, Secretary-Treasurer, WSSC, relative to use of water hydrant for flooding ball field in Spring Park for ice skating. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee
17. Letter from Raymond Hunter Brown, Minister, Grace Methodist Church, transmitting Official Board's unanimous recommendation of opposition to petition which would make Larch Avenue one-way. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
18. Letter from Citizens Bank bidding on the \$17,600.00 Certificates of Indebtedness at an interest rate per annum of 2% for the first five years, and 2½% for the last five years of the ten year tenure. Referred to Finance Committee.
19. Letter from Suburban Trust Company, Hyattsville, bidding on the \$17,600.00 Certificates of Indebtedness at an interest rate of 2½% for the ten year tenure. Referred to Finance Committee.

OPEN MEETING:

Mr. W.H. McClenon addressed the Council stating that the Citizens' Advisory Committee would welcome any suggestions as to what additional projects the Committee might take under advisement. Councilman Johl suggested that the Committee make a study relative to off-street parking.

Mr. H.D. Smith spoke relative to the feasibility of placing directional signs at the various approaches to the business district of Takoma Park, and perhaps erecting a neon sign at the Aspen Avenue underpass, which sign the Chamber of Commerce would pay for.

Mr. Hilliard read to the Council a communication from Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Bean and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew C. Seitz in which they advise the Council that they do not favor the proposed improvements under consideration on Glenside Court.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

With reference to the Barclay-Holly Avenue storm drain situation, Councilman Collison stated that the Committee was trying to arrange for a personal interview with the Commissioners of the WSSC, at which interview all other items requiring negotiations with the WSSC would be discussed.

With reference to the Lee Avenue dedication, Councilman Collison reported that it was proposed to continue Lee Avenue through to Maple Avenue. Lee Avenue does not continue past Hancock Avenue, and in order to continue through to Maple Avenue it would be necessary to narrow the right of way to 30 feet in one instance inasmuch as the dwelling owned by Mr. Jones prevents a full 50 foot right of way through his property. Therefore, Councilman Collison moved the acceptance of a set back in the street width to accomodate the foregoing situation, and recommended the dedication

of this right of way on that basis. Councilman Sidell seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

In regard to Mr. Phelps' request to have the public alley on the west side of Garland Avenue north of Carroll Avenue resurfaced, Councilman Collison directed that the City Clerk address a letter to him informing him that if the other abutting property owners desire an improvement, that they so petition the Council, at which time the Council would give consideration to the improvement.

Councilman Collison moved that the recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Committee to cut an opening in the Link Trainer room in the gymnasium, be approved. Councilman Sidell seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

Councilman McKenzie moved that Section 70, Ordinance No. 998 (Fire Code), be amended. Councilman Kozel seconded the motion. The motion was tabled for lack of question. Councilman Collison moved that the proposed amendment be referred back to the Committee for further study. Councilman Sidell seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

Councilman Sidell advised the Mayor and Council that the Committee planned to meet at a later date to discuss a revision of the housing ordinance.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Councilman Forehand reported that further study was being made concerning making Larch Avenue one-way; also further study was being made relative to the traffic problem on Maple Avenue.

Councilman Forehand moved that Donald Leslie Olson be appointed as a private in the Police Department on a probationary period of 6 months with an annual salary of \$3000.00, as of December 1, 1954, subject to the results of his physical examination. Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

With reference to the request for "Slow-School Zone" sign on approach to Valley View and Philadelphia Avenues, Councilman Forehand reported that the Supt. of Public Works was to erect a "Slow" sign in this vicinity.

Councilman Forehand moved that it be required to have the Chief of Special Police sign purchase orders when items are bought for the Special Police. Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Councilman Kozel moved the acceptance of the following schedule for the use of the gymnasium:

Monday - 1st, 2nd, 4th -- Colored Boys Club
 3rd--Central Citizens Association
 Tues. - (all) Boys Club
 Wed. - (all) Teen Club Open House
 Thurs.- (all) Boys Club
 Friday- (all) Teen Club Dance
 Saturdays A.M. - CYO and Prince George's Boys Club(alternately)

1:30 - 11:30 P.M. - Skating
Sundays - (all) 2:00-5:00 p.m. Mr. Resincoff

Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilman Tymeson moved that bills in the amount of \$27,458.32 for the month of October, be approved. Councilman Forehand seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Tymeson moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1282

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

Section 1. THAT thirty-five (35) Duncan Automaton Parking Meters be purchased from the Duncan Parking Meter Corporation for the price of Sixty-one Dollars (\$61.00) less Ten Dollars (\$10.00) trade-in allowance on the old Miller Meter, or a cost to the City of Takoma Park of Fifty-one Dollars (\$51.00) each delivered, making a total cost of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-five Dollars (\$1,785.00).

Section 2. AND THAT an amount of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) be paid to the Duncan Parking Meter Corporation at this time, such sum to be charged against the 1954-55 Contingent Fund, leaving a balance of One Thousand and Thirty-five Dollars (\$1,035.00).

Section 3. AND THAT the payment of the One Thousand and Thirty-five Dollars (\$1,035.00) be deferred until July of the 1955-56 budget.

Section 4. THEREFORE, the City Clerk is hereby authorized to negotiate with the Duncan Parking Meter Corporation (Koontz Equipment Company, Distributors) as stipulated in the foregoing paragraphs of this Ordinance.

Councilman Forehand seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forehand, Juhl, Kozel, McKenzie, Sidell and Tymeson. Nays: None Absent: None

Councilman Tymeson moved that the Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$17,600.00 be granted to the Citizens Bank of Takoma Park on the basis of their bid, i.e., 2% interest for the first five years, and 2½% interest for the remaining five years of the ten year tenure. Councilman Juhl seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Tymeson moved that those members of the fire department who worked overtime as the result of Hurricane Hazel be granted compensatory time (which the firemen requested in lieu of monetary compensation); also that the members of the police department who worked overtime as the result of Hurricane Hazel be granted payment at their regular hourly rate for such overtime, and that these amounts be charged to the contingent fund of the police department. Councilman Forehand seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

Councilman Juhl addressed the Council in regard to zoning. He suggested that if the City had jurisdiction over zoning that it would be the best plan to have persons elected to a Board whose sole responsibility would be that of zoning.

Councilman Juhl recommended that the subject matter be taken under advisement.

Mayor Miller requested the Civic Improvements Committee to give consideration to a plan whereby the agenda would be published in the local newspaper prior to Council Meetings.

In accordance with nation-wide proclamations designating December 15, 1954 as Safe-Driving Day, Mayor Miller, representing the City of Takoma Park, officially proclaimed December 15, 1954, as SAFE-DRIVING DAY. The Proclamation reads as follows:

PROCLAMATION

I, GEORGE M. MILLER, MAYOR of the City of Takoma Park, in pursuance of the designation by the President of the United States of WEDNESDAY, December the 15th, 1954, as "Safe Driving Day" do hereby proclaim this DAY as "Safe Driving Day" for the City of Takoma Park, and urge all Civic, Fraternal, Patriotic, Educational and Religious Institutions to stress the special significance of this DAY and provide such programs as may be appropriate to the occasion to draw attention to safe driving, in cooperation with the State and Nation.

The City Officials and the Police and Fire Departments earnestly request our people to pledge to drive and walk safely on this DAY by observing all traffic regulations and extending reasonable courtesies to your fellow citizen. Takoma Park has not had a fatal accident in the past four (4) years. Let's keep this a perfect record.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time upon motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

George M Miller
Mayor

Harold J Hilliard Jr
Clerk and Treasurer