

EXECUTIVE MEETING  
Mayor and Council  
January 9, 1961

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. Those present were: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, and Turner.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting. Councilman Sidell moved that in connection with the mutual aid program between Chillum-Adelphi, Silver Spring and the Takoma Park Fire Department, the Minutes of the previous meeting failed to mention that both Chillum-Adelphi and Silver Spring were cooperating by aiding Takoma Park as well as Takoma Park aiding them, and further stated that this be brought to the attention of the public. Councilman Forshee seconded the motion, which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM:

1. The Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission: Referred to the Civic Improvements Committee.

(a) Z.A.P. No. A-3815, Duckett, Orem & Christie, Attorneys for George A. Gude and Joseph P. Abrahams, Owens Triangle, 31,723 sq. ft. residue of Lot 35 of George A. Gude property, surrounded by existing stores and on alley at rear of New Hampshire Avenue and University Boulevard adjacent to parking area of A & P Store. C-1 Zone to C-2 Zone.

(b) Z.A.P. No. A-3894, Colonial Investment Company, Applicants, J. Harris and Fannie D. Rogers, Owners, 9,582 sq. ft., west part of Lot 5, Block 35, B. F. Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park. R-55 Zone to R-18 Zone.

(c) Z.A.P. No. C-531, Wheeler, Korpeck & Clark, Attorneys for Nathan Brisker, Contract purchaser, 52,298 sq. ft. (1.2006 acres) southwest corner, Grant Avenue and Maple Avenue. R-60 Zone to R-10 Zone.

(d) Z.A.P. No. C-534, 10.1431 acres, tract known as "Locust Grove," Schuyler Road, east of Manchester Road, Silver Spring, R-60 Zone to R-10 Zone.

2. A & M Development Company, Silver Spring, Maryland, Request for meeting for purpose of discussion on acquisition of City property on Maple Avenue north of Lincoln Avenue. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.

3. Board of Education, Montgomery County, Resolution 698-60 and request for action by Mayor and Council to implement same, regarding parking facilities in Montgomery Junior College area. Referred to the entire Council with the Civic Improvements, Public Works, and Public Safety Committees taking special note.

4. Senator Edward S. Northrop, Montgomery County, concerning widening of Carroll Avenue Bridge and pedestrian footbridge. Mayor Miller directed City Clerk Treasurer and Director of Public Works to check the progress.

5. George N. Lewis, Jr., Chief Bureau of Traffic, State Roads Commission, Special Studies 1002, Traffic survey Carroll Avenue and Flower Avenue intersection. Referred to Public Safety Committee.

6. Harold H. Flickinger, 7013 Woodland Avenue, City, Complaint of sidewalk conditions and snow and ice non-removal by property owners and residents. Referred to the Public Safety, Public Welfare, and Law and Ordinances Committees and Mayor Miller instructed the City Clerk & Treasurer to furnish Mr. Flickinger with the information he requested in his letter.

7. Harry E. Altman, Sr., 26 Mississippi Avenue, City, Commendation of Police Department and recommendation for salary increases early in 1961. Referred to the Public Safety Committee.

8. Walter B. Pack, 7111 Woodland Avenue, City, Complaint of refuse and trash in rear of 7109 and 7113 Woodland Avenue. Referred to the Public Welfare Committee.

9. Leiter L. Baker, 19 Philadelphia Avenue, City, Complaint of condition of Philadelphia Avenue. Referred to the Public Works Committee.

10. Guy L. Jarrett, 417 Ethan Allen Avenue, City, Commendation of Public Works Department in prompt repairs to Ethan Allen Avenue. Referred to the Public Works Committee.

BANK STATEMENT:

Citizens Bank-General Fund:		Suburban Trust Company:	
11/30/60 Balance	29,921.73	11/30/60 Balance	14,004.79
*December Receipts	75,916.70	December Receipts	450.72
*(Includes \$50,000 Certificate of Deposit)	105,838.43	Dec. Withdrawals	13,000.00
December Disbursements	52,837.37		1,455.51
12/31/60 Balance	53,001.06		
		Special Improvement Account:	
*Certificate of Deposit Balance \$100,000.00.		11/30/60 Balance	7,482.18
		December Receipts	522.02
			8,004.20
		Dec. Disbursements	1,870.00
			6,134.20

Mayor Miller welcomed all those present with the hope that everyone had a happy Christmas and further expressed the hope that everyone would have a very happy and prosperous New Year.

OPEN MEETING:

At this time, Mayor Miller recognized those persons desirous of expressing their views:

1. Lester Ahlswede, 1302 Erskine Street, Hillwood Manor, City, President of Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association. Mr. Ahlswede expressed appreciation to the Mayor and Council for granting permission to the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association to string Christmas Lights across Erskine Street and also for the attention given to the drainage problem on Erskine Street. Mr. Ahlswede, then brought up the matter of Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3873, Approx. 4.83 acres known as part of Lot 7, Green Hill Farms, Takoma Park, R-55 to C-1 Zone. Mr. Ahlswede stated that several other citizen's associations were opposed to this proposed change in zoning as well as the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association. He further stated that his Association would do everything in its power to keep this Petition from being granted, as it is felt that commercial zoning would depreciate the value and general appearance of the surrounding properties as there is already a great deal of commercialization in this area.

2. Mr. Denison, 7207 - 13th Place, City, spoke in opposition to Z.A.P. No. A-3873 agreeing with Mr. Ahlswede, and further pointed out that there should be some type of "step down zoning" between the existing commercial area and the area along Erskine Street; and suggested that nice office buildings would certainly be preferable to C-1 for some undetermined use. Mr. Denison also opposed Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3815 for C-2 zoning indicating that here again it is not known what use this land will eventually be put to.

3. Mr. John D. Emler, 7204 - 14th Avenue, City, spoke in opposition to Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3873 stating that he was concerned about residential property devaluation when contiguous to commercial zoning. He further stated that he had several sources for information concerning this, and there is general agreement that residential properties tend to decrease in value upon commercial installations nearby, particularly when commercialization is directly across the street from residential property. He pointed out that the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) will not insure a residential property contiguous to commercial property.

4. Raymond Worthington, President, Hampshire Greens Citizen's Association, 7505 Glenside Drive, City, spoke in opposition to Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3873 stating that a group of citizens in his area had met in 1959, and generally approved the recommendation of the Park and Planning Commission for the use of the property in the C-0 Zone. He pointed out that an attractive commercial office building would provide an adequate transition between C-1 zoning and the residential properties to the south, and that such development should bring in needed additional revenues to the City Treasury. He indicated that there is no opposition to the R-18 zoning under Z.A.P. No. A-3874.

5. Mr. Benjamin F. Sears, 1818 14th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., Attorney for Mrs. Margaret B. Murray, addressed the Mayor and Council in a request that the Council reconsider the \$850.00 assessment against Mrs. Murray's property as it worked a hardship on her, especially since Mrs. Murray had gone to the expense to make arrangements to have the houses made liveable. Mayor Miller referred the matter to the Finance Committee.

Councilman Turner stated that many notices had been sent to Mrs. Murray asking her to repair the property, however, no reply was received and no visible action had been taken in the matter. Mrs. Murray stated that she had received only two notices. Municipal Fire Chief LaScola stated that she had received three registered letters and that she had been receiving notices as far back as 1958. Building Inspector Williams reported that he had hand delivered two notices himself. Mrs. Murray stated that she had over \$2,000.00 to pay on her property as yet plus this \$850.00 assessment made by the City. It was brought out that the tenants themselves petitioned the Council to do something about the living conditions at the Lincoln Avenue properties.

6. Mrs. Margaret B. Murray, 1509 8th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., owner of Lot 35, Block 50, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, Takoma Park, spoke at length in a plea for the reduction of the \$850.00 assessment placed against her properties. She stated that she felt the City had taken unfair advantage of her and had not given her sufficient opportunity to improve the property. Mrs. Murray spoke at length concerning her deceased husband, the acquisition, ownership, and maintenance of her properties within the City of Takoma Park.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee moved the approval of expenditures for the month of December in the amount of \$52,837.37. Councilman Collison seconded the motion which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

2. Councilman Forshee moved that the resignation of Joseph C. Macchio be accepted as effective December 30, 1960 as Mr. Macchio had left to work for the Senate Disbursements Office. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried.

3. Councilman Forshee moved that Mrs. Grace O'Brien be appointed to a six month probationary appointment as Cashier Assistant Bookkeeper in the City Office at a base

salary of \$3,570.00 per annum plus a 2 1/2% temporary increase as under the Merit Plan. Mr. Forshee stated that Mrs. O'Brien had spent 12 years employment with the City of Anchorage, Alaska. Councilman Jones seconded the motion; and upon being put to question, the motion was passed.

4. Councilman Forshee moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1630

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

SECTION 1. THAT the Mayor and City Council have determined that it is in the public interest to acquire the property known as 105 Philadelphia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, and legally described as 6,000 sq. ft., Block 102, Hodges Tract, Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland contiguous to Lots 1, 2, and 3 in same Block previously acquired by the City for use as a Public Park, and,

SECTION 2. THAT the sum of SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$6,500.00) <sup>(RES. Fund)</sup> be hereby authorized as the purchase price of said property, and,

SECTION 3. THAT the City Clerk & Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay to Earl E. Baker and wife Patricia J. Baker through proper legal channels the sum as stated in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion. The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, and Turner. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Councilman Forshee stated that Item 1 under Finance Committee on the Agenda may be deleted as the Correct Seating Institute had been answered by letter stating that there is no suitable land available for the installation of a bedding manufacturing firm within the City of Takoma Park.

Councilman Forshee stated that there would have to be some deficit financing because of the improvement of Maple Avenue. He further reported that State and County funds would not come in until May or June, and that a loan may have to be taken out in order to pay for the Fire Trucks and the new Front End Loader.

At this time, Councilman Forshee requested that the Department Heads have their proposed Budgets in by the first of March and that it be prepared as an operating statement including salaries as stated in the Merit Plan; and that all specials would be kept as separate items.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Jones reported that after a six month study of model charters, it was the opinion of his Committee that the City's present Charter is as good as any except for archaic wording, etc.

2. Councilman Jones reported that so far two bids were in for the printing of the Codification of the City Laws and Ordinances, but that it might be advisable to receive a few more bids before a decision is made.

## PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie set the date for the Hearing for the Marvin H. Rowe property at 256 Park Avenue at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, ~~January~~ 17th, 1961.
2. Councilman McKenzie, at this time, mentioned the poor conditions of the City sidewalks during the recent heavy snowfall and the fact that home owners and business had not properly cleaned the sidewalks adjoining their property as required by Ordinance No. 1102. The Police Department was requested to strictly enforce this Snow Ordinance in the event of another heavy snowfall. It was recommended by Councilman Jones that an article be placed in the City Newsletter concerning snow removal under the Ordinance; and Mayor Miller stated that one article had already been printed and that it would be covered to a greater extent in the January issue of the Newsletter.

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. At this time Councilman Sidell brought up the matter of the traffic light at the Flower and Carroll Avenues intersection. Councilman Sidell reported that on one other occasion the City had been granted permission to install a traffic light by the State Roads Commission but that the needed funds would have to come from the City. Councilman Collison stated that he felt that a traffic light was needed but that to install one at the present time would be premature.
2. Councilman Sidell stated that in connection with the request for better lighting along Poplar, Hickory, Montgomery Avenues and the intersection of Elm and Pine Avenues that the Public Safety Committee had checked the lighting in this area and was of the opinion that the present lights were inadequate. Councilman Sidell recommended that the Potomac Electric Power Company be requested to make a survey of these streets to get their recommendations. After much discussion on the matter, it was decided to install 1000 lumen lights in this area. Councilman Collison seconded the motion which was duly carried.
3. Councilman Sidell reported that bids had been received for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser and that Police Chief Foster had been requested to check the cars in question. After Chief Foster's inspection and report to the Public Safety Committee, the Committee agreed that the Lustine Nicholson Chevrolet bid of \$1,793.20 be accepted. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

## ORDINANCE NO. 1631

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

- SECTION 1. THAT after having been duly advertised in accordance with law and publicly opened on December 9, 1960, bids were received for one new Police Cruiser to replace Car No. 4, and,
- SECTION 2. THAT the contract for purchase is hereby awarded to Lustine Nicholson Chevrolet in the sum of ONE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED, NINETY-THREE DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS, for one 1961 Chevrolet Biscayne, four door Sedan in accordance with specifications, and,
- SECTION 3. THAT City Clerk & Treasurer is hereby authorized to assign to Lustine Nicholson Chevrolet the title of one 1958 Ford Sedan, Serial No. C8CG-125892 and transfer from the Reserve Fund the amount of this appropriation.

Councilman Turner seconded the motion. The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, and Turner. Nays: None. Absent: None.

4. Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Foster, Councilman Sidell moved that Private John W. Saunders be granted a permanent appointment to be effective as of January 1, 1961. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried.

5. Councilman Sidell moved that Private L. Norman Cofske be promoted to Private First Class to become effective January 16, 1961. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried.

6. At this time Councilman Sidell read the resignation of Lt. Frank Bell from the Police Department. Councilman Forshee stated that Lt. Bell had been asked to reconsider as he was so close to retiring, but that Lt. Bell had wanted the resignation to stand. Councilman Sidell recommended that Lt. Bell's resignation be accepted with regret and stated that Lt. Bell's resignation be effective as of January 9, 1961. Councilman Forshee seconded the motion which was duly carried. Mayor Miller directed that a letter be sent to Lt. Bell extending the City's appreciation for his many years of service.

7. Councilman Sidell moved that the resignation of Edward J. Campana, effective as of 4:00 P.M., December 31, 1960, be accepted. Councilman Turner seconded the motion, which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

8. Councilman Sidell moved that Item 5 under the Agenda pertaining to the proposed Resolution amending Section 4, Article 11, of the Rules and Regulations of the Fire Service to create the position of Fire Marshal be returned to the Committee. Councilman Turner seconded the motion, which was carried.

9. At this time, Councilman Sidell moved "that in the Fire Department there be created the position of Captain with the duties of Fire Marshal at the Captain's pay of the Merit Plan. That this position be filled in accordance with the Fire Department Rules and Regulations for Captains with the exceptions that there be 10 additional questions relative to Fire Marshal duties and that the paid men above the rank of P.F.C. be entitled to take the examination, and that official notice of the date of examination be given at least seven days prior to the date of the examination." Councilman Turner seconded the motion.

However, Councilman McKenzie moved that the portion which stated "with the duties of Fire Marshal....." be excluded from the motion made by Councilman Sidell. Councilman Forshee seconded Councilman McKenzie's motion. The motion failed with Councilman McKenzie the only member voting "aye." After much discussion on the wording of "be created the position of Captain with the duties of Fire Marshal.....," it was decided to change the word "with" to "including" so that the motion read "including the duties of Fire Marshal...." This change being agreeable to Councilman Turner, who seconded the original motion, he seconded the motion to make the change; and the motion was duly carried.

10. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of an Ordinance to create an official parking place for the Municipal Fire Chief as Fire Chief La Scola had recently moved into a new apartment where the parking facilities were such that made it almost impossible for the Chief to respond to a fire call during the evening and night hours. Councilman Turner seconded the motion.

ORDINANCE NO. 1632

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

SECTION 1. THAT in the interest of Public Safety, an official parking space be designated for the Municipal Fire Chief only, and,

SECTION 2. THAT the Public Works Department is hereby authorized to erect a sign or signs worded "OFFICIAL PARKING - MUNICIPAL FIRE CHIEF ONLY" at a point on the southwest side of Hancock Avenue beginning at a point forty feet (40) from the southeast side of Lee Avenue and running eighteen feet (18) southwesterly there from, and,

SECTION 3. FURTHER THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by the Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

After considerable discussion and Councilman Turner's second, the Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Roth, Sidell, and Turner. Nays: Councilman McKenzie. Absent: None.

11. Councilman Sidell moved that the Clerk-Treasurer's Office be authorized to advertise for bids for an Official Fire Department Car preferrably a Falcon which would cost in the neighborhood of \$2,200.00 and that the purchase of an Official Car would eliminate a car allowance of \$420.00 per year. The car would be used for fire inspection duties, general administrative duties and taken home in the evening by the Fire Chief for his official duties during the evening. Councilman Sidell stated that the following specifications should be included:

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| 1. Red in Color                  | 5. Compact made in U. S.       |
| 2. Standard Area Equipment       | 6. Automatic Transmission      |
| 3. Standard Engine               | 7. Heater and Defroster        |
| 4. Falcon Fordor Wagon, or equal | ALTERNATE: Deluxe Trim Package |

Councilman Jones seconded the motion which was duly carried after considerable discussion on the subject.

12. Councilman Sidell suggested that a meeting be held concerning the lack of parking facilities at Montgomery Junior College, and further suggested that the meeting be held Wednesday, January 25th at 7:30 P.M. Mayor Miller instructed the City Clerk & Treasurer to send out notices of the meeting.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Turner stated that he had no Committee report at this time, and mentioned that the former Pastor of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, Doctor Buchanan's wife had died.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth moved that the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission be advised that the Mayor and Council recommend a denial of the C-1 zoning in connection with Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-3873 and further recommend that some type of "buffer zoning" between commercial zoning along New Hampshire Avenue to the north and residential property to the south. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried.

2. Councilman Roth moved that the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission be advised that the Mayor and Council have no objection to the proposed zoning change from R-55 to R-18 as proposed in Zoning Amendment Petition A-3874. Upon being seconded, the motion was duly carried.

3. Councilman Roth moved that the plan of resubdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block 55, Takoma Park be approved in accordance with the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission recommendation for the additional right of way dedication both on Hudson and Flower Avenues. Councilman Collison seconded the motion which upon being put to question, was carried.

4. In connection with the plan for resubdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block 17, B. F. Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park, filed by Mr. Herbert D. Smith, Councilman Roth and the Committee preferred to withhold a decision at this time, after considerable discussion of the matter.

5. Councilman Roth moved that the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission be advised that the Mayor and Council approve the plat submitted by the Washington M Missionary College with one stipulation. The Council decided that if in the event a portion of Flower Avenue should ever be closed, Greenwood Avenue would have to serve as the alternate, therefore, creating the need for a minimum eighty (80) feet right of way instead of the five (5) feet as proposed by W.M.C. The motion was seconded by Councilman McKenzie and was duly carried. The Clerk & Treasurer was instructed to check with Dr. Hirsch and to inform him of the Council's decision.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

*See Page # 289*

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3. Councilman Collison moved that the Public Works Committee be authorized to instruct the City Clerk & Treasurer to advertise for bids for the improvement of the corner of Jefferson and Carroll Avenues as soon as the Park and Planning Commission approves the plans. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried.

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At this time, Councilman Roth recommended that the Mayor and Council initiate an official request to the Maryland Municipal League to include the City of Takoma Park as one of the Cities requesting authority to engage in Urban Renewal, when the Bill is introduced to the General Assembly in Annapolis. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

Councilman Roth further recommended that the Zoning Committee of the B. F. Gilbert Citizen's Association be advised that the Takoma Park Planning Commission meetings are not open for the public as this is not the purpose for which the Commission is intended.

Municipal Fire Chief La Scola reported that the new Fire Department Pumpers are in and that the Underwriters test will be held soon.

Police Chief Foster stated that members of the Takoma Park Police Force will be on television January 21, 1961, on Traffic Court.

Director of Public Works, Mr. Rhodes, reported that his department was now able to handle many more jobs with the new front end loader than they were able to handle before.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the Meeting adjourned at 11:30 P. M.

George M. Miles  
MAYOR

Harvey M. Pugh  
CLERK-TREASURER

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Statement of Financial Transactions  
December, 1960

	Cash Balance Beginning of Period	Cash Balance End of Period
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F	29,921.73	53,004.18
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/R	3,557.77	4,585.93
Suburban Trust Company	14,004.79	1,455.51
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00
	<u>47,634.29</u>	<u>59,195.62</u>

REVENUES:		Total Bud- Budget Bal. Adopted Percen- geted Rev. as of Budget tage to			
		12/31/60	12/31/60	60-61	Budget
1.0 Taxes - Local	7973.83	382341.76	30267.88	412609.64	92.6
1.5 Taxes - State Shared	27.50	18210.91	92139.09	110350.00	16.5
2.0 Licenses - Permits	3682.95	16324.21	8350.79	24675.00	66.1
3.0 Fines and Forfeitures	21.20	382.20	1417.80	1800.00	21.2
4.0 Rev. frm Use of Money & Prop.	302.79	2404.21	1035.79	3440.00	69.8
5.0 Rev. from Other Agencies	-	-	36938.98	36938.98	-
6.0 Serv. Chgs. for Current Ser.	108.72	1481.55	10242.45	11724.00	12.6
	<u>12116.99</u>	<u>421144.84</u>	<u>180392.78</u>	<u>601537.62</u>	<u>70.0</u>
Non-Budgeted Receipts	51498.22				
	<u>63615.21</u>				
Trans. from Suburban Trust Co.	13000.00				
	<u>76615.21</u>				
Adjustments	247.79	76367.42			
		<u>124001.71</u>			

This Month's percentage Figure - 50%

DISBURSED AND ACCRUED:		Expended	Balance	Budget	Percentage
10.1 Government Administration	3404.58	19059.77	25008.23A	36568.00	44.0
10.8 Government Buildings	2058.48	11322.07	11537.93B	22270.00	49.5
11.1 Police Department	10191.46	59075.96	61821.64C	120269.60	48.8
11.2 Fire Department	6580.21	97976.83	41064.17D	85245.50	70.4
11.3 Protective Inspection	611.76	3650.11	5290.89E	8941.00	40.8
11.9 Other Protection	-	-	100.00F	100.00	
12.1 P/W Office	1096.35	6527.93	7433.07G	13961.00	46.7
12.2 P/W Highways	8707.23	38774.79	31739.91H	70364.70	54.9
12.9 P/W Repair Shop	3971.91	23334.30	5785.70I	29120.00	80.1
13.0 P/W Sanitation	5951.05	41735.86	29666.64J	62530.50	58.4
19.0 Recreation Div.	3213.96	27074.41	21847.00K	46686.41	55.3
21.0 Miscellaneous	1395.43	15799.67	20595.33L	36395.00	43.3
22.0 Capital Budget	123.60	72690.29	(71082.01N)	-	452.0
22.1 Council Appropriations	-	-	8932.15M	8932.15	-
Legal Reserve Fund	-	-	24509.980	60153.76	59.2
	<u>47306.02</u>	<u>417021.99</u>	<u>224250.63</u>	<u>601537.62</u>	
Non-Budgeted	2761.02			39735.00	
	<u>50067.04</u>		Reserve Surplus	<u>641272.62</u>	61.6
Adjustments	14739.05	64806.09			
		<u>59195.62</u>	Res rve Surplus	Reserve Fund	

A	-	7500.00
B	-	590.00
C	-	628.00
D	37500.00	16295.50
H	-	150.00
J	-	8872.00
K	2235.00	-
N	-	1608.28
	<u>39735.00</u>	<u>35643.78</u>

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GENERAL FUND  
Balance Sheet Accounts Comparison  
November-December, 1960

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>11/30/60</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/60</u>	<u>Changes</u> <u>During</u> <u>Period</u>
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F	29921.73	53004.18	23082.45
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/R	3557.77	4585.93	1028.16
Suburban Trust Company	14004.79	1455.51	- 12549.28
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00	-
Taxes Receivable Delinquent	863.13	863.13	-
Taxes Receivable 1960 Levy	28075.63	26036.21	- 2039.42
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	8.19	8.19	-
Towing Account	116.00	206.00	90.00
Uniform Account	1475.93	1581.82	105.89
Protective Apparel	155.67	209.53	53.86
Maple Avenue Improvement	84237.40	84237.40	-
Commercial Trash Accounts Receivable	294.00	230.00	- 64.00
Prepaid Insurance	4551.38	4638.56	87.18
Cumberland Avenue	24.40	24.40	-
Claims	2645.61	2638.02	-7.59
Hayward, Cherry, & Colby Avenues	271.48	271.48	-
Uniform Stock	459.00	324.25	-134.75
Capital Assets Control	177403.04	177403.04	-
Due from S/A Fund	7637.41	7637.41	-
Certificate of Deposit	150000.00	100000.00	-50000.00
Group Hospitalization	3.57	-	-3.57
Exchange Account	206.00	131.00	- 75.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	1563.92	1252.27	-311.65
Contracts Receivable Pending	2300.00	2300.00	-
Municipal Center	-	600.00	600.00
	<u>\$509926.05</u>	<u>\$469788.33</u>	<u>\$40137.72</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Excrow Account	851.67	916.67	65.00
Federal, Maryland, D.C. Withholding Tax	3543.17	4571.41	1028.24
Group Hospitalization	-	5.35	5.35
Certificate of Indebtedness	14000.00	14000.00	-
Accrued Interest Payable	124.70	146.86	22.16
Accounts Payable	100577.76	97691.26	-2886.50
Accrued Payroll	3509.49	2405.04	-1104.45
Overpayment of Taxes	296.38	296.38	-
Commercial Trash Billing	90.00	26.00	-64.00
Sale of City Property Pending	2300.00	2300.00	-
	<u>\$125293.17</u>	<u>\$122358.97</u>	<u>\$ -2934.20</u>
Unappropriated Surplus from Prev. Year	18335.70	18335.70	-
Appropriated Net Asset Value	77881.76	40678.24	-37203.52
Reserve Fund Balance	24509.98	24509.98	-
General Fixed Assets Fund	261640.44	261640.44	-
Reserved Surplus	2265.00	2265.00	-
	<u>509926.05</u>	<u>469788.33</u>	<u>-40137.72</u>
Special Improvement Account:			
11/30/60 Balance	7482.18		
December Receipts	522.02		
	<u>8004.20</u>		
December Disbursements	1870.00		
	<u>6134.20</u>		

SPECIAL HEARING  
January 17, 1961  
Mr. Marvin H. Rowe

Mayor Pro-tem Sidell, presiding. Present: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, McKenzie, Roth, and Turner; Mr. Marvin H. Rowe; and Building Inspector Williams.

Mayor Pro-tem Sidell called the Hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. stating that the Hearing had been called at the request of Mr. Marvin H. Rowe, 256 Park Avenue, Takoma Park; and requested the recording secretary to read Mr. Rowe's letter of December 12th, 1960, in which he requested the Hearing. After the reading of Mr. Rowe's letter, Mayor Pro-tem Sidell stated that this matter is under the jurisdiction of the Public Welfare Committee, under which the Housing Ordinance falls; and turned the conduct of the meeting over to Councilman McKenzie, Chairman of the Public Welfare Committee.

Councilman McKenzie stated there to be several instances where the subject premises did not meet the Housing Ordinance requirements:

Second Floor Bedroom No. 2 - Front left side of dwelling -

Deficiency of 7" in Ceiling Height

Second Floor Bedroom No. 3. - Front right side of dwelling -

Ceiling Height deficiency of 7" and light area sq. ft. deficiency of 3.9 sq. ft.

Terrace Apartment Throughout:

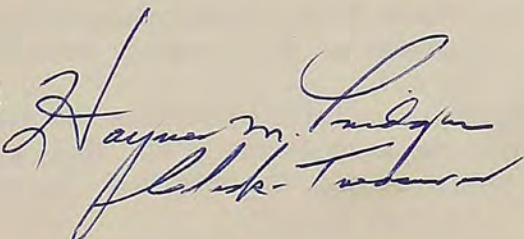
Ceiling height deficiency of 1½", Dining Room light area deficiency of 7.3 sq. ft., Ventilation area deficiency of 4.1 sq. ft.; Living Room light area deficiency of 29.6 sq. ft., ventilation area deficiency of 13.3 sq. ft.; Bedroom light area deficiency of 9.9 sq. ft.

Mr. Rowe stated that he could bring the ventilation and light area deficiencies into compliance with some expense, but that it would be very expensive to adjust the ceiling height. He further stated that the apartment is very nice as it is now and that to adjust the ceiling height would make not quite as attractive an apartment. He went on to say that the apartment had been registered and wondered if re-registration would be necessary? He also wondered if an exception might be made as Mrs. Burgess, terrace apartment occupant, is not a tenant in the sense that she pays rent. Much discussion ensued concerning the cost and methods of adjusting the ceiling height.

Councilman McKenzie stated that so far no exceptions have ever been made to the Housing Ordinance but that the situation could remain status-quo until such time as Mr. Williams, Building Inspector made another inspection and conferred with Mr. Rowe as to what might be done to correct the situation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
January 23, 1961

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. Those present were: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, and Turner.

The invocation was rendered by Reverend William L. Montgomery of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting if there are no corrections or additions to be made. Councilman Collison stated that he had two corrections: Page 8, Paragraph 5 under Civic Improvements should read as follows:

"The Council decided that if in the event a portion of Flower Avenue should ever be closed Greenwood Avenue would have to serve as the alternate, therefore, creating the need for a minimum eighty (80) feet right of way necessitating an additional twenty (20) feet instead of the five (5) feet as proposed by W.M.C."

Councilman Collison stated that Page 8, Paragraph 4 under Public Works regarding the meeting to be held with the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association at the Lutheran Church is in error, the meeting to be held at the United Church of Christ instead. It was then moved by Councilman Forshee and seconded by Councilman McKenzie that the Minutes of the meeting of January 9th be accepted as correct, the motion being duly carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

1. Darl R. McBride, Recording Secretary, Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., letter of appreciation in behalf of membership for Christmas remembrance. Referred to Council Files.
2. Howard S. Fiske, 721 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland, letter of appreciation for Christmas remembrance. Referred to Council Files.
3. Mrs. Joseph C. Gooch, Corr. Sec., Associated Health and Welfare Agencies of Takoma Park, expressing appreciation on behalf of the members of the Lay Committee of the Health Center for the use of the basement of the Health Center as their Xmas Bureau Headquarters. Referred to Council Files.
4. Judge Harlen Frey, Justice of the Peace, 214 Spring Avenue, City, requesting that the Mayor and City Council endorse him for reappointment as a Justice of the Peace in and for the City of Takoma Park, Prince Georges County, Maryland. Referred to the Law and Ordinances Committee.
5. Hon. Edward S. Northrop, Senate of Maryland, Montgomery County, Annapolis, Maryland, forwarding a copy of a letter from Mr. John B. Funk, State Roads Commission, stating that improvements on the Carroll Avenue Bridge will commence next summer. Referred to Council Files and the Public Safety Committee.
6. Mr. John B. Funk, Chairman-Director, Maryland State Roads Commission, stating that the widening of the Carroll Avenue Bridge should be underway by this coming summer.
7. Hon. Clifford R. Armhold, Mayor, Forest Heights, Maryland, extending an invitation to Mayor Miller to attend a "sister-city" function to be held January 30, 1961. Mayor Miller directed that Mayor Armhold be advised that he would attend the meeting.

8. Mr. Abe S. Rosen, Deputy City Representative, City of Philadelphia, expressing thanks for back issues of the City Newsletter and commending the fine job that was being done. Referred to Council Files and Mr. Coffman.

Mayor Miller mentioned that the Bloodmobile would be in the City of Takoma Park on April 24, 1961 from 3:00 P.M. to 7:45 P.M. urging everyone to participate in the program. He further stated that the blood could be donated to any civic organization, charity, or church or the City of Takoma Park's general pool. Mayor Miller mentioned that over 100 pints of blood had been received the last time but that the quota for the City is 200 pints.

OPEN MEETING:

At this time, Mayor Miller welcomed all those present and recognized those persons desirous of expressing their views:

1. Mr. Jerome Korpeck, Attorney, Wheeler, Korpeck and Clark, representing Nathan Brisker, Applicant, Zoning Amendment Petition No. C-531, R-60 to R-10 Zone. Mr. Korpeck addressed the Mayor and Council stating that the parcel of land in question was located on the southwest corner of Grant and Maple Avenues and that it is felt this to be a logical and proper extension of R-10 zoning as the property backed up to apartments on Lee Avenue and that the streets were such as to carry the extra traffic if an apartment project were to be constructed. Mr. Korpeck stated that Mr. Brisker had no development plan as yet. Councilman Turner asked Mr. Korpeck the size of the lot, and Mr. Korpeck stated that the lot was approximately 55,000 square feet and that the parcel of land presently takes in about two or three houses. Councilman Jones inquired as to off-street parking in the event of building. Mr. Korpeck stated that Mr. Brisker intended to provide off-street parking. Mr. Korpeck requested that the Mayor and Council recommend this zoning change, and thanked the Mayor and Council.

2. Mr. Neilson, 107 Grant Avenue, City, spoke in opposition to the proposed zoning change on Zoning Amendment Petition C-531. Mr. Neilson stated that he was not usually opposed to apartments as long as the project was not very large and stated that some improvements are definitely needed at the end of Grant Avenue. He further stated that he had heard that the State had intended to use Grant Avenue as an arterial route off of New Hampshire Avenue for Route 410, and that it would be senseless to build apartments that might eventually have to be torn down. Mayor Miller stated that if the State intended such, the Council was not aware of it and had heard nothing to this effect, and also that the State would have to obtain permission from the City to use a City street for this purpose.

3. Mr. Minton, 136 Grant Avenue, City, spoke in opposition to Zoning Amendment Petition No. C-531 agreeing with Mr. Neilson. He stated that he did not favor high density apartments on this location but that garden apartments would be all right. He further stated that the extra traffic might not be advisable in a school zone. He agreed with Mr. Neilson in that improvements are needed in this area and that R-20 zoning would not be opposed.

4. Mr. Ross Tomlinson, 129 Grant Avenue, City, also spoke in opposition to Zoning Amendment Petition No. C-531 agreeing with Mr. Neilson and Mr. Minton that high density zoning in this area is not desired by the residents. He requested that the Mayor and Council go on record as recommending the denial of this petition. Mr. Tomlinson stated several reasons why he felt this petition should be denied stating that State surveyors had been in the area and that it is understood that the State has some plans to use Grant Avenue in the re-routing of Route 410. Mayor Miller requested that the Clerk-Treasurer investigate this matter as the City had not been approached on the subject. Mr. Tomlinson stated that he would not oppose garden apartments or R-20 zoning in this area. Mr. Tomlinson had arrived



late in the meeting due to the fact that he was taking an examination, however, Councilman Turner requested Mayor Miller to allow him to speak upon his arrival, which was granted.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Jones reported that he had spoken with Corporation Counsel Gingerich concerning Mayor Miller's request to draw up proper Ordinances to authorize supplementary payment only to employees injured in line of duty to make up the difference between their regular salary and any amount being paid by Workmen's Compensation Insurance, that employees are not entitled to sick leave full pay and Compensation payments as well; and to authorize an arrangement with a physician as Examining Officer of the City for the purpose of physical examinations of employees upon entrance of employment and upon such other occasions as deemed necessary. However, Councilman Jones requested that this be taken up again at the next meeting as work was not completed on the subject.

2. Councilman Jones reported that work on the revision of the City Charter is a continuing thing and still under consideration by the Committee.

3. Councilman Jones stated that a third bid for the printing of the Codification of City Laws and Ordinances had been received but deemed unsatisfactory by the Clerk Treasurer and the Committee as it did not include the preparation of the pages themselves. Councilman Jones further stated that the two previous bids received were so far apart in their quotations that it was felt other bids should be received and that the Clerk Treasurer had sent out requests for bids again this week.

4. Councilman Jones recommended that the Mayor and Council endorse the appointment of George A. Cook as Justice of the Peace for Montgomery County for the coming 1961-62 term of office. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried.

5. At this time, Councilman Jones stated that the conditions of some of the streets within the City were extremely poor due to the snow and ice, especially the hilly sections. He reported that the crests of the hills were slick due to the fact that they had not been sanded. He further stated that something should definitely be done to keep the City streets clear and passable. Councilman Collison replied that the Public Works Department had spent over \$3,000 in snow and ice removal during the last snow and that the primary streets and the streets that presented the most problems such as the hilly ones were taken care of first, and that the Public Works' crews worked around the clock to keep the streets clear. Councilman Collison stated that during the day there is often some thawing which freezes again at night covering any sand that has been put down and making the streets especially bad in the evenings. Councilman Sidell remarked that the Public Works Department usually goes to work again on the streets in the early morning hours to prepare for the morning traffic. Councilman Jones stated that he was not criticizing the Public Works Department, but that the point is that the Council should allow the Department more money so that subcontractors can be brought in to help keep the streets clear. Councilman Collison stated that the Public Works Department had sufficient equipment and men to adequately handle the job without subcontracting, but that it was the additional snow fall and the thawing and re-freezing process that made some streets difficult to pass; and also stated that it is impossible for the Department to keep track of every place that may refreeze that is why pots with sand have been placed along the streets in some areas so that the citizens may help themselves. Councilman Collison stated that most of the comments he had heard were favorable and any that were not favorable, the condition was soon corrected by the Department. Then Councilman Jones brought up the matter of the sidewalks. Councilman Collison stated that a sidewalk plough and sander are needed and under serious consideration by the Public Works Committee but that a suitable one has not been found as yet, and

that the Budget is rather tight at this time.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported that the Fire Department had taken care of the complaint of refuse and trash in the rear of 7109 and 7113 Woodland Avenue.
2. Councilman McKenzie stated that a Hearing had been held on the Marvin H. Rowe property at 256 Park Avenue and that Mr. Rowe had several things that did not come up to the Housing Ordinance but that Mr. Rowe felt that these could be brought into compliance. Councilman McKenzie further stated that it was decided that the Building Inspector would make another inspection and perhaps offer some suggestions that might aid Mr. Rowe so that he could make changes in the apartments in order to comply with the Ordinance.
3. Councilman McKenzie thanked the Police Department for cooperating in advising the public concerning the requirements of the Snow Ordinance that property owners should clear the snow and ice from the City sidewalks adjoining their properties. Councilman McKenzie stated that Chapter 19 of the proposed Codification of City Laws and Ordinances be changed so that to create a fine penalty for people who do not comply with the Snow Removal Ordinance this being an alternate to the snow and ice being removed from sidewalks by City forces.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell stated that a meeting regarding the parking facilities at Montgomery Jr. College would be held January 25, 1961, at which time the full Council would meet to consider this problem.
2. Councilman Sidell stated that nine bids were received for an Official Fire Department car-3 for Falcons, 3 for Chevy's, 1 for Studebaker Lark, 1 for Nash and 1 for Valiant. Councilman Sidell stated that the lowest bid was received from Armstrong Motors for the "American" Nash which is the small Nash, however, this price included ornamental trim; and the next lowest from Takoma Motors for the Falcon at a price of \$1,899 without the alternate and \$1,957 with the alternate of \$58.00. Councilman Sidell recommended the purchase of the Ford Falcon as bid by Takoma Motors at the price of \$1,899 without the \$58.00 alternate of the Deluxe Trim Package. Councilman Forshee seconded the motion. At this time Councilman McKenzie remarked that in the past it had always been decided that car allowances were better and that there are other departments where an official car for the particular department head might be used. Much discussion ensued concerning the possibility of purchasing a fleet of cars, and the purpose of a Fire Department car. Councilman Turner then moved an amendment that the Alternate bid of \$58.00 for the Deluxe Trim package be added to Councilman Sidell's original motion. Councilman Roth seconded the motion. Councilman Sidell read what the Deluxe package included, however, the amendment motion was not carried as more discussion ensued concerning the use of cars in other departments. Councilman Forshee then moved that the motion of Councilman Sidell be tabled until the next meeting in order that further consideration and study be given to the feasibility of purchasing similar vehicles for use in other departments. Councilman McKenzie seconded seconded the motion which was duly carried. Mayor Miller stated that at the next meeting the matter should be settled.
3. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of an Ordinance that would resind Ordinance No. 1619 and adopt an Ordinance as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1633

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

SECTION 1. THAT Ordinance No. 1619, adopted September 26, 1960, be hereby repealed, AND

SECTION 2. THAT Parking be prohibited at all times on the south side of Winchester Avenue from the dead-end of the street westward for a distance of one hundred, seventy-seven (177) feet, AND

SECTION 3. THAT the Director of Public Works be hereby directed to install signs to indicate restrictions ordained by Section 2 of this Ordinance, AND FURTHER

SECTION 4. THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by Ordinance governing No Parking in the City of Takoma Park.

Upon being seconded by Councilman Turner, the Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Ayes: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell and Turner. Nays: None. Absent: None.

4. Councilman Sidell proposed an Ordinance to prohibit parking on the north side of Erskine Street, in order to correct a blind spot at this intersection. Councilman Collis stated that one property owner would particularly be effected by this Ordinance who is unable to use his driveway especially in bad weather conditions. Councilman Sidell stated that the Ordinance would not prohibit the man from parking further up the street. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1634

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

SECTION 1. THAT Parking be prohibited at all times on the North side of Erskine Street from the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue Eastward for a distance of one hundred fifty (150) feet, AND,

SECTION 2. THAT the Director of Public Works be hereby directed to install signs to indicate restrictions ordained by Section 1 of this Ordinance, AND FURTHER,

SECTION 3. THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by Ordinance governing No Parking in the City of Takoma Park.

Upon being seconded by Councilman Forshee and upon the question, a roll call vote was recorded as follows: Ayes: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth and Sidell. Nays: Councilman Turner. Absent: None.

5. Councilman Sidell stated that 10 applicants had applied for the job of parking meter repairman within the City Police Department. Councilman Sidell moved, upon the recommendation of Police Chief Foster, that Pvt. Donald L. Olson be hired to repair the meters at a salary of \$600.00 per year payable \$50.00 per month, effective February 1, 1961,

Councilman Sidell stated that Lt. Bell, who recently resigned, had been handling the job at \$780.00 per year; but that since the City has all new meters, the job does not require as much time and work, therefore, the decrease in salary is justified. It was mentioned that Pvt. Olson was not aware of the fact that the salary would be decreased, therefore, Councilman Sidell moved that the Clerk-Treasurer approach Pvt. Olson informing him of the decrease in pay to find out if Pvt. Olson wished to take the job. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried. Councilman Sidell also stated that a record of the meter repairs should be kept and that two checks should be made on the meters per week and that the meters be repaired as reported out of order. Councilman Sidell directed that Corp. Newton should be paid at the old rate as he was repairing the meters until the job was filled during the months of December and January.

6. Councilman Sidell stated that Item 2 under Matters Pending on the Agenda should be deleted as the District of Columbia has placed traffic safety posters in many areas and it would be repetitious. It was, therefore, decided that posters would not be placed throughout the City at this time.

7. Councilman Sidell moved that Municipal Fire Chief Stephen J. La Scola and Pvt. Karl Kearns be granted official leave from February 26 to March 5, 1961, in order to attend the Memphis Instructor's Conference (fire fighting training) with the total expense account of \$250.00 (Budget Item). Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried.

8. Councilman Sidell reported that the new Fire Department Pumpers had passed the Fire Underwriters Test. He also reported that at the meeting of the City Fire Board the Board thanked the Mayor and Council for the new equipment and for the consideration of the Fire Department car.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:**

1. Councilman Turner reported the number of children using the playgrounds within the City for the past summer's activities which is as follows:

	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>	<u>Average Per Day</u>
Forest Park	141	4,088	120
Hampshire Greens	118	2,554	75
Sligo Park Terrace	258	6,779	199
Spring Park	108	4,318	127
Carole Highlands	257	10,077	296

**CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:**

1. Councilman Roth reported that a meeting had been held with the A & M Development Company which is interested in purchasing City owned land along Maple Avenue and that the many problems involved were thoroughly discussed.

2. Councilman Roth moved that the Mayor and Council recommend the denial of Zoning Amendment Petition No. C-531, Nathan Brisker, Contract purchaser, 52,298 sq. ft. (1.2006 acres) southwest corner, Grant Avenue and Maple Avenue, R-60 to R-10 Zone, for the following reasons:

- (a) to grant the R-10 Zone would introduce the first R-10 Zoning on Grant Avenue which would lead to further petitions and further problems.

- (b) there is a question as to the ultimate route of State Highway No. 410 and that each of the gentlemen in opposition pointed out a recent rumor that the Grant Avenue area may be under consideration
- (c) in view of the lack of knowledge of the planned use of this area under a master zoning plan it was felt that the status-quo should be maintained.

Councilman Collison seconded the motion which was duly carried. Mayor Miller instructed the City Clerk & Treasurer to check into the matter of the rumor that State Highway 410 may be routed through the Grant Avenue area.

3. Councilman Roth asked Mr. Herbert D. Smith, applicant for resubdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block 17, B. F. Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park located at the corner of Pine and Montgomery Avenues, the purpose for the resubdivision. Mr. Smith stated that he only wanted to relocate the property lines so that a house may be erected to front Pine Avenue. Councilman Roth then moved that the Mayor and Council approve the plan for resubdivision. Councilman Collison seconded the motion which was duly carried.

4. Councilman Roth requested that Z.A.P. No. A-3815 be deleted from the Agenda because same has been approved by the Prince Georges County Commissioners for the C-2 Zone.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:**

1. Councilman Collison reported that the Contractor had begun work on the Maple Avenue Improvement Project.

2. Councilman Collison reported that work was not ready to begin as yet on the 90 degree curbing at the corner of Jefferson and Carroll Avenues. He also reported that when work begins on the 90 degree curbing No. 7 under Matters Pending regarding the request that the shoulder of Jefferson Avenue be paved for passing width in connection with correcting the bad intersection with Carroll Avenue, will also be considered.

3. Councilman Collison reported that a meeting was held with the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association to inform the people of the area of what the Public Works Department proposes to do in connection with correcting the storm drainage problem on Erskine Street, and that the people approved. Councilman Collison then moved that the Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to advertise for bids to be opened at 4:00 P.M., February 7, 1961, for a storm drainage project estimated at \$6,000.00. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried.

4. Councilman Collison, upon the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, Earl K. Rhodes, moved the permanent appointment of Mr. Carl G. Fiske as Auto Maintenance Supervisor, effective January 25, 1961 as he will have completed his six month probationary period. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried with Councilman Turner voting Nay.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

1. Councilman Forshee stated that Al's Tree Service had already been paid \$850.00 by the City for the removal of the Margaret Murray houses on Jefferson Avenue in Takoma Park, therefore, he could see no way to reduce the \$850.00 assessment against her property as Mrs. Murray and her lawyers had requested at the last Council meeting.

2. Councilman Forshee reported that the City would have to purchase Certificates of Indebtedness for operational purposes during the months of March, April, and May 1961, until State and County shared revenues are received as a result of pre-payment in cash in October, 1960, to the State Roads Commission of the sum of \$63,856.44 for the Maple Avenue Improvement Project and as a result of the cash purchase of two new fire trucks totaling nearly \$50,000. Therefore, Councilman Forshee moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

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

SECTION 1 THAT by virtue of the authority vested in the City Council of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland under Section 1426 (h) of the City Charter, printed in 1953, also known as Section 48.8 (h) of the Montgomery County Code (1955) and Section 1426 (h) of the Prince Georges County Code (1953), the said Council hereby directs that the City of Takoma Park shall borrow, under the authority so vested, the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of replenishing the General Fund for monies expended on Capital Outlay until such time as other revenues due the City are fully collected, AND

SECTION 2 THAT a "NOTICE TO BIDDERS" be inserted in the Maryland News in each of two successive weeks, February 3rd, 1961 and February 10th, 1961, reading as follows: "In compliance with the provisions for the City Charter and in accordance with Ordinance duly adopted by the Mayor and City Council on January 23 1961, the City of Takoma Park, Maryland will issue TWO Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) each, dated March 1, 1961, one of which to be paid on August 1st, 1961 and the other to be paid on or before March 1st, 1962, for the purpose of replenishing the General Fund of the City for monies expended on Capital Outlay until such time as other revenues due the City are fully collected. Sealed bids in writing for these Certificates of Indebtedness indicating the rate of interest to be charged will be received in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer, #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland until 4:00 P.M., February 13th, 1961."

SECTION 3 THEREFORE THAT the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer are authorized and directed to execute TWO Certificates of Indebtedness to bear date March 1st, 1961, each in the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) one of which to be payable on August 1st, 1961 and the other to be payable on or before March 1st, 1962, with interest in the following form:

United States of America

State of Maryland

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK  
CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS  
Issue of 1961

No. 1 of 1961 (No. 2 of 1961) Takoma Park, Maryland  
\$50,000.00 (\$50,000.00 )

The City of Takoma Park, a Body Politic and Corporate, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, does hereby certify that it is indebted to the bearer hereof, or if registered otherwise than to bearer, then to the registered holder hereof, in the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00), which said sum it promises to pay to the bearer, or to the registered holder, as the case may be on August 1st, 1961 (one or before March 1st, 1962) together with interest thereon, from the date hereof at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per centum per annum, payable at maturity.

Both the principal and the interest of this Certificate of Indebtedness are payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the Citizens Bank of Takoma Park, Maryland, Carroll and Laurel Avenues, Takoma Park, Maryland.

This Certificate of Indebtedness is issued pursuant to the authority granted by the General Assembly of Maryland.

Said Certificate of Indebtedness is also issued in accordance with Ordinance No. 1635 duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park on the 23rd Day of January 1961.

This Certificate of Indebtedness is exempt from all state, county and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland and the full faith and credit of the Mayor and Council and of the City of Takoma Park is hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the same and of the interest to accrue hereon.

This Certificate of Indebtedness may be registered both as to principal and interest in the owner's name on the Registration Books kept at the Office of the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park at #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

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 laws 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 law.

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, this first day of March, A. D. 1961.

The City of Takoma Park

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTESTED:  
  
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Clerk-Treasurer

Councilman Collison seconded the Ordinance which was adopted with a Roll Call vote recorded as follows: Ayes: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell, and Turner. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Municipal Fire Chief La Scola reported that the new Fire Department Pumpers had passed the Fire Underwriter's Test. Chief La Scola also reported that the Takoma Park Fire Department had won Honorable Mention in the Fire Prevention Contest.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

*Haynes M. Paulsen*  
Clerk-Treasurer

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