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EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
April 10, 1961

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

At this time, Mayor Miller introduced Mr. Henry Nelson of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital and Mr. Warren F. Jenkins, Fire Brigade Chief at the Hospital. Mayor Miller extended the City's appreciation to the Washington Sanitarium for their fine cooperation in the Fire Prevention Program of the Takoma Park Fire Department. Mayor Miller presented Mr. Nelson and Mr. Jenkins each a certificate in recognition for outstanding achievement in preventing fires and saving lives. Mayor Miller stated that he thinks it is a wonderful thing when you can go to a hospital to have your life saved through medicine and medical care and to know as well that the hospital staff is trained to save your life in the event of a fire or an emergency. The Fire Department photographer took pictures of Mr. Nelson, Mr. Jenkins, Mayor Miller, Councilman Sidell, and Chief LaScola.

Fire Chief LaScola stated that the hospital staff is doing a very fine job and is cooperating with the Fire Department in every way. Chief LaScola stated that the hospital is allowing its staff to take these training courses during working hours so that everyone will be able to attend. Chief LaScola stated that Thursday, April 6th, the Fire Department got a call stating that there was a fire on the fifth floor, which is the maternity ward. Chief LaScola stated that Capt. DeKalb and himself were on the first piece of apparatus and estimated it to be a matter of only four or five minutes before they arrived on the fifth floor of the hospital; and much to his amazement, the hospital staff had evacuated the babies, oxygen and mothers. Chief LaScola thanked Mr. Nelson and Mr. Jenkins for a job well done.

Mr. Nelson thanked the Mayor and Council for taking their time to present these certificates of achievement and stated that they are now determined to do a better job than ever.

Mayor Miller called for any additions or corrections to the Minutes. There being none, Councilman Sidell moved that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. Councilman Forshee seconded the motion which was duly carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Mr. Robert Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue, City, Stating that the City Lujan, Argentina had been suggested to him as a City of comparable size to Takoma Park for possible "Sister City Affiliation." Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee. Mayor Miller requested Clerk & Treasurer, Mr. Pridgen to check this with the American Municipal Association.
2. Mr. H. L. Thornton, Owner 6901-39 Laurel Avenue, City, Request that taxi stand not be relocated in front of Laurel Avenue stores. Also Petition attached signed by store owners or operators. Referred to the Public Safety Committee and the Public Welfare Committee.
3. Mr. and Mrs. Norman W. Engelman, owners 8201 Houston Court and Mr. and Mrs. William E. Basher, owners 8202, Houston Court, Concerning problems in parking on Houston Court. Referred to the Public Safety and Public Welfare Committees.
4. Mr. Robert D. Stevens, 7315 Cedar Avenue, City, Concerning the problem of pedestrian traffic across Route #410 at Maple and Cedar Avenue. Referred to the Public Safety Committee.
5. Copy of letter to Chief LaScola from David B. Gratz, Fire Chief, Silver Spring Volunteer Fire Department, Appreciation for cooperation on second alarm fire March 22nd. Referred to the Public Safety Committee with a copy to Chief LaScola's personnel file.

6. Captain Baron E. DeKalb, Chairman, Fire Prevention Committee, Takoma Park Fire Department, Announcement of beauty contest "Miss Fire Prevention of 1961" and inviting Mayor and City Council to attend judging on May 17th, 24th, and June 7th. Mayor Miller advised that he will accept the invitation.

7. Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, progress report on multi-purpose court for Long Branch Park. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.

8. Mrs. E. A. Robertson, Publicity Chairman, Takoma Park Art Association, Announcement of Outdoor Art Fair at Takoma Park Library, 1 to 6 p.m., May 21. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.

BANK STATEMENT:

Citizens Bank - General Fund:

2/28/61 Balance 23,000.53
 March Receipts 1,755.62
 3/31/61 Balance 24,756.15

Special Improvement Account:

2/28/61 Balance 12,616.12
 March Receipts 2,387.58
 3/31/61 Balance 15,003.70

Suburban Trust Company:

2/28/61 Balance 1,891.91
 March Receipts 109,251.66
 111,143.57
 March Disbursements 69,534.92
 3/31/61 Balance 50,608.65

Mayor Miller welcomed all those present, and reminded everyone that the Takoma Park Boys' Club will soon begin its door to door fund raising campaign. The club aids in character building and physical fitness training of our boys. Mayor Miller stated that the Club has been five time champion in the Little League. He further stated that Steve Barber of the Baltimore Orioles was a one time member of the Club and played for the Club's Tigers. Mayor Miller, therefore, urged that everyone who is able to participate and cooperate with this fund raising drive do so.

Mayor Miller read a proclamation proclaiming the 24th Day of April as Boys' Club Day in the City of Takoma Park.

Mayor Miller reported that House Bill No. 470 had passed the General Assembly which grants the City of Takoma Park legislative authority to undertake an Urban Renewal Project if ever deemed necessary. The Bill was passed with one or two minor amendments. The section pertaining to Public Utilities was left out pending private agreement between the City and any Utilities or court action. Mayor Miller further reported that House Bill No. 743 was passed which gives the Mayor and City Council veto power over any new liquor license in the Prince Georges County section of the City. Mayor Miller stated that everyone in the course of their life time should visit the General Assembly in session as it is very interesting, especially because it deals with the problems of our own community.

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

1. Mr. William H. Shewell, Architect representing the John Nevins Andrews School, and in the name of the school offered the City the sum of \$300.00 for that portion of Cockerille Avenue abandoned that had reverted to the City, as that portion of abandoned Cockerille Avenue near the school and Spring Park affect the planning of future playground areas of the school.

2. Mrs. Mary Peterson, 9 Pine Avenue, City, stated that the light at the intersection of

Philadelphia and Maple Avenues is very dangerous to pedestrians and that it is very difficult to get across the street. She further stated that it certainly should be looked into.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth commended Mayor Miller and many others upon the passage of House Bill No. 743 granting the Mayor and City Council of Takoma Park veto power over any new liquor licenses in the Prince Georges County section of the City.
2. Councilman Roth stated that he did not know all the details about Mr. Shewell's proposal but that at one time the Council had agreed to sell to the school the other part of that property the City owns and abandon Cockerille Avenue and attach the rest to Spring Park. Therefore, Councilman Roth moved that the Council accept the offer of \$300.00 by John Nevins Andrews School to purchase the property desired and authorized Mr. Gingerich to proceed with the necessary documents. Councilman Sidell seconded the motion which upon being put to question was duly carried.
3. Councilman Roth stated that the people from his section of the City are pleased with the fact that the Park and Planning Commission is going to build a multi-purpose court in Long Branch Park.
4. Councilman Roth stated that at the last meeting of the Prince Georges County Municipal Association, the State Highway Engineer spoke to the group. The Engineer had stated that no definite decision had been reached as to the ultimate Route of State Highway Route 240 but that a decision should be reached within the next two to four months. Councilman Roth further reported that the engineer had stated that the road would most likely run west of Georgia Avenue and would not be contiguous to City Boundaries. Councilman Roth stated that this is off-the-cuff information.
5. Councilman Roth reported that the City had received a bid from A & M Development Company to purchase City owned land between Cumberland and Maple Avenues north of Lincoln Avenue. Councilman Roth stated that the Committee has it under consideration.
6. Councilman Roth read a Resolution from the Montgomery County Council stating that Montgomery County would go on Daylight Savings Time as of the last Sunday in April which is April 30th at 2:00 A.M. and shall remain in effect until 2:00 A.M. on the last Sunday of October, 1961 which is October 29th; and that all courts, public offices, and legal and official proceedings in the County shall be regulated by said Eastern Daylight Saving Time and all times shown by the public clocks shall agree therewith.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. In Councilman Collison's absence, Councilman McKenzie reported that the curbs and gutters are about 80% completed in the Maple Avenue Improvement Project.
2. Councilman McKenzie reported that in connection with the storm drainage project on Erskine Street, the pipes have been laid and that construction has begun on the catch basins.
3. Councilman McKenzie reported that Giant Food Properties had written a letter stating that they were willing to share the cost of paving that unimproved portion of Kirklynn Avenue east of Hammond Avenue, but that Gorin Brothers are not willing to do the same. Therefore, Councilman McKenzie set the date of April 24th as the day of Public Hearing on the matter. Therefore, Councilman McKenzie moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1646

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

Section 1. THAT in accordance with provisions of Section 1429 of the City Charter, the Mayor and City Council have under consideration the improvement of a portion of Kirklynn Avenue, such improvement to consist of the necessary grading, storm drainage, concrete curbs and permanent pavement consisting of a four inch bituminous base course and a two inch bituminous top course, AND,

Section 2. THAT the cost of the improvement is estimated to be approximately a total of FIVE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$5,100.00) such cost to be fully assessable against the abutting real property being specially benefited thereby, described as Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Lot 1, Block 9, and Parcel "A", New Hampshire Gardens Subdivision.

Section 3. THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council at a Special Meeting on April 24th, 1961, convening at 7:30 P.M. at #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, will hear all property owners to be assessed, desiring to be heard in reference to the improvement herein proposed.

Councilman Forshee seconded the motion. The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Ayes: Councilman Forshee, Jones, Roth, Sidell and Turner, McKenzie Councilman Collison, excused.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported that Item 2, a, b, and c on the Agenda pertaining to rats in several areas had been checked into by Mr. Williams the Building Inspector but that there is little the City can do but order the involved property owners to clean up the area. Councilman Roth suggested that the County Board of Health be consulted as he is under the impression that the County has a type of rat poison that will not harm cats, dogs, etc., and that Mr. Williams will follow through with the investigation.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee stated that there would be a meeting of the entire Council as the Finance Committee on Wednesday evening, April 12th, at 7:00 p.m. at #8 Columbia Avenue in order to go over the proposed Budget.

2. Councilman Forshee reported that for the past several years the special fire tax area has had a rate of twelve cents (12¢), and moved that the twelve cent rate be applied this year for Budget purposes. Councilman Roth seconded the motion which was duly carried.

3. Councilman Forshee reported that Lot 6, Block 60 of B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, which is located on Ritchie Avenue and abutts the Public Works lot should be purchased for a second entrance to the Public Works Buildings. Councilman Forshee stated that Mr. Hardisty present owner of the property, is not anxious to sell the land, but suggested that the City make him an offer. Councilman Forshee stated that the property was appraised and moved that the City offer Mr. Hardisty the sum of \$3,500.00 for this lot containing approximately 23,000 sq. ft. at about fifteen cents a square foot, and that Corporation Counsel Gingerich and Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen be authorized to follow through with the necessary arrangements. Councilman McKenzie seconded the motion which was duly carried.

4. Councilman Forshee requested that Item 2 on the Agenda concerning acceleration of the

purchase of City vehicles to stimulate national economy be deleted as no further vehicles are contemplated for this fiscal year.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Jones reported that about one hundred pages of the Codification have been typed thus far and about forty pages remain. Councilman Jones stated that the Clerk & Treasurer, Mr. Pridgen stated that the typist is doing a very fine job.

At this time, Mayor Miller excused Councilman Jones from the Council Table in order that he might be home in time to receive a long distance call from his wife who is presently in Michigan; and while in Michigan, Mrs. Jones had fallen and injured herself.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Turner announced that the Governor's Conference on Parks and Recreation would be held on April 21st and 22nd in Annapolis and that he will try to attend.

2. Councilman Turner reported that the condition of the boulevard on the south side of Winchester Avenue will be brought up in the next committee meeting as Major Foster, Chief of Police, had a survey made of the area.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Upon the recommendation of the City Fire Board, Councilman Sidell moved that Acting Fire Chief Stephen J. LaScola be appointed to the permanent position of Municipal Fire Chief to be effective April 16th, 1961. Councilman Forshee seconded the motion which was unanimously carried. Chief LaScola thanked the Mayor and Council and stated that he would continue to try his best.

2. Councilman Sidell stated that a letter had been received from Mr. Bielein of the Maryland Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau stating that the improvements made by the Fire Department had been reviewed but that sufficient progress had not been made as yet to give the Department a "B" rating. The particular items remaining are an increase in the number of paid men and a second fire house. Councilman Turner questioned the rating given our Fire Department by the Bureau stating that it appears that our Fire Department is not up to par which he thinks is not the case at all. Fire Chief LaScola explained that this rating has nothing to do with it; that the Takoma Park Fire Department is one of the best in the state.

3. Councilman Sidell reported that on April 27th at 8:00 p.m. the Fire Department will sponsor a lecture on the "Magic of Fire" by Mr. Harold Hock of the Bureau of Mines. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting which is to be held at Columbia Hall at the Washington Missionary College.

4. Councilman Sidell stated that he wished to make a correction to the Minutes of June 13th, 1960. Councilman Sidell moved that Page 8, Item 6 which reads in part, "that Fire Chief LaScola will attend the Annual Fire Chiefs' Convention. . . ." This section should read as follows: "that Fire Chief LaScola will attend the Annual Convention of the Maryland State Volunteer Firemen's Association." Councilman Forshee seconded the motion which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

5. Councilman Sidell requested that Item 6 of the Agenda be deleted since the State Roads Commission, the County Commissioners and the County Board of Education of Prince Georges County had acknowledged the City's letters concerning blinker lights on New Hampshire Ave.

Councilman Turner requested that the Clerk-Treasurer, Mr. Pridgen, write a letter to the Lions Club in connection with the Takoma Park Boys' Club. Councilman Turner stated that the Club had included an amount in their budget to be given to the Boys' Club but that since he had stated that the Boys' Club was no longer in existence the Lions Club had dropped the item from their budget. Councilman Turner stated that the letter should explain the situation so that the budget could be adjusted accordingly.

Mayor Miller reported that Laurel, Maryland had wished to remain out of the jurisdiction of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Mayor Miller stated that we also had hoped to be eliminated from their jurisdiction, however, this Bill did not go through. A letter has been received from Hon. Hervey Machen stating that perhaps sometime later on in April his delegation and the Park and Planning Commission could get together with the City Officials to see what the delay is in obtaining a "Master Plan" for the City of Takoma Park.

Chief LaScola again thanked the Mayor and City Council for appointing him to the permanent position of Municipal Fire Chief, and stated that if he is unable to do the job, he will be the first one to admit it.

Police Chief Foster reported that the "Rookie" training school is over the half-way mark, and thanked Mayor Miller for arranging for a judo instructor.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

George M Miller
MAYOR

Harvey M Pridgen
CLERK & TREASURER

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GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS
March, 1961

	Cash Balance Beginning of Period	Cash Balance End of Period
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F	23,000.53	24,756.15
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/R	3,973.58	1,227.98
Suburban Trust Company	1,891.91	50,608.65
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00
	<u>29,016.02</u>	<u>76,742.78</u>

REVENUES:		Total Bud- geted Rev. 3/31/61	Budget Bal. as of 3/31/61	Adopted Budget 1960-61	Per- centage to Budget
1.0 Taxes Local	8465.47	398089.59	14520.05	412609.64	96.4
1.5 Taxes State Shared	15.00	32061.65	78288.35	110350.00	29.0
2.0 Licenses & Permits	484.34	18139.95	6535.05	24675.00	73.4
3.0 Fines & Forfeitures	68.00	526.20	1273.80	1800.00	29.2
4.0 Use of Money & Property	45.00	2467.54	972.46	3440.00	71.7
5.0 Rev. from Other Agencies	-	-	36938.98	36938.98	-
6.0 Serv. Chgs. for Current Serv.	577.00	11144.35	579.65	11724.00	95.0
	<u>9654.81</u>	<u>462429.28</u>	<u>139108.34</u>	<u>601537.62</u>	<u>76.8</u>
Non-Budgeted Receipts	101347.17				
	<u>111001.98</u>				
Adjustments	5.30	111007.28			
		<u>140023.30</u>			

DISBURSED & ACCRUED:		Expended	Balance	Budget	Per Cent
10.1 Government Administration	3558.08	29980.45	14087.55 A	36568.00	68.0
10.8 Government Buildings	1621.15	18298.59	4561.41 B	22270.00	80.0
11.1 Police Department	10560.19	90258.11	32432.69 C	120269.60	73.6
11.2 Fire Department	9328.21	122454.54	18543.46 D	85245.50	86.8
11.3 Protective Inspection	783.38	5713.67	3227.33 E	8941.00	63.8
11.9 Other Protection	-	-	100.00 F	100.00	-
12.1 P/W Office	1072.21	9987.82	3973.18 G	13961.00	71.5
12.2 P/W Highways	6543.55	61752.93	8761.77 H	70364.70	87.5
12.9 P/W Repair Shop	3184.35	31493.31	(2373.31 I)	29120.00	108.1
13.0 P/W Sanitation	5816.54	58061.15	13341.35 J	62530.50	81.3
19.0 Recreation Division	244.49	35315.21	13606.20 K	46686.41	72.1
22.0 Miscellaneous	1376.84	23690.21	12704.79 L	36395.00	65.1
Council Appropriations	125.14	125.14	8807.01 M	8932.15	14.0
22.1 Capital Budget	10400.32	98227.62	(80078.74 N)	-	541.45
Legal Reserve	-	-	4219.18 O	60153.76	92.9
	<u>54614.45</u>	<u>585358.75</u>	<u>55913.87</u>	<u>601537.62</u>	
Non-Budgeted Accounts	9730.65				
	<u>64345.10</u>			Reserve Surplus 39735.00	
Adjustments	1064.58	63280.52		<u>641272.62</u>	83.9
		<u>76742.78</u>			

	Reserve Surplus	Reserve Fund
(A)	-	7500.00
(B)	-	590.00
(C)	-	2421.20
(D)	37500.00	18252.50
(H)	-	150.00
(J)	-	8872.00
(K)	2235.00	-
(N)	-	18148.88
	<u>39735.00</u>	<u>55934.58</u>

GENERAL FUND
Balance Sheet Accounts Comparison
February & March, 1961

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>2/28/61</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>3/31/61</u>	<u>Changes</u>
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-G/F	23000.53	24756.15	1755.62
Citizens Bank of Takoma Park-P/R	3973.58	1227.98	-2745.60
Suburban Trust Company	1891.91	50608.65	48716.74
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00	-
Taxes - Receivable Delinquent	846.16	690.88	-155.28
Taxes Receivable - 1960 Levy	21224.65	13385.33	-7839.32
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	3.25	-	-3.25
Towing Account	221.00	243.50	22.50
Uniform Account	1255.24	1527.46	272.22
Protective Apparel	67.15	21.24	-45.91
Maple Avenue Improvement	77855.76	77855.76	-
Hillwood Manor Storm Drainage	7463.75	7463.75	-
Hayward, Cherry & Colby Avenues	271.48	271.48	-
Cumberland Avenue	24.40	24.40	-
North Takoma Storm Drainage	-	155.60	155.60
Ritchie Ave. P/W Egress	-	50.00	50.00
Municipal Center	7289.22	23352.22	16063.00
Fire House Parking Lot	840.89	840.89	-
Commercial Trash Accounts Receivable	296.00	248.00	-48.00
Prepaid Insurance	4640.77	12985.08	8344.31
Claims	2693.95	2735.10	41.15
Uniform Stock	308.50	308.50	-
Capital Assets Control	177403.04	177403.04	-
Due from S/A Fund	7637.41	7637.41	-
Exchange Account	6.00	6.00	-
Contracts Receivable-Pending	2300.00	2300.00	-
Cooperative Purchasing	-	232.14	232.14
	<u>\$341,664.64</u>	<u>\$406,480.56</u>	<u>\$64,815.92</u>

LIABILITIES

Escrow Account	951.67	1951.67	1000.00
Federal, Maryland, D.C. Withholding Tax	3960.04	1204.06	-2755.98
Group Hospitalization	2.37	23.92	21.55
Certificate of Indebtedness	14000.00	114000.00	100000.00
Accrued Interest Payable	58.26	202.74	144.48
Accrued Payroll	3092.20	1306.20	-1786.00
Overpayment of Taxes	296.38	232.68	-63.70
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	-	6.21	6.21
Commercial Trash Billing	92.00	44.00	-48.00
Sale of City Property Pending	2300.00	2300.00	-
Accounts Payable	40644.46	51365.39	10720.93
	<u>\$ 65,397.38</u>	<u>\$172,636.87</u>	<u>\$107,239.49</u>
Unappropriated Surplus	18390.70	19502.07	1111.37
Appropriated Net Asset Value	(25844.96)	(79263.82)	-53418.86
Reserve Fund Balance	4219.18	4219.18	-
General Fixed Assets Fund	277237.34	287121.26	9883.92
Reserved Surplus	2265.00	2265.00	-
	<u>\$341,664.64</u>	<u>\$406,480.56</u>	<u>\$64,815.92</u>

Special Improvement Account:	
2/28/61 Balance	12616.12
March Receipts	2387.58
3/31/61	<u>15003.70</u>

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
April 24, 1961

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

The invocation was rendered by Mr. J. Ernest Edwards of 217 Manor Circle South.

Mayor Miller called for any additions or corrections to the Minutes of April 10th. There being none, and upon motion made and seconded, the Minutes were accepted as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

1. Dr. Charles B. Hirsch, President, Washington Missionary College, Expression of appreciation for Mayor and City Council's support of House Bill 743. Referred to Council Files and Civic Improvements Committee.
2. Dr. W. H. Beavan, Academic Dean, Washington Missionary College, Expression of appreciation for Mayor and City Council's support of House Bill 743. Referred to Council Files.
3. Donald E. Deyo, Dean, Montgomery Junior College, request for information of disposition of the Resolution concerning parking in College area. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
4. Mr. Lewis D. Brown, #25 Darwin Avenue, City, Request that request be made to W.S.S.C. to repair curb in front of his property. Referred to the Public Works Committee.
5. Mr. Darl R. McBride, Recording Secretary, City Fire Board, Recommendation that a new competitive examination be given in filling Sergeant's vacancy. Referred to the Public Safety Committee.
6. H. S. Nelson, Administrator, Washington Sanitarium & Hospital, Expression of appreciation to Fire Department for assistance rendered during water shortage of April 17th. Referred to Fire Department File.
7. Governor J. Millard Tawes, State of Maryland, (Honorary Chief, T.P.V.F.D.), Congratulating Fire Department upon outstanding accomplishments and activities as reported in Annual Report. Referred to the Fire Department Files.

Mayor Miller welcomed all those present, and stated that this is the time of year when many people start working in their yards and flower gardens. In keeping with this, Mayor Miller read a Proclamation proclaiming and endorsing a clean-up, paint-up, fix-up campaign within the City. The slogan for the campaign being "Brighten the Corner---Where you Are!" Mayor Miller announced that there will be special trash pick up from the curb on May 10th, 17th, and 24th, and that no phone call will be necessary during this period. Mayor Miller stated that the special trash pick up costs the taxpayers approximately \$11,000.00 or \$12,000.00 but it is well worth it if everyone participates in the campaign.

Mayor Miller stated that the Washington Missionary College was founded in 1904 originally to train missionaries and bible workers, but since that time it has become a full accredited liberal arts college with emphasis on Christian education. The college is supported by the constituency of seven contiguous states and the District of Columbia known as the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Mayor Miller announced that the

name of the Washington Missionary College has been changed to Columbia Union College effective April 7th, 1961.

Mayor Miller reported as of 7:30 this evening, 90 pints of blood had been collected by the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Takoma Park and that there had been 11 rejects. Mayor Miller stated that we had hoped to get much more but that this is a big help in saving lives.

Mayor Miller recognized those persons desirous of expressing their views:

1. Mr. J. Ernest Edwards, 217 Manor Circle South, City, spoke in opposition to the proposed change in zoning from R-20 to R-10 on Manor Circle which would permit a 42 family apartment house. Mr. Edwards stated that the present parking situation is quite bad and that approximately 42 additional cars would only intensify the situation. Mr. Edwards stated that he had been telephoning his neighbors around the south side of the Circle and that he was representing five of them. Mr. Edwards stated that perhaps the lot could be purchased for use as a public park as this is the second highest point in Takoma Park and could be a place of scenic beauty. He further pointed out that an apartment building would increase the child population by at least one per unit without adequate recreational area in the vicinity.
2. Mr. Cotton also spoke in opposition to the proposed change in zoning from R-20 to R-10 on South Manor Circle stating that living on Manor Circle has been very disappointing in that parking space is so inadequate and he also agreed in that the lot in question should be made into a public park.
3. Mr. Lester Ahlswede, 1302 Erskine Street, City, stated that at one time the Cohen Tract had been up for re-zoning from R-55 to C-1 and R-18 and that it is now up for a change from R-55 to C-1 for the entire tract of ten acres. Mr. Ahlswede stated that he is not in favor of this change and neither is the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association or the Carole Highlands Citizen's Association. Mr. Ahlswede stated that it seems that Council action alone is no longer an answer to the problem of re-zoning within the City. In order for the City to maintain a "buffer" type zoning plan, it would seem that the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission would have to initiate some type of plan. Mr. Ahlswede also mentioned that the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association is under the impression that the Park and Planning Commission has plans to make part of the Powell Farm into a recreation area. The Powell Farm adjoins the City Boundary in the Prince Georges County Section of the City but is not actually in the City limits. However, the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association and the Carole Highlands Citizen's Association are circulating petitions to send to the Park and Planning Commission urging the initiation of such a recreation area on this property. Mr. Ahlswede asked that the Mayor and City Council also lend their support. Mr. Ahlswede stated that the people in his section are quite pleased with the Erskine Street Storm Drainage and thanked the Mayor and Council.
4. Mrs. Evelyn J. Ferry, 24 Hickory Avenue, City, thanked the Mayor and City Council for the new lights proposed along Poplar, Montgomery, Elm and Hickory and Pine Avenues. Mrs. Ferry asked why Mr. Jarboe can park his four big trucks along Columbia Avenue, and stated that she has received several complaints about the situation. Councilman Sidell reported that the property behind the Safeway is zoned commercial and that there isn't a great deal that can be done but that Mr. Jarboe had been warned about parking next to residential property. He also asked Chief Foster to check into the situation. Mrs. Ferry also stated that the B. F. Gilbert Citizen's Association would like to hold a contest for the best lawns in the City. Mayor Miller asked the Parks and Recreation Committee Chairman, Councilman Turner, to work with them if such a project is undertaken. Mrs. Ferry also mentioned that many of the children in her neighborhood have been playing ball in the streets when Spring Park is only a short distance away. She stated that this is unsafe and should be looked into.

5. An unidentified lady stated that Mayor Miller gave an informal talk at the B. F. Gilbert Citizen's Association meeting. She further stated that she is now more aware of the things Takoma Park has done and is still doing and that Mayor Miller pointed out that much more can still be done.

5. Mr. Ellery Denison, 7207 13th Place, City, questioned Councilman Sidell about the parking of a commercial vehicle along side of residential property stating that a paint truck was parked in a residential zone near his home. Councilman Sidell stated that there isn't anything that can be done in the case of a commercial vehicle parked on private property or in the driveway of private property only if it is parked on public property such as the street. Mr. Denison also stated that if the Takoma-Langley Taxi Stand is re-located in front of the Laurel Avenue Stores, it would drive them out of Takoma Park, and that he feels that this is not the desirable thing. Mr. Denison stated that he believes that some of the traffic hazard at Lincoln and Carroll Avenues is due to shrubbery. Mr. Denison stated that the traffic lights at Eastern, Carroll and Willow Avenues are timed slow and wondered if this light could be synchronized with the Carroll and Laurel Avenue light. Mayor Miller stated that these lights are most necessary and that the City shared the cost of them with the District but that the District has control of them. Mayor Miller requested Chief Foster to make a survey of the situation and submit a report to the District of Columbia.

6. Mr. Walter McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue, City, stated that he was moving to #1 Montgomery Avenue, Tuesday, April 25th. Mr. McClenon extended an invitation to the Mayor and Council and the general public to attend a meeting in the new building of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church stating that the City's Building Inspector, Mr. Harvey D. Williams will speak on the Health, Welfare and Needs of Takoma Park.

7. Mr. Stanley Norwood, owner of Norwood's Delicatessen, Maple Avenue, City, and Mr. K. Nelson, owner of J & K Valet, Maple Avenue, City were present. Mr. Norwood spoke on behalf of the store owners in the area stating that parking facilities were very bad due to the Maple Avenue Improvement Project and requested a meeting with the appropriate Council Committee. Mayor Miller referred the matter to the Public Works Committee. Councilman Collison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee, stated that he would be glad to meet with them but that there is little that can be done if anything, and that nothing can be done at this time due to the fact that this is a State Roads Commission contract. The State Roads Commission and the Federal authorities have to approve the street before it is turned over to the City's jurisdiction again.

8. Mr. Daniel Cotton, 215 Manor Circle, City, wondered if R-20 Zoning would not be sufficient to make an apartment project a profitable venture without changing the zoning to R-10 on South Manor Circle. Mr. Cotton stated that if the zoning change goes through, the rear of the apartment building would front six or seven homes and these homes would have approximately 42 cars as a front lawn. He also stated that it is his understanding that Ethan Allen Avenue may be widened at some future date which would also take ground from these homes. Mayor Miller stated that the City is not in the position to give an expert opinion on whether the venture could be a profitable one under the R-20 zone.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Forshee moved the approval of the expenditures for the month of March in the amount of \$60,534.92 stating that they are a little higher than the average month due to the payment of a \$10,000 insurance bill and a payment on the Ackerman property. Councilman Jones seconded the motion which was duly carried.

2. Upon the recommendation of Clerk & Treasurer, Mr. Pridgen, Councilman Forshee moved

that Mrs. Peggy Darling be appointed to the permanent position of Secretary in the City Office effective April 10th. Councilman Turner seconded the motion, which upon being put to question was duly carried.

3. Councilman Forshee reminded everyone of the Budget Hearing scheduled for Monday evening May 1st, 1961, at the Municipal Gymnasium at 8:00 P.M. and invited the public to attend.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Jones stated that he had no Committee report at this time.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman McKenzie reported that the complaints of rats in certain areas of the City have been taken care of as best the City can by requiring the property owners to clean up and also reported that the Fire Inspector will try to see that the areas are kept free from rubbish and debris.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Sidell moved that the Minutes of March 27th, page 5, item 5 be corrected from "This amount to be transferred into 11.212 D-1 (Gasoline)," to read "This amount to be transferred into 11.212 E-1 (Fire Fighting Supplies)!" Councilman Roth seconded the motion; which upon being put to question, was duly carried.

2. Upon the request of Mr. L. A. Anderson, Councilman Sidell moved that a "No Dumping" sign be placed; one on Merwood Drive where it adjoins Long Branch Park and Merwood Drive and Jackson Avenue. Councilman Turner seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Mayor Miller stated that a letter should be written to the State Roads Commission in connection with the left turn lane at the intersection of Ethan Allen Avenue and New Hampshire Avenue. Mayor Miller further stated that many times people who intend to go straight pull into this lane and hold up the traffic because the light for this left lane turns green before the one that goes straight across New Hampshire Avenue. Mayor Miller stated that the lane should be so marked as to indicate Left Turn Only. Mr. Pridgen, Clerk and Treasurer was instructed to communicate with the State Roads Commission concerning the problem.

3. Councilman Sidell moved that the Takoma-Langley Taxicab Association be directed to remove the radio-dispatchers booth or building within thirty days after the transfer of the radio operation to the new quarters in the Takoma Ford building, however, that permission be presently granted for the canopy, bench and telephone booth to remain providing, of course, that the maintenance of the canopy and area surrounding be continued by the Association. The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and upon the question was duly carried.

4. Councilman Sidell set the date of May 3rd, Wednesday evening at 8:00 at #8 Columbia Avenue as the day and place for the Committee to meet regarding the parking facilities at Montgomery Junior College and Resolution 698-60.

5. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1647

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

- SECTION 1. THAT parking at all times be prohibited on the north side of Winchester Avenue from the intersection of Manor Circle easterly to the west side of the private parking spaces.
- SECTION 2. AND THAT the Public Works Department is hereby authorized to proceed with the erection of necessary signs.
- SECTION 3. AND FURTHER THAT the penalties for the violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by other Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

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

6. Councilman Sidell reported that there is little the City can do in connection with the intersection of Carroll Avenue and Lincoln Avenue. He further reported that the State Roads Commission has erected signs on Carroll Avenue indicating the intersection.

7. Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Foster, Councilman Sidell moved that Pvt. Rolland Edwards be permanently appointed as a Police Officer to be effective April 16th as he has satisfactorily completed his six month probationary period.

8. Councilman Sidell reported that the 1956 motorcycle is presently out of service and would require repair work in the amount of \$589.16. Councilman Sidell further reported that the cost of a new motorcycle would be \$1,616.90, but would only cost the City \$1,266.90 the difference being \$350.00 trade in allowance on the 1956 motorcycle and the two C. D. machines. Councilman Sidell, therefore, moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1648

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

- SECTION 1. THAT it has been determined that Motorcycle #2, a 1956 Model Harley-Davidson, has served its usefulness and is beyond economical repair, AND,
- SECTION 2. THAT a quotation has been received from Harley-Davidson Sales and Service, Washington, D. C. to furnish a new 1961 Harley-Davidson Model 74 Chrome Police Group Motorcycle equipped with windshield and mirror in the sum of ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED, SIXTEEN DOLLARS & NINETY CENTS (\$1,616.90) less trade in allowance of THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$350.00) for three used motorcycles.
- SECTION 3. THEREFORE, the Chief of Police is hereby authorized to purchase the new motorcycle as outlined in Section 2 of this Ordinance, AND,
- SECTION 4. FURTHER THAT the City Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized upon delivery of said new motorcycle to transfer title to Harley-Davidson Sales & Service on three motorcycles as follows:

- (a) 1956 Harley-Davidson Serial No. 56FL-6731 Title G-463133
 - (b) 1952 Harley-Davidson Serial No. 52WLA-1135 Title H-304990
 - (c) 1952 Harley-Davidson Serial No. 52WLA-1006 Title H-304991
- The latter two of which being titled "City of Takoma Park - Civil Defense."

SECTION 5. AND THAT the net sum of ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED, SIXTY-NINE DOLLARS AND NINETY CENTS (\$1,269.90) be transferred from the Reserve Fund.

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

9. Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinance and announced that the Car Auction will be held on May 12th and that it is necessary to clear the lot in order for the Montgomery County Health Department to inoculate the dogs against rabies.

ORDINANCE NO. 1649

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

SECTION 1. THAT automobiles, bicycles and other articles of value, impounded by the Takoma Park Police Department, which have been in custody for the time required by Law and not redeemed be sold at Public Auction on May 12th, 1961, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., in accordance with the laws of the City of Takoma Park and the State of Maryland.

SECTION 2. AND THAT the City Clerk-Treasurer be hereby authorized to act as Auctioneer at said Public Auction and to handle the necessary details in preparation thereof.

Councilman Forshee seconded the motion; and 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.

10. Councilman Sidell invited everyone to attend a demonstration and lecture on the "Magic of Fire" to be given by Mr. Harold Hock of the Bureau of Mines at Columbia Hall at the Columbia Union College (Washington Missionary College) at 8:00 p.m., April 27th.

11. Councilman Sidell reported that the City has done all it can presently do about the Maryland Fire Underwriters Rating Bureau recommendations for improvement of fire defense in the City and requested that the item be removed from the Agenda.

12. Councilman Sidell also directed that the items regarding the relocation of the Taxi Stand and the request from Takoma Park Seventh-day Adventist Church in the same connection be deleted from the Agenda.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Turner reported that efforts are being made to ascertain the availability of the City of Lujan, Argentina in South America in connection with the Sister City Program.

2. Councilman Turner reported that the starting date for the construction of a multi-purpose court in Long Branch depends mostly on the weather.

3. Councilman Turner directed that item 3 under Parks and Recreation on the Agenda pertaining to the condition of the boulevard on the south side of Winchester Avenue be deleted as the Public Safety Committee has taken care of the situation.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Roth suggested that letters be sent to the District of Columbia Vocational High Schools to the Automotive Repair Classes in connection with the Car Auction the City intends to hold as these classes may be interested in purchasing cars for repair.

2. Councilman Roth stated that the City had received one bid to purchase a portion of City owned land between Maple and Cumberland Avenues, north of Lincoln Avenue, the bidder being A & M Development Company. Therefore, Councilman Roth moved the adoption of the following Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 1650

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

SECTION 1. THAT WHEREAS certain City-owned property described as "All that land lying within the City Limits of Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, bounded on the west by the new seventy-foot right of way of Maple Avenue; on the north by the proposed sixty-foot right of way of Lincoln Avenue and on the south and east by the median of the Cumberland Avenue right of way, containing forty thousand square feet, more or less" has been advertised for sale in accordance with the City Charter, AND,

SECTION 2. THAT an offer to purchase has been received from A & M Development Company, a partnership composed of A. T. Zuckerman and Max Sittenfeld, same offer having been supported by a good faith deposit of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00).

SECTION 3. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED THAT the offer to purchase be accepted with certain provisions:

(a) That the sale price be FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) against which the ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR (\$1,000.00) deposit shall apply, payment of FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000.00) balance to be made upon settlement and transfer by quit claim deed.

(b) That the exact area including that portion of Cumberland Avenue reverting to the City by abandonment, to be conveyed is to be determined by survey, the cost of which shall be borne by the City.

(c) That the City, at its expense, will take the necessary legal action to accomplish the abandonment of that portion of Cumberland Avenue between Lincoln Avenue and Maple Avenue.

(d) That the City will enclose Brashears Run in an approved type storm drainage system through the length of the property, approximately three hundred and thirty feet at an estimated cost of approximately FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) the entire cost of which shall be fully assessable against the subject property and owner.

- (e) That the assessment for the storm drainage project may be paid in installments including interest over a ten year period in twenty equal semi-annual installments, the first installment due thirty days after levy upon completion of project with interest at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum on unpaid balance.
- (f) That the City will initiate, at its expense, the necessary Petition for the R-10 Zone on all that portion of land being conveyed including the Cumberland Avenue abandonment.
- (g) That the City will support the Petition for the R-10 Zone to be filed by others on Parts of Lots 32, 33, 34, and 35 in Block 50, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision of Takoma Park, other than that land lying within one hundred fifty feet of Jefferson Avenue.
- (h) That the purchaser must dedicate a fifteen feet strip along the entire length of the property owned in Lot 32, Block 50, parallel to Lincoln Avenue as public right of way for future street widening purposes.
- (i) That the purchaser must grant an easement for the right of way along the storm drainage system of sufficient size for maintenance purposes, the exact width to be determined by engineering planning, providing, however, that the surface of such property within the easement area may be used for any purposes desired other than for the erection of buildings thereon.
- (j) That the purchaser must grant an easement for any existing sanitary sewer lines and/or water lines as may be required by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.
- (k) That any existing or new easements will not interfere with the reasonable use of the property for the construction of an apartment building.
- (l) That the property is to be conveyed free of encumbrances, title is to be good of record and in fact subject to covenants and restrictions of record, however, said covenants and restrictions shall not prevent the reasonable use of the property for apartment construction.
- (m) That purchaser is to pay for examination of title, costs of settlement and conveyancing, provided that if title should be found defective upon examination the City agrees to pay the cost of such examination.
- (n) That purchaser agrees to settle within thirty (30) days after having been notified that all conditions have been complied with.
- (o) That the property is to be conveyed as designated by the purchaser who shall have the right to select the attorney to make settlement.
- (p) That the City is not in legal position to guarantee that the proposed R-10 Zoning or the abandonment of Cumberland Avenue can be accomplished, therefore, stipulates exoneration of any liability for damages or losses suffered by the purchaser should such zoning or abandonment not be accomplished, however, does agree that the deposit sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) shall be refunded to the purchaser in the event of failure of either or both of the proposals herein cited.

SECTION 4. AND FURTHER THAT, the Mayor and the City Clerk- Treasurer through the office of the Corporation Counsel be hereby authorized to execute the documents as are necessary to accomplish this Ordinance with the exception of sub paragraphs (d) and (e) of Section 3 above which shall require further action and Ordinances.

Councilman Collison seconded the motion after considerable discussion on the subject. The Ordinance was then adopted by a roll call vote recorded as follows: Ayes: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, McKenzie, Roth, Sidell. Nays: Councilman Turner. Absent: None.

3. Councilman Roth reported that there is presently a re-zoning petition from R-55 to R-18 for lots 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18; Block 2 Pine Crest Subdivision which is located at the intersection of Westmoreland and 5th Avenues which is outside the City Limits by just about three blocks.

4. Councilman Roth directed that items 5 and 6 under Matters Pending of the Agenda regarding the re-location of the Takoma-Langley Taxi Stand at Laurel Avenue and the Takoma Park Seventh-day Adventist Church's request that the stand be moved from the area of the church be deleted as the Public Safety Committee has acted on the situation.

5. Councilman Roth stated that there are no recreational facilities in the Prince Georges' County Section of the City in the area of Hillwood Manor Apartments. Councilman Roth agreed with Mr. Ahlswede in that even though the Powell Farm is outside the City limits, any recreational facilities on that property would be of great advantage to our citizens as well. Therefore, Councilman Roth moved that the Mayor and Council lend support in the interest of our citizens to the Hillwood Manor Citizen's Association's petitions to be sent to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission urging that they go ahead and furnish recreational facilities on this land, which is one of their budget items. Councilman Jones seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Councilman Turner mentioned that there is a very big neon sign on the roof of the new apartment building being erected on Maple Avenue read "Sylvan." He wondered if there is any City Ordinance governing such signs as if this practice is permitted the street could become quite unsightly.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

1. Councilman Collison reported that it is possible that paving of Maple Avenue will begin sometime next week.

2. Councilman Collison reported that tops are being placed on the structures and all that remains to do in the Erskine Street Storm Drainage Project is to grade and landscape the area.

3. Councilman Collison reported that a Public Hearing was held on the proposed improvement of that unimproved portion of Kirklynn Avenue east of Hammond Avenue. Councilman Collison stated that the three property owners involved, namely, Giant Food Properties, Gorin Brothers, and Mr. and Mrs. Simms had agreed to accept the assessment for the improvement. Therefore, it appears as though the Council is justified in going ahead with the project. Councilman Collison requested authority to ask McNeill Surveys Inc. to prepare the necessary plans. Councilman Jones seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

4. Councilman Collison requested that Item 10 under Matters Pending on the Agenda be deleted as A & M Development Company has agreed to purchase the city-owned land between Cumberland and Maple Avenues north of Lincoln Avenue.

Mayor Miller requested Councilman Jones to check to find out if we have an Ordinance governing damage to trees and shrubbery which are public property.

Mayor Miller stated that Senator Northrop will be contacted concerning some problems in the City in which cooperation is required from other agencies.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

George M. Miller

MAYOR

Harmon L. Taylor

CLERK & TREASURER

PUBLIC HEARING
Proposed Improvement of Kirklynn Avenue
April 24, 1961

Mayor Miller called the Hearing to order at 7:30 P.M. Those present were: Councilman Collison, Forshee, Roth, and Turner, Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen, and Mr. and Mrs. Simms, property owners.

Mayor Miller stated that the Public Hearing was called to consider the improvement of that unimproved portion of Kirklynn Avenue and that all interested parties have been notified by registered mail of the Hearing. Mayor Miller turned the meeting over to Councilman Collison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee which has authority over such projects.

Councilman Collison stated that the Hearing was advertised and has been called in keeping with the law and the Charter of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, and further to hear any pros and cons regarding the improvement of Kirklynn Avenue.

Councilman Collison stated that we have a written agreement from Giant Food Properties and a verbal agreement from Gorin Brothers, two of the three property owners involved.

Councilman Collison explained the planned improvement as shown by a diagram stating that is is the portion of Kirklynn Avenue between the two sections of improved road and the intersection of Hammond Avenue. Councilman Collison stated that there is no storm drainage involved in this project. Councilman Collison asked if Mr. & Mrs. Simms had the estimated cost as prepared by Mr. Rhodes, Director of Public Works. Mr. and Mrs. Simms having such asked if it is understood to be that their portion of the assessment is to be \$138.40. Councilman Collison stated that this is the estimated cost for them. Mr. Simms stated that this is fine with him and that the project cannot begin soon enough. Mrs. Simms wondered when the project might begin.

Councilman Collison stated that a plan would have to be drawn by McNeill Surveys Incorporated and that this project has only second priority, not first so that we do not know just when actual work can begin.

Councilman Collison stated that since we have a written agreement from Giant Food Properties, a verbal agreement from Gorin Brothers, and a verbal agreement from M. and Mrs. Simms, it is justifiable for the City to proceed with the necessary arrangements.

The meeting was turned back to Mayor Miller, at which time Mayor Miller again mentioned that the Hearing had been held to comply with the City Charter and adjourned the meeting at 7:44 P.M.

George M Miller

MAYOR

Stephen M Pridgen

CLERK & TREASURER