

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLANDEXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

January 20, 1964

The Mayor and Council for the City of Takoma Park convened in Executive Session in the Council Room #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, on January 20, 1964 at 8:03 p.m.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Collison	Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen
Councilman Förshee	Chief Foster, Police Department
Councilman Jones	Chief LaScola, Fire Department
Councilman Kennedy	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman McKenzie	Building Inspector Williams
Councilman Roth	Deputy Chief DeKalb, Fire Dept.
Councilman Turner	

Mayor Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on December 9, 1963. The motion was presented by Councilman McKenzie and seconded by Councilman Kennedy. The minutes were approved as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen reporting

1. Mayor Gordon S. Clinton, Seattle, Washington: Letter of appreciation to Mayor Miller for association through American Municipal Associations. (Council Files)
2. Mr. Samuel Humes, Executive Secretary, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments: Request for appointment of Councilmen to Committees. (Council Files)
3. Montgomery County Chapter, Maryland Municipal League: Notice of Meeting with State Delegation, January 29, Rockville, Maryland. (Council Files)
4. Prince George's County Municipal Association: Notice of Meeting with State Delegation, January 30, College Park. (Council Files)
5. Mr. L. C. Scofield, Jr., Pirapora, Brazil: Reporting delivery of Takoma Park Jr. High School photo album to Sister City, Jequie, Brazil. (Sister City Committee)
6. Mr. David Neil Rosin, 8115 Lockney Avenue, City: Request for information concerning Mayor. (Mayor's File)
7. Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission:
 - (a) Z.A.P. #A5227, George A. Gude & Joseph P. Abrahams, Owners, Duckett, Orem & Christie, Attorneys, Lots 37, 55-62 inc. and Outlot "A" Block 1, G & A. 1.38 acres New Hampshire Avenue at University Blvd.: C-1 to C-2 Zone. (Civic Improvement)
 - (b) Z.A.P. #A-5228, George A. Gude & Joseph P. Abrahams, Owners, Duckett, Orem & Christie, Attorneys, Lots 1-19 inc. 35, 40-54 inc. Block 1, G & A 9.3 acres, New Hampshire Avenue at University Blvd: C-1 to C-2 Zone. (Civic Improvement)
 - (c) Z.A.P. #C-1228, R. Robert Linowes, Attorney for Future Investments, owners, Lot 24 and Pt. 23, Block 4, B. F. Gilbert 14,000 sq. ft.: R-30 to R-10 Zone. (South side 7100 Block Cedar Avenue (near Eastern Avenue). (Civic Improvement)

Correspondence Received, continued

- (d) Z.A.P. #C-1229, R. Robert Linowes, Attorney for Future Investments, Owners, Lot Pt. 3, Block 12, B. F. Gilbert 16,000 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-10 Zone (Holly Avenue, near Tulip Avenue). (Civic Improvement)
- (e) Z.A.P. #C-1234, R. Robert Linowes, Attorney for Anna Hedricks, Owner, Pt. Lot 16, Block 59, B. F. Gilbert 6,526 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-10 Zone. ~~(S/W corner Piney Branch Road and Potomac Avenue)~~. ^{GENEVA AVE.} *(Hayman Piney)* (Civic Improvement)
- (f) Z.A.P. #C-1237, Leo Bender, Attorney for Alberts Shepherd, Owners, Lot 2, Pt. 1, Block 64, B. F. Gilbert 35,366 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-30 Zone. (S/W corner Piney Branch Road & Potomac Avenue). (Civic Improvement)
- (g) Z.A.P. #C-1239, Duckett, Orem & Christie, Attorneys for A & M Development Co. Contract purchasers, Lots 13 and Pt. 12, Block 60, B. F. Gilbert 45,228 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-10 Zone (S/W corner Niagara Avenue and Oswego Avenue). (Civic Improvement)
- (h) Z.A.P. #C-1240, Duckett, Orem & Christie, Attorneys for A & M Development Co. Contract purchasers, Lots 11, 14 Pts. 7 & 8, Block 60, B. F. Gilbert 82,820 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-10 Zone (Oswego Avenue & Ritchie Avenues). (Civic Improvement)
- (i) Z.A.P. #C-1252, C. Edward Nicholson, Attorney for Irving and Sigrid Biow, Owners Lots 48-52 inc. Block 55, B. F. Gilbert 84,231 sq. ft.: R-60 to R-10 Zone (207 Hudson Avenue) Civic Improvement.
8. Mrs. Joseph C. Gooch, Corresponding Secretary, Lay Committee, Associated Health and Welfare Agencies of Takoma Park: (a) letter of appreciation for use of basement of Health Center as Christmas Bureau Headquarters. (Council Files) (b) Expression of appreciation to Public Works Department for assistance rendered during Christmas Bureau Project. (Public Works)
9. Mr. Sydney Tymeson, 8112 Flower Avenue, City: Commendations of Police Department. (Council Files)
10. Mr. Paul E. Workman & Mr. M. I. Barr, Jr. Re: 706 Houston Avenue: Complaint of assessment under Housing Ordinance (Public Welfare)
11. Mr. Norman D. Martin, Assistant Vice President, Suburban Trust Company, City: Suggestion that snow be removed from parking meter areas. (Public Works)
12. Requests for special snow and ice removal attention in the 100 Block Lee Avenue:
 (a) Mr. Perry B. Van Vleck: Re: 128 Lee Avenue (Public Works)
 (b) Mr. Ben Rosen: Re: 126 Lee Avenue (Public Works)
 (c) Mr. Jack Grove: Re: 125 Lee Avenue (Public Works)
13. Mr. C. Robert Cross, Attorney for Mr. Albert D. Lee, 6625 Eastern Avenue: Request for reserved parking space in front of Mr. Lee's home due to physical disability. (Law Enforcement)
14. Mr. Phillip Freedenberg, 8523 Garland Avenue, Takoma Park: Request for status of residence relating to City Library service. (Library Committee)
15. Mrs. Marian F. Johnson, Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary, Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Request for permission to hold a bake sale at Fire House during May Primaries. (Fire Protection)

Correspondence Received, continued

16. Mr. K. F. Kearns, Secretary, City Fire Board: Concurrence with acceptance of resignation of Captain Carl G. Fiske as "Retired Captain." (Fire Protection)

17. Mr. Baron E. DeKalb, Jr., Acting Secretary, City Fire Board: Recommendation that Volunteer Lt. Kearns be promoted to rank of Volunteer Captain effective February 1, 1964. (Fire Protection)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Clerk-Treasurer reporting

See last page of minutes for statement.

Mayor Miller stated that the regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of January 13th was postponed until this date because of the big snow and the Council will continue its regular schedule by meeting again on the 27th.

Mayor Miller stated it is a privilege to have an official of the Brazilian Embassy present at the meeting. He reminded the audience that the City is anticipating the arrival soon of Miss Arly Souza Britto as an exchange student under the Sister City Program with Jequie, Bahia, Brazil. Mayor Miller pointed out that the gentleman present is also a great believer in grass roots democracy and he has been in attendance at many meetings of the Sister City Committee and has assisted tremendously in helping to reach a mutual understanding in connection with the Program. At this time Mayor Miller introduced Sr. Luiz Flavio DeFaro and reviewed Sr. DeFaro's educational, military and professional background. Sr. DeFaro was presented with a Certificate naming him as an Honorary Citizen of the City of Takoma Park in recognition of his great interest in the Program that the community has undertaken. Mayor Miller continued by pointing out that with world conditions pointed at destruction instead of construction, this new relationship in which the Brazilian Embassy has played such an important part, is one of the larger projects this community has ever embarked upon.

Sr. DeFaro accepted the memento with an apparent deep feeling of emotion stating this recognition meant more to him than a portion of gold. He illustrated his appreciation by a story indicating a lesson in humility. He stated he wished to accept the Certificate also in behalf of those people in his nation that are underprivileged due to economic conditions.

Mayor Miller introduced the attending members of the Sister City Committee, namely; Mr. Leslie Pitten, Chairman; Mrs. Lester Geib, Secretary; Mrs. Fred Grabe, Publicity Chairman; Mr. Lloyd Reed, Jaycee representative; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chasm, who have been selected as the host family for Miss Britto.

Mayor Miller presented members of the Takoma-Langley Jaycees with Honorary Citizen Certificates in recognition of their civic endeavors as follows: Mr. Donald Baechler; Mr. Harold Boyd; Mr. Robert Brewer; Dr. James Brownfield; Mr. Robert Frost; Mr. Fred Fusco, President; Mr. Robert Geiman; Mr. Joseph Hajdinak; Mr. Alvin Hall; Mr. Robert Linkins; Mr. Lloyd W. Reed and Mr. Donald Redmond.

Mayor Miller called attention to the Montgomery County School Board Budget Hearing scheduled at 8:00 P.M. Thursday, January 23rd in Rockville. Pointed out that in view of the proposed removal of the Montgomery Junior College from Takoma Park and he understands that funds have been provided for some portion of the proposed move, it behooves the citizens to appear at this Hearing and register their protest. Stated that he and members of the City Council would represent the City Government in this cause.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

1. Sr. DeFaro, Brazilian Embassy: Spoke again in behalf of the Cultural Affairs Office of the Brazilian Embassy. Pointed out a building has been acquired that will provide for a 250 seat theater in which Brazilian films of noteworthy interest will be shown and other functions such as lectures, concerts, recitals, plays, art exhibits, etc. will be presented. He also emphasized the language class activity and stated the Cultural Affairs Office will be happy to cooperate by setting up language classes in Takoma Park if a language laboratory can be arranged. He mentioned that one member of the Cultural Office Staff is an excellent cook and indicated she will be happy to prepare a typical Brazilian Banquet at any time. He commended the fine work being done by Mr. Luiz Nazareth, the Secretary in charge of the Cultural Affairs Office and stated he has done a great deal to extend Brazilian culture in the United States.
2. Mr. Lloyd W. Reed, Chairman, Governmental Affairs Committee, Takoma-Langley Jaycees: Reported the Jaycees are on the Welcome Committee for Miss Britto. Stated they are planning a meeting of the people of Takoma Park to help orient them to the background and aims of the Sister City Program and explain how the purposes of the program will be carried out. Commented they are planning another spaghetti dinner during the month of March to raise funds for the Sister City project. Stated the Christmas home decoration award was won by Mr. and Mrs. John J. Balassa, Jr, of 408 Tulip Avenue. Reported their Christmas Wishing Well project was a success, raising over \$200.00, proceeds of which will be donated to the Lay Committee of Takoma Park for the Christmas Bureau. He also indicated the Jaycees are looking for another project.
3. Mrs. Fred Grabe, Chairman of Publicity, Sister City Committee: Stated Mr. Robert Mc [redacted], Teen Club Counselor, requested her to offer their assistance to the City and they would be willing to help wherever needed. Suggested perhaps the Teen Club might be utilized in the Membership Drive of the Sister City Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Turner reporting

Councilman Turner stated he was in full accord with the remarks made during the evening regarding the brotherhood of man.

1. Fire Prevention Contest: Read a letter from Chief LaScola relating to the Fire Department's activities during the past year in fire prevention work. The Department was commended and particularly Deputy Chief DeKalb, for having received an Honorary Mention in the International Fire Prevention Contest.
2. Volunteer Department: (a) Discussed the resignation of Captain Fiske and reported after consultation with Mr. Gingerich, a motion with proper wording will be presented at the next meeting. (b) Motion was presented to elevate Volunteer Lt. K. F. Kearns to the rank of Volunteer Captain effective February 1, 1964. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kennedy and duly carried.
3. Obsolete Equipment: Recommendation that obsolete face masks be donated through Mr. Edward Reifsnyder, Principal of the Pisgah Academy, to the Volunteer Fire Department, which he organized in Candler, North Carolina. It was pointed out that Mr. Reifsnyder is a former member of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department and he has done an excellent job developing a fire protection system in that area. Chief LaScola remarked that the Department had previously cooperated by overhauling an obsolete pumper engine truck acquired from the Hillandale Fire Department. There being no objection to the recommendation, it was so ordered.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE, continued

4. Ladies Auxiliary: Recommendation that permission be granted in accordance with the request to hold a Bake Sale in the Fire House during the Primary Elections in May providing that such activity does not interfere with the election process in accordance with the Board of Elections Supervisor. There being no objections voiced, it was so ordered.

At this time Mayor Miller introduced the two gentlemen from the Voice of America who had tape recorded the earlier proceedings relating to the Sister City Program. The Mayor commended the gentlemen for the quiet manner in which they had operated with no interference during the proceedings.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Jones reporting

1. Boy's Club - Dug-out: Commented concerning the item on the agenda relating to a dug-out and more seating capacity at the City Ball Field. Suggested to the Jaycees present that this may be another worthwhile project in their realm of activity. Indicated that the Takoma Park Boy's Club would undoubtedly assist in any work to be performed.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Z.A.P. #C-894 - Carroll Avenue: Reported on the preliminary vote the Montgomery County Council rejected the R-10 zoning by 6 to 1. Apparently the opinion of the County Council is that the recommended Master Plan should be followed.

2. Z.A.P. #A-4577 - Powell Tract: Reported at the Hearing held on January 15, the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County had taken the matter under advisement. The Petitioners agreed to grant a 50 ft. scenic easement instead of the 25 ft. originally agreed upon; therefore, the Hillwood Manor Association withdrew opposition.

3. Z.A.P. #C-886 - 7416 Hancock Avenue: Reported the County Council had granted the R-10 zoning over the protest of the Mayor and Council. A question was raised as to whether the City should appeal the case and it was decided not to be worthwhile and to attempt to hold the line hereafter.

4. Z.A.P. #C1228, 7100 Block of Cedar Ave. and #C-1229, 7100 Block of Holly Ave.: There was a brief discussion concerning these Petitions particularly in view of the small area of land involved. Clerk-Treasurer was instructed to obtain more information and to request the attorney to appear at the next Council Meeting.

5. Z.A.P. #C-1234: ^{1237 (Hypocrite)} Petition for the R-30 Zone on property located at Piney Branch Road and Potomac Avenue contiguous to the City boundary. Motion was presented to recommend denial of the Petition for spot zoning, no existing apartment zoning in area, not in Master Plan and opposition to such apartment development for the reason it will tend to spread. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and duly carried.

6. Sale of City Property: It was pointed out that the property being sold is not suitable for City use for the reason no structure can be built on Parcel No. 1 because of the twin 72 inch storm drainage pipes underground enclosing former Brashears Run. Parcel No. 2 is a steep grade adjacent to the Public Works Department and is not practical for construction. The following Ordinance was proposed:

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE, continuedORDINANCE NO. 1778

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

- SECTION 1. THAT Ordinance No. 1774 adopted November 25, 1963 provided for the sale of two parcels of City owned land, AND
- SECTION 2. THAT an appropriate official notice has been inserted four times in two weekly newspapers of local circulation in compliance with Section Three and Section Four of Ordinance No. 1774 and the Charter of the City of Takoma Park, AND
- SECTION 3. THAT an agreement has been negotiated with the A & M Development Company, supported by a cash deposit in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) specifying all the terms and conditions under which the City will convey title to Parcel No. 1, based upon a unit price of One Dollar (\$1.00) per square foot and Parcel No. 2 at a price of Seventy Five Cents (\$.75) per square foot, the exact area in conveyance subject to a square footage survey,
- SECTION 4. THEREFORE, the agreement tentatively accepted January 14, 1964 by Max Sittenfeld and A. T. Zuckerman, partners trading as A & M Development Company, is hereby ratified, AND
- SECTION 5. THAT the Corporation Counsel and the City Clerk-Treasurer are hereby directed to proceed in the execution of the obligations of the City under the terms of the said agreement.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Collison reporting

1. Storm Drainage - Spring Avenue: Reported all work possible has been performed and item should be removed from the agenda.
2. Personnel: Instructed that the letter from the Lay Committee of the Associated Health and Welfare Agencies of Takoma Park commending the Public Works Director be placed in Mr. Rhodes personal jacket.
3. Lee Avenue Ice Control: Reported that previous treatments of calcium chloride and sand have been ineffective and even though salt tends to kill vegetation and is harmful to vehicles, that after the last snow, salt treatment had been used on Grant, Lee and Sherman Avenues quite satisfactorily. As a matter of fact, it is the first time Sherman Avenue has remained opened under such conditions.
4. Steam Cleaner: Motion presented to authorize the purchase of a new steam cleaner transferring funds from account #12.102E (contingent) to account #12.903 (Capital Outlay) in the amount of \$290.00 net after a trade-in allowance of \$39.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Turner and duly carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting

1. Retirement Plan: Reported on the study for an improved retirement plan for City employees, recommending the services of professional consultants and proposed the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1779

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

SECTION 1. THAT in the interest of arranging a more beneficial retirement system for City employees, it is deemed necessary to engage the services of professional consultants, AND

SECTION 2. THAT the services of Pension Planners of Baltimore, Inc. be obtained to review data previously assembled and to submit recommendations for a sum not to exceed One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) AND

SECTION 3. THAT the sum specified in Section Two above be transferred to Account #21.902D from the Reserve Fund.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

2. Certificates of Indebtedness: Reported that it is necessary to issue new Certificates of Indebtedness to refinance a Special Assessment Levy, proposing the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1780

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ORDINANCE NO. 1780

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

An Ordinance to authorize the issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness under and by virtue of authority granted to the City Council under Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 1299 and 1306 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1426 and 1429 of the Prince George's County Code (1953 Edition) and Sections 48-9 and 48-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition) providing for the amount, form and terms of said Certificates, the manner of repayment thereof, the pledging the full faith and credit of the City for their repayment in the event that the special assessments prove insufficient for that purpose, and further providing for publication of a Notice to Bidders offering said Certificates for sale.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Takoma Park as authorized by Section 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 1299 and 1306 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1426 and 1429 of the Prince George's County Code (1953 Edition) and Sections 48-9 and 48-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition), that;

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

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the said City Council, the public health, safety and comfort, did require the improvement of Part of Lot 46, Block 50, Plat 6657, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision, Takoma Park, Maryland by the construction of Storm Drainage, Public Works Project No. 62-1 and that such storm drainage system has been constructed and the cost thereof paid from general City funds, all pursuant to a public hearing of which due and timely notice was given in the form and manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, the said City Council now desires to retire in full payment a temporary one year Certificate of Indebtedness issued February 1st, 1963 in the amount of \$53,600.00 and provide longterm financing not exceeding the unpaid principal of the original assessment against said Part of Lot 46, Block 50, Plat 6657, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision, Takoma Park, Maryland,

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED; that the City Council aforesaid borrow upon the faith and credit of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, the sum of \$48,150.00 and to issue for said amount nine Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$5,350.00 each, numbered 64-S1-1 to 64-S1-9 inclusive, and to mature in order of their consecutive numbers on February 1st in each year (1965 to 1973), the said Certificates to be specially designated "City of Takoma Park, Maryland, Special Improvements Certificates of Indebtedness 1964."

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

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

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

Sealed bids in writing on an interest rate basis will be received until 4:00 p.m. Standard Time, January 27th, 1964 by the Mayor and City Council for the purchase of nine "City of Takoma Park, Maryland, Special Improvement Certificates of Indebtedness 1964" in the amount of \$5,350.00 each, which Certificates will be numbered 64-S1-1 to 64-S1-9 inclusive, and to mature in order of their consecutive numbers on January 15th in each year 1965 to 1973 as follows:

- 1 - No. 64-S-1-1 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1965
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-2 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1966
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-3 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1967
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-4 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1968
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-5 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1969
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-6 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1970
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-7 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1971
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-8 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1972
- 1 - No. 64-S-1-9 \$5,350.00 to mature January 15th, 1973

Bids may be for one or more of the said Certificates and must be accompanied by a certified check in an amount equal to 5% of the face value of the Certificate or Certificates bid upon. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. The Certificates are issued by and under the authority of the provisions of Sections 960 and 965 of Article 16 and Sections 1299 and 1306 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, the said Sections being also Sections 1426 and 1429 of the Prince George's County Code (1953 Edition) and Sections 48-9 and 48-12 of the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition) and the proceeds therefrom are to be used for the redemption of an existing Certificate issued February 1st, 1963 for the construction of a storm drainage system, the principal part of which has been assessed as a benefit against properties abutting the improvements. The said Certificates shall be issued in bearer form providing for the semiannual payment of interest and may be registered as to principal or interest or both. The said bids will be opened at a meeting of the Mayor and City Council to be held at #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland on the 27th day of January 1964 at 8:00 p.m. Standard Time.

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

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

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE: continued

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That the Mayor and City Council do hereby certify that no litigation of any nature is now pending or threatened, restraining or enjoining the issuance and delivery of said Certificates of Indebtedness or the authority under which the same is made or affecting the validity thereof nor in any manner questioning the use of the proceeds and the provisions for the payment of said Certificates of Indebtedness and the interest thereon, as set forth in the Sections of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland as amended, in the Prince George's County Code (1953 Edition) and the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition) referred to elsewhere in this Ordinance.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

3. City Charter Amendments: Reported that Ordinances Nos. 1769, 1770 and 1771 adopted on November 11, 1963 amending certain sections of the City Charter have been advertised and posted according to law and that the appropriate time had passed for them to become effective.

4. Department Heads - Budget: Reminded Department Heads budget consideration time is approaching and called upon them to submit their proposed budgets by the end of February, using the existing Merit Plan in making computations.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman McKenzie reporting

1. City Election: Called attention to the necessity for City Election scheduled to be held on March 24 and proposed the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1781

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

SECTION 1. THAT the City Clerk shall call a meeting of the citizens for the making of nominations for the Mayor and Councilmen at 8 p.m., Tuesday, March 10th, 1964, at the Municipal Center in the Fire House at the corner of Philadelphia and Carroll Avenues. The said meeting shall be conducted as prescribed in Section 1422(h) of the City Charter

SECTION 2. There shall be a City Election to elect a Mayor and seven Councilmen at the Fire House between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., on Tuesday, March 24th, 1964. The said Election shall be conducted by means of Voting Machines, and as nearly as practicable all laws and regulations governing the use of Voting Machines in elections in Montgomery County shall apply to the use of Voting Machines in the said City Election.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall make arrangements with the Board of Election Supervisors of Montgomery County for the use of eight Voting Machines at the said City Election, and shall arrange to have placed on each Voting Machine the names of all candidates nominated at the Citizens' Meeting on March 10th, except any who may within three days thereafter have filed with the City Clerk his refusal to have his name so placed.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE, continued

- SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall cause a notice of the Citizens' Meeting and the City Election to be inserted in the Suburban Record and the Prince George's Post the last week in February and the first week in March. He shall also cause the insertion in the Suburban Record and the Prince George's Post, the third week in March, of a facsimile of the arrangement of the names and words on the Voting Machines.
- SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall prepare cards bearing the names and addresses of all voters, certified by the Board of Election Supervisors of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, and shall furnish such cards to the judges and clerks of Election.
- SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall recommend to the Council the names of eighteen persons for designation by the Council as judges and clerks of Election.
- SECTION 7. The City Clerk, with the assistance of the Chief of Police, shall see that the City Election is conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and of Section 1422 of the City Charter.
- SECTION 8. The Judges of Election shall meet in the City Council Room, #8 Columbia Avenue as a Board of Election at 10 a.m., Wednesday, March 25th, 1964, and shall determine and certify the results of the Election, as provided in Section 1422(i) of the City Charter. The Council shall meet in Special Session to receive the Certification from the Judges at 8 p.m., on Wednesday, March 25th, 1964.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

2. Special Registration: Presented a motion that the Boards of Election Supervisors in each Montgomery and Prince George's County be requested to set up a special registration for City voters to be held before the City election. Motion was seconded by Councilman Kennedy and duly carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Kennedy reporting

- 1. Regional Code: Stated that the Regional Model Code governing the sale of firearms is a complicated ordinance and is an effort to develop uniformity in the Metropolitan area and that further study will be necessary.
- 2. Crossing Guard: Reported that arrangements have been made to transfer funds to cover the compensation of the crossing guard stationed at Takoma Avenue and Philadelphia Avenue during certain times of the day and that the services of this guard be maintained. Stated it was reported the pedestrian traffic has remained steady but the vehicular traffic has increased at this point.

Corporation Counsel Gingerich: Reported Mr. Hardisty had been in touch with him concerning the property on Ritchie Avenue and that he is not inclined to negotiate.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 pm to reconvene in Regular Session on January 27, 1964 at 8:00 pm.

Attest: Haynes M. P. [Signature]
City Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: George M. Miller
Mayor

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen reportingBANK BALANCES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1963SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-CITIZENS BRANCH
GENERAL FUND

Balance as of November 30, 1963	\$ 38,145.11	
Plus December Receipts	<u>59,020.75</u>	\$ 97,165.86
Less December Disbursements		<u>61,554.49</u>
DECEMBER 31, 1963 BALANCE		<u>\$ 35,611.37</u>

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-TAKOMA BRANCH
GENERAL FUND

Balance as of November 30, 1963	\$ 965.98	
Plus December Receipts	<u>693.32</u>	\$ 1,659.30
No Disbursements during December		- - - -
DECEMBER 31, 1963 BALANCE		<u>\$ 1,659.30</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND
GENERAL FUND

Balance as of November 30, 1963	\$ 1,600.47	
No Transactions during December 1963	<u>- - - -</u>	
DECEMBER 31, 1963 BALANCE		<u>\$ 1,600.47</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance as of November 30, 1963	\$ 9,019.73	
Plus December Receipts	<u>1,540.12</u>	\$ 10,559.85
Less December Disbursements		<u>1,804.00</u>
DECEMBER 31, 1963 BALANCE		<u>\$ 8,755.85</u>

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT
SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY - CITIZENS BRANCH\$160,000.00

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

January 27, 1964

The Mayor and Council for the City of Takoma Park convened in Regular Session in the Council Room #8 Columbia Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, on January 27, 1964 at 9:03 p.m.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Miller	Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Councilman Collison	Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen
Councilman Forshee	Chief Foster, Police Department
Councilman Jones	Chief LaScola, Fire Department
Councilman Kennedy	Director of Public Works Rhodes
Councilman McKenzie	Building Inspector Williams
Councilman Roth	Deputy Chief DeKalb, Fire Dept.
Councilman Turner	

The Invocation was rendered by Councilman Clayton D. Forshee.

Mayor Miller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Miller called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on January 20, 1964. The motion was presented by Councilman Roth and seconded by Councilman Collison. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Mayor Miller requested that the public be permitted to speak before the reading of the correspondence. He apologized for the Council and himself for being so late commenting they had been at the Library greeting the attractive Brazilian exchange student, Miss Arly Souza Britto, who is being sponsored by the Sister City Committee. Stated Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chasm, the host family, accompanied by Senor Luiz Flavio DeFaro, a Brazilian Embassy attache, met Miss Britto's plane at Kennedy Airport. On their return they were escorted directly to the Takoma Park Library for a brief welcoming ceremony. Mayor Miller commented that the Sister City Program is open to all who wish to join, stating it is strictly a People to People Program. Stated a membership drive is now on to help defray expenses - donations of \$1.00 represent an active member and donations of \$5.00 or more represent an active contributing member.

Mayor Miller reported that several of the Councilmen, representatives from the North Takoma Civic Association, the B. F. Gilberts Citizens' Association and himself represented the City at the Montgomery County School Board Budget Hearing January 23rd in opposition to the removal of Montgomery Junior College. He felt that with the added support of associations throughout the County, we would not be in danger of losing the College.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

1. Mrs. Evelyn Ferry, 24 Hickory Ave., City: Stated she was representing the B. F. Gilbert Citizens' Association relative to the proposed removal of the Montgomery Junior College. Felt the College should definitely remain in Takoma Park and if necessary, the Associations should get up Petitions opposing its removal.

2. Mrs. Mary Shockley, 7105 Woodland Ave., City: Spoke relative to the parking situation as far as their pick up truck and two of their neighbors is concerned. Stated they were told by a police officer, due to a neighbors complaint, not to park on the street and when they parked in their own driveway, were informed by one officer they were not permitted to do this either. Stated when she came to the Police Station and talked to another officer, he advised her to bring the matter to the Mayor and City Council. She felt the

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, continued2. continued

complaints were nothing but maliciousness on the part of a neighbor. The matter was referred to the Law Enforcement Chairman, Councilman Kennedy. Mrs. Shockley also commented on the water running into the street and that the street is too low and the cars hit bottom when backing out of the driveway. Mr. Rhodes, Director of Public Works, was instructed to check into this matter.

3. Mrs. Homer Ball, 211 Hudson Avenue, City: (Z.A.P. #C-1252) Stated she was speaking in behalf of the Petitioners protesting Application #C-1252 for the R-10 Zoning. Commented a number of the neighbors are directly connected with the property in question, #207 Hudson Avenue and feel the rezoning should not be granted for the following reasons: (a) the existing access streets are not wide enough, unable to park in front of their homes now; (b) increased traffic an additional hazard for the children, (c) the Master Plan designated this area as a one-family residential section; (d) if this request is granted contrary to the Master Plan, would this not affect the holdings and properties of the single family residents? Stated they would appreciate the Council taking into consideration their request and would see fit to reject this application.

4. Mr. Michael Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, City: Commented and read a clipping from the Evening Star entitled "Automobiles Nobody Wants". The clipping was given to the City Office for their files.

5. Mr. Lloyd Reed, Chairman, Governmental Affairs Committee, Takoma-Langley Jaycees: Reported the Jaycees were working very actively on the Sister City Committee, they were on the Welcoming Committee this evening for Miss Britto, and are planning an official welcome ceremony and presentation of Miss Britto to the people of Takoma Park on February 18, 8: p.m. at the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church. Stated they were also planning another spaghetti dinner March 21st at the Co-op Hospitality Room to raise funds for the Sister City project.

Councilman Turner commended the Jaycees on their splendid work and cooperation with the Lay Committee of Takoma Park relative to the Christmas Bureau.

6. Mr. Perry S. Schroeder, 2 Crescent Place, City: (B. F. Gilbert Citizens' Association) Commented on the property on Carroll Avenue, Z.A.P. #C894, which the Montgomery County Council had rejected as R-10 zoning by a 6 to 1 preliminary vote. Stated he hoped the Council would keep this property status quo. Commented on the impounded car lot and asked what progress has been made. Mayor Miller reported that negotiations are under way for an impounded car lot and hoped the matter would soon be settled.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Clerk-Treasurer Pridgen reporting

1. Senor Luiz Flavio DeFaro, Attache, Brazilian Embassy, Washington, D.C.: Letter of appreciation for honor bestowed upon him, January 20, 1964. (Sister City Committee)

2. Honorable John F. Collins, Mayor, Boston, Massachusetts, President American Municipal Association: Invitation for Mayor Miller to attend AMA Executive Committee Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida February 17-19. (Finance)

3. Prince George's County Municipal Association: Reminder of meeting January 30 in Coll Park with County Delegation to Maryland General Assembly. (Council Files)

4. Dr. Stephen S. Hiten, President, B. F. Gilberts' Citizens Association: Endorsing consideration of ways and means of providing needed salary increases for municipal employees. (Finance and Special Finance Committee)

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED, continued

5. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Funk, 8517 11th Avenue, Silver Spring, Md.: Commendation of Fire Department for fine performance in connection with a fire in their home on January 19th (Fire Protection) (Copy to be placed on Bulletin Board at Fire Department)
6. Mrs. Irene Forehand, 7129 Maple Avenue, City: Commendation of Fire Department in connection with serious illness of Mr. Forehand on December 11th. (Fire Protection) (Copy to be placed on Bulletin Board at Fire Department)

Mr. Pridgen also stated that the Montgomery Board of Election Supervisors has approved a special registration for March 11, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at the Takoma Park Fire House, providing the City will do the advertising. It was suggested that the ad be placed in the February issue of the City Newsletter and also inserted in a local newspaper. The Clerk-Treasurer was so instructed.

Mr. Pridgen reported that Building Inspector Williams, who is on the Regional Codes and Regulations Committee of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments; Deputy Chief DeKalb and himself plan to attend the "Regional Training Program for Building Inspectors", sponsored by a special subcommittee of the Codes and Regulations Group. The Sessions will be held every Wednesday evening beginning February 12th through April 29th, 7:30 p.m., at the Thomas Jefferson Elementary School in Falls Church, Virginia.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Jones reporting

No matters pending.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Councilman Roth reporting

1. Z.A.P. #C-1228, Z.A.P. #C-1229: Presented both applications for discussion, pointing out that the Public Hearing is scheduled for February 13th. At this time, Mr. James Trimm, Attorney for the Petitioner indicated his presence and answered questions raised by the Council. He indicated that Future Investments is as the name implies, there is no intention to build presently on the land involved but that an assemblage is under way. Mr. Trimm pointed out that both of these parcels are in the Master Plan for the R-10 Zone and it is the intent to acquire and develop the remaining planned property toward Eastern Avenue. It was then decided by the Council that each Petition should be voted on separately.

(a) Z.A.P. #C1228- 7100 Block Cedar Avenue: Motion presented to recommend approval of the Petition since it does conform to the Master Plan. Upon the second by Councilman Kennedy, who spoke in favor of the Petition, Councilman Collison spoke in opposition pointing out that the adjacent neighbors may not want to rezone. Councilman Turner agreed with Councilman Collison's statements. Upon the question, the motion was carried with Councilmen Collison and Turner voting in the negative.

(b) Z.A.P. #C-1229 - Holly Avenue (Near Tulip): Motion presented to recommend approval of the Petition since it does conform to the Master Plan. Upon the second by Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Turner spoke briefly in opposition pointing out, in his opinion, this would be spot zoning. Upon the question, the motion was carried with Councilman Collison and Councilman Turner voting in the negative.

(c) Councilman Roth presented a motion that the line of the R-10 Zone be held in the future in accordance with the Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Forshee and duly carried.

2. Z.A.P. #C-1234 - Geneva Avenue: Presented for discussion at which time Mr. Trimm, Attorney for the Petitioner, pointed out that the square footage of land was needed in order to convert unused storage space in the existing building into living units and there is no intention of using the property for access to Geneva Avenue. The Council indicated to Mr. Trimm it would oppose the zoning unless a qualified legal document is submitted granting to the City an easement along Geneva Avenue, similar to that in effect on the other portion

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE, continued2. Z.A.P. #C-1234 continued

of land. Action would be withheld until the next meeting.

3. Z.A.P. #C-1252 - 207 Hudson Avenue: Reviewed the Petition and the statements which were made earlier in the evening. A motion was presented for the denial of the Petition on the basis that it was a deviation from the Master Plan, the Park and Planning Commission has consistently denied access to Sligo Parkway and the considerable amount of traffic in the area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and duly carried.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman McKenzie reporting

1. Housing Ordinance - 706 Houston Avenue: Reported owners complained they were over-charged, claimed they were billed for a four year registration fee when the property was purchased in December, 1962 and the third apartment was not occupied until January, 1963. Councilman McKenzie stated this property is zoned for R-40; therefore, only two apartments are permitted. Corporation Counsel Gingerich was requested to write to the owners informing them they were violating the Ordinance and they would have sixty days to vacate the apartment.

2. Burlap for Sanitation Dept.: Motion presented to purchase 1200 burlap from the lowest bidder, Grafflin Bag Co., Inc. in the amount of approximately \$787.00, charged to Budget No. 13.402B. Motion was seconded by Councilman Forshee and duly carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Collison reporting

1. Azalea Program: Reported that the Azalea Committee wishes to continue the planting program initiated last year and tentative arrangements have been worked out with the Fairfax Nursery for the purchase of plants under a similar agreement and the following Ordinance was proposed:

ORDINANCE NO. 1782

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

SECTION 1. THAT by Ordinance No. 1740 adopted April 8, 1963 the City initiated a massive planting program to promote Takoma Park as 'The Azalea City', AND

SECTION 2. THAT two and three year old azalea plants are again available upon the same terms and conditions as in 1963,

SECTION 3. THEREFORE, THAT an agreement be executed with Mr. William Handy of Fairfax Nursery Company in the amount of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) for 1964 purchaser of azaleas with an option to renew same agreement in 1965, AND

SECTION 4. THAT payment of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) be made immediately and ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) to be paid after July 1st, 1964, AND

SECTION 5. THAT the sum specified in Section 3 of this Ordinance be transferred from the Reserve Fund to a/c No. 19.302A3.

The Motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting

- 1. Personnel: Motion was presented to increase Detective Cpl. Ingels salary to \$5,600.00 per annum retroactive to the promotion date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kennedy and duly carried.
- 2. Travel Expenses: Motion was presented to purchase a small quantity of forms to be used as the official travel expense vouchers by City employees. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and duly carried.
- 3. Certificates of Indebtedness: Bids were opened at the table and it was announced that the bid from the Citizens Bank of Maryland was 2.75% per annum and the bid from the Suburban Trust Company was at the rate of 2.25% per annum. The following Ordinance was proposed:

ORDINANCE NO. 1783

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 Ordinance No. 1780 for the issuance of nine Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$5,350.00 each, bids were opened on January 27, 1964, AND

SECTION 2. THAT the low bid submitted by the Suburban Trust Company be accepted at the rate of TWO and FIFTY FIVE HUNDREDTHS percent (2.55%) per annum, AND

SECTION 3. THEREFORE THAT nine Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$5,350.00) each, dated February 1st, 1964 and numbered 64-S-1-1 to 64-S-1-9 inclusive be issued at the rate of 2.55% per annum interest payable semi-annually and to mature on February 1st in each of nine successive years 1965 to 1973 inclusive.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilman Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Kennedy reporting

- 1. 6625 Eastern Avenue: Upon the recommendation of the Law Enforcement Committee, it was instructed a letter be directed to Mr. Lee denying the request for special parking privilege, inasmuch as this would establish an undesirable precedence. The Committee is sympathetic to the problem but does not feel it is in the best interest of the City to grant this privilege. There being no objections on the part of the Council it was so ordered.
- 2. Regional Code: Requested that the item be deleted from the agenda awaiting further developments.
- 3. Philadelphia Avenue: Motion presented that the Public Works Department be authorized to purchase and erect appropriate "Do Not Block Intersection" signs along Philadelphia Avenue in appropriate locations near Birch Avenue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Collison and duly carried.
- 4. Public Telephone: Motion was presented to grant permission to the C & P Telephone Co. for the installation of a public telephone on Boston Avenue in the vicinity of Piney Branch Road. The motion was seconded and duly carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE, continued

5. Larch Avenue: Reported that the "No Parking" signs on the North side of Larch Avenue in front of Our Lady of Sorrows Church are no longer needed since the street has been made one way; therefore, the following Ordinance was proposed:

ORDINANCE NO. 1784

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

SECTION 1. THAT Ordinance No. 1418 adopted November 26, 1956, prohibiting all parking between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the NORTH side of LARCH Avenue from New Hampshire Avenue to the City Line be hereby repealed, AND

SECTION 2. THAT all parking between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. be prohibited on the NORTH side of LARCH Avenue from PEPCO pole No. N4630 to the City Line, AND

SECTION 3. THAT the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to remove the three existing signs on the north side of Larch Avenue between New Hampshire Avenue and PEPCO Pole No. N4630, AND

SECTION 4. THAT the penalties for violation of this Ordinance shall be the same as prescribed by Ordinances governing traffic regulations in the City of Takoma Park.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Forshee and the Ordinance was adopted by a Roll Call Vote recorded as follows: Aye: Councilmen Collison, Forshee, Jones, Kennedy, McKenzie, Roth and Turner. Nay: None. Excused: None.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Turner reporting

1. Commendation: Stated he wished to add his commendation to employees of the Fire Department in connection with the recent fire at the Funk home, 8517 11th Avenue. Stated that particular commendation should be noted for Sgt. West and Pvts. Bishop, Adams and Ridgely.

2. Personnel: Reviewed his personal knowledge of the circumstances surrounding a letter of resignation submitted by a member of the department which was subsequently withdrawn at the meeting upon the presentation of a sealed letter to members of the Committee. Stated that further information will be necessary in the matter.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m. to reconvene in Executive Session on February 10, 1964 at 8:00 p.m.

Attest: Haynes M. Pudge
City Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: George M. Miller
Mayor