

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

April 9, 1973

City Officials Present

Mayor Roth	City Administrator Pridgen
Councilman Burgess	Director of Public Works Barile
Councilman Faulkner	Fire Chief LaScola
Councilman Forshee	Police Chief Porter
Councilman Nishimoto	Recreation Director Ziegler
Councilman Ricks	Code Enforcement Officer Olson
Councilman Sidell	Asst. Corp. Counsel Culpepper
Councilman Webb	Deputy City Clerk Pusti

The Mayor and City Council met in executive session at 8:00 PM, April 9, 1973 in the Council Chamber, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and dispense with the reading was made, seconded and unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: City Administrator Pridgen reporting:

1. James P. Gleason, County Executive, Montgomery County, Maryland. Letter stating that the City of Takoma Park will be included in any planning or programming activities with regard to bus service at the Takoma Metro station. (Copy to Mayor Roth, Planning and Zoning Committee)
2. Stanley J. Anderson, Wash. Metro. Area Transit Authority. Letter stating that the Metro Transit Authority is conducting a major transportation study designed to provide bus improvement programs; Metro will cooperate in the coordination of its plans with the City. The Mayor asked Mr. Pridgen to write a letter to Mr. Anderson stating that the Council will be looking forward to hearing from him when the study is complete. (Copy to Mayor Roth and Planning and Zoning Committee). He requested a letter be written to the MNCPP noting that the Transit Authority has informed us of the study and that the City is interested in participating.
3. Elaine C. LaVaute, 240 Park Avenue. Letter and petition opposing possible rezoning of 25 Holt Place. Mayor Roth asked that Mrs. LaVaute's letter be acknowledged; stated that no proposal to change the zoning at 25 Holt has been received, but her suggestions will be taken into consideration. (Planning and Zoning, Housing and Code Enforcement)
4. S. Bensinger, Bensinger Brothers, Baltimore, Maryland. Letter regarding property at 7010 Westmoreland Avenue; enumerated conditions that have been corrected and requested waiver on ceiling height deficiency and joint tenancy use of the bathroom. (Housing and Code Enforcement Committee)
5. Three letters opposing the proposed tree ordinance; three letters in favor of the ordinance. (Public Works Committee)

A Proclamation was read by Mayor Roth endorsing the "Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up" campaign, and soliciting the cooperation of all citizens to participate in the program, April 23 through May 18, 1973.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES AS OF MARCH 31, 1973: City Treasurer Pridgen reporting.

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-GENERAL FUNDS

Balance as of February 28, 1973	\$198,163.96	
*March receipts	<u>185,496.19</u>	\$383,660.15
March disbursements		<u>121,265.18</u>
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>262,394.97</u>
*Included matured Treasury Bill - \$100,000.00		

SUBURBAN TRUST COMPANY-PAYROLL ACCOUNT

Balance as of February 28, 1973	11,327.25	
March transfers from General Funds	<u>88,520.56</u>	99,847.81
March disbursements		<u>86,978.53</u>
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>12,869.28</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND-GENERAL FUNDS

Balance as of February 28, 1973	500.00	
No transactions during March	<u>- 0 -</u>	500.00
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>500.00</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND-SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND

Balance as of February 28, 1973	4,713.10	
No transactions during March	<u>- 0 -</u>	4,713.10
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>4,713.10</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND-PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance as of February 28, 1973	3,966.82	
No transactions during March	<u>- 0 -</u>	3,966.82
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>3,966.82</u>

CITIZENS BANK OF MARYLAND-SAVINGS ACCOUNT TP 63

Balance as of February 28, 1973	163.42	
Interest for first quarter, 1973	<u>1.83</u>	165.25
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>165.25</u>

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK-GENERAL FUNDS

Balance as of February 28, 1973	2,508.96	
No transactions during March	<u>- 0 -</u>	2,508.96
Balance as of March 31, 1973		<u>2,508.96</u>

PETTY CASH

200.00

U.S. TREASURY BILLS

	<u>COST</u>	<u>MATURITY VALUE</u>
Purchased 9/12/72 Due to Mature 6/30/73	\$ 95,973.33	\$100,000.00
" 9/21/72 " 5/31/73	96,410.00	100,000.00
" 9/28/72 " 4/30/73	96,953.61	100,000.00
	<u>\$289,336.94</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>

Mr. Pridgen read a portion of the Council minutes from the meeting of May 20, 1890, when the City Seal was introduced, described, and officially adopted. He presented Mayor Roth, the Councilmen and citizens with an oil painting of the City Seal done by Mrs. Robert E. Porter. Mayor Roth asked Chief Porter to convey his thanks to Mrs. Porter for the beautiful painting, and stated that it will become a permanent part of the new Municipal Building.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor mentioned the clean-up campaign and noted that it was started by the Community Improvement Board with the cooperation of various departments of the City. He thanked Mrs. Simpson for her past efforts and stated that he hoped she would continue her work.

He mentioned some statistics that he thought might interest the audience; the City of Takoma Park is ninth in population in the State of Maryland. The Mayor said that this was one instance where the City should not strive to be number one.

He noted that the City has received encouraging response regarding the Resolution calling for voluntary rent control.

Mayor Roth referred to correspondence that had been received from James Gleason County Executive of Montgomery County, regarding the proposed RAP facilities; Mr. Gleason stated that the County had plans for RAP facilities in various parts of the County. The Mayor stated that he had requested more information from Mr. Gleason and asked that the City be informed before any additional action had been taken. Councilman Nishimoto noted that, according to an official of the drug treatment program, Mr. Gleason is very much in favor of RAP facilities throughout the County, and he expects all areas to cooperate. Councilman Nishimoto said that he personally did not think that the County Council would go along with the "permitted use" concept that Mr. Gleason favors; he stated that he hoped it would go to a special exception zoning case hearing so that all citizens, especially those in North Takoma who will be most affected, will be able to present their views.

Mayor Roth noted that Mr. Pridgen is serving as City Administrator and City Treasurer, and that applications for an assistant to him are being reviewed; he asked Mr. Pridgen to give first priority to this.

The Mayor mentioned the bloodmobile that will be in the parking lot of the Masonic Lodge at Jackson and Ethan Allen Avenues on May 1, 1973, and urged all citizens to support this.

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Councilman Nishimoto noted that both the State Senate and House have passed a bill making absentee voting mandatory in the State of Maryland; the ad hoc committee is working on this and hopes to present a proposal at the next meeting. (#49)

2. Councilman Nishimoto stated that the State of Virginia has passed a law requiring permits for vehicles parking on public streets; he noted that this could be important for the City in regard to Montgomery College and the Metro Station. The informal legislative group that he participates in is preparing a legislative proposal regarding this to be introduced in the next session of the State Legislature.

3. Delegate Moore has introduced House Bill #1371 providing municipalities to submit recommendations regarding widening of secondary roads within their boundaries; Counties will be required to consider comments and recommendations from municipalities. Councilman Nishimoto said that it was too late to get this passed in this session, but stated that he hoped it would go through during the next one.

4. Councilman Sidell asked to add a request for funds to pay for the replacement of a radio which had been stolen from Chief LaScola's car.

5. Councilman Sidell recommended the appointment of a delegate and an alternate to the Fire Chief's Committee of C.O.G.

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6. Councilman Faulkner requested discussion of the use of Pepco's right-of-way as an extension of I-95 from the Beltway to the District.

The Mayor noted that he was very much in favor of absentee voting, and was looking forward to getting that settled. He stated that he regarded some type of control for vehicles parked on public streets a necessity. He noted that the City has always been included in any discussion of plans to widen state roads, and has been well informed of any action. Councilman Nishimoto noted that this would enable the City to testify to the County Council regarding the County's plans for road widening also. The Mayor requested that Councilman Nishimoto inform Mr. Pridgen of any informal legislative committee meetings so that any other Councilmen who wish to may attend.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Jane Ackerman Moore, 7331 Carroll Avenue. Requested that the bus stop in front of her home be relocated. Mayor Roth assigned this to the Planning and Zoning Committee, and noted that the Transit Authority had the final say in the matter. Stated that the house formerly belonging to Dr. Dudley was in very poor condition. Councilman Ricks asked Mrs. Moore for the name of the new owner; she stated that she did not know the owner. Mayor Roth stated that the Planning and Zoning Committee and Councilman Faulkner would contact her, and this will be discussed at the Committee meeting.

2. Mrs. H. Leonard, 8 Crescent Place. Complained about the conditions at 25 Holt Place. Mayor Roth noted that action is pending against Mr. Weisman, the owner of the house; Chief LaScola said that as required, all openings up to 12 feet from the ground were boarded up. The Mayor expressed an interest in having the house purchased by someone who would fix it up.

A citizen who lives behind 25 Holt reiterated Mrs. Leonard's complaint, and suggested that the house be torn down; the Mayor noted that, at present, the City does not have authority to tear the house down. Councilman Ricks explained the process the City follows in serving notice of violation to owners, and noted that this process does take a certain amount of time. Asst. Corp. Counsel Culpepper further elaborated on the legal steps that must be followed in proceedings of this type; Councilman Ricks stated that the first notice of violation had already been served. Mayor Roth requested that the Council continue their efforts in connection with this property.

3. Etta Mae Davis, 703 New York Avenue. She noted for the benefit of those present that the Council had taken quick action in having 609 New York Avenue torn down, even though the house was structurally sound. Councilman Burgess stated that Mr. Weisman does not want the house at 25 Holt torn down, while Montgomery College, the owners of 609 New York Avenue, had requested that the house be torn down.

4. Ellen Marsh, 7405 Maple Avenue. Thanked the Council for keeping her informed on the billboard situation in the City. Noted that cars were still being parked on the sidewalk near the Esso station at Tulip and Carroll. Referred to an article in National Geographic concerning trees and suggested that trees be planted along the sidewalks. Stated that she thought it would be a great honor for the City of Takoma Park to be recognized in the Historical Register. Commented on the property at 25 Holt and stated that she would like to see it restored; noted that some of the oldest homes in Takoma Park were in the vicinity of the Metro area and Montgomery College. Mentioned the committee to review Mr. DiLuigi's project and stated that an architectural historian should also be consulted. Commented on the lack of

sidewalks on Lee Avenue, and noted that the City had paid for sidewalks to be installed on Anne Street a few years ago.

5. Frances Phipps, 7210 Holly Avenue. Commented on the article in the Newsletter about the proposed tree ordinance; said that she had intended the tree ordinance to apply to hardwoods and the larger trees, and stressed moderation in connection with any further write-ups concerning the ordinance. Presented a Wye Oak seedling to the Mayor and Council. Remarked that recognition as an Historical Site could attract tourists to the City, and would give the City more influence in determining the redevelopment of the business district. In response to her question about the City Archives, Mayor Roth stated that the Takoma Park Historical Society had some of the records, the rest are in the Library.

6. Jay Jones, Knights of Columbus. Noted that a proclamation had been submitted to the Council requesting that a day be set aside as "Pro Life Day", and asked the Council to consider this request.

7. Delores Stowell, 7704 Takoma Avenue. Commented on the Council's support for the retention of Silver Spring Intermediate School. Stated that her neighbor, Mr. May, had asked her to speak to the Council regarding the stop sign at Albany and Buffalo Avenues. Councilman Nishimoto noted that the stop sign was installed at the request of the North Takoma Citizens Association, and they should be contacted about recommending that it be moved. Commented on the Council's withdrawal of support for condemnation on Block 69. Requested that she be put on the agenda mailing list. Commented on the need for parking permits at Montgomery College. Commented on properties at 25 Holt and 609 New York Avenue.

8. Ann Vogel, 7117 Garland Avenue. Commented on the letter received from Dr. Coombs at a previous Council meeting. Referred to the types of Housing Authority units in the minutes and requested information as to how many of each type were in the City; requested a copy of the response the City sent to Dr. Coombs. (The Housing Authority is authorized to rent ten units but only five are rented because of a lack of funds.)

9. Kathryn T. Simpson, 7300 Cedar Avenue. In reference to 25 Holt Place, suggested that properties that need to be boarded up should be boarded all the way to the top. Mayor Roth stated that the Code Enforcement Committee would discuss this at the next meeting, and suggested that it would look better if the boards were painted the same color as the house; possibly a portion of the revenue sharing funds could be used for this purpose.

10. Frances Phipps, 7210 Holly Avenue. Suggested that the Public Works Committee consider the paper bags that Hyattsville and College Park use for bagging trash; mentioned the ecological advantages of using bags that are bio-degradable instead of the plastic ones; suggested thinking of the cost in terms of its long-range effects.

Mayor Roth requested that the minutes note that the Public Works Department has a regular leaf collection in the Spring.

11. Don Ramsey, 8300 Flower Avenue. Commented on the Montgomery County ordinance controlling signs, and asked if the City came under this ordinance. Noted that the commercial establishments within the City were under the jurisdiction of the City in some things, and under the County in others. Councilman Ricks stated that if something came up that the City could not handle, the County would be notified. Mr. Ramsey asked for reassurance that the City was keeping a close eye on commercial establishments, and stated that he thought apartments were more rigorously inspected than commercial establishments.

12. Delores Stowell, 7704 Takoma Avenue. Commented on 25 Holt and 609 New York Avenue, and asked what constituted a fire hazard. Mayor Roth suggested she discuss that with Chief LaScola.

13. Michael Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue. Stated that he was opposed to the proposed tree ordinance because it will take away another right of the property owner. Suggested an ordinance prohibiting smoking in public buildings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Burgess reporting.

56. Request for maintenance (including seeding) of public rights of way on Philadelphia Avenue between Carroll and Piney Branch. The State Highway Administration is going to replace some of the curbing and gutters along a portion of East-West Highway; seeding will be delayed until the work is completed. Requested that this be put back on the working agenda.

78. Proposed tax or ordinance on cutting trees. It was reported that nothing more can be done at this point; this was kept on the agenda to advise the public that letters and comments are still welcome. An effort should be made to locate a site for a City tree nursery; a saturation point has been reached with azaleas and the Parks Department has difficulty maintaining the gardens. Mayor Roth suggested that Councilman Burgess attend the next Azalea Committee meeting and discuss the possibility of limiting azalea production to provide space for tree seedlings

124. Proposal to require bagging of trash. The plastic bags have been received and were distributed with a letter to the residents of the test areas on April 9.

137. Extension of fence in front of Takoma Elementary to Maple Avenue. Councilman Burgess has observed the children coming from the elementary school; the children run on the Library grass and not in the street, a crossing guard patrols the intersection, and there are flashing lights in the area. A hedge would possibly serve as well as a fence if it were later deemed necessary. The Public Works Committee is unanimous in its decision that a fence is not necessary, but this has been left on the discussion agenda in case the PTA or the elementary school would like to present additional data pertinent to this.

102. Request for sidewalk on South side of Lee Avenue. Managers of the apartments on Lee Avenue have been notified that residents have been parking in the public right-of-way, and were given until March 30 to correct this; the Police Department has been notified to ticket cars parked in the right-of-way after April 6. The owners have been asked to erect barriers to prevent parking in the right-of-way if necessary. Since the apartment owners have repeatedly stated that they do not want to be assessed for sidewalks, it was suggested that this item be taken off the agenda. Councilman Ricks requested that the item be retained on the agenda until all possibilities have been exhausted; a meeting with the Public Works Committee was suggested to see if a solution could be formulated. It was agreed that this item will be retained on the agenda.

Administrative Action: Authorization to purchase a truck. Four bids were received; Councilman Burgess proposed an ordinance authorizing the bid from Ford be accepted. The truck now being used is not a Ford, and expensive repairs have been needed; for this reason the lowest bid was not as acceptable as the third lowest.

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Councilman Forshee seconded the motion and the Ordinance below was adopted by a roll call vote as follows. Aye: Councilmen Burgess, Faulkner, Forshee, Nishimoto, Rick Sidell, Webb. Nay: none.

ORDINANCE NO. 2257

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

- SECTION 1. THAT, in accordance with the law, invitations to bid on one 3/4 ton pick-up, 4-wheel drive truck for use in the Public Works Department were advertised; AND
- SECTION 2. THAT bids were opened at 3:00 PM, March 30, 1973, with Palmer Ford, Inc. being awarded the sale at a net price of \$3,499 (THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-NINE DOLLARS), including tax exemption and trade-in allowance; AND
- SECTION 3. THAT the City Clerk is hereby authorized to transfer to Palmer Ford, Inc. the title on the trade-in vehicle, a 1966 1/2 ton International pick-up truck, serial #D1100 SB584840A, title #M 274933; AND
- SECTION 4. THAT funds for this purchase are provided in budget A/C 19.303B.

Councilman Ricks noted that there is a big pot hole on Laurel Avenue, about twenty feet from Eastern Avenue; Mayor Roth requested the Public Works Department to check this. The Mayor asked that the Public Works Committee agenda include the development of a position for the City regarding the Potomac Water Supply Study.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell reporting.

139. Participation in LOSAP. It was reported that further discussion with the legal counsel is necessary; this item will be retained until the details are resolved.

Payment to Montgomery County for stolen radio. Upon motion by Councilman Sidell, seconded by Councilman Forshee, the Ordinance below was adopted by a roll call vote as follows. Aye: Councilmen Burgess, Faulkner, Forshee, Nishimoto, Ricks Sidell, Webb. Nay: none.

ORDINANCE NO. 2258

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

- SECTION 1. THAT, whereas a radio (Serial #22573), property of Montgomery County assigned to the Takoma Park Fire Department, was stolen from the Fire Chief's car, said radio valued at \$836; AND
- SECTION 2. THAT the cost of a replacement radio (Serial #2381508) is hereby authorized to be rebated to Montgomery County in the sum of \$836 (EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX DOLLARS); AND
- SECTION 3. THAT funds shall be transferred from the Reserve Fund to A/C 21.1.

For the past five years, Chief LaScola has served as representative for Montgomery County to the Metropolitan Council of Governments Fire Chiefs Committee; he

was appointed Chairman two years ago by County Executive, James Gleason. Due to a change in the Montgomery County Fire Service, Chief David Gratz will represent Montgomery County as Delegate to C.O.G. Councilman Sidell moved that Chief LaScola be named as Delegate for Takoma Park to C.O.G., with Deputy Chief Fickes named as alternate Delegate. The motion was seconded and there being no opposition from members of the Council, the motion was passed.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: Councilman Faulkner reporting.

116. Special exception 2749: use of property at SE corner of N.H. and Ethan Allen for men's social service center (Salvation Army, applicant). The Salvation Army has not yet responded to City inquiries; at the present time, no County hearing concerning this has been scheduled. Mayor Roth noted that the City had requested that the hearing, if one were to be held, be on a local level.

140. Special exception S-238: addition to hospital (Washington Adventist Hospital, applicant). There will be a hearing on this in the County Office Building in Rockville, May 17, 1973, at 10:00 AM.

141. Special exception S-243: operation of a boarding house at 716 Maplewood Avenue (Washington Adventist Hospital, applicant). A hearing is scheduled for May 24, 1973, at 9:00 AM in the County Office Building in Rockville; a hearing will also be held in the City of Takoma Park Council Chamber on April 17, 1973 at 8:30 PM.

145. Resubdivision of Lot 10, Block 61, BFG Subdivision (to lots 36 and 37). Several visits have been made to the property and there is no objection to the resubdivision; because of questions concerning the minimum width of the lot, this item will be retained on the agenda.

147. Petition for reconsideration of ZAP A-8646, 1021 University Blvd., East (R-18 to C-0). It was explained by Asst. Corp. Counsel Culpepper that a reconsideration had been applied for because the party involved is applying for a different zoning than was originally requested. Councilman Faulkner noted that the City had agreed that a C-0 or R-18 zoning was acceptable.

Discussion of the request to extend I-95 from the Beltway to New Hampshire Avenue along the Pepco right-of-way. Councilman Faulkner noted that this would be disadvantageous to the City, and moved that the Maryland Dept. of Transportation be informed of the City's opposition. Mayor Roth stated that a public hearing will be held in late May or early June, and this action will record the City's opposition in advance of the hearing. There being no opposition from the Council, the motion was passed; Mayor Roth asked Mr. Pridgen to write to the Dept. of Transportation stating the City's opposition to this proposal.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting.

There was no report from the Finance Committee at this time; preliminary suggestions for the new budget should be available within the next week. The audience was reminded that the Budget Hearing is scheduled for May 1, 1973. Mayor Roth noted that both Councilman Forshee and Mr. Pridgen had been working very hard on the budget and it is tentatively in balance.

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Webb reporting.

148. Security protection in Spring Park. It was reported that there was not a need for this at present; this is a proposed measure to prohibit some of the larger children from preventing the smaller children from using the park.

146. Rules and Regulations for Public Buildings and Parks. Councilman Webb moved that the proposed ordinance (read at the last Council meeting and printed in full in the Council minutes of March 26, 1973) be adopted; the motion was seconded by Councilman Ricks. A discussion ensued concerning the contents of the proposed ordinance. It was stated that the ordinance governs behavior and responsibility for the physical facilities of the buildings and parks; the financial charges, etc., will be separate. A roll call vote was recorded as follows. Aye: Councilmen Burgess, Faulkner, Forshee, Nishimoto, Ricks, Sidell, Webb. Nay: none. After additional discussion, Councilman Forshee moved that the motion for adoption be withdrawn and the ordinance be brought back to the next meeting. The proposed ordinance was further analyzed and the motion to hold the ordinance for a later meeting was again made by Councilman Forshee and seconded by Councilman Nishimoto. Mayor Roth suggested that, for the next two weeks, the ordinance be used as a basis if someone applies to use the building during that time; Council agreed that the ordinance will be presented again after further discussion.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Nishimoto reporting.

136. Petition and suggestions for traffic control on Glenside Drive. It was reported that this situation is being studied, and Chief Porter will continue to survey the area.

Councilman Nishimoto requested that the parking situation in the Kass lot be placed on the Law Enforcement agenda.

1. Amendment to Ordinance 2227, Municipal Building Parking. The proposed ordinance was read and a motion made for adoption; upon inquiry concerning provisions for employee parking it was stated that employees of the City Offices had available space in the lot behind the Library. Councilman Sidell requested that signs be placed at the entrance of the Police Department to reserve a few spaces for short-time parking for persons who had business at the Police Department that would not require more than a few minutes; it was suggested that these spaces be kept free for this purpose. Councilman Nishimoto requested that his motion be withdrawn until the additional items that had been suggested could be discussed.

129. Request for pedestrian all-direction signal at Philadelphia & Maple.

130. Request for ped. all-direction signal at Philadelphia & Piney Branch. It was requested that these two items be grouped together. The State Highway System has stated that there must be between 1,000 and 1,500 pedestrians using an intersection before the State will install a pedestrian signal; it was suggested that a letter be written to the State Roads Commission requesting a survey to ascertain if a pedestrian signal is necessary. Councilman Ricks noted that the letter might mention the number of school children crossing at these intersections. Upon hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Roth asked Mr. Pridgen to write the letter.

142. Request to extend street parking area at corner of Tulip and Maple. Upon motion by Councilman Nishimoto, seconded by Councilman Forshee; the following ordinance was adopted by a roll call vote as follows. Aye: Councilmen Burgess, Faulkner, Forshee, Nishimoto, Ricks, Sidell, Webb. Nay: none.

ORDINANCE NO. 2259

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

- SECTION 1. THAT Section 3 of Ordinance 2099 and Section 1 of Ordinance 2115, prohibiting parking on the northeast side of Tulip Avenue near Maple Avenue be hereby repealed; AND
- SECTION 2. THAT Section 2 of Ordinance 2099, prohibiting parking on Maple Avenue adjacent to the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, be hereby repealed; AND
- SECTION 3. THAT The Director of Public Works is hereby directed to remove all signs prohibiting parking described in the two sections above; AND
- SECTION 4. THAT the Director of Public Works is hereby directed to paint all curbs at the intersection of Maple and Tulip Avenues for a distance of 40 feet from the intersection.

143. Request to move cab stand from the 7600 block of Maple to Sligo and Maple. Councilman Nishimoto moved that the following ordinance be adopted; the motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess and adopted by a roll call vote as follows. Aye: Councilmen Burgess, Faulkner, Forshee, Nishimoto, Ricks, Sidell, Webb. Nay: none.

ORDINANCE NO. 2260

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

- SECTION 1. THAT Ordinance No. 1776 is hereby repealed; AND
- SECTION 2. THAT the Takoma-Langley Taxi Association is hereby authorized to relocate its cab stand on the East side of Maple Avenue, directly across the street from its present location; AND
- SECTION 3. THAT the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to erect the appropriate signs; AND
- SECTION 4. THAT the penalty for parking in violation of this ordinance shall be as described in Sec. 1-17 of the Code of Takoma Park, Maryland, 1972; AND
- SECTION 5. THAT the Takoma-Langley Taxi Association is hereby given permission to install a cab service telephone at the newly designated cab stand.

Mayor Roth asked Chief Porter for information concerning the next abandoned car auction. Chief Porter noted that the Police Department was in the process of mailing notices to the owners of the vehicles, and an auction will be held in about thirty days. A discussion followed as to the legal procedure that must be followed before an automobile can be auctioned; Chief Porter noted the need for an impounding lot.

HOUSING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT: Councilman Ricks reporting.

18. Rent Control (fact-finding meeting). A fact-finding hearing will be held April 10, 1973, at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers. The Maryland House and Senate have passed a bill which is now on the Governor's desk; the bill, if signed, will roll back all rents which have been increased in excess of 5% since Jan. 11, 1973.

This bill will not affect buildings with less than four units, and does not go into effect until June 1. Councilman Ricks noted that the City has continued to receive favorable response to the Resolution calling for voluntary compliance with the Rent Control Bill. A complaint had been received about black smoke billowing from the chimney of the Winchester-Takoma resulting from a faulty boiler; the County environmental protection agency was contacted, and the boiler was shut down.

144. Request to increase number of Montgomery County Housing Authority Units. It was noted that ten rental units have been set aside for this program; the Housing Authority is using only five of these units because of a lack of funds. It was requested that a letter be sent to Dr. Coombs, and there being no objection from the Council, this item was removed from the agenda.

At this time, Asst. Corp. Counsel Culpepper announced that a court date of June 22, 1973, has been set for the Winchester-Takoma case.

SPECIAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE: Councilman Webb reporting.

No report.

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE COMMITTEE: Mayor Roth reporting.

No report.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 PM, to reconvene at 8:00 PM, on Monday, April 23, 1973.

APPROVED: John Roth
Mayor

ATTEST Hajimur Pridgen
City Administrator

Hearing, April 17, 1973 - 7:30 p.m.
Conference Room - Municipal Building, 7500 Maple Avenue.

Paul E. Arkebauer, Owner
Re: 317 Lincoln Ave. (Reg. #622)
318 Lincoln Ave. (Reg. #53)

Present: Councilman Sidell, Vice Chairman - Housing & Code Enforcement Comm.
Councilman Faulkner
Councilman Burgess
Director of Public Works, A.A. Barile
Code Enforcement Officer Donald L. Olsen
City Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer, Haynes M. Pridgen

The Hearing was opened by Councilman Sidell, Chairman, regarding citations on December 19, 1972 by Code Enforcement Officer Olsen for low ceiling heights in the basement apartments in each of the subject buildings, being in violation of (BOCA) Housing Code Section H-421.0. Ceiling height in Apt. 5, 317 Lincoln Avenue was reported at 6'4" and the basement apartment in 318 Lincoln Avenue was reported at 6'8", Code requirement being 7'4". Mr. Arkebauer had formally requested a waiver of ceiling height requirement by letter dated January 31, 1973.

Mr. Alan Anderson presented a letter dated April 10, 1973 signed by Paul E. Arkebauer, stating that he had requested Mr. Anderson to present his problem in his behalf and hoping this met with the Mayor and Council's approval. Mr. Anderson presented two written statements which were as follows:

Statement signed Alan Anderson, Manager: Re: Basement apartments 317-318 Lincoln Avenue: Conference Room - Municipal Building, 7500 Maple Avenue.

- 1.) Rented consistently for over 35 years.
- 2.) Never any complaints from tenants.
- 3.) Rentals very low for comfortable apartments.
- 4.) Ceiling height poses no problem.
- 5.) Prodigious expense involved in lowering floors for an added six inch clearance not feasible. (a) involves tearing up wood floors and cement floors underneath, (b) Excavating under basement floor, (c) Pulling out sewer pipes and re-installing all plumbing, (d) Eviction of good tenants, (e) Loss of income to owner for indefinite period of time.

Statement signed by Harold Sorenson, 317 Lincoln Avenue, Apt. 5, April 17, 1973.

As occupant of the basement apartment #5 at 317 Lincoln Avenue, Takoma Park, Md. I have no objections to my apartment what-so-ever. I am 5'11" tall and have lived here since 12 march 1970, without hitting my head on the ceiling. Further, I spent six months in this area prior to locating a low rent (\$75.00) per amonth apartment which I could afford and be able to live by myself. in the basement apartments in each of the subject buildings being in violation of (BOCA) Housing Code Section H-421.0. Ceiling height in Apt. 5, 317 Lincoln Avenue was reported at 6'4", Code requirement being 7'4". Mr. Arkebauer had formally I think Takoma Park should be happy to know that there is low rent apartments available to middle income people. It is a rent that I can easily afford and don't have to give big rent payments to some landlord.

Mr. Alan Anderson presented a letter dated April 10, 1973 signed by Paul E. Arkebauer, stating that he had requested Mr. Anderson to present his problem in his behalf and hoping this met with the Mayor and Council's approval. Mr. Anderson presented two written statements which were as follows:

Statement signed Alan Anderson, Manager: Re: Basement apartments 317-318 Lincoln Avenue: Conference Room - Municipal Building, 7500 Maple Avenue.

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Discussion ensued between the Chairman and Councilmen with Mr. Anderson during which Mr. Anderson more or less re-affirmed the written statement. Stated to his personal knowledge the basement apartments in both buildings have been rented for over thirty-five years and there have been no complaints of the low ceilings by tenants, some of which have been occupied for as long as eight years. Stated that tenants are always permitted to inspect apartments prior to rental and occupancy.

Mr. Barile inquired as to whether there us any dispute as to the accuracy of the reports by the Code Enforcement Officer and Mr. Anderson said there is no question as to the accuracy. Mr. Olsen commented that Mr. Arkebauer had spent a fair sum of money in bringing both buildings up to Code Standards as per his report with the exception of the ceiling heights.

Chairman Sidell stated the matter would be given further consideration by the Housing and Code Enforcement Committee.

Haynes M. Pridgen
Haynes M. Pridgen, City Administrator-Clerk

THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

April 23, 1973

City Officials Present

Mayor Roth
Councilman Burgess
Councilman Faulkner
Councilman Forshee
Councilman Nishimoto
Councilman Sidell

City Administrator Pridgen
Police Chief Porter
Fire Chief LaScola
Recreation Director Ziegler
Corporation Counsel Gingerich
Deputy City Clerk Pusti

Excused: Councilman Ricks
Councilman Webb

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session at 8:00 PM, April 23, 1973, in the Council Chamber, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. The invocation was given by Mr. Leslie H. Pitton of the Washington Adventist Hospital, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion to approve the minutes as submitted and dispense with the reading was made, seconded and unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: City Administrator Pridgen reporting:

1. W. McLean Bingley, Chief, Div. of Water and Sewage, State of Maryland Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene. Letter and copy of the policy of the Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene on interim wastewater treatment plants. (Public Works Committee)
2. Thomas Hicks, Traffic Division, Maryland Dept. of Transportation. Letter regarding City request for study to determine need for pedestrian all direction traffic signals at Philadelphia and Maple and Philadelphia and Piney Branch. (Law Enforcement Committee)
3. Royce Hanson, Chairman, Mont. County Planning Board. Letter regarding Surface Transportation Study and invitation for City representative to attend the next Advisory Committee meeting; copy of Study of Public Transportation Improvements in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties work program. (Copy to Mayor Roth, Planning and Zoning Committee)
4. James M. Hennessey, Chief, Planning and Zoning, MNCPPC. Notice of request to withdraw without prejudice regarding special Exception 2749, Salvation Army, applicant, to be considered by P.G. County Planning Board. (Planning and Zoning) (Mayor Roth noted that Councilman Faulkner would comment on this in his Committee report.)
5. Gordon W. Holland, 7214 Maple Avenue. Letter of resignation from position of Park Supervisor, effective May 18, 1973. (Public Works Committee)
6. Mrs. H. James Barton, 23 Columbia Avenue. Letter requesting permission to use parking lot of 8 Columbia Avenue on the weekend of April 28. (There being no objection from the Council members, Mayor Roth requested Mr. Pridgen to notify Mrs. Barton that permission was granted; noted that this was for one day only.)

A Proclamation was presented by Mayor Roth to Mr. Pitton naming May 6 - 12 as Hospital Week in the City of Takoma Park, and urging all citizens to participate in its observance.

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A Proclamation was presented to Mr. John Kromer, representing the Boy's Club of Takoma Park by Mayor Roth proclaiming the month of May, 1973, as Takoma Park Boy's Club Month. The Mayor noted the accomplishments of the Boy's Club in the City and urged all citizens to support their fund-raising drive; he was presented with a Boy's Club Auto Tag, and made a donation to the Club.

Mayor Roth presented a Proclamation naming the month of May, 1973, as Senior Citizens Month in the City to Margaret Holmes, President of Chapter 838, American Assn. of Retired Persons of Takoma Park.

Upon motion by City Administrator Pridgen, unanimously carried, Mayor Roth presented a Resolution to Scott A. Carlin, age 10, for saving the life of a small child while on duty as a school Safety Patrol. The Council members and the audience gave Scott a standing ovation, and Mayor Roth congratulated him on his bravery and quick action.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mentioned National Secretary's Week, and thanked the department secretaries for their work. Noted that James Gleason, County Executive of Montgomery County, had designated a site for the East Silver Spring Library at Walden and Garland Ave.; stated that this will serve an area that needs a library, and will give particular attention to the Spanish-speaking people in the community. Mentioned the abandoned automobile auction that will be held on May 18.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Kathryn T. Simpson, 7300 Cedar Avenue. Asked that Bensinger Brothers' request (correspondence received, minutes of April 9, 1973) for waiver on ceiling height deficiency and joint tenancy use of the bathroom be denied. Stated that Revenue Sharing Funds should not be used for boarding up houses; Councilman Forshee noted that the cost for this was assessed to the property owners. Supported the idea presented at the last meeting to plant trees in the strips between the sidewalks and streets. Mentioned street lighting improvements and noted that she is not in favor of the use of high crime lighting in the City; Mayor Roth noted that this type of lighting is not what is being installed. Stated that the C.I.B. has met with the Montgomery County Housing Authority and that the services available to the City should be utilized rather than duplicated by a City Housing Authority. Mayor Roth noted that the City would examine the services available by the County that would be beneficial to the City, and do only what is not covered by County services.

2. Raymond McGuire, 7212 Willow Avenue. Commented on the retirement of Gordon Holland; expressed appreciation for his work in the parks. On behalf of the sponsoring organizations, he mentioned the Takoma Park House and Garden Tour on Sunday, May 6, from 2 to 4:30 PM. Invited all citizens to participate in the flower show and the tour; noted some of the homes and gardens that will be included in the tour, and stated that tags for the tour are available Monday - Friday at the Recreation Department and on May 6 at the Library. Mayor Roth commended this activity and invited all members of the Committee to his home for refreshments after the tour.

3. K. H. McLean, 8631 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt. Noted that his had been the highest bid on 8 Columbia, and mentioned that all of his bids had been prefaced

by the statement, "Assuming my lesser bids were not the highest of the competitive bids . . ."; requested that he be allowed to withdraw his bids above \$24,501. Mayor Roth stated that the Council was very much interested in what Mr. McLean planned to do with the building, and noted that it was the privilege of the Council to accept or reject any bid; stated that on the advice of Corp. Counsel Gingerich, the Council would reach no decision at this time, but would discuss the matter and have a decision at the next Council meeting. Mr. McLean requested that the deposits on his lower bids be refunded as soon as possible; stated that he will remodel the building and use it for office space, perhaps medical and dental offices and his own office. Noted that he will apply for a Special Exception to the zoning; Councilman Sidell mentioned that the Council will not necessarily back any request for Special Exception.

4. John H. Mitton, 501 Philadelphia Avenue. Stated that he represented the Takoma Park Independence Day Committee, and asked for citizens to support the Committee by displaying "Takoma Park, Maryland Azalea City" bumper stickers, available for a donation of 50¢; noted the expense that the Committee goes to in presenting the 4th of July parade and fireworks every year. Mayor Roth expressed his appreciation for the work done by the Independence Day Committee and urged all citizens to support them by contributing; noted that Councilman Sidell rides his 1890 high-wheel bicycle in the parade every year. Stated that members of the VFW, VFD, and DeMolay will be soliciting door-to-door for contributions.

5. James Jeffas, 7600 Hammond Avenue. Requested that names and addresses of writers be mentioned for all correspondence noted in the Council minutes. Stated that he had contacted various official departments of the State of Virginia, and had been unable to obtain information concerning the parking permits mentioned in the minutes of April 9; Mayor Roth noted that this had been in effect in Arlington County, but is now in Court. Mr. Jeffas stated his opposition to a regulation of this sort. Councilman Nishimoto invited him to attend the Law Enforcement Committee meeting when this is discussed. Mr. Jeffas noted the situation at Hammond Avenue and the access road to the Langley Professional Building, and inquired as to the status of this; Councilman Burgess stated that one or two replies have been received from the State that were not too responsive to the City's requests. Mayor Roth noted that the State Highway System is not in favor of extending the access road; mentioned that they would support a curb cut from the access road to New Hampshire Avenue, but the owners of the medical building had not shown interest in this proposal. Mr. Jeffas mentioned the tree situation, and asked what authority the Maryland State Dept. of Forestry has in the City, noting his opposition to the proposed tree ordinance. He questioned the payment to Montgomery County to replace the radio stolen from Chief LaScola's car and asked why it wasn't insured. City Administrator Pridgen noted the high cost of this type of insurance but stated that insurance on all portable radios is being considered; the City's insurance counselor had not recommended insuring the radio. Mr. Jeffas reported that shrubs at the intersection of Maple and Maplewood and at the Hampshire-Langley shopping center obscured vision. Mayor Roth asked Mr. Pitton of the Wash. Adventist Hospital to look into the situation at Maple and Maplewood; noted that the shrubs could be 36" high. Mr. Jeffas commented on the Resolution presented to Scott Carlin and requested that the City inquire as to the possibility of Scott receiving the Carnegie Medal of Heroism; Mayor Roth stated that Scott has been recommended for an award from the White House in addition to the recognitions that he had already received; asked Mr. Pridgen to inquire about the Carnegie Medal.

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COMMITTEE REPORTSHOUSING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell

Reported that two hearings had been held since the last Council meeting: a rent control fact-finding hearing attended mainly by citizens living at 7620 Maple Avenue, and a hearing concerning ceiling height violations at 317 and 318 Lincoln Avenue. Mayor Roth noted the C.I.B.'s interest in boarding up houses, particularly the one at 25 Holt; stated that the property has been sold, and the new owners intend to restore the property for use as a single family dwelling. Also noted that Mrs. Simpson had requested that the Public Works and the Fire Department be given the credit they deserve for the clean-up campaign.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Burgess reporting

Noted that Mr. Ruffcorn and Mr. Breckenridge of the Washington Adventist Hospital had stated that if the City would provide brushes, paint, etc., they could get young people to volunteer to do simple repairs and painting for owners who have a limited income. Requested that this item be put on the Housing and Code Enforcement agenda. The Mayor requested that this item be pursued as soon as an Assistant City Administrator has been installed.

137. Extension of fence in front of Takoma Elementary to Maple Avenue. The Public Works Committee is not in favor of this and since there was no additional information presented, it was requested that this item be removed from the agenda. Suggested consulting a landscape architect concerning planting low shrubs along the strip between the sidewalk and the street in lieu of a fence.

151. Development of a position on the Potomac Water Supply. Mentioned letters from the Society of Professional Engineers Study Committee that had been referred to the Public Works Committee asking for support relative to the water supply in Washington, D.C. and area. Noted that at times in the summer the demand for water is greater than the supply, and our reserve water is in danger of being used up; stated that everyone, from Congress on down, was guilty of ignoring this situation. The Public Works Committee has prepared a statement to, if it cannot be made before the Corps of Engineers hearing or the Senate Committee hearing, be inserted in the records both times with a cover letter to explain the City's position. The Public Works Committee recommends that the City go on record as recognizing the critical situation of the water supply, and endorsing construction of the Sixes Bridge and Verona Reservoirs at the earliest possible time. Councilman Burgess moved that the Council endorse this position and send a resolution to the Senate Committee and the Corps of Engineers along these general lines; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved. Mayor Roth mentioned the ten year lead time on this and said that he was delighted with this endorsement; a City statement regarding this will either be read in person or forwarded to be read.

FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell reporting.

139. Participation in LOSAP. Noted that the Committee is not opposed to this idea, but is concerned about some of the details; this program benefits volunteer firemen in Montgomery County who have met the service requirements and have reached 62 years of age, providing an income of \$100 a month for life for these men. Hoped that all the details of this can be worked out by the next meeting. Councilman Burgess requested information concerning the problems with LOSAP; Councilman Sidell noted that the method of payment is one consideration, and that there are some technical points that the City and County must agree on before participation can be effected.

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At this time, Peter Menedis, President of the TPVFD, asked for permission to make a statement: he requested that the Council not pursue anything other than what was requested by the Volunteers concerning this program.

149. 25 Holt Place: (a) Code violations. Chief LaScola noted that all openings are closed in compliance with the Fire Code. Mayor Roth commented that the owner had boarded up all openings in the house, even those above 12 feet from the ground. Chief LaScola stated that when construction began on 25 Holt Place, there will be a lot of debris that should be cleared as soon as possible to prevent further complaints from citizens in that neighborhood. The Mayor requested that the Housing and Code Enforcement Committee consider totally boarding up houses; Chief LaScola noted that the only authority the City has in regard to boarding requirements is stated in the Fire Code, and it only authorizes boarding up to 12 feet from the ground. The Mayor mentioned Ordinance 1946 and requested information as to the authority for boarding covered by that Ordinance.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: Councilman Faulkner reporting.

140. Special Exception S-238: addition to hospital (Wash. Adv. Hospital, applicant). Noted that a hearing is scheduled for May 17, at 10:00 AM, in the County Office Building in Rockville.

141. Special Exception S-243: operation of boarding house at 716 Maplewood (Wash. Adv. Hosp., applicant). Noted that a special hearing was held in the City Council Chambers on April 17; stated that two representatives of the hospital were present and that only one citizen spoke in opposition to this request. Thanked Councilmen Burgess and Sidell for their help in conducting this hearing. There will be a hearing on this on May 24, 1973, in the County Office Building in Rockville.

116. Special Exception 2749: use of property at SE corner of NH and Ethan Allen for men's social service center (Salvation Army, applicant). Stated that the Salvation Army is requesting that they be allowed to withdraw their application. Noted the statement read by City Administrator Pridgen in the correspondence portion of the meeting and requested that the reply note the City's opposition to the center. Moved that this item be removed from the agenda. Mayor Roth referred to item 149: 25 Holt Place:(b) petition re zoning, and asked that this also be removed from the agenda. There being no objection from the Council, these items were removed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting.

33. Results of bids on 8 Columbia Avenue. Stated that the bids had been opened on April 18, at 3:00 PM; the Committee and the Council have not made a decision yet. Noted that the highest bid had been by Mr. McLean; stated that he was glad Mr. McLean was present to answer questions of the Council concerning his plans for the building. Stated that no action would be taken at this time, but a decision should be announced at the next Council meeting. Regarding Mr. McLean's request that deposits on his low bids be returned, Councilman Forshee noted that he personally had no objection to this. Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor Roth authorized Mr. Pridgen to return the deposits to Mr. McLean on his four lowest bids; Corp. Counsel Gingerich was in agreement with this.

At this time, Councilman Forshee noted an addition to his agenda: a motion for the appointment of Patrick J. Fennell as Assistant City Administrator, to begin work on May 1, 1973, at a salary of \$15,000 per year. City Administrator Pridgen gave a resume of Mr. Fennell's qualifications and education and stated that he had

talked at length with Mr. Fennell and is convinced that he will be an asset to the City. Upon being seconded, the appointeent was carried.

Councilman Forshee reminded the audience of the Budget Hearing to be held on May 1, 1973, at 8:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, 7500 Maple Avenue.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Forshee reporting.

Scheduled Recreation activities include: Ringling Brothers-Barnum and Bailey Circus trip scheduled for April 24; Recreation Council meeting Tuesday, April 24, 8:00 PM, 7500 Maple Avenue; special Easter vacation programs being held at the Firehouse Gym and the Piney Branch Middle School. Reminded the audience that the Annual Flower Show will be held at 7500 Maple Avenue on Sunday, April 29, from 4 to 9 PM, and on Monday, April 30, from 9 AM to 8PM; noted that the annual plant sale will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 8 AM until noon at Hodges Field.

Mayor Roth commented on the yards and flower beds of some homes in the City; noted the beautiful flowers and shrubs and urged all citizens to participate in the flower show and patronize the annual plant sale.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Nishimoto reporting.

129. Req. for ped. all-direction traffic signal at Phila. & Maple;

130. Req. for ped. all-direction traffic signal at Phila. & Piney Br. Noted that the State Roads Commission had responded to our request (Correspondence received)

136. Petition and suggestions for traffic control on Glenside Drive. Noted that the Police Department had made a study of this; there have been six motor vehicle accidents there during the past twelve months. Mayor Roth suggested contacting the people in this area concerning the proposed ordinance; Councilman Nishimoto stated that rather than present an ordinance, he would prefer to present a first reading to enable the citizens on Glenside Drive to react to the proposal.

153. Illegal parking on Kass Lot. Stated that four abandoned cars, two trucks, and three cars belonging to local merchants had been removed from the lot; five additional cars had been marked for removal shortly. Noted the lack of a City impounding lot, and mentioned that spaces were provided for only fourteen automobiles on the Public Works parking lot. Urged citizens to come to the car auction to be held on May 18 at 7500 Maple Avenue.

Discussion indicated that the Council had never authorized the lot behind the Municipal Building to be used as an impounding lot; this is a temporary solution to an emergency situation. The Council authorized the fourteen spaces at Public Works, but this is insufficient.

SPECIAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE

No report

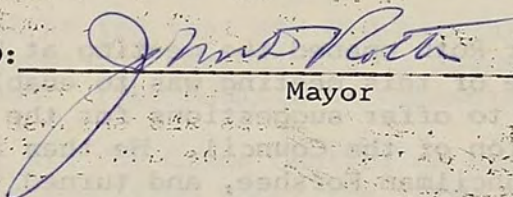
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COUNCIL AS A WHOLE COMMITTEE: Mayor Roth reporting.

The Mayor stated that this Committee will begin reporting again now that the Assistant City Administrator has been appointed.

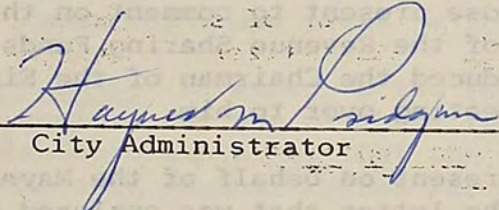
There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM, to reconvene at 8:00 PM, on Monday, May 14, 1973.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Administrator

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