

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on March 7, 1978 with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W. F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, Vernon Flanary

Absent: W. C. Necessary

Also Present: Joe Baker, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Minutes read and approved with amendment to Section 7976 by explaining that first two truck bids were not in line with what had been requested.

Mayor announced it was now time for public hearing on Rezoning as advertised- Said hearing to consider the following request for rezoning: rezone all Lots 19 thru 36 in Block 11, Section 18, located on Virginia Avenue, N.W. between 11th Street N.W. and 10th Street, N.W. from Zone "RB" (Residential) to Zone B-2 (Central Business). 7989

Visitors speaking on this matter: Mrs. C. H. Henderson, Father Bond, Hal Fields, Leola Yeary and Father Krulis. Most of the questioning of rezoning was pertaining to parking and illuminated sign or signs.

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by the following votes, Fulks, McElroy, Flanary Yes - Hunnicutt - Abstained from voting and went to record as taking no part in discussion at all, council moved that on recommendation of the Planning Commission that all Lots 19 thru 36 in Block 11, Section 18 located on Virginia Avenue, N.W. between 11th Street, N.W. and 10th Street, N.W. be rezoned from Zone "RB" (Residential) to Zone B-2 (Central Business). 7990

Appointment of member to Housing Board of Appeals was tabled. 7991

Vice Mayor McElroy suggested that the City Manager and Council get together and tour the entire City and clean up all Streets in City. Council was in agreement with this suggestion. 7992

The City Manager asked that Council go into executive session.

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that they go into executive session in accordance with Section 2.1-344 of the Code to discuss personnel matters. 7993

The City Attorney advised Council that the Attorney for City's former Chief of Police has withdrawn his request for grievance hearing. 7994

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved that they go back into regular session from executive session held to create office to handle Community Development Funds and to discuss personnel matter. 7995

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W. F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved that City Manager be authorized and directed to notify HUD of our intent and desire to create an office of Community Development Coordinator and that he consult with and advise the HUD people and two individuals to fill this position and that he come back to the City Council when he has accomplished this with specific and finite plan for creation and funding for this office and a proposed budget and that no funds be committed until this Council deliberates on this matter. 7996

Councilman Hunnicutt brought to Council's attention electric power situation in regard to fuel adjustment.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W. F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that notify other government entities that we strenuously object to fuel adjustment and also object to curtailment of back-up service from Appalachian Power Company in St. Paul area. 7997

The City Manager was directed to get comparison of old fuel adjustment from November bill and the new from current bill. 7998

The City Manager read "Draft Message to Local Officials" from the Governor regarding strike. 7999

There being no further business to come before the Council same adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk