

REGULAR MEETING

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chamber in City Hall at the hour of 7:00 P. M. on Tuesday, January 15, 1963 in regular session with Mayor Mary Alice Dunlap presiding.

Members present: Sikes, Chitwood, Peace, Faucett, Shertzner, Graves and Hickman.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Councilman Graves.

Councilman Peace moved, seconded by Councilman Faucett that the minutes of the last regular meeting of January 1, 1963 be approved.

Councilman Sikes presented Ordinances 1 and 2, 1963 for first reading by the Clerk-Treasurer. The Clerk-Treasurer read Ordinance No. 1 and 2 1963, which pertained to voluntary annexation of two properties at the Eastern edge of the City.

Councilman Sikes presented Resolution No. 1, 1963 for reading by the Clerk-Treasurer.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT OFFER

WHEREAS, there has been filed with the Government in behalf of City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana (herein called the Applicant) an application, Project Number APW-Ind-196 dated October 20, 1962, for Federal assistance under the Public Works Acceleration Act, Public Law 87-658, and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting by and through the Regional Director of Community Facilities, has transmitted to the Applicant for acceptance a Grant Offer dated Jan 11, 1963 of Federal assistance in connection with the Project referred to in said application and described in said Offer; and

WHEREAS, said Grant Offer has been fully considered in accordance with all pertinent rules of procedure and legal requirement, and made a part of the Applicant's public records; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable and in the public interest that said Grant Offer be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved by City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Ind. that the said Grant Offer, a true and correct copy of which, including the Special Conditions and the Terms and Conditions, is hereto attached, be and the same hereby is accepted without reservation or qualification, and be it further resolved that the applicant will, within sixty (60) days from the above date, furnish the Government satisfactory evidence that its share of the project cost is available or that firm and binding arrangements have been entered into to provide such funds as they are needed to meet project costs, and that the applicant agrees that its failure to do so will automatically cancel the Grant Offer and this Acceptance, thereby releasing the Federal Government from any and all claims or liabilities in connection with this Grant and/or project.

Passed by the aforementioned governing body of the Applicant on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Officer Required to Approve)

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as a Valid Acceptance of the above-mentioned Grant Offer

Applicant's Attorney

Address:

Councilman Sikes moved and Councilman Hickman seconded that Resolution No. 1, 1963 be duly adopted; motion unanimously carried.

A petition was received from Theodore Ellis requesting annexation of his newly developed Eastland Apartments, Inc.

Councilman Peace presented the following report from the Public Safety Committee of the Common Council.

Report to Council

From Public Safety Committee.

Jan. 15, 1963.

At the Jan. 8, 1963 meeting of the Bloomington Traffic Commission, the following traffic recommendations were adopted and submitted to the Mayor and Council for consideration and action.

1. Recommends that a 'Yield' sign be placed on the southwest corner of the east-west alley that intersects Morton St., between First St. and Allen St.
2. Recommends that one parking space be removed and curb painted yellow, on the north side of Howe St. immediately west of Rogers St. to allow a safer turning movement and increased visibility.
3. Recommends that Smith Ave. be designated ONE-WAY eastbound from Walnut St. to Lincoln St.
4. Recommends that 2 hour parking be established on the west side of Washington St. from Smith Ave. to Second St.
5. Recommends that time limit parking zones be established and the schedule of the Traffic Ordinance be amended to include the following listed locations:
  - a. South side of East Third St. from Washington St. to the first alley east, shall be designated a 2 hour time limit parking zone.
  - b. South side of East Third St. from Lincoln St. to the first alley east, shall be designated a fifteen minute time limit parking zone.
  - c. South side of East Third St. from the first alley east of Lincoln St. to Dunn St. shall be designated a 2 hour time limit parking zone.
  - d. North side of East Third St. from Lincoln St. to Dunn St. shall be designated a 2 hour time limit parking zone.

This committee has studied each of the above recommendations and do hereby ask the Council to amend the schedule of the Traffic Ordinance to include these changes.

Signed/ David Chitwood

David Chitwood

Signed / Hilbert Graves

Hilbert Graves

Signed/ Carl H. Shertzer

Carl Shertzer

Signed/ Norbert Peace

Norbert Peace, Chairman

Councilman Peace moved, seconded by Councilman Hickman that the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee be adopted; motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Dunlap announced that a bulletin had been received from the Fireman's Actuary Bureau and that this report which covers the Bureau's inspection of Bloomington businesses in October was available, should any citizen like to see it. Mayor Dunlap also stated that she had met with civic leaders in protest of the proposed Lake Central Airline Flight withdrawal.

Jim Veal came to the Council requesting assistance on problems with his leader dog. Councilman Sikes suggested that the Council act as a committee of the whole and examine the possibilities of an Ordinance relating to seeing eye dogs.

The following letter was read by Mayor Dunlap.

Dear Councilmen and the Citizens of Bloomington:

For the past seven months I have had the privilege of serving the citizens of Bloomington as Mayor and with you have experienced a feeling of pride in the following accomplishments.

Accomplishments in 1962

1. Opened two new off-street parking lots at Sixth and Lincoln and West Fourth Street, a vital aid in the growth of Bloomington's downtown business community.
2. Completed utility and maintenance building for Park and Recreation Department.
3. Installed mercury lights in parks at West Second Street and Third Street Park and Bryan Park.
4. Completed utility building for cemetery.
5. Contract for a new Master Plan to replace the outdated Master Plan of 1949. This plan incorporates the future planning of Bloomington for many years, also a rezoning program to replace the outdated zoning ordinance now in effect.
6. Worked closely with all phases of the urban renewal program. In 1962, 48 percent of the real estate in Project I of the Dyer School renewal area has been purchased with another six percent under option. Twenty five percent of the project families have been relocated. Eighty-five percent of these families have moved into fully standard accommodations.
7. Completed the "great white way" linking the downtown and Indiana University campus on East Fifth Street. No other city in Indiana can boast a boulevard of this kind. Forty trees will be planted this spring to beautify this boulevard.
8. As member of the Legislative Committee of the Indiana Municipal League worked very closely with the other members of this committee on legislation that would benefit cities and towns.
9. Completion of multiple traffic signal system at Jordan and Tenth Street.
10. Completion of aerial photographs to aid the Engineering Department in the study and planning for future storm drainage program, water and sewer installations and many other engineering problems.
11. Creation of a voluntary Citizens Fire Safety Commission - first of its kind in nation.
12. Arrangements made with Indiana Rating Bureau for general inspection for the purpose of lowering fire insurance rates.
13. Inspection of business rooms, schools, and churches were made by insurance agents and many minor fire hazards discovered and removed.
14. Making over 5,000 fire inspections including Indiana University off-campus housing.
15. Winning first place award in the state of Indiana for fire prevention and third place internationally in class five cities.
16. Receiving certificates of achievement awards for traffic engineering, pedestrian protection, traffic safety program, vehicle safety check and death-free-year.

17. Improved garbage and trash collection through change in contractor.
18. With cooperation of the State Board of Health there has been revitalization of restaurant inspections.
19. Assistance in street lighting, a new fire truck, and special services made possible through the cooperation of Indiana University.
20. A. Plans and specifications approved for a new \$90,000 fire station to be constructed early in 1963.
- B. Plans and specifications submitted for approval for a \$300,000 incinerator.
- C. Plans and specifications submitted for approval for a \$300,000 Law Enforcement Building.

All three of these public facilities are possible under the Federal Accelerated Act of 1962. Indiana University will provide matching funds for "A" and "B" and "C" will be financed locally with the federal government providing one-half of the cost of each project.

21. Limited annexation program passed by the Common Council redefining the corporate boundaries of the city in order to permit an orderly growth of the area and provide a broader tax base for city facilities which are now being enjoyed by residents in the proposed annexation.
22. Purchase of payloader, two snowplows and small tandem roller for Street Department.
23. Thirty-three block of street sealed and 142 blocks paved by Street Department. Covered 137 miles of streets with salt and sand during each snowstorm.
24. With careful attention to economy and efficiency in our city government were able to lower the 1963 tax rate by 48 cents.
25. The Mayor's Advisory Commission has expanded its efforts for revitalizing the downtown area to promote a more attractive shopping center.

#### Program for 1963

1. Completion of annexation program for the projection and growth of a greater Bloomington.
2. Completion of Law Enforcement Building.
3. Completion of fire station in cooperation with Indiana University.
4. Completion of incinerator in cooperation with Indiana University.
5. Implement the Master Plan for Bloomington.
6. Adopt new modern ordinances for zoning and subdivision control.
7. Proceed on program for beautification and safety of sidewalks and tree plots.
8. Expansion of sewer facilities, adequate to serve growth of Indiana University and the newly annexed areas. Study and planning for new north sewage disposal plant, and relocation of south-east lift station to expand the sewer area southward, relieve the central city sewers and affect a more economical operation.

9. Expansion of water facilities, for the purpose of increasing the water pressure supply into the industrial and residential areas by expansion of the filtration plant and installation of a third feeder main from the plant to the central city.
10. Continue program of street and sidewalk maintenance and furthering the safety program of installing new and larger stop signs.
11. Inaugurate a program for the construction of sidewalks through the Barrett Law in areas where they are desired by the residents.
12. Complete renovation and modernization of Third Street pool and recreational facilities at the West Second Street Park.
13. Cooperate with the Metropolitan Schools in developing recreational and park facilities at the new Bloomington High School site.
14. Further cooperation with Indiana University in solving problems of a mutual interest to city and university.
15. Equalizing the tax burden on city residents by a thorough study of the cost of fire protection and police emergency ambulance services outside the city limits.
16. Institute a "Task Force" operation within the Uniform Division of the Police Department for improved traffic safety, accident prevention and selective law enforcement.
17. Cooperate with Chamber of Commerce and Bloomington Advancement Association to bring industry into Bloomington.
18. Continue with drainage plan for entire city.
19. Greater cooperation between city and county in community health problems.
20. Negotiate acquisition of old Armory building for community recreational purposes.
21. Cooperation with State Highway, Indiana University, County, and Chamber of Commerce in obtaining modern highways into Bloomington.
22. Purchase of fire truck.
23. Completion of survey by Indiana Rating Bureau.
24. It is expected that all of the land in Urban Renewal Project I will be purchased before this year ends, while relocation should be very nearly completed. In addition, the Redevelopment Department will enter into full-scale clearance and site improvement work. By late spring many of the structures will likely have been razed and soon thereafter, installation of new sewers, streets, sidewalks, etc. will commence. Then, the Bloomington Housing Authority will be in a position to start construction of some of their low-rent units on the newly developed land later in the year.
25. Through the Mayor's Advisory Commission cooperate with the downtown merchants to continue the effort of making the downtown area a more desirable and attractive place to shop by encouraging the enlargement of stores, more convenient parking, and special attention to be given to highway entrance and exits to the downtown area.
26. Completion of traffic signals at Seventh and Walnut, College and Tenth, and modernization of signals at Tenth and Walnut.

Reviewing the results of work accomplished by the city administration during 1962 can give all of us a feeling of justifiable pride. The spirit of progress with sound and efficient government was the constant goal of Mayor Tom Lemon. We have been pledged to continue this kind of government for Bloomington.

It has been my high honor to serve as your Mayor since May 12, 1962. The trust which the City Council placed in me was a great one. It has been my earnest desire to merit this trust. It has been my sincere intention to recognize the obligations and the opportunities of this high office in order to assure the continued progressive development of our community.

I am truly grateful for the overwhelming cooperation which I have received from the Council, the department heads and city employees. I am especially proud of the public spirited cooperation of our official boards and commissions who devote so much of their time to the betterment of our city. But, most of all, I must express a deep sense of gratitude to the citizens of Bloomington who accepted our change in executive leadership, perhaps some with misgivings, but with a ready willingness to help us make the transition smoothly. Whatever success this administration has had, whatever success I have had as your Mayor must be attributed to the cooperation of so many of our citizens who are determined to keep Bloomington on the road of progress.

Now it is no secret that 1963 is an election year, a year in which our citizens will again have the opportunity to choose the kind of leadership and administration they feel can best guide us for the next four years. Naturally, I have given this matter careful thought over the past few months. I have talked to many people about it. The expressions of confidence in the kind of administration we have endeavored to develop are indeed heartwarming.

It is with this background, this record, that I now submit to the citizens of Bloomington my intention to seek election to the Office of Mayor. With the sense of humility which I accepted appointment to the Office of Mayor, I now solicit the support and the votes of our citizens in the Democratic Primary in May and the General Election in November.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

S/ Mary Alice Dunlap

Mary Alice Dunlap  
Mayor

Councilman Chitwood moved and Councilman Faucett seconded that the claims presented for payment January 16, 1963 be allowed as submitted; motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned.

*Mary Alice Dunlap*  
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Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

*T.D. All*

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Clerk-Treasurer