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Tuesday - August 15, 1989 - 4:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting

Present: Mayor W. Louis Bissette, Presiding; Vice-Mayor Kenneth

M. Michalove; Councilmen Mary Lloyd Frank, Norma T. Price, Wilhelmina Bratton, Russell Martin and A. Robert York; Corporation Counsel William F. Slawter; City Manager Douglas O. Bean; and Associate City

Manager/City Clerk William F. Wolcott, Jr.

Absent:

## **INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Councilman Bratton.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Bissette announced the approval of the minutes of the August 8, 1989 meeting as submitted.

## I. PROCLAMATIONS:

# A. Resolution No. 89-106 - Resolution of appreciation to

# James L. Anderson - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that James

Anderson was employed by the City for 29 years in the Public Works Department in the Street Division as a Labor Crew Supervisor I.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-106 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to James L. Anderson.

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# Resolution No. 89-107 - Resolution of appreciation to

# Harry K. Black - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Harry K.

Black was employed by the City for 28 years in the Fire Department as a Company Commander.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-107 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Harry K. Black.

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Resolution No. 89-108 - Resolution of appreciation to

Fred Blankenship - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Fred

Blankenship was employed by the City for 17 years in the Fire Department as a Firefighter III.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-108 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Fred Blankenship.

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Resolution No. 89-109 - Resolution of appreciation to

Carroll Bryson - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Carroll

Bryson was employed by the City for 18 years in the Fire Department as a Firefighter III.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-109 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Carroll Bryson.

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Resolution No. 89-110 - Resolution of appreciation to

**David Bryson - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **David** 

Bryson was employed by the City for 28 years in the Fire Department as a Fire District Chief.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-110 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to **David Bryson**.

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Resolution No. 89-111 - Resolution of appreciation to

Herman Crisp - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Herman** 

Crisp was employed by the City for 29 years in the Public Works Department in the Street Division as a Labor Crew Supervisor III.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-111 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Herman Crisp.

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Resolution No. 89-112 - Resolution of appreciation to

Ray Cooper - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Ray

Cooper was employed by the City for 12 years in the Fire Department in the Inspections Division as an Electrical Inspections Specialist.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-112 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Ray Cooper.

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Resolution No. 89-113 - Resolution of appreciation to

**Ruby Godwin - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Ruby

Godwin was employed by the City for 22 years in the Water Department in the Customer Services Division as a Customer Service Representative II.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-113 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Ruby Godwin.

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Resolution No. 89-114 - Resolution of appreciation to

Fred Hensley - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Fred** 

**Hensley** was employed by the City for **31** years in the **Police Department** as the Police Chief.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-114 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Fred Hensley.

Resolution Book No. 17 Page No. 470

Resolution No. 89-115 - Resolution of appreciation to

Jane Hollars - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Jane

Hollars was employed by the City for 12 years in the Fire Department as a Secretary.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-115 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Jane Hollars.

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Resolution No. 89-116 - Resolution of appreciation to

**Bobby Ingle - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Bobby** 

Ingle was employed by the City for 24 years in the Fire Department as a Firefighter III.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-116 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to Bobby Ingle.

Resolution Book No. 17 Page No. 472

Resolution No. 89-117 - Resolution of appreciation to

**Kathryn Jones - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Kathryn** 

Jones was employed by the City for 6 years in the Water Department in the Customer Services Division as a Customer Service Representative.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-117 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to **Kathryn Jones**.

Resolution Book No. 17 Page No. 473

Resolution No. 89-118 - Resolution of appreciation to

John Leslie - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **John** 

Leslie was employed by the City for 13 years in the Public Works Department in the Street Division as a Motor Equipment Operator II.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-118 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to John Leslie.

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Resolution No. 89-119 - Resolution of appreciation to

Robert Lunsford - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Robert** 

Lunsford was employed by the City for 21 years in the Parks and Recreation Department as a Motor Equipment Operator III.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-119 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to **Robert Lunsford**.

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Resolution No. 89-120 - Resolution of appreciation to

Walter Masters - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Walter

Masters was employed by the City for 25 years in the Police Department as a Police Officer Senior.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-120 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said Walter Masters is now deceased,

however a copy of the resolution of appreciation will be presented to his family.

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Resolution No. 89-121 - Resolution of appreciation to

Lemuel Moore, Jr. - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Lemuel** 

**Moore, Jr.** was employed by the City for **16** years in the **Fire Department in the Inspections Divisions** as the Building Inspections Director.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-121 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Lemuel Moore, Jr.

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Resolution No. 89-122 - Resolution of appreciation to

Johnny Queen - recent retiree of the City of Asheville

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Johnny** 

Queen was employed by the City for 28 years in the Fire Department as an Associate Fire Marshall.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-122 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to Johnny Queen.

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Resolution No. 89-123 - Resolution of appreciation to

**Kathleen Shelton - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that **Kathleen** 

**Shelton** was employed by the City for **21** years in the **Finance Department in the Collections Division** as a Customer Service Representative II.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-123 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette presented the framed resolution of

appreciation to Kathleen Shelton.

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Resolution No. 89-124 - Resolution of appreciation to

**Scott Wheeler - recent retiree of the City of Asheville** 

Mayor Bissette read the resolution stating that Scott

Wheeler was employed by the City for 15 years in the Police Department as a Police Officer Senior.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Councilman

Bratton, Resolution No. 89-124 was unanimously adopted.

Mayor Bissette said the framed resolution of

appreciation will be presented to Scott Wheeler.

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B. Proclamation - "Housing Now Day" - October 7, 1989

Mayor Bissette read the proclamation and presented a

copy to Monroe Gilmour with Housing Now, who highlighted the events taking place prior to the October 7, 1989 national march for Housing Now to be held in Washington, D. C. to request an end to homelessness through the creation of affordable housing.

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#### **II. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

## **III. OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Ordinance No. 1780 - An Ordinance amending the City

Charter of the City of Asheville pursuant to North Carolina General Statute Sec. 160A-102 to provide for election of the Asheville City Council by the nonpartisan election and runoff election method as set forth in North Carolina General Statute Sec. 163-293.

Ordinance No. 1781 - An Ordinance amending the City

Charter of the City of Asheville pursuant to North Carolina General Statute Sec. 160A-102 to provide for election of members of City Council by district as authorized by North Carolina General Statute Section 160A-101(6)c

Mayor Bissette said the City Council intends to consider

an ordinance amending the Charter of the City of Asheville to provide for municipal elections within the City of Asheville to be conducted by nonpartisan plurality as provided in N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 163-292, by nonpartisan election and runoff election as provided in N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 163-293 or by nonpartisan primary and election as provided in N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 163-294 all as provided in N.C. Gen. Stat. sec. 160A-

101(7).

He said the Council further intends to consider an

ordinance amending the Charter to provide for municipal elections with the City of Asheville to be conducted on the basis of a portion of or all candidates for City Council to be nominated and elected by district as provided in N. C. Gen. Stat.

sec. 160A-101 (6) b, c, d or e.

Mayor Bissette said a public hearing was held on

these matters on July 25, 1989. He said members of Council had discussed the issues with the Institute of Government.

Mayor Bissette read the following Statement of

Council:

"The City Council will today consider an ordinance amending

the City Charter of the City of Asheville to provide for district representation in the election of members to City Council. After several months of discussion, study and public hearings, it is the consensus of the Council that district representation is not in the best interest of the citizens and residents of the City. Recognizing, however, that there is substantial interest among various segments of the community, the Council believes that the issue

should be put to a vote of the people.

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We have been advised by the Institute of Government that

Asheville will be unique in North Carolina in giving consideration to district elections without being compelled by court order to do so. Many communities have been forced by the courts to convert from an at large system to district

representation due to a history of inequities resulting in under-representation for minorities. That has not been the

case in Asheville.

The voters of Asheville have traditionally elected a minority

representative on City Council consistent with the approximate percentage of minority residents within the City. We are advised by the Institute of Government that to have a "safe" district for maintaining a minority representative, that district must include at least 60% minority residents. Given the size and distribution of the minority population in Asheville, a change to a district system without some at large representation could negatively impact our positive tradition of minority representation. It is, therefore, the opinion of this Council that a change to district representation would create the risk of undermining a system that has provided effective representation for the minority population of this

community.

In addition, women have gained increased representation on the

Council with an at large system. Currently, three of the six members of City Council are women, as has been the case for several years. This Council is further of the opinion that a change to district representation might have a negative impact

on the number of women elected to City Council.

During our study of district elections, we have become aware of

many problems associated with the process. Each district must include approximately the same number of residents. While this can be done, it is not without significant difficulty, and the numbers are constantly changing. With each new annexation and with each new census, the districts must be revised. Other revisions may also be necessary from time to time as population

patterns change.

Even at this time, we are aware of several factors that

might require almost immediate changes in the boundaries of the

districts. For example, the results of the 1990 census may not be available in time to use that information in drawing the districts for the 1991 election. In that case, the 1991 district boundaries would be based upon old information and the boundaries would have to be re-drawn for purposes of the 1993 election as soon as the 1990 census information does become available. In addition, there is substantial likelihood that one or more of the pending annexations would become effective after the drawing of the district boundaries for the 1991 election. Additional revision of all the district boundaries

would thus be required.

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The natural voting habits of the residents of the City of

Asheville have kept the City in compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act under our current at large system. If, upon a change to district representation, our tradition of representation for minorities and women is not maintained, we will be subject to challenge under that Act. Wherever district lines may be drawn, it would be impossible to satisfy everyone, thus creating the possibility of additional challenges and

possible disruption of the electoral process.

We recognize the fact that the concept of district

representation, on the surface, is perceived by some to provide

for broader representation from various geographic areas of the

City. We do not believe, however, that district representation could possibly provide the type of neighborhood representation that many of our citizens appear to expect to result. There are simply many more neighborhoods than there can possibly be representatives on City Council. In fact, the drawing of the district lines in order to create districts of equal population, especially with the gerrymandering that would be required in order to create a "safe" minority district will, of necessity divide some neighborhoods. Other neighborhoods may of necessity be placed in districts wherein their residents might feel incompatible with other members of that district on

various issues that arise.

We are also concerned that district representation will create

divisiveness in the community, pitting district representatives against each other to "bring home the bacon" to their districts as a necessary requirement of maintaining their position in office. In other words, the incentive of the district representative would be to meet the needs of his or her district rather than the needs of the City as a whole. While the people of Asheville have elected City Councils in the recent past with a greater than proportionate number of City Council members residing in North Asheville, those members have been elected at large to represent the City at large, and there

has not been any favoritism shown toward that part of the City.

In spite of the foregoing, based upon the interest that has

been expressed in the community for district representation, the Council believes that this issue should be put to a vote of the people. State law provides that a change to district representation may be initiated by either the City Council or by a petition from registered voters. We are aware of a petition being circulated within the City that would provide for district representation on City Council with six districts, meaning that there would be no members of Council elected at large except the Mayor. That petition also provides for nomination and election of all members by a vote from within the districts themselves rather than at large. Having given great study to the issue, we are uniformly of the opinion that this form of district representation is the least attractive of

the alternatives available.

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The law provides that, where districts are created, at least

one-half of the members of Council must be elected from designated districts. We therefore must have at least three districts. The division of the City into three districts, with the remaining three members to be elected at large, however, would not allow for the creation of a "safe" minority district

due to the ratio of the minority/non-minority population. The

creation of such a "safe" minority district requires no less than four districts. It is this form of district representation, with four members elected from districts and two members as well as the Mayor elected at large, that this Council feels to be the best form of district representation, if indeed the voters feel that any form of district representation is to be adopted. This form of representation would provide an element of balance in providing for some members to be elected by district and others to be elected at large. It is the opinion of this Council that having six districts with no at large representatives, rather than a mixed system as the ordinance under consideration provides, would

amplify the many problems referred to previously.

We also feel that a system that provides for nomination and

election of members to City Council only by vote of the people within the district, rather than by vote of the people at large, is not in the best interest of the community. Such a system provides for accountability of the representatives of those districts only to the residents of those districts. We feel that this system would tend to pit one area of the City against another in competition for City services and improvements. In addition, we fear that such a system would generate a system of governing by trade-off, wherein representatives of the various districts might feel compelled to negotiate for the best interest of their individual districts rather than in the best interest of the City as a

whole.

The method of district representation included in the ordinance

under consideration by the Council, therefore, provides for representation on the Council by four members elected from districts and two members, as well as the Mayor, elected at large. The proposed system also calls for nomination and election of the district representatives, as well as the at large representatives and the Mayor, based upon at large voting rather than separate voting by district. While a candidate must reside within a district in order to represent that district, it is our hope that having members of Council elected at large rather than from within the districts, will create a

more cohesive Council responsive to all areas of the City.

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In summary, this Council does not endorse a change to district

representation; however, should the voters of the City prefer to change to district representation, then this Council endorses as the best alternative a system providing for election of four representatives from districts and two representatives, as well as the Mayor, at large, with all voters in the City having the opportunity to vote on the district representatives as well as the at large representatives. Of the forms of district

representation that might be selected, we feel that this form

will serve best to create a governing board dedicated to the representation of the City as a whole, while ensuring geographic diversity of the members of Council."

Vice-Mayor Michalove moved for the adoption of Ordinance No.

1781. This motion was seconded by Councilman Frank.

Vice-Mayor Michalove said the Statement of Council was a

consensus of Council. He said members of Council do not favor district representation and during the referendum to be scheduled for the November ballot he would work toward the defeat of district representation.

Brian Peterson said in his opinion Council developed a plan

that was not specifically discussed during the public hearing. He said he felt Council's proposal is a "scam and a smoke-screen" designed to head off a petition drive to have district representation. He said he feels more than four districts are needed.

Shirlee Birdie, 76 River Ridge Drive, speaking for the League

of Women Voters, said they did not have a stand on nonpartisan elections or district representation. She said they are

glad the issue is being put on a ballot. She said the citizens should be informed of all the ramifications of the various options. She suggested that a Task Force be formed in order to get all the information out to the citizens. She also suggested that the issues be placed on a 1990 ballot giving citizens time to study the issues.

Joe Webster said he would like for Council to present the

positive and negative sides to district representation to all citizens.

John Fobes said he felt more public input is needed and

suggested that the issues be placed on a 1990 ballot. He said he would vote against the district representation as proposed by Council because it is not true district representation.

Rendall Davis of 285 White Pine Drive, opposed Council's action

to put the issue on the ballot creating four districts. He urged Council to let the petition drive continue and take its course.

Hazel Fobes said she felt a Task Force is needed to research

these two issues.

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Johnny Walsh said the City should be adequately represented

with districts and in his opinion it is not in the best interest of the City to have four members elected from districts and three at large.

Upon inquiry of Ed Schell, the City Attorney said if Council is

in the process of placing these particular issues on the ballot the presentation of a petition during that time would be null and void. He said two separate items on the same subject can not be placed on the same ballot.

Upon inquiry of Ralph Bishop, Mayor Bissette said it did not

cost the City any money to receive information from the Institute of Government.

On a roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance No. 1780 passed on first

reading.

Councilman Bratton requested that the following report relative

to "Voting Right Act" be a part of the minutes:

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Councilman Martin moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 1781.

This motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Michalove.

On a roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance No. 1781 passed on first

reading.

It was noted that the ordinances would not be effective until

they are voted upon by the citizens.

# B. Ordinance No. 1779 - Second reading of an ordinance

amending Chapter 25 (Streets and Sidewalks) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Asheville regarding group demonstrations.

Mayor Bissette said this amendment will allow group

demonstrations during daylight hours for as long as a month without paying the additional administrative fee so long as there are five or fewer individuals involved. For parades or demonstrations in excess of five persons, a separate fee would still be required each day.

At the request of the City Attorney, Councilman Price

moved to amend Ordinance No. 1779 by adding a provision to the ordinance, for clarification, for the revocation of permits. This motion was seconded by Councilman Frank and carried unanimously.

On a roll call vote of 7-0, Ordinance No. 1779 passed on

second reading.

## C. Resolution No. 89-125 - Resolution authorizing the Mayor

to execute on behalf of the City of Asheville a lease to Wall Street Limited Partnership.

Mayor Bissette said the City of Asheville has received

an offer from Wall Street Limited Partnership to lease 4,880 net leasable square feet of commercial retail space in the Wall Street Parking Garage. The offer to lease the property is made upon certain terms and

conditions included in the lease.

After discussion, Councilman York moved for the

adoption of Resolution No. 89-125 with the provision that the lease state that space shall be used as retail space or any alternate use as approved in writing by the City Manager or his designee. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and carried unanimously.

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## **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

## A. Resolution No. 89-126 - Resolution authorizing the City

Manager to execute on behalf of the City of Asheville a contract with DAP Security, Inc. for School Crossing Guards.

Mayor Bissette said due to the significant negative

impact on police services, it will be more cost effective and productive to contract all school crossing guard positions to private security.

Upon motion of Councilman Frank, seconded by Vice-Mayor

Michalove, Resolution No. 89-126 was unanimously adopted.

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#### B. Scheduling of public hearing relative to rezoning

property located at #1 St. Dunstan's Road for Mr. Michael Tavener for August 29, 1989.

At the request of Mayor Bissette, Councilman Price moved

to excuse Mayor Bissette from vote and participation in the rezoning matter involving Mr. Michael Tavener at today's meeting as well as at any time when further consideration is given to Mr. Tavener's rezoning request. This motion was seconded by Councilman York and carried unanimously.

Vice-Mayor Michalove said the Asheville Planning and

Zoning Commission on August 2, 1989, reviewed and recommended approval of rezoning Ward 4, Sheet 13, Lot 8, from R-3 Residential District to OI Office-Institutional District.

Councilman Price moved to schedule a public hearing

relative to rezoning property located at #1 St. Dunstan's Road for Mr. Michael Tavener for August 29, 1989. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and

carried unanimously.

#### V. CONSENT:

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS:**

## A. ANNOUNCEMENT - COUNCIL MEETING - AUGUST 22, 1989 - TO BE

## HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT THE SKYLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor Bissette announced that the Council meeting scheduled

for August 22, 1989 will be held in the Village Hall at the Skyland Fire Department.

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## B. MAYORAL AND COUNCIL CANDIDATES - INFORMATION PACKAGE

The City Manager said the City staff is preparing an

information package for all Mayoral and Council candidates. He said he, as well as department heads, would be meeting with all the candidates to make information available to them.

#### C. MINORITY AND WOMEN TASK FORCE

Councilman Frank said the Minority and Women Task Force is

still seeking more minority business people to be on the Task Force to come up with recommendations to present to members of Council.

#### D. UNITED WAY CHALLENGE WITH COUNTY EMPLOYEES

The City Manager said he offered a challenge to the County

Manager for a dinner at the Market Place for two for the person whose employees win in upcoming United Way Campaign. He said to kick this challenge off, John Miall with the City's Management Services Department, attended the County Commissioner's meeting and presented pledge cards to the County Commissioners.

John Miall then presented each member of Council a United Way

pledge card to start the City employee's challenge.

## CLAIMS - VIRGINIA KOLB (SANITATION) - JACK KING (CIVIC CENTER) -

# RONNIE MERRILL (WATER)

The City Manager presented claims received from Virginia

Kolb, Jack King, and Ronnie Merrill.

Mayor Bissette referred the claims to the Corporation

Counsel for investigation and recommendation.

#### RALPH BISHOP - LOTTERY SALES IN THE CITY

Ralph Bishop again spoke to members of Council relative to

lottery sales in the City of Asheville.

## JOHNNY WALSH - REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RELATIVE TO FEE CHARGED

# FOR GROUP DEMONSTRATIONS

Johnny Walsh requested a copy of the North Carolina General

Statutes that allows the City to charge a fee for free exercise of speech such as is charged in the Group

Demonstration ordinance.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bissette adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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## MAYOR CITY CLERK