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Computer Sets Fire Station Location

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Carver Rd. Advocates Lose Heated Debate at Meeting

by James Smith
Staff Writer

Much to the disgust of citizens from the Carver section of Winston-Salem, the board of aldermen by a unanimous vote of 6 to 2, voted Monday night to erect fire station No. 12 at the intersection of Highway 311 and Northhampton Road.

The vote was reached after a very lengthy discussion in which irate citizens told the aldermen they opposed them (aldermen) using a computer system to pick out the site of the new fire station.

Carl H. Russell, alderman of the Northeast Ward restated Monday night that of the existing 11 stations, this is the first time any of them have been subjected to a computer study.

Russell told the aldermen and audience (mostly comprised of members of Castle Heights, Eastgate Village, Monticello Park, Northwood Estates and Carver Road) that since he's been on the board, he's been trying to get a fire station in his ward.

Russell charged that the

computer was not human and that it was subject to mistakes.

He further charged that blacks have been shortchanged and of all the overlapping of fire stations throughout the city, there was none in the east.

John Palmer, alderman of the northwest ward conceded that there was some overlapping but felt before the board

could make an accurate decision about the proposed fire station, he would like to take another look at the proposed site and the site where the citizens think it should be.

However, Sam Hamlin, owner of Sackie's Florist told the board that too much time had been used in discussing
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Neal Urges End to U.S. Role In Angola

WASHINGTON -- Fifth District Rep. Steve Neal is among a large group of congressmen which next week will officially urge an end to foreign intervention in the civil war in Angola.

Neal and about 150 other congressmen will introduce a resolution expressing the "sense of the House" that the people of Angola "should be allowed to determine their own political future with military interference from any foreign country."

The resolution actually was drafted December 19 and attracted 140 co-sponsors within a few hours. It will be presented to the House, with additional cosponsors, on the first day of the new session.

Many members of Congress are critical of U.S. involvement in the Angola conflict, to which the United States has committed \$50 million in military assistance. The Soviet Union, Cuba, and South Africa also are heavily involved in the
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NAACP Lawyer Says,

'Blacks Must Carry On Efforts'

by James Smith
Staff Writer

In commendation of the birthday of one of the nation's most dynamic leaders, (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.), Julius Chambers, told an audience of more than 1,500 persons that "more than ever, we must commit our efforts toward establishing a political cadre to carry on the efforts of Dr. King."

Chambers, a defense lawyer for the National Association for the Advancement of

Colored People (NAACP) legal defense fund and a civil rights leader, was the keynote speaker at a \$25 per plate banquet held in the Kings Hall IV dining room of the Royal Villa Motel in Greensboro.

The banquet was sponsored by the General State Baptist Convention of which Rep. John J. Johnson (Robeson County) is president.

Before Chambers' speech 16 statewide candidates were allowed to speak briefly.

Chambers told his audience that "we must be inside

Congress, the state legislature and local governments to influence civil rights legislation and the means for enforcement.

"We must insure that black Americans and Americans who are appreciative of the plights of minorities are in positions to effect decisions. We must insure that those elected to the executive branch of government are responsive to our needs," he said.

Chambers also told his
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A somewhat disgusted Larry Little stands proudly with the Panther's Free Ambulance. A lack of funds doomed the service from the beginning and lack of support has killed it in the end.

Ambulance Service Ceases Operations

by James Smith
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As of Sunday night, the Joseph Waddell People's Free Ambulance Service went out of operation.

Larry Little, the local Black Panther party director of political affairs, said the ambulance service closed because of lack of funds.

"We are presently in about \$5,000 debt and our present ambulance is posing too many mechanical problems," he said.

Little also said to sufficiently put the service back into operation, it would take about \$30,000. But, they could get by with the \$5,000.

"We arrived at the \$30,000
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Bomb Threat At City Hall

Shortly before the Board of Aldermen adjourned their regular meeting Monday night, a bomb threat was called in to police communications.

Orville Powell, city manager, said a police officer came to council chambers and informed the board of the threat.

"According to the officer, the bomb was supposed to go off at 11:45 p.m.," Powell said.

He also said the meeting was already over and members were standing around talking.

"The only thing they (board members) did was leave a little more quickly," he concluded.

The bomb threat was called in shortly after 11 p.m. An investigation into the matter is being conducted by the police department. No arrests have been made.