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Alderman DeWolf: "With respect to new houses, I doubt if the rents are too high in most cases anyway. It is in parts of houses where these rents are high. A man rents a house for \$100.00 a month knowing full well it is going to be sublet; and, in many cases like that, it is too high, but by and large, I don't think it is. I dislike voting for it, yet, I find it hard to vote against because of the effect on the lower-income group who have to pay high rents for very limited accommodations."

Alderman Wyman: "It is very difficult when you look at the situation in this City, not to reach some kind of a conclusion that something in the way of Rental Control is required. I don't mind saying that I share Mr. Smith's view that controls of this type are not desirable. However, I feel on this matter very much the same as I did on another matter recently; that is, we have a problem which we feel requires expert study and in order to provide that expert study, we appoint a Commission; I find it very hard to escape a feeling of compulsion to adopt what is recommended by that Commission. I think this has had a thorough study by confident people and unless I were faced with some very first-class expert evidence to the contrary, I would feel that I was bound to adopt what the Commission has recommended. For that reason, I would feel that tonight I should favor the motion which is before us. There is one question that arose in my mind while Mr. Smith was speaking that I would like to have clarified. In reading the proposal, I did not notice this, but hearing Mr. Smith mention it two or three times, it struck me rather forcibly, and that is the use of the word 'fixation'. I may be incorrect but I think the job of this Authority is going to be the fixing of rents."

Alderman O'Brien: "I would like to say a word about this question of 'term'. Along with the Province and the other two Municipalities, we have undertaken a three-year housing study; and it seems to me that in attempting to relate the need for Rent Control and the additional housing, we should consider the time when that three-year study will be completed and that this Council should re-consider the Rent Control matter at that time in the light of whatever program seems to be reasonable to undertake in the metropolitan

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area for housing for the various income groups according to the results of this study. I think we should give this a trial until the time that study is completed."

Alderman Lloyd: "I am quite in favor of putting in a date which is related to some program. I am impressed by one statement made by Mr. Smith and that is, we must confess, that an agency like this does lean over backwards to justify its perpetuation perhaps beyond the point of need, but I do like the idea of the date." He felt that the motion should include a date and suggested a three-year term of operation.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Rent Control was at the discretion of the Council and it could repeal the By-Law by proper notice. He felt that future conditions may be such that there would be no need for Rent Control; therefore, he suggested to put a limit on the control at this time would be wrong.

Alderman Lane referred to the experience of the former Rental Authority and said that when it was found to be no longer workable, it was repealed. She continued: "After this has been in operation for a reasonable length of time, our experience will tell us whether it is workable, whether it needs to be amended, or whether it should be thrown out altogether. I think it is a matter of trial and error in this instance and we should be going along with it."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF LAND - HALIFAX INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, a report was submitted from the City Solicitor recommending for approval the following claim in connection with the expropriation of land for the Halifax International Airport:

Heirs of Rosara Brennan - 40 acres of woodland -	\$400.00
- 50 cords of pulpwood -	<u>\$250.00</u>
	\$650.00

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Ferguson, seconded by Alderman Fox, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan, and Members of the City Council.  
From: A. A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager.  
Date: February 9, 1960.  
Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

In accordance with Section 119-F of the City Charter, the following accounts are submitted for Council's approval. These accounts have been certified and audited.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Finance	W. R. MacInnes & Co.	Renewal Boiler Insurance	\$ 3,830.54
	National Cash Register	Ledger Cards	1,768.01
	Phillips & Marshall	Binders, cheques, ledger sheets.	849.86
Assessor's	National Cash Register Co. of Canada	Poll Tax Rolls & Poll Tax Bills	1,047.06
	Phillips & Marshall	Valuation sheets & Binders	1,201.61
Police	Moore Business Forms Limited	Parking Violation Books	633.95
Works	Croft Metal Products Limited	7 Windows, steel sash & 3 panel slide twin unit	1,730.40
	Robert Simpson Eastern Limited	154 Window blinds & installation	611.56
Hfx. Convalescent Hospital	General Electric X-ray Corp. Ltd.	Kodak Developer, fixer, Kodak Royal blue	808.80
			<u>\$12,481.79</u>

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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5% SALARY INCREASE

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, submissions were made for salary increases from the following:

- (1) Mr. R. L. Rooney, Q. C., on behalf of Local Union #143.
- (2) Mr. E. F. Cragg, on behalf of the Police Amateur Athletic and Social Club.

After hearing from these representatives it was agreed to recommend that an increase of 5% be granted all Civic groups, up to a maximum of \$250.00, excepting the Hospital Nurses and City Field employees who have been considered separately.

It was also agreed to recommend that this increase be effective as of January 1, 1960.

Aldermen Ferguson, Wyman and Fox were recorded "against".

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved.

Alderman O'Brien: "Might I ask if the increases recommended here were taken into account in the budget sent to us?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes."

Alderman Connolly: "Is the 5% increase applicable to the Emergency Shelter employees?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes. I think it should be."

Alderman Ferguson: "What about the Commissions?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It includes all Commissions except the Forum Commission and the School Board."

The motion was then put and passed to include the Emergency Shelter staff and all Commissions with the exception of the Forum Commission and the Halifax Board of School Commissioners.

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SALARIES - REGISTERED NURSES

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, consideration was given to a request from the Hospital Nurses for increases in their salaries.

Your Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the salary scale for Registered Nurses be set at \$240.00 to \$270.00 per month.
2. That the salary scale for a Head Nurse be set at \$260.00 to \$290.00 per month.
3. That the salary scale for Supervisor be set at \$280.00 to \$310.00 per month.
4. That the salary scale for Instructor be set at \$280.00 to \$310.00 per month.
5. That the maximum salary with respect to items 1,2,3, and 4 be attained in 3 steps.
6. In the case of Nurses with specialized training, the amount over and above the Registered Nurses' salary shall be such as recommended by the Commissioner of Health.
7. That all these proposed increases be retroactive to January 1, 1960.
8. The Commissioner of Health was requested to bring in a recommendation with respect to the Public Health Nursing Division, Graduate Nurses, Nurses' Aides, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor: "There were some problems arising out of the recommendations of the Finance and Executive Committee. Dr. Morton has supplied you with a copy of his recommendations which he has made. I think we should adopt it."

SALARIES - NURSING CLASSIFICATIONS

The following recommendations covering the various nursing classifications were submitted by the Commissioner of Health:

STREET LINES - CLYDE STREET

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

	Minimum Monthly Salary 1959	Maximum Monthly Salary 1959	Minimum Registered Nurses Monthly Request 1960	Maximum Registered Nurses Monthly Request 1960
Assistant Matron R.N.	\$264.00	\$305.25	\$300.00	\$330.00
Matron R. N.	305.25	350.16	340.00	385.00
Public Health R. N.	228.25	239.25	235.00	265.00
Public Health Cert.	242.00	264.00	260.00	290.00
Sr. Public Health Cert.	275.00	297.00	300.00	330.00
Supt. Public Health Cert.	305.25	350.16	340.00	385.00
Social Hygiene Nurse R. N.	207.16	251.16	250.00	280.00
Cert. Nursing Asst.	(180.00) 203.50	(190.00) 225.50	213.67	236.77
Nurses Aide	(135.00) 176.00	(150.00) 207.16	184.80	217.52
Graduate Nurse	(190.00) 225.50	(205.00) 231.00	236.77	242.55
Male Orderly	190.00	210.00	199.50	220.50

The annual increments shall be \$120.00 except the Matron and Superintendent of Nurses whose increment shall be \$180.00. Taking the registered nurses on general duty services in a hospital using the percentage increase on their maximum of 11.6%, I have adjusted the salaries in the above schedule for all registered nurses in the various positions of Assistant Matrons, Matrons and Public Health Nurses and the Social Hygiene Nurse, - rounding the figures out to figures easily divisible to five or ten dollar increments and to the nearest figures to the 11.6%. The certified Nursing Assistants, Nurses Aides and Graduate Nurses - to them I have simply added the 5% that all other employees are entitled to and I have kept in mind what the Hospital Insurance Commission would reimburse us for these various positions and it would appear to me that 5% is justifiable as an interim increase for these positions until such time as the job evaluation is carried out. These increases are to be effective as of January 1, 1960.

Respectfully submitted,  
Allan R. Morton, M. D., C. M., M.P.H.,  
COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE.

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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STREET LINES - CLYDE STREET EXTENSION

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Street Lines - Clyde Street Extension.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending the extension of street lines of the Clyde Street Extension.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, the Board approved the report and recommended to City Council that March 17, 1960, be set as the date for a Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved, and that Council fix Thursday, March 17th, 1960, at 8:00 P.M., in the Council Chamber, as the time and place for a Public Hearing in connection with the extension of the official street lines of Clyde Street. Motion passed.

REZONING LOTS 2, 3, 4 and 17 GOTTINGEN STREET (SEABOARD INVESTMENTS) (R2-R3).

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Rezoning Lots 2, 3, 4 and 17 Gottingen Street (Seaboard Investments) (R2-R3).

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a request to rezone Lots 2, 3, 4 and 17 Gottingen Street from R2 to R3.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board agreed to refuse the request to rezone Lots #2, 3, 4 and 17 Gottingen Street (Seaboard Investments) from R2 to R3, and recommended to City Council that no Public Hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF SIDERYARD - #87 LYNCH STREET.

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Modification of Sideyard - #87 Lynch Street.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of the modification of a sideyard at #87 Lynch Street.

It was moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the Board approve the report of the Director of Planning and recommend it to City Council.

The vote on the motion was 4 - 3 in favor.

FOR

Alderman Abbott  
Alderman Butler  
Alderman Macdonald  
Alderman Trainor

AGAINST

Alderman Connolly  
Alderman Lane  
Alderman O'Brien

Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STORM SEWER UNDER HOWE AVENUE

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Report - Storm Sewer Under Howe Avenue.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a recommendation from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment of an invoice from the Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Limited for tunnelling under Howe Avenue, in the amount of \$28,657.46.

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TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council

Mr. West reported to the Committee that the tender from Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Limited for tunnelling under Howe Avenue, at \$230.00 per lineal foot, had been accepted on July 30th, 1959, by City Council, and the borrowing of \$30,000.00 for this purpose was approved by City Council on July 16th, 1959.

SUBJECT: Howe Avenue Tunnelling

The contractor did not encounter as much work as anticipated and through negotiations the City was able to have the original quotation reduced from \$230.00 to \$207.66 per lineal foot, or a total cost of \$28,657.46 for supplying and installing 138 lineal feet of corrugated metal pipe under Howe Avenue.

It is recommended that the invoice for \$28,657.46 be paid.

On motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee approved the recommendation of the Commissioner of Works and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION - #80 PRESCOTT STREET

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

FROM: Town Planning Board.

DATE: February 1, 1960.

SUBJECT: Resubdivision - #80 Prescott Street.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of a resubdivision at #80 Prescott Street.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Butler, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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RESUBDIVISION - #174 LADY HAMMOND ROAD

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Resubdivision - #174 Lady Hammond Road.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of a resubdivision at #174 Lady Hammond Road.

On motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REQUEST FOR BASEMENT APARTMENT - #55 DUFFUS STREET.

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Request for Basement Apartment - #55 Duffus Street.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against an application for a basement apartment at #55 Duffus Street.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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CLASSIFICATION - DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Classification - Director of Planning.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered the matter of the classification of the Director of Planning.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board recommended to City Council the appointment of Mr. K. M. Munnich as the Director of Planning, at the salary of \$7,557.00 and that the City Charter be amended so that wherever the words Town Planning Engineer appears they be replaced by the words Director of Planning.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACQUISITION OF TWO SMALL PARCELS OF LAND -WEST SIDE OF OXFORD STREET, BETWEEN YOUNG STREET AND BAYERS ROAD.

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Acquisition of Two Small Parcels of Land -West Side of Oxford Street, Between Young Street and Bayers Road.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the City Engineer recommending the acquisition of two small parcels of land on the west side of Oxford Street, between Young Street and Bayers Road, for street widening purposes.

1. Estate of Reuben J. Hurley,  
478 Oxford Street.  
210 sq. ft. x \$1.00 = \$ 210.00
2. Mr. W. D. Melvin,  
474 Oxford Street.  
228 sq. ft. x \$1.00 = \$ 228.00

The owners have indicated they are prepared to accept the rate of \$1.00 per square foot for the land.

On motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,  
K.C.Mantin,  
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Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that  
the report be approved. Motion passed.

PROGRESS ESTIMATE #9-ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS-  
NEW INCINERATOR

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Progress Estimate #9 - Engineering Consultants -  
New Incinerator.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on the above date,  
considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment  
of Progress Estimate #9, re Engineering Consultants for the New Incin-  
erator.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly,  
the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Progress Estimate  
#9, re Engineering Consultants for the New Incinerator, in the amount  
of \$5,591.54 to Metcalf and Eddy.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that  
the report be approved. Motion passed.

CERTIFICATE #7 (FINAL) - SIDEWALKS - 1959.

TO: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: February 1, 1960.  
SUBJECT: Certificate #7 (Final) - Sidewalks - 1959.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on the above date,  
considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending pay-  
ment of Certificate #7 (Final), re Sidewalks - 1959.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the  
Committee recommended to City Council payment of Certificate #7 (Final),  
re Sidewalks - 1959, in the amount of \$ 9,382.73, to Walker and Hall  
Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

LIMITATION OF TAXIS - INCREASE TAXI LICENSE

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on February 1, 1960, Mr. Ronald Pugsley addressed the Committee on behalf of the Halifax Taxi Association respecting various matters pertaining to taxi operations.

Your Committee makes the following recommendations to Council:

1. That the Provincial Government be requested to amend Section 248-2 of the Motor Vehicle Act enabling the City of Halifax to limit the number of taxis operating in the City.
2. That the Provincial Government be requested to amend Section 248-4-A of the Motor Vehicle Act so as to permit the City of Halifax to increase the annual license fee of vehicles transporting passengers for hire from \$25.00 to \$35.00.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor stated that a separate action of Council would be required on each of the recommendations.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the Provincial Government be requested to amend Section 248-2 of the Motor Vehicle Act enabling the City of Halifax to limit the number of taxis operating in the City. The motion was put and passed unanimously, the following members of Council being present and voting therefor:

Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Fox, Ferguson, Trainor, Lloyd, Wyman, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the Provincial Government be requested to amend Section 248-4-A of the Motor Vehicle Act so as to permit the City of Halifax to increase the annual license fee of vehicles transporting passengers for hire from \$25.00 to \$35.00. The motion was put and passed unanimously, the following members of Council be-

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ing present and voting therefor;

Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Fox, Ferguson,  
Trainer, Lloyd, Wyman, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

JOB EVALUATION

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, consideration was given to the matter of selecting a firm to carry out a job evaluation.

The firms and fees are as follows:

Jerome Barnum Associates	\$ 38,400.00
Payne-Ross Limited	19,500.00
Stevenson & Kellogg Limited	10,600.00
Woods, Gordon & Company	7,500.00

After a lengthy discussion your Committee recommends that the City Manager be empowered to negotiate with Woods, Gordon & Company for the preparation of a suitable agreement to be considered by this Committee and Council with representatives of the Company being present at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, that the report be approved.

Alderman Lloyd said that his motion was based on the understanding that Council would have an opportunity to vote on the precise terms and conditions of the contract for employment of the recommended firm.

His Worship the Mayor said that the matter would first be considered by the Finance and Executive Committee, after which a report would be submitted to the Council.

Alderman Ferguson said that it was his understanding, also, that a representative of such firm would come to Halifax and make the final presentation to Council. "There are other items that we feel we should explore, possibly extending the scope of the investigation. When do you think they would be here?"

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The City Manager said that he understood, at the Finance and Executive meeting, that he was to talk with all of these tenderers to see wherein their proposals differ.

Alderman Lloyd said that there was no reference to any of the other firms but that the Committee's recommendation was based on the per diem rate mentioned in the Woods, Gordon & Company proposal.

City Manager: "Outside of the one thing that was mentioned in the Committee, towards the end of the discussion, I do not know what I would be talking with Woods, Gordon & Company about that they haven't already told us; they have given us their price."

Alderman Ferguson: "I think the word 'negotiate' was to find out what would be their estimate of cost to go into a further study."

Alderman Lloyd: "Specifically the City Manager was to go into detail with Woods, Gordon & Company on precisely what methods they use to process the evaluation because it had been suggested that there was some difference in approach between the others and Woods, Gordon & Company."

City Manager: "That is why I thought I would also be talking with the others to get an amplification of what they were saying in their proposal?"

Alderman Lloyd: "No, that was not my intention at least, I do not know what the other members of the Committee felt."

City Manager: "I do not know how I can measure Woods, Gordon & Company without talking with the others as well."

His Worship the Mayor said Woods, Gordon & Company's representative would be asked to appear before the Committee, at which time he could be questioned by the Committee.

Motion put and passed.

PROPOSED SEWER ORDINANCE - AMENDMENTS  
SECTIONS 590 to 608 - CITY CHARTER.

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, a report was submitted from the City Solicitor recommending that legislation be secured enabling the City to draft an Ordinance pertaining to the

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construction and design of sewers which would involve amendments to Sections 590 to 608 of the City Charter.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RENEWAL LEASE - GRAFTON STREET PARKING LOT.

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, the City Manager advised that the Lease between the City of Halifax and the Halifax Board of Trade, covering the operation of the Grafton Street Parking Lot, had expired as of December 31, 1959.

Your Committee recommends that the Lease be renewed on the same terms and conditions as last year and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

BARGAINING RIGHTS - HALIFAX POLICE ASSOCIATION

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, held on February 1, 1960, His Worship the Mayor advised that he, along with the City Manager and City Solicitor, had had a meeting with Mr. E. F. Cragg, Solicitor for the Police Amateur and Social Club, respecting the matter of bargaining rights between the Club and the City of Halifax, and that an agreement had been reached covering certain points.

It was agreed to recommend that the City Solicitor prepare a resolution embodying these points for consideration by Council.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

A formal resolution, as prepared by the City Solicitor, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the re-

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port and resolution be approved.

Alderman Wyman: "Collective Bargaining under the Trade Union Act usually provides negotiations between an Organization, which represents the employees, and the employer to cover those circumstances of employment wherein the employee seeks some alteration of past practice from the employer, and the history of this sort of thing shows that over the years a great many things have been done to improve the lot of the employee other than raising his stipend.

"It seems that this resolution, we have before us, refers to collective bargaining purely as a matter of increasing salaries and I don't think it should. I think it should refer to all those matters which affect the employment of the employee, not only his salary but his working conditions, or anything else that either party may wish to have included."

His Worship the Mayor: "The reason it was done this way is because under the Trade Union Act the Police Forces are specifically exempted and, because their job is to enforce the law and preserve peace, they are considered to be servants of the Queen. For that reason it is felt not only by myself, but also by the Department of Labour officials, (and I think the Chief of Police will bear me out) this is more of a semi-military organization where discipline, promotions, etc. are matters for the Chief where allocated to him, and for the Safety Committee where responsibilities are allocated to that Committee. For that reason it was felt that there should be no bargaining on the question of hours, again because it is a matter of assignment.

"With respect to the question of promotions, it would be very unwise to bring the question of promotion on the basis of seniority as some other places have. At the present time, as you know, promotions are based on competitive examinations being written and from that a selection is made of the most suitable candidate.

"For those reasons these things have been excluded."

Alderman Wyman: "They are excluded by including only one of the many other things that might be included."

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His Worship the Mayor: "The reason is that the Police Department have felt that since they do not have the same rights to negotiate or to bargain, Council could hear their representations and not ignore their plea completely. I do not think we have done this but I feel it could be done. What they are asking for is machinery to be set up whereby a certain procedure will be followed where they can be assured of their 'day in Court', and that their plea be heard. That is all that they are asking for, no more than they be given a fair hearing on any requests they make to us, but only on salaries."

The City Manager referred to Section 119A (i) of the City Charter, (Functions of the City Manager), which reads as follows:

"Supervise the operation of contracts between the City and Labour Unions and to recommend to the Council agreements concerning wages, salaries and working conditions."

and he said, "I know the Police Club is not a Labour Union, I am simply pointing out to you that this group would have a different arrangement than other groups, and if you pass this it changes that, at least, to that extent."

The Motion was put and passed.

REQUESTED LEGISLATION RE: RETIRING ALLOWANCE - SECRETARY-TREASURER-  
SCHOOL BOARD

A request was received from the Board of School Commissioners to amend the legislation respecting the retiring allowance of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board, to remove the \$3,300.00 pension limitation and to provide a retiring allowance based on the formula used for other City officials.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Lloyd, that the request be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration and report. Motion passed.

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Draft legislation, as prepared by the City Solicitor, was submitted and a copy of same is attached to the original copy of these Minutes.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the legislation, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

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REPORT - REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY - #4 GUNARD COURT

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on January 29, 1960, consideration was given to a report of the Compensation Officer recommending acquisition of the property of Edward Roache, at #4 Gunard Court, for the assessed value of \$5,200.00, plus 5%, a total of \$5,460.00.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Compensation Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPORT - REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - LIAISON - HALIFAX HOUSING AUTHORITY.

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on January 29, 1960, a letter was read from the Hon. Stephen S. Pyke, Minister of Public Works for the Province, concurring in the suggestion of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, that the City act as liaison between the Partnership and the Halifax Housing Authority in matters concerning Federal-Provincial Housing Projects.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN LLOYD RE: SUB-POLICE STATION - GEORGE & WATER STREETS AREA

The following Resolution was submitted and read by Alderman Lloyd:

RESOLVED that the City expropriate from the present owners the lands lying within the following boundaries:

Commencing at the north-east corner of George and Water Streets, thence proceeding along the east side of Water Street to the Franklin Herschorn property, thence along the south line of the Franklin Herschorn property to the harbor, thence southerly along the harbor shoreline to the Dartmouth Ferry property, thence following the Dartmouth Ferry property line to its junction with the

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north line of George Street, thence westerly along George Street to the place of beginning;

That the said lands be acquired for a waterfront plaza similar in design to that recommended by Professor Stephenson, incorporating therein, if feasible, a sub-police station with harbor police facilities.;

That the City instruct its Planning Staff to prepare general plans for the proposed development in the area acquired and those adjacent thereto."

The Resolution was seconded by Alderman O'Brien, who said that if the Resolution is passed by the Council it would mean that the Planning Staff would have to do considerable work to provide a revised modification of the scheme, as proposed by Professor Stephenson in his Report; but he felt that since the Stephenson Report has found considerable support from the citizens as a whole there is an opportunity to do something with this section of the City, subject to the study that would have to be given by the Staff.

The Mayor said that if action were taken to expropriate the property before consultation with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation there would be no sharing of the cost of the project; and he suggested that the matter be referred to the Redevelopment Committee for study, and report back to the Council within a reasonable time.

Alderman Lloyd: "I went into the question whether we should hold up the project with the possibility of getting Federal aid but some development might take place that would run our proportion of the cost as high as if we acquired the whole thing now." He said that he had taken a look at the properties and he contended that some of them have a land site value. He said that it might prove to be more advantageous to expropriate the properties in their present condition rather than wait for some further development to take place which would add to the value of the properties; and he said that to hold the expropriations up pending an agreement with the Federal Government would tend to delay the matter 'and put us behind the eight ball'.

Alderman Lane: "I think it is an interesting project." She said she had had an opportunity to observe similar developments in other Cities but she contended that more properties than those suggested should be expropriated to give the development more scope.

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The City Solicitor pointed out that it would be necessary to know the reason for the expropriation as different procedures are involved when expropriating for slum clearance and redevelopment and for Civic purposes.

Alderman Lloyd said that legal action would have to provide for all contingencies as the expropriation could be for both reasons. He referred to the many types of development that could take place in the area, either by the City or private developer. "I think we might as well give an indication of our intention to develop it along other lines, and I would be happy to give this as a Notice of Motion for the next meeting of Council."

It was agreed to accept Alderman Lloyd's Notice of Motion.

ALTERATION - STREET LINES - ROBIE STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

From: Town Planning Board

Date: February 1, 1960.

Subject: Alteration - Street Lines - Robie Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Engineer recommending the alteration of street lines on Robie Street, between Young Street and Livingstone Street, so that Robie Street could be brought to an official width of 60'.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, the Board approved the report and recommended to City Council that March 17, 1960, be set as a date for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved, and that Council fix Thursday, March 17th, 1960, at 8:00 P. M., in the Council Chamber, as the time and place for a Public Hearing in connection with the alteration of the official street lines of Robie Street. Motion passed.

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CONTROL OF RODENTS - CITY DUMP

Alderman Lloyd said he had received a telephone call from a former resident of Amsterdam where a new incinerator had been built and a similar rodent problem was encountered which had been overcome; and he suggested that an inquiry be made to ascertain the method used by the Dutch authorities.

Alderman Lane said she had a similar call from a long-time resident of Halifax who said he had a solution to the problem.

His Worship the Mayor said that any suggestions regarding rodent control should be directed to the Commissioner of Works.

SNOWSTORM - FEBRUARY 3, 1960

Alderman Trainor: "I think we should express our thanks to Mr. West and his staff for the excellent job done on clearing the streets and removing the snow.

"We have been subject to much criticism during the last week as a result of a headline in Monday's newspaper -- 'City Cuts Snow Removal, Too Expensive Says DeBard'. I sympathize with Mr. DeBard. I realize that everything is expensive in this day and age; but, if, at a time of near crisis that we had last week, he couldn't have said anything favorable, I think that possibly he should have curtailed his remarks because I know the telephone company must have had an extra flow of calls -- maybe to the Aldermen because for several hours I listened to irritated citizens wanting to know what was going to happen. I then found out that there was a headline in the afternoon paper saying that the snow removal program was going to be, possibly, cut due to the great expense.

"I think we should suggest to the City Manager and the Commissioner of Works that within the next week, or sooner, if possible, removal of the high piles of snow at intersections."

He pointed out the danger involved and referred to the intersection of Connaught Avenue and Almon Street where the high snow bank obscured the motorists' vision.

"I realize that we have spent \$36,000.00. In answer to the calls I received, I explained to those citizens that it would cost money and they would

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possibly pay for it in increased taxes; and they said that if that has to be, it will have to be."

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes, that was said during the height of the storm. It certainly won't be said next July when the snow has been forgotten."

Alderman Lloyd: "Whether or not the City Manager was right in his judgment, it is hard to take from these headlines whether he meant that he was going to follow what we always have done or not because of expense. In fact, we never removed snow from residential streets except at intersections where it may be piled and a traffic problem created. We have always felt that for economic reasons we should remove snow from the downtown streets for the benefit of the commercial and industrial community. I think we have always done that. Perhaps, the headline suggested that something different was going to be done when, in fact, there was no difference in our usual policy, except that we had to take longer to move more of it."

Alderman Lane: "I applaud the City Manager for his wish to keep the tax rate down, but I would like to point out what Alderman Trainor has to say about the corners. He mentioned one only. I am sure I have met dozens in the run of my regular duties today where it is very difficult to see around corners. I feel that that must be done for the public safety. It is going to be too late to talk about a few thousand dollars expense in removing it when someone has been killed. I feel if the City Manager wants the authorization of Council, I am prepared to 'stand the gaff' of a few more thousand dollars even if it means a point in the tax rate in order to at least make the streets livable.

"I also learned during the recent snow disaster that there is just a little bit more than dollars and cents to be considered. We had some rather serious situations and I feel that Mr. West and his department, and the Chief of Police are to be highly commended for the part they and their staff played."

His Worship the Mayor: "They all did a magnificent job in the face of the storm of the century. It was the biggest snowstorm we have ever had since the automobile came into being, and by reason of that, our snow removal problem is a little more difficult than years ago.

"Since Monday I have been in contact with the City Manager and the Commissioner of Works regarding snow removal, and you will notice that

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the staff have been very active in removing the snow from various spots where there is congested traffic. Money isn't the only consideration. I can assure you that. However, there is no desire on the part of the administration to waste money, and they aren't going to do it; but, I think, even tonight, the machines are out removing some of these traffic hazards and they will continue to remove them."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think we should point out that if there is a serious situation involving an emergency expenditure of funds, it is the Council that decides whether or not it is too expensive or not. That is simple and I by no means mean it to be a criticism of the City Manager. This is purely for the record. It is a question of procedure and it rests with this Council to decide whether more money is required to carry out a policy where an emergency situation should arise."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we should find out what the City Manager did say before we criticize. I have had experience with the newspapers and I find that headlines are not always what the party says. I would think, in due deference to the chief executive officer of the City, that before we criticize him, we should really find out what he did say and not take for granted the headlines in the newspaper as what he did say. I have no doubt that he said a great deal more than what was in the headlines."

City Manager: "I don't have a record of what I said to the newspaper before those headlines appeared, but I think the comment which Mr. Smith, our Compensation Officer, made concerning a headline of an article I showed him in another connection is probably applicable here. 'The headline doesn't seem to match the story.'

"I can tell you what I did say on television and radio because I wrote that out."

He then read the following statement which he made for telecast and radio broadcast on February 8th:

"We can do a snow job all the way from doing nothing but letting nature take its course or spending tens of thousands of dollars. We expect to do neither. As has been said, most streets are now passable if there is no interference from parking. Please leave your cars at home and take the trolley

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coaches. Our work forces will continue to clear catchpits, intersections and plow back streets even wider. Trucking of snow is very expensive, but we will remove snow where it is so bulky that it interferes with traffic. This will mean snow removal only in parts of the business districts. In this way we will have a moderate expenditure which will take care of the needs of the citizens who realize the heavy costs of an all-out program.

"We have City-wide transportation on the coaches and fire protection with open streets."

He then read the following letter which he had written to His Worship the Mayor:

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan.

From: A. A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager.

Date: February 9, 1960.

Subject: Snow Removal.

It may be that the publicity release and television appearance together with what removal we are engaged in has put a stop to the calls on snow. As of 3:15 p. m. today I had only one call from an Alderman and people I met today seemed to think that by and large we were doing O. K. with a modified program.

If anything more is to be done it would be a matter of policy on which a directive from the Works Committee or Council would guide me as to how much further we are going to go.

We have reached the stage where we will be plowing back to widen streets. It may result in some calls complaining of filling in driveways, but we will have to do the best we can to take the edge off the criticisms.

City Manager.

Alderman Lloyd: "So that, immediately, an action was taken to assure people, because of the emergency. What could have been added, of course, at the time of the conclusion of the broadcast or at the conclusion of the newspaper story, is what has been added now -- 'that it must be remembered that because it is an emergency, I must make a special report to the Council and that the matter will be in their hands for final decision'. That is all that is required."

Alderman Macdonald said he had received only one telephone call regarding snow removal and stated that the Works Department should be commended for the excellent job they had done on snow removal and the public should also be

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commended for their co-operation in clearing their sidewalks quickly after the heavy fall of snow.

Alderman Wyman: "The snowstorm occurred during the absence of the Mayor and the City Manager, as a result of which, I was closely in touch with the situation throughout. I do wish here tonight to pay very particular tribute to the Departments of the City who were concerned with this storm and to the work they did. I seized the opportunity with Mr. West to get out on two occasions to actually see the work in progress -- one on the night of the day of the storm itself and the other time was two days later. The Works Department did an excellent job; they worked hard; they did what to me was an amazing job of keeping their equipment moving because they did have breakdowns and repairs had to be made; they really did a remarkable job.

"The control of traffic and the handling of emergency situations through the Police Department was a matter of considerable satisfaction to me with the responsibility, in your absence, Your Worship, of whatever the City might be doing. The organization was capable of handling more problems than actually did arise and that likewise applies to the Fire Department. We were very very fortunate and we can be most thankful that we did not have occasion during the storm, or a day or so after, to test the efficiency of the provisions made by the Chief for the working of the Fire Department; but I can assure you, I reviewed his plans with him and I do know that plans were made to give the very best protection to any property that needed that from the Fire Department under the very difficult situation that existed.

"I was, as were many of the Aldermen and citizens, a little shocked and surprised at the newspaper edition that appeared after the City Manager's return. I took the trouble to read not only the headline, but the whole article; and to me, the article said really just what had been decided by those of us who were left here at the end of the previous week -- that the snow would be removed where it had to be removed in order to allow traffic to move reasonably and, that beyond that, money would not be spent lugging snow just for the sake of having the beauty of bare streets. It is, perhaps, unfortunate that the way the article was headlined in the newspapers did give the impression

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that something different was going to be done, but I was quite satisfied after I had read the whole article that what Mr. DeBard was talking about was exactly what we had been talking the previous week."

Alderman Lloyd: "I would like to point out that the night of the storm, and on any occasion of emergency, as an Alderman, not just in one particular year, I have always made it the policy to see what is going on. I went to the City Field at 9:00 o'clock the night of the storm and visited some of the sites where snow removal operations were going on until about 1:30 in the morning. All of the plans that Alderman Wyman is now talking about I saw and witnessed being carried out, and also was able to find first hand that there were men who walked in to the City through the snow from the suburbs and the outer perimeter of the City to report to their post and get on their job. I think that, in itself, is worthy of commendation to the staff who work under the direction of Mr. West and his men at the Field."

SEWER - RALSTON AVENUE

Alderman Greenwood: "The residents of Ralston Avenue are quite concerned about the progress of the sewer which is now being constructed. There have been cellars flooded following this last snowstorm and they have a very legitimate complaint because there has been a terrific amount of damage to the sewer pipe.

"I wonder if the Commissioner of Works could be requested to report on the progress as to when the sewer may be finalized to relieve the present system which is now inadequate."

Commissioner of Works: "There is a new 48" sewer being installed along the Canadian National Railway property at the rear of Simpsons' property. Actually, the new sewer extends from Chebucto Road to Mumford Road; and they are on the last leg of that project as of now. I think it would take, at the rate they are able to go according to the working conditions, about another three to four months before that would be completed. We expect it will alleviate this flooding condition in the area mentioned."

PLANS - BICENTENNIAL DRIVE

Alderman Greenwood: "I wonder if we could be advised when the proposed plans for the Bicentennial Drive entrance to the City will be before the Council

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or some Committee of Council."

His Worship the Mayor: "As soon as we get some kind of word from the Minister of Highways. You must realize this is not only the City's project, but primarily a Provincial project. The latest indication was that they were to bear the larger proportion of the costs. Our staff is engaged in survey work with respect to other proposals to be put before the Minister. They are working on that and have had difficulty recently because of the snowstorm. It will be brought before the Minister when that is available.

"We are exploring all possible avenues with respect to that entrance and will try to have the best possible entrance and minimize the inconvenience to residents concerned. The engineers are considering alternate entrances."

#### 1960 BUDGET

Alderman Lloyd asked if it were possible to have a schedule of the proposed meetings at which time the budget will be considered.

His Worship the Mayor informed Council that he intended to call meetings of the Committee of the Whole Council on Monday, the 15th, and Friday, the 19th.

Alderman Lloyd then asked when the budget would be released for publication and was advised by His Worship the Mayor that it would be Monday, the 15th.

#### INCREASING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX

His Worship the Mayor was given permission to introduce a resolution respecting the increasing of the boundaries of the City of Halifax.

The following Resolution was submitted:

Resolution Respecting the Increase of the Boundaries of the  
City of Halifax

WHEREAS by Section 6B of the Halifax City Charter the boundaries of the City may from time to time be increased by Ordinance; provided that the area of the City shall not be increased unless two-thirds of the owners or duly authorized agents of the owners of real property in the district proposed to be added to the City have expressed a desire to that effect by petition to the Council;

AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax is presently undertaking a Redevelopment Program to eliminate blighted or substandard areas and to develop better residential and business areas as is evidenced in the Jacob Street, Maitland Street and Mulgrave Park developments;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to also increase recreational facilities within the City for which land is not readily available;

AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax is the owner of approximately one hundred and twenty-five acres of land on the western shore of the North West Arm, known as Fleming Park;

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AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax is desirous of extending its Town Planning provisions and other City Standards to this area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Halifax as duly authorized agents of all the owners of this property do hereby authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and file a petition on its behalf for an Ordinance to be passed increasing the boundaries of the City of Halifax to include the said one hundred and twenty-five acres known as Fleming Park.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ferguson that the Resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

The following petition was submitted:

W H E R E A S Section 6 B (1) of the Halifax City Charter provides that the boundaries of the City may from time to time be increased by Ordinance provided that the area of the City shall not be increased unless two-thirds of the owners or duly authorized agents of the owners of real property in the district proposed to be added to the City have expressed a desire to that effect by petition to the Council;

AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax is the owner of approximately one hundred and twenty-five acres of land on the western shore of the North West Arm, known as Fleming Park;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Halifax, as the duly authorized agents of all the owners of this property, on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1960 authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and file a petition requesting that the City Council pass an Ordinance increasing the boundaries of the City of Halifax to include the said Fleming Park;

NOW THEREFORE the undersigned, on behalf of all the owners of Fleming Park, do hereby request City Council to pass an Ordinance increasing the boundaries of the City of Halifax to include that portion of land known as Fleming Park.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ferguson that the request as contained in the petition be granted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ferguson that the annexation be included in Ward One and that legislation be secured to amend the boundaries as contained in the City Charter. Motion passed.

REQUEST FOR LAND - COUNTY OF HALIFAX - WEST OF PURCELL'S COVE  
ROAD - FLEMING HEIGHTS

The following letter was submitted from His Worship the Mayor:

Municipality of the County of Halifax  
Municipal Administration Building, 38 Dutch Village Road  
P. O. Box 300  
Armdale, Halifax, N. S.

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Mayor Charles A. Vaughan,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

My Dear Sir:

A school problem has arisen in Jollimore. Some few years ago we built

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a six-room school, almost directly but a little south of the Dingle gates on the western side of the Purcell's Cove Road, subsequently we were forced to put a four-room addition on this building and only last year were compelled to build an additional four rooms which now makes it a fourteen-room school.

This site does not permit any further extension. Our Municipal Council has now been asked by the Municipal School Board to provide a further four-room school with a capacity of eight rooms, with an additional four rooms to be added in a year or so. In the opinion of the Municipal School Board with a survey of the children attending school it is now requested of us that we build a new school somewhere between the boundaries of the Fleming Heights Subdivision and what is known as the Jollimore-Lake William's road corner.

The land which they have requested the school to be built upon is owned by the City of Halifax under a deed of trust as part of what we know as the Dingle. A large portion of this area, which is approximately fifteen acres, is swamp land and almost continually covered with water, however, immediately south of the Fleming Heights Subdivision there is a portion of land, while extremely rocky and rough, seems to be the only location in that area which is available for a school site.

On behalf of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, I am formally asking the City of Halifax for this section of park land to be made available for the above mentioned school purposes. Since the portion of this is, as I said above, under water, our request would be that pursuant to a plan already in your possession, that all land West of the Purcell's Cove road and as outlined on the plan be made available to us.

We have assessed every available portion of area in this district and I can assure you, Sir, that we would not make this request were there any other land available for school purposes.

Again I understand that this is a matter of legislation and I can assure you that all costs of survey, legislation fees, etc., will be gladly born by the Municipality if the City can see fit to co-operate in this regard.

Yours very truly,

F. G. H. Leverman,  
WARDEN.

The matter was referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

#### CHANGE OF NAME - HALIFAX TOURIST COMMITTEE

It was agreed that the Halifax Tourist Committee be known in future as The Halifax Tourist and Convention Committee.

#### CIGARETTE VENDING MACHINES

His Worship the Mayor: "May I have permission to introduce another matter arising out of the ban on certain vending machines? The Solicitor would like to explain something that has happened in the Courts."

City Solicitor: "A vending machine was vending cigarettes and the Magistrate has ruled that our part of the Charter insofar as cigarette vending machines are concerned is ultra vires. We have appealed it. If our appeal is not upheld, I think we should have legislation licensing them and I would like Council to set a fee."