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what we are trying to do with that Exhibition land. I think Mr. Zebbermans' interests are protected in the covenants; and if it turns out the aluminum business in five years' time is not a going business, all he has to do under the covenants is to come back to the Council and make a report saying that he can't use it any longer in this business, but he can use it for something else. If we start cutting it down to five years, we have to cut them down to five years for everybody. I quite agree that the aluminum business is uncertain, but we certainly don't want to find in five or six years' time that some lots in the City that we provided for industrial use are no longer used for industries. For instance, Farmer's Limited are using what was one time all industrial land. I think five years is too short."

Alderman Trainor: "I would like to ask Alderman Dunlop, say that some future Council won't allow the applicant to change to another type of manufacturing, what is going to happen then to the disposition of the property?"

Alderman Dunlop: "I am not going to judge what another Council is going to do; but I say that if anyone is taking this land and they expect their business is only going to last for five years, we shouldn't sell it to them. We should say that that isn't the type of industry we want."

Alderman Butler felt that the term should be ten years rather than five if Council wants to earmark this land for industrial purposes. He continued: "I am afraid in five years' time, it is very likely to revert to some use which will defeat the very purpose for which we are selling it at a reduced price, now. I think that in order to preserve what we are trying to do, ten years should be a minimum; and I think Mr. Zebberman would be the first one to agree to that. In view of the fact that he can come to the Council, I think he has adequate protection."

Alderman Lane: "May I ask if Clause 6 does not bind any future Council? This is a covenant made by the City of Halifax, not by 'a Council'."

City Solicitor: "It comes with the land."

Alderman Lane: "Since ten years is not acceptable to Mr. Zebberman or he would prefer to see it reduced, and five years is regarded as too little a time, is there such a thing as splitting the difference? What about seven years?"

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MOVED in amendment by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connolly,
that the term be seven years.

Alderman Dunlop contended that the amendment was out of order as
similar amendments have been ruled out in the past.

His Worship the Mayor ruled that the amendment was in order.

The amendment was then put and lost, five voting for the same and
seven against it as follows:

For the amendment: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Trainor and Connolly.

- 5 -

Against it: Aldermen Dunlop, Macdonald, Butler, Fox, Lloyd, Wyman and
O'Brien. - 7 -

It was then MOVED in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman
Macdonald that the sale be approved subject to the covenants as contained in
the report of the City Solicitor, dated March 15, 1960, but that the term
mentioned in Clause 8 remain unchanged at ten (10) years.

The amendment was put and passed, seven voting for the same and five
against it as follows:

For the amendment: Aldermen Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Lloyd,
Wyman and O'Brien. - 7 -

Against it: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Fox, Trainor and Connolly. - 5 -

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - NO.38 ACADIA STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard - No.38 Acadia Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered
a report from the Director of Planning recommending a modification of
sideyard at No.38 Acadia Street.

On Motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board
approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Martin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the
report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - No.48 RECTOR STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

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Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard - No. 48 Rector 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 modification of sideyard at No. 48 Rector Street.

On motion of Alderman Butler, 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 O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - NO. 97 VERNON STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard - No. 97 Vernon Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against a modification of sideyard at No. 97 Vernon Street.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD AND FRONTYARD - GRACE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard and Frontyard - Grace Maternity Hospital.

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 modification of sideyard and frontyard at the Grace Maternity Hospital.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

RESUBDIVISION - NO. 39 BLOOMINGDALE TERRACE

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Resubdivision-No. 39 Bloomingdale Terrace.

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 of land at No. 39 Bloomingdale Terrace as shown on Drawing No. P200/114, 00-9-14782.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council, and also recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing to remove the section of the Charter covering Rosebank Park and that it be put under R-1 zoning regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Martin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

City Solicitor: "Bloomingdale Terrace is going to require legislation. It is part of the Rosebank Park. We did have one some years ago as a private Bill by persons who wanted to make a resubdivision."

City Manager: "Why don't we get the bill and let them pay for it?"

Alderman Dunlop: "I think it's time now that we looked at some of this special legislation which was obtained years ago when planning was put into effect. Every year we get applications to modify something down in the Rosebank Park Area and it requires special legislation. It seems to me that the Planning Regulations now should be general throughout the City. I presume there would probably be some objection to it in the Rosebank Park, but I think it is a matter that we should look into."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is still existing. Such legislation was satisfactory in the days when we had no Town Planning Act."

Alderman Dunlop: "I don't know whether there are any other areas."

City Solicitor: "Yes, there are."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think the whole thing should be included."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Town Planning Board also recommends in the original section of the Charter covering Rosebank Park and that it be put under

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R-1 zoning regulations."

Alderman Dunlop: "I would suggest that at the same time we deal with the whole lot of them."

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes, I think so."

It was agreed that a Public Hearing be held on April 28, 1960 to include the Miller and Norwood Subdivisions as well.

REPLOTTING - CORNER OF DUFFUS AND GOTTINGEN STREETS

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Replotting - Corner of Duffus and Gottingen Streets.

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 replotting of land on the northwest corner of Gottingen and Duffus Streets as shown on Drawing P450/13 and that no public hearing be held in accordance with Section 727C of the City Charter.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, 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 Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPLOTTING - NO. 135 LOWER WATER STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Replotting - No. 135 Lower Water 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 replotting of land at No. 135 Lower Water Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/113, 00-9-14780.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

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ERECTION OF TOWER - NOS. 7-11 ARGYLE STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Erection of Tower - Nos. 7-11 Argyle Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending the erection of a Transmission Tower at Nos. 7-11 Argyle Street subject to detailed agreement on design.

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

REZONING - BLOCK OF LAND BOUNDED BY CHEBUCTO ROAD, WILLOW STREET
AND DUBLIN STREET FROM C-2 TO R-2

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Rezoning - Block of Land bounded by Chebucto Road, Willow Street and Dublin Street from C-2 to R-2.

The Director of Planning informed the Board that this had been recommended to City Council for a public hearing and at the hearing it was discovered the advertisement was incorrect. City Council then referred the matter back to the Town Planning Board for further processing.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Butler, the Board recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing for the rezoning of those lots east of Civic No. 105 Chebucto Road on the north side between Dublin Street and Willow Street as shown on Drawing P200/88 from C-2 commercial to R-2 residential.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved and that Council fix April 28, 1960, at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia, as the time and place for a Public Hearing into this matter. Motion passed.

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BORROWING FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION, ETC.

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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 the above date consideration was given to a request from the Board of School Commissioners to authorize a Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$992,000.00 to cover school construction as follows:

St. Joseph's	\$241,000.00
Richmond	\$248,000.00
St. Catherine's	\$174,000.00
New School	\$226,000.00
Acquisition of land required	<u>\$103,000.00</u>
	\$992,000.00

The Board also made the following recommendations:

1. To acquire for school purposes the four properties immediately east of St. Joseph's School, two of which face on Russell Street and two on Kaye Street;
2. To acquire for school purposes the property at No. 2 Kenny Street;
3. To close a portion of Kenny Street to public use from the rear line of the properties on the east side of Gottingen Street and adjacent to Kenny Street, and extending to Dartmouth Avenue, such property so acquired to be used for school purposes;
4. To secure from the Department of National Defence for school purposes the lot of vacant land consisting of 2.98 acres to the west of St. Catherine's School and bounded by Connolly Street and Chester Avenue.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations and suggests the following schedule:

Alexander McKay - St. Joseph's - Richmond - First Year.

St. Catherine's - St. Andrew's - Land Acquisition - Second Year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the school program as outlined in the report be approved.

Alderman Macdonald asked if Council was approving of the Borrowing Resolution as well and was advised by His Worship the Mayor that if Council approved of the program, that the resolution to borrow would be considered later.

Alderman O'Brien: "Are new schools and school additions considered by the planning setup from the town planning viewpoint?"

His Worship the Mayor said that the Planning Director would be consulted by

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the School Board staff.

The motion was then put and passed.

REPEALING SECTION 627-2 CITY CHARTER RE: PUBLIC
HEARING - EXPROPRIATIONS

Alderman Dunlop referred to the above section of the Charter and suggested that same should be repealed.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the City Solicitor be requested to submit legislation to the present session of the Legislature repealing Section 627-2 of the City Charter. Motion passed.

RODENT CONTROL - CITY DUMP

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 8, 1960.

Subject: Rodent Control - City Dump.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date discussed the matter of rodent control on the City Dump.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Committee agreed to recommend to City Council that \$500.00 be provided under 316 "C" to hire professional exterminators to help and give professional advice to get rid of rats on the dump.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved.

Alderman Trainor asked when the City Manager would be prepared to recommend a consultant.

The City Manager said he would get someone as quickly as possible, but he was not aware that there were any experts available, locally.

Alderman Dunlop observed that the Province of Alberta have experts on staff who are responsible for nothing but the control of rats.

The motion was then passed.

TENDERS - CANTEEN CONCESSIONS AND OAKLAND ROAD FERRY

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

From: Committee on Works.

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Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Tenders - Canteen Concessions - (1) Oakland Road Ferry, (2) Canteen, North Commons, (3) Canteen, Public Gardens.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a tabulation of tenders from the City Manager for (1) Oakland Road Ferry, (2) Canteen, North Commons, (3) Canteen, Public Gardens.

Acceptance of the following tenders were recommended:

(1) Oakland Road Ferry - Mr. E. L. Bignell - \$10.00.

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

(2) Canteen, North Common - Mr. Harry R. Levy - \$2,040.00.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee approved the recommendation and recommended it to City Council, and also recommended to City Council that included in the contract would be the provision that the successful tenderer must dispose of all beverages in a paper cup.

(3) Canteen, Public Gardens - George Tsuluhas - \$4,100.00.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee approved the recommendation and recommended it to City Council, and also recommended to City Council that included in the contract would be the provision that the successful tenderer must dispose of all beverages in a paper cup.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Alderman Trainor, referring to the canteen on the North Common, stated that the successful tenderer has another business whereas the tenderer, Mr. Andrews, whose bid was \$4.50 lower, makes his livelihood from operating the canteen.

He then MOVED that the tender be awarded to Mr. Andrews. The motion was seconded by Alderman Lloyd.

His Worship the Mayor: "The City Solicitor is looking up the matter as to whether or not the matter ends in the Committee on Works and does not have to come to Council."

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation of the Committee on Works be approved.

Alderman Abbott: "Is the City Manager prepared to change his recommendation?"

City Manager: "No, I am not."

His Worship the Mayor to Alderman Trainor: "Does the other canteen operator, the one you favor, operate a canteen at any other location?"

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Alderman Trainor: "He has a concession on the Central Common which expires this year."

His Worship the Mayor: "Did he have the concession last year at the Wanderers' Grounds?"

Alderman Trainor: "For one year only. That is his livelihood."

The City Solicitor stated that under provisions of the City Charter the awarding of concessions was finalized in the Committee on Works; and, therefore, needed no action by Council.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation of the Committee on Works respecting the operation of the Oakland Road Ferry be approved. Motion passed.

TRAFFIC ENGINEER

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan, and Members of the City Council

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

Date: March 17, 1960

Subject: Traffic Engineer

The Finance and Executive Committee discussed the possibility of appointing a traffic engineer. The possible methods of procedure were to employ a trained person or to select one of our staff and send him away for training.

After consulting with Mr. West our choice has settled on Mr. A.R. Howard presently on our staff as an engineer. He was born in Halifax in 1934, is married and has no children. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics and an Engineering Diploma from Dalhousie University. He studied Mathematics and Science for one year in Gottingen, Germany and has two years of post-graduate studies at Dalhousie in Physics and Mathematics. He was the City's representative at the 4th International Parking Workshop in Toronto in 1958 which was sponsored by the American Public Works Association. He also completed an extension course in Flexible Pavement Design in February, 1959.

It is recommended that Mr. Howard be paid his regular salary of \$6,215.00 per year, plus tuition fees and books. He will try to do some field work while he is at Yale University in New Haven. He will also sign an agreement that he will remain in the City's employ for three years from the time he returns from his studies or repay the City the cost of his tuition, fees and books.

A. A. DEBARD, JR.,
CITY MANAGER.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN INDUSTRIAL ESTATES LIMITED
AND PURITAN CANNERS ATLANTIC LIMITED AND THE CITY OF HALIFAX

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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 the above date, consideration was given to a change in the dates of a tax concession to

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Puritan Cannery Atlantic Limited from June 30, 1960 - June 30, 1970 to November 30, 1960 - November 30, 1970.

Your Committee recommends that the change in dates be approved and that the Agreement be amended accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

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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 March 10, 1960, it was agreed to recommend that Daylight Saving Time be observed this year from 12:01 A. M. April 24th to 12:01 A. M. October 30th.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAYS

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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 March 10, 1960, it was agreed to recommend for approval the attached list of Tag Days.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

Organization

Date for 1960

Monarchs Athletic Club	April 2
Canadian Paraplegic Association	April 8
Canadian Cancer Society	April 22
World Child's Day	April 29
Air Cadet League of Canada	April 30
Girl Guides' Association	May 7
I.O.D.E. - Morrow Chapter	May 13
Women's Auxiliary of the Halifax Symphony Society	May 14
Army, Navy & Air Force Veterans	May 28
Kiwanis Club of Armdale	June 3
Salvation Army	June 11
I.O.D.E. - Cornwallis Chapter	June 17

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Halifax Colored Citizen's Improvement League	June 25
Little League Baseball	July 8
Halifax Minor Baseball Association	July 15
Kiwanis Club - Chocolate Bar Day	September 16
Brunswick Street Church (Camp Brunswick)	September 23
Callow Veterans' and Invalids' Welfare League	September 30
Multiple Sclerosis Society	October 14
Boy Scouts' Apple Day	October 15
Poppy Week	November 4 to 10
Poppy Day	November 5
Chain of Dimes - Hi-Y	November 18
Nova Scotia Retarded Children	November 19

MOVED by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Fox, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PENSION - SECRETARY-TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD - LEGISLATION

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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 March 10, 1960, a letter was submitted from the Board of School Commissioners requesting City Council to seek amending legislation with respect to the retiring allowance of the Secretary-Treasurer so that he be given the same consideration as for other Civic officials.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and that the Commissioner of Finance supply the following information for Council:

1. How much Mr. Bezanson would have to pay back to 1945;
2. How much he would receive by way of pension.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

From: L. M. Romkey, Commissioner of Finance.

Date: March 16, 1960.

Subject: Pension - Herbert F. Bezanson, Secretary-Treasurer - Board of School Commissioners.

Your Worship and Aldermen:

At the Finance and Executive Committee meeting on March 10th, the Board of School Commissioners requested legislation relating to the pension provisions for Herbert F. Bezanson, Secretary-Treasurer of the School Board, and I was asked to make a projection, comparing Mr. Bezanson's pension to the pension of a City Hall employee, having the same length of service as Mr. Bezanson.

Mr. Bezanson will have completed 40 years and 7 months' service as at December 31, 1960. He is under the Halifax Teachers' Pension System and previous to the year 1953 he was required to pay 4% of his salary to the Halifax

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Teachers' Pension Fund. However, in succeeding years he made much larger contributions that the 5% of his current salary which he is now required to pay, and therefore in order to bring his total contributions (for the period 1945 to date of retirement) up to 5% of his total salary, he should pay the amount of \$76.96, the balance outstanding. If he pays this amount to the Halifax Teachers' Pension Fund, he will then be on the same basis as the City Hall employees, and therefore he should receive 60% of his average salary for the last three years, which in his case would give him an annual pension of \$4,207.99 commencing on January 1, 1961. A City Hall employee with the same length of service and salary as Mr. Bezanson would receive exactly the same amount of pension.

I therefore suggest that we acquire legislation amending Section 54, subsection 1 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, deleting the words "PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF SUCH PENSION SHALL NOT IN ANY YEAR EXCEED THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS". In my opinion this is all that is necessary to give Mr. Bezanson the above pension, on his retirement. This pension will be paid from the Halifax Teachers' Pension System and will be included in the City's contribution to the Halifax Teachers' Pension System each year.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Ronkey,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

SCHOOL SITE - COUNTY OF HALIFAX - LEGISLATION

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

At the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on March 10, 1960, a letter was submitted from Warden Leverman of the County of Halifax requesting that the City make available a parcel of land containing fifteen acres west of the Purcell's Cove Road, and immediately south of the Flemming Heights Subdivision, for the construction of a new school.

Your Committee recommends that permissive legislation be obtained to convey all or part of this land to the County of Halifax upon such terms and conditions as the Council may prescribe.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

FORUM COMMISSION - INDEBTEDNESS LIQUIDATION

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan, and Members of the City Council.

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

Date: March 17, 1960.

Subject: Forum - Indebtedness Liquidation.

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Over the years there have been certain financial arrangements between the City and the Forum which were not in the usual pattern one might expect. There may have been extenuating circumstances arising out of particular conditions at the time of acquisition. The price paid the Federal Government was funded and the Forum Commission assumed payment of principal and interest except for approximately \$25,000.00 which was paid by the City for the land on which the Emergency Shelters stand. The transaction was further complicated by free use of the large building by the Federal Government for 10 years. This represents about \$300,000.00 more which might be considered part of the acquisition cost.

As of December 31, 1959 the Forum Commission was indebted to the extent of:

Equipment to put Forum in operation	\$ 12,539.49
Unfunded Balance of Sinking Fund Debentures, Matured May 15, 1959	63,776.62
Owed City for amortization & interest	<u>110,266.41</u>
	\$186,582.52
Liability for bonds yet to mature	<u>144,507.01</u>
Total Liability, December 31, 1959	\$331,089.53

On several occasions when discussing two suggestions made by Gurnham & Hanright, accountants for the Forum, the writer suggested assumption of the debt by the City and discontinuance of operation of the Forum under a separate entity. Members of the Forum Commission either disagreed or felt such a change could come later.

The so-called second plan called for a payment of \$28,850.00 per year for the next 20 years to liquidate the total liability of \$331,089.53. The total cost at interest of 6% would be \$577,297.46. The so-called first plan calls for payments decreasing from \$32,693.68 to \$20,799.82 over the next 20 years for a total cost of \$518,255.79. Mr. Romkey and the writer concur in recommending the first plan.

Success of this plan depends on earnings of the Forum which have been projected and show sufficient revenues to meet these obligations. Mr. Romkey and the writer are not in a position to agree since we are not that familiar with operation of the Forum. The operation will not be really self-liquidating unless the amount of revenue from City funds is a small proportion of total revenues. It was also recommended that payments might be accelerated by application of any funds from sale of land to the Forum's obligations, at least to the extent of liquidating past obligations. No forecast can be made as to the amount nor time of such payments.

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

Alderman Lloyd: "Very briefly, this is an effort to simplify and put down in a more ordinary fashion the repayment of the Forum obligations. That, in essence, is what it is. It puts them into a plan that is feasible in the light of their projected revenues and to simplify the whole liquidation program of their obligations both to the City and current account and of obligations that they had by way of bond issues."

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

FORUM COMMISSION - FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Deferred to the next meeting.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF PARKING AUTHORITY

Deferred to the next meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 53 - INCREASING BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY - FIRST READING

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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 March 10, 1960, Ordinance No. 53 as prepared by the City Solicitor and respecting the "Enlargement of the City's Boundaries" was submitted.

Your Committee recommends that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time and referred back to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Dunlop, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Ordinance No. 53

Ordinance No. 53 respecting the enlargement of the boundaries of the City of Halifax as prepared by the City Solicitor was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Dunlop, that the ordinance, as submitted, be read and passed a first time and referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION - POLL TAXES - STEVEDORES

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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 March 10, 1960, the City Manager recommended that legislation be drafted to provide that the Steamship Companies would be unable to hire any stevedore unless he produced a receipt for Poll Tax payment by a certain date each year.

Because of the seasonal nature of the work it was not feasible to have them come under the "deduction" clause of the present legislation.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor prepare legislation with an effective date of March 1st in each year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
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MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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TAX EXEMPTION - NEWMAN HALL - WINDSOR STREET

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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 March 10, 1960, a letter was submitted from the Most Reverent Gerald Berry, Archbishop of Halifax, requesting tax exemption on the new building to be called the "Cardinal Newman Centre", being erected on land owned by the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax on Windsor Street.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "There is a question on division of land. The point is that not all this land is being used."

Alderman Dunlop: "All we want to do is to give the exemption on the building."

City Solicitor: "That is the point. There are two buildings on the one piece of land."

His Worship the Mayor asked Alderman Wyman what the terms of the lease were with respect to the Conservatory of Music.

Alderman Wyman: "It is a somewhat peculiar lease. It says 'the building and sufficient land for the use of the Conservatory'. The new building is 15 feet from the side of the building on the Conservatory grounds."

City Solicitor: "We will have to break that up now for the Conservatory. If you go out of there, that land and building will not be exempt."

Alderman Dunlop: "If the legislation says 'the building and land on which it stands', I don't think the Assessor is going to take in a few feet one way or the other."

City Solicitor: "It is 95 feet."

Alderman Dunlop: "We don't want to give the exemption for 95 feet unless it is attached to the building."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is for parking for Newman Hall."

Alderman Wyman: "I would think that the practical use of the land would be to divide it along the south line of the new building. I would think that all

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of the land north of that was for use of the Cardinal Newman Hall."

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Dunlop, that the report be approved and that all of the land north of the Conservatory line be included in the exemption. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT - COSGROVE, MONTI AND ASSOCIATES

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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 March 10, 1960, an account was submitted in the amount of \$13,692.30 payable to Cosgrove, Monti and Associates covering their survey and report on the transit system in the City of Halifax.

Your Committee recommends that the account be approved for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

PERMISSION TO OPERATE BEAUTY PARLOR - NO. 126 SHIRLEY STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Permission to Operate Beauty Parlor - No. 126 Shirley 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 permission to operate a beauty parlor at No. 126 Shirley Street.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Butler, the Board recommended to City Council that permission be granted for the operation of a beauty parlor at No. 126 Shirley Street.

Alderman Abbott and Alderman O'Brien were recorded as being "against".

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved.

Alderman O'Brien: "Within the last twelve months we considered a similar case for a beauty parlor on South Park Street; and for the first time in my

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recollection we, in effect, adopted a new policy with respect to this kind of case and decided to go along with the recommendations of the Director of Planning, which, in essence, seemed to be that we should protect the commercial areas and the intensity of their development and so on by not permitting sporadic commercial development of a minor nature to occur in residential areas. There are beauty parlors that are located in commercial areas and in the West end of the City, too. They aren't all down town. There are some on Quinpool Road and in commercial zones that pay substantial rents or have substantial expenses because they are in a commercial zone. It seems to me that this principle enunciated by the Director of Planning, approved by the Town Planning Board several months ago and approved by Council in the case of the South Park Street case should not be lost sight of tonight and forgotten on this particular case. There isn't any essential difference between the two cases and I think that we should defeat the motion and back up the Director of Planning's recommendation."

Alderman Macdonald: "When I first heard about this, I understood it was on Pepperell Street; and on Pepperell Street opposite the type of manufacturing company which is there, I didn't think there was too much of a problem because it is back of the commercial area of Quinpool Road. Now, I find it is on Shirley Street which I didn't know prior to this; and, therefore, I would like to know the recommendation of the Director of Planning."

His Worship the Mayor said he was against the Committee's recommendation and suggested the matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board.

Alderman Lane: "The Town Planning Engineer recommended against it, I believe on the grounds that it is going to cause a blight in the commercial area. He, I think, expressed an opinion that he had no particular objection as far as the area in which this is located is concerned. Am I wrong about that or is that in essence what you said in your recommendation, Mr. Munnich?"

Director of Planning: "I said it would not have any detrimental effect on the area. I meant that there would be no visual impact on the area."

His Worship the Mayor: "He re-affirmed his stand earlier in the year when on a similar application he said that to allow the growth of this type of com-

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mercial development aside the established business district was bad planning."

Alderman Lloyd: "Invariably our discussions of this problem come concurrently with an application and personalities, sympathies, appreciations and individual circumstances get involved in a matter of policy which should be dealt with on a purely impersonal basis. Unfortunately, I think most of the time there has been one particular applicant before us. Representations were made to me only last evening by a member of the Beauticians' Organization of Beauty Parlor Operators in the City and they are beginning now to get quite concerned about the fact that they are paying business taxes in the community; and they feel that, if they have to be exposed to the judicial imposition, that there should be some policy enunciated. The party agreed with me that we shouldn't make it an issue and have one person suffer because you are drawing the line. A lot of people are now operating. It seems to be unfair to make the issue over the application. He agreed to let that one go through as far as he was concerned, but can you start some discussion of policy on this matter for the future and then you will get away from a personal view of one application and perhaps lay down some binding regulation for the future governing this type of operation. I am not doing anything for those who are in existence, but at least you can stop the expansion of this competition with many of our business taxpayers."

His Worship the Mayor: "This is an exemption under Part 11 of the Zoning By-Law and refers only to beauty parlors and barber shops. I think this Section should come out of the By-Law and remove it from the point of a personal consideration as has arrived from time to time."

Alderman Wyman: "Referring to what Alderman O'Brien had to say -- if it is a matter of principle that it is bad planning to permit beauty parlors to be established in private residences in a residential zone, then that is a matter for revision of the By-Law that provides for the machinery for permitting it; and that is something which should be taken up elsewhere, not here. So long as the Ordinance stands as it does at the present time, I can not see any reason why we should refuse to except any request any more than any other request. I, therefore, would agree with the motion."

The motion was put and passed and it was agreed that consideration be given

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by the Town Planning Board to amend Part 11 of the Zoning By-Law by deletion of Section 5.

Alderman Lane: "I would be in complete accord with that if the Assessment Department who have the legal right to enter all dwellings in the City and have had for many years and members of the Fire Department who also examine premises would report the present illegal operations going on in the City. In this particular instance, I would like to call your attention to the fact that this particular applicant had the privilege of doing what many many hundred are doing in this City today, but she preferred to come and do it legally and pay taxes on that particular part of her property. I feel that when people are willing to do it properly, that is a different situation, but we have many operations in this City and those are not the only operations that have been carried on as businesses in private residences. I feel that they can be brought to the attention of the City, and I think they properly should be."

Alderman Macdonald: "Could there be some restriction put in the permit as to the business of changing hands? We did that in connection with the barber shop at the corner of Spring Garden Road and Summer Street."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is given to a person, and therefore ceases with that person. It cannot be transferred without the approval of Council."

RECONSIDERATION - BASEMENT APARTMENT - No. 1574 BARRINGTON STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Reconsideration - Basement Apartment - No. 1574 Barrington Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date reconsidered the matter of a modification of sideyard at No. 1574 Barrington Street for the construction of a basement apartment.

This request had been recommended against by the Director of Planning at the January 5 Town Planning Board meeting and also refused by City Council on January 14, 1960.

His Worship the Mayor requested that due to new evidence the request for this modification be reconsidered by both the staff and the Town Planning Board.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board recommended to City Council that a modification of sideyard be granted at No. 1574 Barrington Street in view of the work carried on by the applicant and also because of the building permit issued in 1957.

Respectfully submitted,
K. C. Mantin,
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MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 27 - FAIRVIEW OVERPASS

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Progress Payment No. 27 - Fairview Overpass.

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 No. 27, re Fairview Overpass.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Progress Estimate No. 27, re Fairview Overpass, in the amount of \$414.46, to the Department of Highways, Province of Nova Scotia.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

USE OF COMMONS - LYNCH'S FAIR - JUNE 10 TO 25, 1960

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Use of Commons - Lynch's Fair (June 10-25, 1960)

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a request from the Callow Veterans' and Invalids' Welfare League on behalf of Bill Lynch Shows for use of the Halifax Commons from June 10 to 25, 1960.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee approved the request for use of the Commons by Bill Lynch Shows from June 10 to 25, 1960, and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

SEWER EASEMENT - BAYERS ROAD SHOPPING CENTRE

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

From: Committee on Works.

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Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Sewer Easement - Bayers Road Shopping Centre.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Deputy City Solicitor recommending that the City accept a sewer easement at the Bayers Road Shopping Centre and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

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

Alderman Butler abstained from voting.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Butler abstaining from voting.

PIPE CROSSING AGREEMENT - CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Pipe Crossing Agreement - Canadian National Railways.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the City accept a pipe crossing agreement with the Canadian National Railways for a 66" storm sewer installed under Howe Avenue. The annual fee for this purpose is \$35.00 effective February 16, 1960. The Commissioner of Works also recommended that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign this agreement on behalf of the City.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

LIGHTING - MULGRAVE PARK PROJECT

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Lighting - Mulgrave Park Project.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending the arrangement of lighting

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at the Mulgrave Park Project. The contract price for the lighting in the project is \$39,000.00. The City will be solely responsible for approximately \$16,000.00 of the capital installation costs and the partnership will be responsible for the remainder. The estimated operating cost to the City is \$1400.00 per annum and to the partnership \$1900.00 per annum.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

FLOOD LIGHTING - MEMORIAL TOWER

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Flood Lighting - Memorial Tower.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a recommendation by His Worship the Mayor that the Memorial Tower be flood lighted for the summer months.

The Committee also considered a report from the City Electrician showing the cost involved in flood lighting the tower.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the Committee approved the recommendation of His Worship the Mayor and also the report of the City Electrician and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 16 - INCINERATOR CONSTRUCTION

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: March 15, 1960.

Subject: Progress Payment No. 16 - Incinerator Construction.

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 No. 16, re Incinerator Construction.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Committee

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recommened to City Council payment of Progress Estimate No. 16, re Incinerator Construction, in the amount of \$19,583.83 to Foundation Maritime Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Lloyd said he had received a complaint from a North-end resident concerning the emission of a form of fly ash from the new incinerator smoke stack.

The matter was referred to the Commissioner of Works for investigation.

EXPROPRIATION - 12 STARR STREET - ATLANTIC GARAGE LIMITED

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on March 4, 1960, consideration was given to the matter of acquiring the property No. 12 Starr Street, owned by Atlantic Garage Limited.

The assessed value of the property for 1960 (land and buildings) is \$18,900.00.

The Compensation Officer recommends that an offer be made in the amount of \$32,025.00, his estimate of value plus 5%.

Mr. E. F. Cragg, Solicitor for the owners, would accept no less than \$34,562.00 based on his figures of replacement cost plus 10% for forcible taking, and requested that the City expropriate the property.

Your Committee recommends that the request to expropriate be granted; and that the amount to be paid into Court be the assessed value plus 5%, a total of \$19,845.00.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think we should go into Court with assessment plus 5% in face of our own appraisal."

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that expropriation be undertaken and that the amount of \$32,000.00 be paid into Court. Motion passed.

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PROPERTY ACQUISITION - 187 MARKET STREET

March 17, 1960.

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

At the Redevelopment Committee meeting held on March 4th, 1960, a report was submitted from the Compensation Officer recommending that the property at No. 187 Market Street, owned by David A. McCulloch, be purchased at the assessed value of \$5,800.00 plus 5%, making a total of \$6,090.00.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Compensation Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

RESOLUTION - SPRING GARDEN ROAD SOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Deferred to the next meeting.

PROPERTY ACQUISITION - 151-3 BRUNSWICK STREET

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on March 4th, 1960, a report was submitted from the Compensation Officer recommending purchase of the property of the Estate of A. H. Buckley, No. 151-3 Brunswick Street, for a total price of \$18,268.50, made up as follows:

Assessed value	\$ 13,700.00
Plus 5%	<u>685.00</u>
	\$ 14,385.00
Compensation for moving the stock in trade and business loss	<u>\$ 3,883.50</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 18,268.50</u>

The Executors of the Estate also expressed a desire to remain in the store, as tenants of the City, on a monthly lease at a rental of \$90.00.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Compensation Officer, and the request of the Executors of the Estate; subject to the approval of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

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TENDERS - UNIFORM CLOTHING

Tabulations of tenders, copies of which are attached to the original copy of these minutes, were submitted covering the following items:

- "A" Uniform Clothing - Halifax Police Department,
- "B" Uniform Clothing - Halifax Police Department,
- "C" Uniform Clothing - Halifax Fire Department,
- "D" Uniform Clothing - Halifax City Prison.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that acceptance of the tenders as recommended by the City Manager be approved. Motion passed.

REZONING - NORTHWEST CORNER OF GOTTINGEN AND DUFFUS STREETS
FROM R-2 TO C-2 ZONE

An application was submitted from C. D. Dawison & Co., Architects, acting on behalf of the owner of a property on the northwest corner of Gottingen Street and Duffus Street to rezone a portion of this property from R-2 Residential to C-2 Commercial.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board for consideration and report. Motion passed.

RECEPTION OF PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

No petitions were submitted and no delegations appeared.

REZONING - DRUMMOND COURT, LEAMAN STREET AREA FROM R-2 ZONE
TO R-1 ZONE - DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Butler, that Council fix April 28, 1960 at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S., as the time and place for a Public Hearing into this matter. Motion passed.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION - SNOW REMOVAL - \$25,000.00 - 316 "C"

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan, and Members of the City Council.

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

Date: March 16, 1960.

Subject: Appropriation - Snow and Ice Control.

As of midnight March 13, 1960 we had spent the following amounts on snow removal:

Salting and Sanding	-	\$49,458.57
Plowing and Clearing	-	\$59,634.31
Removal and Hauling	-	\$15,471.82
Total		<u>\$124,564.70</u>

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It is recommended that \$25,000.00 be appropriated under authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter. This will probably not be enough for the whole fiscal year, but I trust it will take us through the Spring portion.

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

MOVED by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RAMP - BASINVIEW HOME

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the matter of constructing an enclosed ramp to connect the Basinview Home with staff quarters was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$3,500.00 be provided for this purpose; same to include the cost of the extension of the sprinkler system and that the necessary funds be obtained by Capital Borrowing previously authorized.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

PAY INCREASE - CITY FIELD - HALIFAX CIVIC WORKERS UNION LOCAL 108

The following letter was submitted and read from the City Field Workers Union, Local 108:

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Mayor Charles A. Vaughan,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Your Worship:-

It appears that there is a very serious misunderstanding as to the settlement which was effected between the City of Halifax and this Union with regards to wage adjustments.

Our members agreed to the terms of a new contract which would provide them with new wage rates which would be 5% above the rates for the same classifications, as set out in the 1958 working agreement; also in view of the fact that no adjustment was forthcoming during the year 1959 because of the various delays, a retroactive amount based on 2% of 1959 earnings would be implemented. This could also be described as 2% of a wage increase effective January 1st, 1959, with a further 3% effective January 1st, 1960.

Our members have received retroactive pay based on 2% of their earnings and since this 2% was not applied in the form of an increase in the hourly wage rates in 1959, it therefore follows that commencing January 1st, 1960 the various wage rates should be increased by 5% above the wage level as set out in the 1958 agreement.

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It appears that it is the interpretation of the City officials that now since the 2% retroactive wages have been paid to the employees by cheque that the wage rates as set out in the 1958 agreement are only to be increased by 3%. The effect of this would mean that the wage rates, apart from the retroactive payment, is not being adjusted by 5% which we expected the City to grant, in view of the fact that the 5% increase was recommended by the Majority Report of the Conciliation Board and subsequently agreed to by the City.

I wish to draw your attention to the minutes of a special meeting, evening session, of City Council held January 28th, 1960, 8 P. M., Page 68, in which you are quoted as follows:-

"In July the members of the Salary Committee met with me on this matter in an attempt to effect a settlement. They sought my co-operation or feelings on the matter of a suggested offer and this was made to Mr. Byron Anthony who was appointed Conciliation Officer in July of last year -- that was that there be an increase of 2% retroactive to January 1, 1959 and a further 3% for 1960, the basis of the two-year contract. Now, we are agreeing here tonight, actually, on what the Committee recommended to the Conciliation Officer last July."

It would appear from the above that you understood fully the terms of settlement. Unless the terms, as you have outlined them and as we understood them, are accepted by Council, it would follow that there is no settlement between the Union and the City with regard to a collective agreement and the Union would therefor revert back to the direction of the membership in taking whatever steps are needed in order to bring about a collective agreement which will be acceptable to both parties.

We trust that this misunderstanding can be cleared up so that the agreement can be concluded.

Yours truly,

John J. Rhynold,
PRESIDENT.

His Worship the Mayor: "There is no question about it, I did make this statement about the 2% and a further 3% and nobody challenged me. It was in the minutes, but it wasn't given to you in the memorandum submitted by the City Manager on this question. My statements at that meeting were not given to you, which may have further clarified your thinking on the matter insofar as the understanding is concerned."

Alderman Wyman: "The proposal which was made by the Salary Committee that was referred to in that minute that was just read, was a proposal of an increase of 2% in addition to the 1958 rate for '59 which would be made retroactive, and that effective January 1, 1960 there would be a 3% increase based on the 1959 wage. That amounts to a total increase of slightly over 5%. It was my understanding when we discussed this in City Council that what was being asked for was exactly the same as that. In the letter from the representatives from the Union requesting this settlement, he referred in one place to 5%, but he also referred to a 2% increase retroactive for 1959 and a further 3% which

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means just that. There may have been some misunderstanding and difference of opinion as to exactly what we did mean when we passed that. As a matter of policy, I think having agreed to this, and the financial matter being concerned a small one as to the difference between 5% and 2%, plus 3%, after the long negotiation and all the dealings with this thing, we can afford to take it on the broadest basis."

Alderman Lloyd: "You mean you want to compound the 3% on the 2%. Supposing that you have an employee who is receiving \$3,000.00 in 1958, 2% of \$3,000.00 would be \$60.00. He receives the \$60.00. He has a 2% increase over 1958 for 1959. His 1959 pay becomes \$3,060.00. His 1960 pay is to be 5% above 1958, which would be, if it weren't compounded \$150.00, \$3,150.00, but, because you compound the \$60.00, it becomes \$151.80 - \$1.80 on a salary of \$3,000.00 for a year's work.

"The Manager's observation says something about we are paying them 7%. Do you still contend that, Mr. DeBard?"

City Manager: "Yes."

Alderman Lloyd: "Would you kindly explain to Council where you get 7%?"

City Manager: "It is very easy. If you take your figures of \$3,060.00 and \$3,151.80, that is \$211.80 which is roughly 7% of the \$3,000.00."

Alderman Lloyd: "Why do you take 7%?"

City Manager: "Because if we had had no retroactive provision and we had followed what the Majority Report was, it would have been 5% over the 1958 rate, which would be \$150.00, or 5%. Therefore, if they are going to get \$211.80 instead of \$150.00 they are getting a 7% increase."

Alderman Lloyd: "We are mixed up in some elementary mathematics. Mr. DeBard, we have given the City Hall employees this year, 1960, a 5% increase of pay and suppose next year we give them another 5% increase. Do you suggest for one minute we have given them a 10% increase in pay?"

City Manager: "I suggest this -- that when the phraseology used by the Majority Report, used in the Minority Report, used in this Council even, there was to be a 5% increase with 2% retroactive for 1959, to me, conveyed a 5% increase less 2%."

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Alderman Lloyd: "Are you agreed, Mr. DeBard, that the Council fully intended to give the employees 5% increase in 1960 over 1958?"

City Manager: "No, because when we had our two meetings at the Works Committee and Finance Committee you were submitted some figures and there were fourteen Aldermen there, excluding Alderman Ferguson who wasn't there, and you all selected what you thought the agreement was. Eleven of you selected the thing that I thought was passed and three of you selected the other."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think, Mr. DeBard, the Conciliation Board recommended 5% for 1960; and Council was agreed and willing to accept that. Therefore, the employee would receive \$3,150.00 in the case at point."

City Manager: "No."

Alderman Lloyd: "If we would have accepted the Conciliation Report, would not a \$3,000.00 a year employee, receive for 1960, under that report, \$3,150.00?"

City Manager: "That is correct."

Alderman Lloyd: "What do you propose to do? Change the \$1.80?"

City Manager: "No, the \$1.80 isn't important."

Alderman Lloyd: "Then, what do you want?"

City Manager: "The proposal was that if 5% was to be given and 2% of it was to be retroactive, then that would leave only 3% for 1960."

Alderman Lloyd: "No, I think the point of confusion is this -- that the City Council decided to give the employees the 5% increase in 1960. That stood on its own feet. In addition, they said that we would give a retroactive increase of 2% for 1959."

Alderman Abbott: "That wasn't my understanding."

City Manager: "What happens is this -- if you use your percentages and you take a salary, you will come up with my line of thought that it is true, as the Union points out, that if you apply a 5% to rates, you would come up with the higher figure. Really, the difference is in the method of computation. Now, if you do as Alderman Wyman suggests, it would amount to a matter of \$16,000.00."

Alderman Trainor: "Eleven Aldermen agreed to \$3,000.00 plus \$60.00 retroactive, plus 3% of \$3,060.00."

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City Manager: "That is right. Eleven Aldermen agreed to that and that is what I thought it was until I was told differently."

Alderman Lloyd asked what the rate of pay would be for 1961 on the illustration if there were no renegotiation.

City Manager: "My way or the other way?"

Alderman Lloyd: "Your way, first?"

City Manager: "My way, on the lowest rate would be \$1.20 an hour."

Alderman Lloyd: "No, but on the \$3,000.00."

City Manager: "It would be \$3,090.00."

Alderman Lloyd: "Therefore, you are saying they get an increase now, but they get a cut in pay in 1961."

City Manager: "No, not at all. They would have gotten \$3,000.00 in 1958, \$3,060.00 in 1959 and \$3,090.00 in 1960."

Alderman Wyman: "I don't think we are concerned with the matter of mathematics. I think we are concerned with the matter of the English language. Retroactive means it is effective at a previous date; and if an increase of 2% was effective on January 1, 1959, then the effective rate on January 1, 1960 is the 1958 rate, plus 2%. If you give a further 3%, that makes a total of 5%."

Alderman O'Brien: "As one of the eleven who understood the motion the night it was passed, I think we are in the position now where the only sensible thing to do is to accept it on the basis of the letter from the Union; and if there is anything that we didn't really intend, then it is up to the job evaluation to adjust everything. We should vote the extra money -- \$16,000.00 and be through with it."

Alderman Dunlop: "I am not for that at all because I think if there was a mistake, we have to undo it. I don't think there is a mistake. I think the man whose salary this year is \$3,000.00 should be getting \$3,151.80 in 1960. That's what I voted for. I don't understand where the misunderstanding can be."

Alderman DeWolf: "As Alderman Dunlop mentioned at that meeting, all they get actually is \$1.80. That must be in the minutes."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is more than that."

Alderman DeWolf: "\$1.80 on \$3,000.00 is the way the Alderman expressed it."

Alderman Lloyd: "No, his --