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Extension to a Non-conforming Building - 2536 Kline Street

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, an application to permit the extension of an existing non-conforming building at #2536 Kline Street by constructing a one-storey addition as shown on Drawing No. P200/1843, be approved. Motion passed.

Modification of Lot Frontage, Lot Area, Front and Sideyard Requirements - #2162 Robie Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the modification of lot frontage, lot area, front and sideyard requirements at #2162 Robie Street to permit the conversion of the existing single family dwelling to a duplex as shown on Drawings No. P200/1840-41, be approved. Motion passed.

Alteration to a Subdivision - Lot 64, Hartlen Subdivision Basinview Drive and Robie Street

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision of Lot 64 in the Hartlen Subdivision, Basinview Drive and Robie Street, as shown on Drawing No. P200/1842,00-9-16279, be approved, subject to a 13 foot strip of land at the rear of Lot 64A, shown on the drawing as part of Lot 64B being incorporated into Lot 64A, and that the advertisement be dispensed with. Motion passed.

Extension to a Non-conforming Building and Modification of Sideyard - #2260 Connaught Avenue

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, an application to permit the extension of an existing non-conforming building at #2260 Connaught Avenue by constructing a one-storey addition at the rear, as shown on Drawings No. P200/1847-8, be approved. Motion passed.

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Proposed 40-unit Motor Hotel - 6779 Bayers Road

Alderman Matheson vacated his seat in Council while the following item was being considered.

The following recommendation of the Town Planning Board was submitted:

It is recommended that an application for a 40-unit motor hotel at 6779 Bayers Road be approved. Alderman O'Brien and Moir voted against the recommendation.

The following Staff Report, dated July 15, 1965, which was considered by the Town Planning Board, was submitted:

"The developer of the above property has requested approval in principle for a 40-unit motor hotel as illustrated on Drawings No. P200/1849-52. This scheme is being submitted to the Board because of the Board's earlier actions confirmed by City Council which, after a Public Hearing, approved the erection of a 34-unit apartment building at this location.

The property is located on the north side of Bayers Road between Micmac Street and Romans Avenue and is zoned R-3 with the surrounding area zoned R-2. It has a frontage of 177.5 feet on Bayers Road, a depth of 104 feet for an area of 17,500 square feet. The property is also affected by a 50 foot building line reducing the area which can be developed to approximately 8,625 square feet with an approximate depth of 54 feet.

An analysis of the previous case history shows that the lot in question was rezoned from R-2 to R-3 density in July, 1959 and at that time, the applicant agreed to limit the size of the apartment building to 8 units. This scheme was not carried out. Subsequently, the area was enlarged by the sale of a strip of City land which was added to 6779 Bayers Road and rezoned to R-3 density in January, 1961.

With the addition of the land purchased from the City and further rezoning, the new developer undertook voluntarily to limit the size of the future apartment building to 16 units. This scheme was approved by the Board in October, 1961 but was not carried out.

Staff considered at that time that any building in this location should be limited in size because of the peculiar characteristics of the site. A 50 foot building line on Bayers Road restricts the area on which a building can be placed making it necessary to put it very close to the rear boundary. The size of the building would have considerable effect on the properties adjoining the site, especially those on Huron Street at the rear.

The restriction on the size of the building, agreed at the time of the initial rezoning, allowed the construction of 8 units which is the number permissible in an R-2 zone on two separate lots of the combined size of the area under consideration. The increase to 16 units was approved when the area was enlarged by the addition of former City land and also because the developer agreed to place all his car parking under the building.

However, on June 13, 1963, a revised scheme for a 34-unit apartment building was submitted to the Board and was opposed by Staff on planning grounds. This scheme was eventually approved after a Public Hearing by City Council on August 15, 1963.

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The drawings submitted with the present proposal indicate that the building will be five stories in height, two of which will be devoted to car parking. The scheme also includes a restaurant at the ground floor level. The proposal in its present form does not meet all the By-law requirements. However, the developers have indicated that they would be prepared to revise the scheme after obtaining an expression of opinion from the Board and City Council.

It is considered by Staff that the scheme further intensifies the proposed use for the property. The proposal includes commercial functions associated with hotels and would generate a considerable volume of traffic. The location is surrounded by residential development and houses on adjoining lots are very close to the proposed building. In view of the previous decisions which followed the rezoning of this land, it is felt that the appropriate development for the lot would be one which would conform with the new R-3 Zoning Regulations which are at present before the Minister of Municipal Affairs for final approval.

CONCLUSION:

It is considered by Staff that the proposed 40-unit Motor Hotel at 6779 (213) Bayers Road, as shown on Drawings No. P200/1849-52, is undesirable and should not be permitted."

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that Council accept the staff recommendation to reject the application.

The Director of Planning displayed a plan of the area and explained the proposal.

Mr. L. A. Kitz, Q. C., appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested favorable consideration of the application.

His Worship the Mayor observed that the report respecting the economic feasibility study recently submitted by Canadian Urban Economics Limited urged that motel accommodation be concentrated in the Downtown Area.

Alderman Richard suggested that the developers consider the downtown area for a motel location.

The motion was put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 2 against as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Meagher, Connolly,  
Doyle, Richard, O'Brien, Black, Moir & Lane - 9 -

Against the motion: Aldermen Trainor and H. W. Butler - 2 -

Resolution Re: Amendment to Town Planning Act

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Doyle,

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that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the following

Resolution be adopted:

"WHEREAS subsection (4) of Section 13 of the Town Planning Act provides that a Council may, by resolution, delegate to an official of a municipality, the authority to fix the time and date on which a zoning or rezoning will be considered, to prepare the advertisement, and to give on its behalf the notice required by subsection (1) of said Section 13;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Halifax does hereby delegate to the City Clerk the authority to fix the time and date on which the City Council intends to consider the passing of or amendments to the Zoning By-law of the City of Halifax and to prepare the requisite advertisement and to give on behalf of City Council the notice required under the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 13 of the Town Planning Act.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in all cases where the applicant for an amendment to or repeal of the Zoning By-law is other than the City of Halifax, the City Clerk shall not prepare the requisite advertisement and give the required notice on behalf of the City Council until such applicant has deposited with the City Clerk such sum as is necessary to defray the cost of such advertisement and giving the notice of such hearing."

Motion passed.

Alteration to a Subdivision - McCurdy Estate -  
Francklyn Street

Plans of the proposed subdivision were displayed and explained by the Director of Planning.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision of the McCurdy Estate - Francklyn Street, Plan #P200/1788-00-9-16229, be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Black and O'Brien voting against.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, sewer easements over Lots 22 and 23 be granted to the City at the nominal sum of \$1.00, as outlined on Scheme 4. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the City

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make application to have the property rezoned from R-2 Zone to R-1 Zone, provided the developer pays the cost of advertising.

Motion passed.

MOTIONS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Accounts over \$1,000.00

None.

Lord's Day Permits

Applications for permission to operate business on the Lord's Day were submitted from the following:

John D. Kanellakos	2389 Agricola Street	Grocery Store
Elva M. Dawdall	2358 Gottingen Street	Pool and Snack Bar.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that the applications, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

Report - Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority  
Re: Regional Prison

A report and resolution were submitted from the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority respecting the construction of a Regional Prison.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the report be referred to the Town Planning Board and the Halifax-Dartmouth and County Regional Planning Commission.

Motion passed.

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Cancellation - Council Meeting - August 26, 1965

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Lane, that, in view of the attendance of several Council members at the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Convention being held at Sydney during the week of August 22nd and the expected lack of a quorum, the regular Council meeting scheduled for August 26, 1965, be cancelled. Motion passed.

Resetting Date for Rezoning - 7157-61 and 7165 Quinpool Road from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the City Council reset the date for a Public Hearing into the matter of rezoning the lands at 7157-61 and 7165 Quinpool Road from R-2 to R-3 Zone, from August 26, 1965, which date had been set at a meeting of Council held July 15, 1965, to September 16, 1965, in view of the cancellation of the Council meeting scheduled for August 26, 1965. Motion passed.

Application to Rezone - Dominion Stores Limited Property Nos. 2556, 2558, 2566, 2570, 2574 and 2576 Maynard Street

Referred to Town Planning Board.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Operation - City Hospitals

Alderman O'Brien asked when it would be possible to have the By-laws under which the City is to operate the City Hospitals Division. He requested that a draft By-law respecting the Mental Hospital be available for a Board meeting on August 16th.

The City Solicitor said that the draft Ordinances respecting the Convalescent Hospital and Basinview Home have been drafted and the Ordinance respecting the Mental Hospital will be in progress very shortly. He said that until the By-laws have been completed, the Hospitals are operated under Provincial Statute.

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Question - Alderman Moir Re: Traffic - Lower Water Street

Alderman Moir requested that the Traffic Authority investigate the traffic congestion on Lower Water Street. He suggested consideration of reducing the traffic by making the street one way.

Question - Alderman Doyle Re: School Window Breakage

Alderman Doyle referred to the breakage of 856 windows in City Schools by vandals and he suggested that policemen who do duty at school intersections during the school term be detailed to the school yards in plain clothes between the hours of 7:00 and 10:30 in the evenings -- the locations to be where the most serious damage has occurred. He pointed out that the 856 windows had been broken within one month since schools closed for summer holidays.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Superintendent of Buildings (an official of the School Board who was present in the audience) the cost of the replacement of the windows to which he replied, "Annual cost of between thirteen and fourteen thousand dollars". Mr. Driscoll said that the School Board had previously attempted to control the problem by placing school guards in certain school yards, but it has not been an answer to the problem as the vandals go to another school. He suggested the only means of control of this type would be to put a guard in each school yard in the City.

The matter was referred to the Chief of Police for a report to be submitted at the next meeting of the Safety Committee.

Resolution of Sympathy - Alderman Richard

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that a letter conveying the sincere sympathy of the City Council

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of the City of Halifax be forwarded to the wife and family of the late John A. McNeil who had served as an Alderman for the City of Dartmouth. Motion passed unanimously.

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Bridge Study

Alderman O'Brien asked if, in view of the delay in consideration of the Bridge question while the staff study is being conducted, there is a possibility of gathering any additional information about the cost and feasibility of a tunnel, particularly the approaches on the Halifax side so that the City would have all the facts at the time of making a decision.

His Worship the Mayor said meetings between the City Manager and the author of the study respecting an Arm Tunnel are being held and a report will be made as soon as possible.

Question - Alderman Moir Re: Centennial Project

Alderman Moir asked what progress is being made on the City's Centennial Project.

His Worship the Mayor said he hoped to have a meeting of the Committee very shortly.

NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Resolution Re: Depressed Areas

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held July 29, 1965, submitted the following resolution to Council for its consideration:

W H E R E A S the Government of Canada has recently determined a policy for, and is presently preparing a formula of proposed monetary concessions with respect to future industries locating in "depressed areas", so called, in the Atlantic Provinces;



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AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada in determining such policy has excluded the Halifax Metropolitan area from such designated "depressed areas", thereby determining that the Halifax Metropolitan area is not a "depressed area";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Halifax hereby agrees with such determination of the Government of Canada, that the Halifax Metropolitan area is not a "depressed area".

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Halifax hereby urges the Government of Canada to recognize and classify the Halifax Metropolitan area as an area which has a stimulating and marked effect upon the economy of the Province of Nova Scotia as a whole; and that the Government of Canada in recognizing and classifying the Halifax Metropolitan area as such an area further recognizes and determines that such areas require and deserve economic assistance, to the same extent as that extended to the "depressed areas" in the Atlantic Provinces; and that such economic assistance will be forthcoming simultaneously with that extended to the "depressed areas".

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent by His Worship the Mayor to the Honourable C. M. Drury, Minister of Industry, requesting favourable consideration of such resolution.'

Alderman O'Brien proposed the following amendments:

'WHEREAS the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council has approved the inclusion of the Halifax Metropolitan area as one in which government aid to industrial development would benefit the region;

AND WHEREAS the Wilson Report commissioned by Atlantic Provinces Economic Council underlined the importance of growth areas in development of the region;'

After the word, "recognize" in the second line of Paragraph 4, the following insertion:

"that the development of a region whose economy is depressed, is dependent upon the maximum development of growth areas within the region"

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the resolution, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL - APARTMENT COMPLEX -  
FLEMING PARK

Alderman A. M. Butler said he had heard that a development proposal for an apartment complex on lands near Fleming Park

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is to be placed before the Planning Board of the County of Halifax for approval. He felt that, because of the effect such a development could have on the amenities of Fleming Park, the Council of the City of Halifax should record a strong protest.

Alderman O'Brien suggested the City Solicitor inform the County that the City is interested in the possible acquisition of lands adjacent to Fleming Park.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman O'Brien,

- (1) that Council go on record as opposing the rezoning of the land adjacent to Fleming Park;
- (2) that the City Solicitor and Director of Planning appear before the Planning Board of the County of Halifax and express the views of the Council of the City of Halifax;
- (3) that Council request the Town Planning Board to determine the details of the submission to be made.

Motion passed.

LETTER - BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS RE: EDGEWOOD  
SCHOOL ADDITION

A letter requesting consideration of a one classroom addition measuring 26' x 42' to the Southeast corner of Edgewood School which when constructed will encroach on the 50' Building Line of Bayers Road was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Board. Motion passed.

CONGRATULATIONS - NATAL DAY COMMITTEE AND JAYCEES

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that Council extend a vote of thanks to the members of the Natal Day Committee and any one who assisted in the arrangement of the program for Natal Day, 1965, and also to the Junior Chamber of

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Commerce for their keen participation and untiring efforts in the organizational work of the parade. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 9:45 p.m.

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C. A. VAUGHAN,  
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

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Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
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8:00 p.m.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the Deputy City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Black, Abbott, Lane, Moir, A. M. Butler, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Richard, Doyle, O'Brien and H. W. Butler.

Also present were Messrs. G. F. West, P. F. C. Byars, D. F. Murphy, W. J. Clancey, R. B. Grant, J. L. Leitch, J. F. Thomson, K. Munnich, G. H. Brundige and Doctors E. M. Fogo and J. M. Tainsh.

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The minutes of the meeting of Council held on June 29, 1965 were approved on motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS - ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

His Worship the Mayor requested that the following items be added to the Order of Business:

- 20(a) Collective Bargaining Agreement, Local 268, I.A.F.F. - Fire Alarm Employees
- 20(b) Request for occupancy permit for restaurant - Metropolitan Developments Limited - Block "P" Exhibition Grounds
- 20(c) Correction - Salary Scale - Court Reporter
- 20(d) Proposed Atmospheric Pollution Survey

It was agreed to add the above items to the Order of Business.

At the request of Alderman Connolly, it was agreed to add the following item to the Order of Business as Item 20(e):

Rezoning of Land at Corner of Windsor and Summit Street

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Downtown MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Matheson,  
that the following item be added to the Order of Business as Item  
20(f): Relocation - New Courthouse

The motion was put and passed as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Lane,  
Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc,  
Trainor, Connolly, Doyle,  
Richard, O'Brien and H. W.  
Butler - 13 -

Against it: Alderman A. M. Butler - 1 -

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Moir,  
that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

DEFERRED BUSINESS

Call for Tenders for 265 Parking Meters

Further deferred.

Parking Meter Rate - Ten Cents per hour and the Elimination of the  
Use of Pennies

Further deferred.

Increase in Fine for Parking Meter Violation - \$2.00

Further deferred.

Sale of Sewer System to Public Service Commission

Further deferred.

Narrows Bridge

Alderman Black referred to a report dated August 9, 1965,  
which had been prepared by His Worship the Mayor and circulated to  
the members of Council and he asked if same could be considered at  
this time. After discussion, it was agreed to consider the matter  
of the proposed Narrows Bridge, North West Arm Bridge and Armdale  
Rotary improvements at a special meeting of City Council to be held  
on Tuesday, August 17, 1965 at 3:00 p.m.

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Downtown Parking Garages

Further deferred.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

None

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

A petition endorsed by Alderman O'Brien was submitted and signed by twelve residents of Cork, Liverpool and Windsor Streets protesting against the rezoning of 6287-6299 Liverpool Street from R-2 to R-3 zone.

Also submitted was a letter signed by Mr. Fred Machan of 6294 Cork Street strongly opposing rezoning of 6287-6299 Liverpool Street.

Tabled for presentation to Council if and when a Public Hearing is held in connection with the request to rezone 6287-6299 Liverpool Street.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of meetings of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 5 and 12, 1965, respecting the following matters:

Additional Capital Appropriation - Halifax Forum Commission -  
\$20,000.00

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MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, additional capital funds in the amount of \$20,000.00 be provided to the Halifax Forum Commission to complete the installation of a new boiler and heating equipment in the Halifax Forum. Motion passed.

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A formal Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$20,000.00 was submitted to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the formal Borrowing Resolution, as submitted, be approved for submission to the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Agency Review Committee of Halifax Welfare Council  
As Review Board Re: Ordinance No. 55

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. The Agency Review Committee of the Welfare Council (Halifax-Dartmouth Area) be requested to act as a Review Board on the matter of application for permission to various organizations to hold Tag Days, and the Solicitation of Money in the Streets;
2. An annual amount be placed in the City's Budget to cover the cost of administration of such applications by the Agency Review Committee;
3. (a) The Agency Review Committee be directed to give wide publicity to a set of acceptable standards and encourage adherence by both fund raisers and contributors.  
  
(b) The Agency Review Committee be directed to endorse those campaigns which meet these standards, and encourage fund raisers to use this endorsement in campaign publicity

and that Ordinance No. 55 be amended accordingly if and when the Agency Review Committee agree to act as a Review Board. Motion passed

Appointment of Architects - Centennial Aquarium Project

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the architectural firm of J. Philip Dumaresq and Associates be appointed architects for the Centennial Aquarium with the understanding that they be required to engage the services of consultants experienced in the field of aquarium construction, the fees for such consultative service to be paid for out of the architect's fee.



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MOVED in amendment by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Doyle, that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate with the architectural firm of Aza Avramovitch and Associates the terms of a contract for the design of an aquarium which will be the City's Centennial Project, such contract to be subject to approval by City Council.

The amendment was put and resulted in a tie vote as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen Lane, Matheson, A. M. Butler,  
Doyle, Richard, O'Brien and H. W. Butler

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Against it: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Meagher,  
LeBlanc, Trainor and Connolly

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His Worship the Mayor voted for the amendment and declared same passed.

The motion, as amended, was then put as follows:

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott

"THAT the City Manager be authorized to negotiate with the architectural firm of Aza Avramovitch and Associates the terms of a contract for the design of an aquarium which will be the City's Centennial Project, such contract to provide, among other things, that the services of a consultant or consultants experienced in the field of aquarium construction be engaged by the architect; and that the fees for such consultative services be paid out of the architect's fees; and that such contract be subject to approval by City Council."

The motion was passed as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Lane,  
Matheson, A. M. Butler, Doyle, Richard,  
O'Brien and H. W. Butler

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Against it: Aldermen Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor and  
Connolly

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Brief to Province re: Highways, Health Services and Overall Problems

The following report was submitted by the Finance and Executive Committee:

The Finance Committee considered the following resolution of the Public Health and Welfare Committee which had been referred to it by City Council:

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"THAT His Worship the Mayor or the City Manager discuss with Professor John Graham of the Economics Department of Dalhousie University the preparation of a Brief for presentation to the members of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia respecting Highways, Education, Health Services and the overall problems in the City designating the Provincial responsibilities to the City of Halifax to determine whether an application of the fiscal equity principle to the City of Halifax's position in relation to the Province would be useful."

It is recommended that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call an informal meeting of City Council and that Professor John Graham be invited to express his views on the various matters at such meeting before a decision is made on whether a formal presentation is to be made to the Province.

Alderman O'Brien suggested that a better approach to the matter would be for the Mayor and City Manager to meet privately with Professor Graham. He referred to the discussion held in the Finance and Executive Committee with respect to the advisability of making individual presentation to the Province rather than submitting a comprehensive brief and he made the following observation:

The formula for sharing the education costs in Nova Scotia that resulted from the Pottier report on education meant that the capacity of each municipality to finance education was assessed and their resources applied to education.

Alderman O'Brien continued and said: "The reason that the other matters must some day be related to this, is that this meant that Halifax got very little support for education because we had a higher assessment base but we do have some other municipal roles to play which are not the roles of some of the municipalities in the province and since our financial capacity is applied to education in this way, if the same kind of fiscal equity formula were applied on municipal questions throughout the province, I suggest it would come out with a different balance. Now I am not certain of this, but this is a matter for study, and Professor Graham is the recognized expert in this field, but, it does seem to me that because of our urban-proper situation, we do have municipal costs

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that many municipalities do not have and which, if our capacity to finance were assessed on the same basis, it would seem that we should not really be held responsible on that one basis for education if other areas are not held on that same basis for other kinds of things which might effect us in a different way. This is the purpose of relating the items together at some point."

His Worship the Mayor said that the formula had already been used in two other areas: one being the Winter Works Program sponsored by the Province and secondly, more recently, was in the Highway cost sharing on connector streets with the minimum being raised from 25% to 50%.

Alderman O'Brien said that some progress has been made on the matter of street and highway questions as a result of the efforts of the Mayor but, he contended that an overall assessment is sometime due in the interests of the City of Halifax and that a private discussion with Professor Graham might indicate whether he were interested in the study, what it might cost, and whether he thought there was any possibility of it working out to the City's advantage.

At the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor, it was agreed that Professor Graham be invited to meet with the Finance and Executive Committee for discussion on the matters involved.

Property Acquisition - 2331 Gottingen Street  
2335-39 Gottingen Street  
5462 Gerrish Street

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MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the total sum of \$29,000.00 be paid to Mr. Edward Hanna as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of his properties at:

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Property 2331 Gottingen Street  
2335-39 Gottingen Street  
5462 Gerrish Street

and that Staff be permitted to rent 2335-2339 Gottingen Street until the property is required for the Redevelopment programme. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - 5485-87-89 Clyde Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$25,000.00 be paid to the Estate of Arthur Horne as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of the property at 5485-87-89 Clyde Street and that the City Staff be authorized to continue renting the said property until such time as it is required for the Redevelopment programme. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - Mrs. Helen Lindsay, 5407 Uniacke Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$13,000.00 be paid to Mrs. Helen Lindsay as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of her property at 5407 Uniacke Street. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - 1471 Brenton Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$17,500.00 be paid to Mrs. Winnifred Horne as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of her property at 1471 Brenton Street; and that the City Staff be authorized to rent the said property until such time as it is required for the Redevelopment Programme. Motion passed.

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Property Acquisition - 2418 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman A.M. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$14,450.00 be paid to Mrs. Madeline Kirk as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of her property at 2418 Brunswick Street. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - 2260 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$2,300.00 be paid to Town and Country Limited as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of their property at 2260 Barrington Street. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - Corner Cunard and Agricola Streets

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City purchase from Mr. Walter Young a total of 673 square feet of land at the corner of Cunard and Agricola Street, as shown on Plan No. TT-3-16221 outlined in red, at a price of \$1.25 per square foot, for street improvement purposes. Motion passed.

Lease - City Assessor's Office - Champlain Building

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a lease be entered into between the City and Franklin Service Company Limited covering the whole of the second floor in the office building at 5162 Duke Street, commonly known as the "Champlain Building," at a monthly rental of \$440.00 for a period of two years from October 1, 1965, the said lease to contain an option that the City may renew the lease for a further period of two years at a rental of \$440.00 per month; and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the said lease on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

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Sale of City-Owned Land - Rear of Green Street,  
Queen Street, Victoria Road and Smith Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the parcel of City-owned land at the rear of properties facing on Victoria Road, Queen Street, Green Street and Smith Street, comprising approximately 12,000 square feet, be sold to Raymond L. Kaizer Limited under the authority of Section 40, of the City Charter, without going to public tender call, for the sum of \$4,752.00, the said sale to be subject to the purchaser entering into an agreement with the City regarding test borings and the location of the proposed building; and also, subject to the retention by the City of a suitable sewer easement over the said property. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the meetings of the Committee on Works held on August 5 and 12, 1965, respecting the following matters:

Agreement #7 - Province of Nova Scotia and City of Halifax  
Re: Construction Portion of Chebucto Road

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the Agreement between the City of Halifax and the Province of Nova Scotia for the construction of a portion of Chebucto Road from the western side of William Hunt Avenue to the eastern side of Connaught Avenue, as submitted, be approved and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

Certificate #6 (Final) - Storm Sewer - Devonshire Avenue  
and Albert Street

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, payment of the sum of \$5,674.64 be made to Standard Paving Maritime Limited as final

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payment respecting the contract for the construction of storm sewers in Albert Street and Devonshire Avenue. Motion passed.

Encroachment - Annandale Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance #112, the request of the Maritime Tel. and Tel. Co. Ltd. to permit the encroachment of a loading beam and accompanying catwalk over the street at 5565 Annandale Street, as shown bordered in red on Plan No. TT-4-16295, be granted for a period of one year at an annual fee of \$0.25 per square foot on the understanding that the encroachment will be removed if and when the City so desires. Motion passed.

Encroachment - Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance #112, the encroachment on the east side of Barrington Street at Duffus Street by Canadian Petrofina Limited, as shown bordered in red on Plan No. TT-4-16202, be permitted to continue for a period of one year at an annual fee of \$0.25 per square foot of encroachment, on the understanding that the encroachment will be removed if and when the City so desires. Motion passed.

Alteration to Building Line - Edgewood School,  
Civic No. 6669 Bayers Road

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the existing 50 foot building line on Bayers Road be maintained, notwithstanding the fact that the temporary building erected in the 1940's (Edgewood School) constitutes an encroachment of such building line, and that no further encroachment be permitted. Motion passed.

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Rehabilitation - North Common

The following report was submitted from the Committee on Works:

The City Manager advised that he had been in communication with the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs who had advised him that he was in agreement with the proposal for a ten-year borrowing program rather than the normal 20-year period for funds for the rehabilitation of the North Common. He also advised that the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs had indicated that he would place the Borrowing Resolution before the Minister for approval on this date.

It is recommended that the action of the City Manager be ratified.

Alderman LeBlanc asked if there are to be any deviations from the original plan of improvements for the North Common which was approved by City Council.

The Commissioner of Works stated that the plans are to carry out the work as approved by City Council.

Alderman O'Brien asked if the detailed staff report concerning the rehabilitation of the Commons requested several meetings ago (June 17, 1965) had ever been submitted.

The City Manager stated that the Council had directed that such a report be submitted to the Committee on Works but same had not as yet been submitted. He said that he had held discussions with the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and had obtained his agreement for a 10-year borrowing rather than a normal 20-year borrowing but that the borrowing resolution has not as yet been approved by the Minister nor has the City's application for assistance from the Municipal Development and Loan Board.

His Worship the Mayor said that the work would have to be completed by March 31, 1966 in order to get the full advantage of the write-off provisions of the Municipal Development and Loan Board Act.



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Alderman Matheson felt that the work of rehabilitation of the Commons should not commence when Council is in some state of confusion as to whether the work planned should go forward.

His Worship the Mayor contended that if there are still some unresolved differences of opinion between members of staff as to how the work should be done and if there is a possibility that a saving can be effected by changing the plan, the work should not proceed.

Alderman Meagher stated that if any staff member has any ideas for saving money, such ideas should be presented to Council immediately.

The City Manager stated that staff is ready to proceed with the plans for the improvements to the Commons as soon as the borrowing is approved because he has been in almost constant discussion with the Commissioner of Works regarding the program for the Commons and he had also held discussions with the Mayor.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Commissioner of Works if he cared to make any remarks at this time.

The Commissioner of Works said: "This difference is actually blown up a little bit out of proportion. I remember a meeting of Council when I was asked when the work on the Commons would be completed. I think I replied that there was no money as yet provided and we would proceed with the work immediately money was provided; and certain of the work would be completed with despatch. However, I did add that in some areas of the Commons, the work would be much slower because of the great amount of fill which was supposed to be placed there. Now I think it is quite obvious to all that if you are going to put 2 - 2½ feet of fill over a large area of the Commons, you are not going to compact and process sod and have that

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work completed in time for the spring of 1966. By the time the money would have been provided and the work completed, you get into the wet weather and the cold and snow and this would be just impractical as far as I am concerned.

"I said at that time that I did not feel so much fill was required and the present grades of the Commons, with a reasonable amount of grading and levelling off, would suffice. I am still of that opinion, your Worship, and I have expressed that on many occasions. However, I at no time attempted, or intended to do anything, or proposed anything which would be contrary to orders issued by City Council and we were proceeding to carry out the plans as set out by staff and approved by City Council, without attempting, in any way, to either openly or underhandedly change these plans.

"As you know, your Worship, the Manager has mentioned that we have been in constant contact and you have been in on some of these discussions, and we have talked about the feasibility of doing things this way, or that way - the best type of sod - whether or not we could plant full grown trees, and where we could get them - what the best prices would be, and so on. These things, your Worship, are all based on what the Council wanted and I am sure everybody is interested in starting this work as soon as possible. There is drainage required which will not effect in any way the amount of fill being placed there and as the work progresses, whether or not we should put 2 feet of fill or no fill, or a foot of fill, is something which could be worked out and resolved to everybody's satisfaction, without any undue concern, I am sure, expressed by staff or City Council and without any undue waste of money."

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Tenders Alderman Matheson said that the matter which concerned him and Alderman O'Brien is not so much the detail of the work involved, but rather that the plans were made without the Commissioner of Works or the Superintendent of Parks and Grounds having been consulted, the latter being an expert in finishing-off from the point of view of landscaping and surfacing with grass or sod. The plans were made by the Recreation Director and processed through the Development Department. He stated that he could not understand why either of these officials had not been consulted.

The Commissioner of Works said that the Works Department and the Development Department had worked together on the plan for the rehabilitation of the Commons but that he had a personal opinion which differed from other staff members. He would like to erase any impression that there was any conflict between the departments. All departments had worked together on the plan but he did not agree with the majority.

It was agreed that the City Manager be directed to meet with the staff officials involved and submit a report to the Special Meeting of City Council scheduled for August 17, 1965.

#### REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Safety Committee held on August 5, 1965 with respect to the following matters:

#### Permission to Call Tenders - Pumping Engines - Fire Department

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, permission be granted to proceed with the preparation of specifications and call for tenders for the purchase of two pumping engines for the Fire Department, funds in the amount of \$76,000.00 for the purchase having been approved by the Department of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed.

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Tenders for Used Motorcycles

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the following tenders, being the highest tenders submitted, for the sale of two Harley Davidson Motorcycles, property of the Police Department, be accepted:

- (1) George Colquhoun - \$450.00 for Cycle Serial #60-FL-12730;
- (2) Dartmouth Salvage Ltd. - \$460.00 for Cycle Serial #60-FL-12731.

Motion passed.

Reclassification - William P. Inglis and George J. Godwin -  
Halifax Fire Department

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Safety Committee,

- (1) Captains George J. Godwin and William P. Inglis be reclassified as Fire Inspectors in the Fire Prevention Division of the Fire Department and that because of long service to the City they continue in these positions at their present salaries; and if and when the salary for the position of Fire Inspector exceeds the present Salaries of the above-named officers, they they shall be paid the rate of pay applicable to that rank.
- (2) the City Manager be authorized to negotiate an amendment to the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Halifax and the International Association of Firefighters, Local No. 268, to give effect to the foregoing recommendation for the balance of the term of the said agreement.

Motion passed.

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the matter of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on August 3, 1965 with respect to the following matters:

Leave of Absence - Mr. Harry Harvey

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Public Health and Welfare Committee, Mr. Harry Harvey be granted a 30-day extension of his sick