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commercial - which would enable the type of light industry which is located there to expand. He asked that if the City were not prepared to approve the zoning, that it take action to expropriate the whole block.

The motion to refer the matter to the Town Planning Board was put and passed as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen Abbott, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, Trainor, Richard and H. W. Butler - 7 -

Against it: Aldermen Moir, O'Brien and Black - 3 -

Rezoning - #2024-2040 Robie Street - R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone

The following recommendation was submitted from the Town Planning Board:

It is recommended that the lot #2024 Robie Street be rezoned from R-3 to C-2 and that the matter of rezoning the other lots be deferred pending discussions by the City Solicitor with the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir, that a public hearing be held in connection with the application to rezone Lot #2024 Robie Street from R-3 zone to C-2 zone; and that the matter of rezoning the other lots be deferred pending the receipt of the report of discussions between the City Solicitor and the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed.

Alteration to Subdivision - #6697 Quinpool Road

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision creating Lots A and B at 6697 Quinpool Road, as shown on Drawing No. P200/1988-00-10-16484, be approved and the advertising dispensed with. Motion passed.

Swimming Pool

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, a development

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scheme for land acquired from the Department of National Defence, as contained in the report entitled "Recreational Facilities", Report No. 1 - Swimming Pool, dated January 19, 1966, be approved, subject to the designation of an area for development by the Canadian Red Cross Society as a Regional Headquarters. Motion passed.

Development Plan Series - Report #3 - Recreation

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Black that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, Report #3 of the Development Plan Series, dealing with Recreation, be accepted to form part of the Master Plan which is being prepared by Staff. Motion passed.

Amendment to Zoning By-law - R-2 Zone

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the requested amendment to the Halifax Zoning By-law, to permit "Boarding Homes providing Special Care" to be located in R-2 zones, be rejected. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Black Re: Amendments to Ordinance #105
Section 10(4)

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that Clause (a) of Sub-section 4 of Section 10 of Ordinance #105, be repealed.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Black, that notwithstanding anything contained in Ordinance #105, the Council may, by majority vote, have any of the duties given to any of the standing committees, the Town Planning Board or other Board, Committee or Commission referred to in such Ordinance, considered by the Committee of the Whole Council, which

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Committee shall report its findings with recommendations with respect to any matter brought before it to the Council.

The amendment was put and passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Accounts Over \$1,000.00

The following accounts over \$1,000.00 were submitted and recommended for payment by the City Manager:

| <u>Department</u> | <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Finance | Cameron Contracting Ltd. | Excavation re Storm and Sanitary Sewers - Barrington Street | \$3,831.00 |
| | Nova Scotia Housing Commission | City's share of Expenditures on Federal-Provincial Projects for quarter ending Dec. 31/65 (Uniacke Sq. & Westwood Pk.) | 17,612.05 |
| | | | <u>\$21,443.05</u> |

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the accounts, as submitted, be approved for payment. Motion passed.

Appointment - Special Committee Re:
Rehabilitation Council - Rental and Food Costs

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman A. M. Butler, H. W. Butler, and C. F. Abbott for appointment to a Special Committee to confer with the members of the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council respecting the problems of rent, food costs and additional beds for Halifax Convalescent Hospital use.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir, that the appointment of Aldermen A. M. Butler, H. W. Butler and C. F. Abbott to the Special Committee, be approved. Motion passed.

Proclamation - Section #202-1963 - City Charter Re: Grants

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, His Worship the Mayor request the Governor in Council to proclaim

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Section #202 of the 1963 City Charter relating to the matter of Civic Grants and that the corresponding Sections of the 1931 Charter, be repealed. Motion passed.

Amending Legislation Re: Destruction of City Records

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the present legislation pertaining to the destruction of old City records be amended to provide that the City Manager be authorized to approve the destruction of old records after a recommendation from the Department Head concerned. Motion passed.

Report - City Manager Re: Commercial Facilities - Park Victoria Apartment Building - South Park Street

The following report was submitted from the City Manager:

TO: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

FROM: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager

DATE: February 15, 1966.

SUBJECT: Inquiry Re: Commercial Facilities - Park Victoria
Apartments, South Park Street

At the meeting of City Council held February 14th, 1966, the City Manager was asked to report to the Council meeting of February 17th whether commercial facilities such as a bank, a restaurant, a pastry shop and a dry cleaning establishment would be operated within the Park Victoria Apartment building.

The original proposal submitted to the Town Planning Board on March 9th, 1964, was a request for modification of set-backs and side yards and also partial rezoning for a number of shops proposed for the ground floor of the building now known as Park Victoria Apartments. By letter dated April 6th, 1964, the applicant withdrew the portion of the application dealing with the rezoning and stated that the area which had been proposed for shopping would be occupied by auxiliary R-3 uses.

City Council approved the modifications for set backs and side yards on April 30th, 1964.

It is noted that a brochure describing Park Victoria, which is being handed to visitors and residents, contains a sentence describing a restaurant and service shops in the following words:

"For your added convenience, there will be a restaurant and service shops on the premises for your everyday needs."

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The Halifax Zoning By-Law provides the following uses in R-3 zones:

Boarding House
Lodging or Rooming House
Apartment House
Hotel
Sports or Social Club
Hospital (excepting hospitals for the treatment of infections diseases)
Institutions (other than for correctional use or for the treatment of mental cases)
Office of a medical doctor, lawyer, dentist, accountant, registered professional engineer or registered architect
Office of a dispensing optician or optometrist (not including manufacturing lenses)
A greenhouse, and
Uses accessory to the foregoing uses where not prohibited.

The letter withdrawing the rezoning application is reproduced on the back hereof for information purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. C. Byars

April 6, 1964

City Clerk,
City of Halifax

Dear Sir:

Please withdraw our application to rezone any portion of the property on South Park Street from R-3 to C-1.

The space indicated on the plans which was the subject of Rezoning application will be left as auxilliary R-3 use.

Ralph M. Medjuck

At the request of Alderman Moir, the City Solicitor was directed to submit an opinion as to what are considered "uses accessory to a large apartment house".

Financial Statement - Halifax Forum Commission, Year Ending December 31, 1965.

The annual report and financial statements for the year ending December 31, covering the operations of the Halifax Forum Commission, were submitted from the auditors - Touche, Ross, Bailey and Smart. (Copies of the report had been distributed to the members

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of Council prior to the meeting and a copy is on file in the office of the City Clerk).

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the report be tabled. Motion passed.

Report - His Worship the Mayor Re: Improvement of Traffic Conditions
Armdale Rotary

Deferred pending a receipt of a further report from the consultant.

Letter - Re: Provinces & Central Properties Limited

A confidential report was submitted from the City Manager submitting to His Worship the Mayor and members of City Council the following documents:

- (1) Letter from Messrs. Berger, Helfield and Schatia, Barristers and Solicitors of Montreal, pertaining to Provinces and Central Properties Limited;
- (2) Letter from Messrs. McInnes, Cooper and Robertson, Barristers and Solicitors of Halifax, submitting Block Plan and Network Programme pertaining to the Cornwallis Centre Development.

The report of the City Manager stated that immediately upon receipt of the first letter, the matter was discussed by His Worship the Mayor, the City Solicitor and the City Manager, and later with officials of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and as it was the consensus that the letter was an administrative matter and as there appeared to be a legal question regarding the Central Development Area, the letter had been referred to the City Solicitor for such action as is appropriate in the circumstances.

The report also advised that the letter from Messrs. McInnes, Cooper and Robertson had also been referred to the City Solicitor.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the report be accepted for information purposes.

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Alderman O'Brien asked if the City Solicitor will be reporting to the Council in due course in this connection, and His Worship the Mayor replied in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Daylight Saving Time - April 24 to October 30, 1966.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that Daylight Saving Time be observed in the City of Halifax from 12:01 a.m. Sunday, April 24, 1966 until 12:01 a.m. October 30, 1966. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Traffic Control - Bayers Road - Oxford Street Intersection

Alderman Matheson referred to the fact that there have been three serious accidents since January at the intersection of Bayers Road and Oxford Street, and he asked that the Traffic Authority be directed to investigate the possibility of installing four-way stop signs at the said intersection.

His Worship the Mayor said that the Traffic Authority would be so directed.

NOTICES OF MOTION

No Notices of Motion were given at this time.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Alteration to a Subdivision - McCurdy Estate, Francklyn Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision at McCurdy Estate, Francklyn Street, as shown on the revised Drawing No. P200/1996 -00-10-16491, to correct a number of minor discrepancies in the dimensions of the lots as shown on a drawing previously submitted to and approved by City Council on July 29, 1965, in order that the owner may resubmit survey plans to the Halifax Registry of Deeds, be approved, subject to sewer

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easements over Lots 22 and 23 being granted to the City for a nominal sum of \$1.00; and that the advertising be dispensed with. Motion passed.

Appointment - City's Representative on Grace Hospital Board

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman C. F. Abbott for appointment as the Council representative on the Grace Hospital Board.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Richard, that Alderman Abbott be appointed as the Council representative on the Grace Hospital Board. Motion passed.

Report - Canadian Urban Economics Limited - Phase II

Alderman O'Brien stated that the report of Phase II of the study by Canadian Urban Economics Limited had not as yet been tabled at a Council meeting and he contended that the members of Council should be afforded the opportunity to question the persons who prepared the report.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the item would be placed on the Order of Business for the Special Meeting of Council which is to be called.

Car Parking - Hospital Area

Alderman O'Brien referred to the minutes of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 8, 1966 and the report submitted from Staff respecting parking in the area of Tower Road, South Street, Wellington Street and Tower Terrace, and he expressed dissatisfaction with the attitude expressed that this is a difficult problem and nothing can be done about it. He asked that Council refer the matter back to the Town Planning Board with the request that the Board seek a solution to both the general problem of parking throughout the City and the specific one in the area in question. He contended that even though considerable time is required, that the Board, with the aid of the City Staff, should be able to offer

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a definite solution to the problem.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Planning Staff is in the process of preparing a report on the overall parking situation in the City which will be submitted to the Town Planning Board in due course.

Date of Final Budget Meeting

Alderman O'Brien asked if the intention to hold the final Budget Meeting on February 28, 1966 would be prudent in view of the fact that there is a possibility of a quorum not being present on that date.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he felt that the danger of there being no quorum for the meeting is remote, but that if it appeared that it would not be possible to have a quorum on the 28th, that he would change the date of the meeting.

9:35 p.m. Council adjourned for a short recess.

9:50 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members being present.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir, that Council convene as a Committee of the Whole in order to consider the report of the Special Superannuation Committee regarding the Halifax Superannuation Plan. Motion passed.

REPORT - SPECIAL SUPERANNUATION COMMITTEE RE:
CITY OF HALIFAX SUPERANNUATION PLAN

A report dated February 17, 1966, was submitted from the Special Superannuation Committee with respect to proposed modifications to the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan, as prepared by Mr. B. L. Burnell.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Black, that the report, as submitted, be approved.

The motion was put and passed.

The following report was also submitted:

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January 27, 1966.

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

The Special Superannuation Committee, at a meeting held January 25, 1966, had for consideration a letter from Mr. W. J. Logie relating to the proposed operation of the Superannuation Fund, trusteeing of assets, etc.

It is recommended:

- (1) that the management of the funds be left to the Trustees of the City's Sinking Funds who will engage a competent person or persons to be the Investment Officer or Officers with power to purchase, sell and exchange securities;
- (2) that notice be given to the Eastern and Chartered Trust Company of the termination of the contract between the said Company and the City of Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott,
that the report, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

10:25 p.m. The Committee of the Whole adjourned and Council reconvened with the same members being present.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Black
that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole:

- (1) That the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan should be integrated with the Canada Pension Plan on the basis that pension benefits accruing on and after 1st January, 1966, will be at the rate of 1-1/2%, for each year of service, in respect of that part of each individual's earnings that count as "eligible earnings" for the purposes of the Canada Pension Plan, rather than the present 2% rate. However, the 2% rate will continue to apply in respect of that part of each individual's earnings over and above the Canada Pension Plan maximum (initially set at the \$5,000 per annum level). Furthermore, any pension benefits under the plan that may have accrued to any member before 1st January, 1966, will not in any way be affected by these changes.

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- (2) In view of the fact that members of the police and fire departments normally retire at age 60, whereas the Canada Pension Plan pension does not commence until age 65, provision has been made for the pension accruing to these employees on and after 1st January, 1966, to be payable on the basis of the 2% formula between ages 60 and 65, but dropping to 1-1/2% level (as described above in (1) when the Canada Pension Plan becomes payable at age 65.
- (3) Every employee is to be given the option to retire at any time within 5 years before his or her normal retirement date (subject to having completed 10 years' service with the City) and to receive an actuarially reduced pension commencing from "early retirement date". This does not in any way alter the existing rule relating to ill-health retirement.
- (4) That the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan should be amended to include survivors' benefits similar in nature to those which are being introduced in the Canada Pension Plan, in particular:
- (a) Widows' pensions to be calculated on the basis of 1% for each year of service prior to December 31, 1965; all service prior to 1944 based upon the 1944 salary and a benefit of three-quarters of one percent for each year of service subsequent to January 1, 1966.

This is to apply in all cases where the widow is over age 45 at the date her husband dies and in every case where a widow is disabled or has dependent children.

- (5) Any widow under age 45 at widowhood who is not disabled and does not have dependent children would be eligible to receive pension on the following basis:

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| For the years prior to 1961, they will receive 7% for each year of service from 1961 to 1965 inclusive with a maximum not to exceed 60% of the average salary | age 44 - 90% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 43 - 80% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 42 - 70% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 41 - 60% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 40 - 50% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 39 - 40% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 38 - 30% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 37 - 20% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 36 - 10% |
| For service after 1965, they will receive 1% for each year of service on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, that the benefits for pension benefits for years covered in this section shall only be payable to a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on the date of retirement | age 35 and under - 0% |

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(6) of the pension as calculated in #4(a) above. Orphans' benefits would be available to "dependent" children of married or widowed members of the plan and also to divorced members who have custody of the children of their former marriage. The definition of "dependent" children shall be that as contained in the Canada Pension Plan, namely that the child must be:

- (1) the natural or adopted child of the member, or child in the custody and control of the member;
- (ii) unmarried;
- (iii) under age 18, or between 18 and 25 and continuing to go to school or university full-time.

Disabled widowers' pensions to be based on the same calculation as widows in Section #4(a). This to be payable where the individual was deemed to be fully dependent upon his wife.

Definition of a disabled widower shall be that as defined in the Canada Pension Plan.

The five year guarantee on pension payments shall only apply to that of the benefit accrued up to 31 December, 1965; no guarantee shall apply for benefits accruing on and after January 1, 1966.

- (5) For the employees with service prior to the year 1951, their pension shall be calculated on the following basis:

For the years prior to 1966, they will receive 2% for each year of service based on the average salary from 1961 to 1965 inclusive with a maximum not to exceed 60% of the 3 years from 1963 to 1965 inclusive;

For service after January 1, 1966, such members of the plan shall receive the same benefits calculated for the years 1966 and subsequent years on the same basis as the other members of the plan provided however, this basis of calculation of pension benefits for persons referred to in this section shall only be payable if the employee was a member of the Halifax Superannuation Plan and in the employ of the City on January 1, 1966.

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- (6) The City is prepared to accept financial responsibility for these benefits that have been granted on the basis of existing legislation and is prepared to continue these payments; to give effect to this declaration, the City of Halifax will contribute annually a sum of money sufficient to provide for these benefits on a funded basis.
- (7) In the preparation of this legislation, and to give effect to this recommendation, the City Solicitor shall draft the legislation in a manner which would prohibit the payment of ex gratia payments to survivors of employees who were or are eligible under the Superannuation Plan.
- (8) The City Solicitor is hereby instructed to prepare draft legislation to give effect to the foregoing.
- (9) That the management of the funds of the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan be left to the Trustees of the City's Sinking Funds who will engage a competent person or persons to be the Investment Officer or Officers with power to purchase, sell and exchange securities;
- (10) That notice be given to the Eastern and Chartered Trust Company of the termination of the contract between the said Company and the City of Halifax.

Motion passed.

ALTERNATIVE LEGISLATION RE: SUPERANNUATION PLAN

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman

O'Brien -

THAT, if the City of Halifax meets with any highly developed opposition when the Superannuation Plan goes before the Committee on Private and Local Bills, Council proposes:

THAT for those who were employed prior to January 1, 1951, that henceforward the Canada Pension Fund and the existing Pension Fund to which they are entitled, would be strictly integrated and that there would be no survivors' benefits;

Similarly with the Post-1951 employees, THAT there would be no survivors' benefits;

THAT the legislation be drafted to supplant the Plan offered by the City of Halifax.

Alderman O'Brien: "That applies to ex gratia as well as within the Plan."

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Alderman A. M. Butler: "That is right."

The motion was put and passed.

10:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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Committee of the Whole,
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SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 28, 1966,
2:45 p.m.

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

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

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

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, D. F. Murphy, R. H. Stoddard, J. F. Thomson, V. W. Mitchell, G. H. Brundige, G. F. West, J. L. Leitch, H. K. Randall and Drs. E. M. Fogo, and J. M. Tainsh.

The meeting was called specially to consider the 1966 Budget.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that Council convene as a Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

Council met as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Trainor suggested that consideration be given to an increase in parking meter fines from \$1.00 to \$2.00 and the ticket be payable within 7-10 days, and if the fine has not been paid within that period of time, the fee would automatically go to \$4.00.

It was agreed that Alderman Trainor's suggestion be presented to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration

Alderman Trainor also requested that the Finance and Executive Committee consider the fact that deceased residents of the County are being buried at Camp Hill and Fairview Cemeteries as well as the fact that the City is recovering less than 60% of the expenses of upkeep of the cemeteries.

The City Manager stated that this matter is already under study by Staff.

Discussion ensued respecting the following items appearing in the budget -

unfilled positions - Finance Department
overtime - Finance Department
purchase of electric typewriter - Wiring Inspection
Division.

Alderman Matheson referred to the fact that the Council had deferred purchase of equipment including filing cabinets and that an arbitrary amount would have to be deleted from Office Furniture and Equipment for the various Departments.

Alderman O'Brien suggested a cut of 10% and requested the City Manager to determine where the cut would take place.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that 50% of the amount, \$17,300, be deleted from Office Furniture and Equipment of the various Departments.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the amount of the cut be fixed at 10%.

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

For the amendment: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, and
Matheson and O'Brien - 5 -
Against: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc,
Trainor, Richard and H. W. Butler - 6 -

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MOVED in amendment by Alderman Moir, seconded by
Alderman Richard, that the amount of the cut be fixed at 25%, i.e.
\$4,325.00.

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

For the motion: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Matheson,
LeBlanc, Richard and Black - 6 -

Against it: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Meagher, Trainor,
O'Brien and H. W. Butler - 5 -

The motipn, as amended, was put and passed with
Aldermen O'Brien voting against.

GRANT - NOVA SCOTIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Richard,
that, as recommended by the Grants Committee, the sum of \$1,500
be approved as a grant to the Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame
for the year of 1966 only. Motion passed with Aldermen O'Brien,
and Black voting against.

BUDGET REVISIONS

The following suggested revisions to the 1966 Budget
were submitted:

REVISED Expenditures to February 26, 1966 \$18,121,478.37

| <u>Account No.</u> | <u>Add</u> | <u>Delete</u> |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1-1-1 Salaries Mayor's Office | \$ | \$1,000 |
| 1-2-1 Salaries Manager's Office | | 500 |
| 1-4-1 Salaries Finance Dept. | | 5,300 |
| 1-5-1 Salaries Solicitors | | 4,000 |
| 1-6-1 Salaries Assessors | 2,750. | |
| 1-7-1 Salaries Development | | 3,910 |
| 2-64-1 Salaries Traffic Div. | | 655 |
| 2-50-1 Salaries Police | 35,000 | 3,870 |
| 2-61-1 Salaries Building Insp. | | 1,000 |
| 1-9-500 Insurance | 4,600 | |
| Superannuation Plan Survey | 5,000 | |
| Historic Sites Survey | 6,500 | |
| 5-204-826 Halifax Dispensary | 500 | |
| 1-9-503 Mayors Contingent | 2,500 | |
| 1-9-514 Consultant Services | 3,000 | |
| New Superannuation Plan | 80,000 | |

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|---------|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 1-5 | Legal Consultant | \$ 6,000 | \$ |
| 3-109- | Snow & Ice Control | | 7,500 |
| 1-7-53 | Development Dept. Conventions | 300 | |
| 1-2- | Contingent Managers Office | 500 | |
| 1-9-506 | Assessment Appeal Court Welfare | | 3,000 |
| | | <u>57,000</u> | |
| | | \$203,650 | \$30,735 |
| | | | <u>\$172,915.00</u> |
| | | | <u>\$18,294,393.37</u> |

Revenue to February 26, 1966

| <u>Account No.</u> | <u>Add</u> | <u>Deleter</u> |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|
| 111-106 Deed Transfer Tax | \$ 10,000 | |
| 111-43 Maritime Telegraph & Telephone | 3,000 | |
| 111-5 Licenses | 2,500 | |
| 111-2 Wiring Permits | 800 | |
| 111-82 Permits | 10,000 | |
| 111-34 Parking Meters | 5,000 | |
| 111-13 Rents, City Property | 5,000 | |
| 111-7 Fines and Fees | 15,000 | |
| 107-1 Interest | 5,000 | |
| 111-27 Grant, Federal Government | 10,000 | |
| 111-71 Bayers Road Housing in Lieu of Taxes | 1,000 | |
| 111-71A Mulgrave Park " " | 2,000 | |
| 111-71B Westwood Park " " | 1,000 | |
| 111-81 Hospital Accounts | 2,000 | |
| 111-42 Works Revenue | 11,000 | |
| Provincial Government Health Grant | 25,441 | |
| 111-3 Library Fines | 2,000 | |
| 111-23 Fairview Cemetery | 3,000 | |
| 111-70 Camphill Cemetery | 1,000 | |
| Administration & Service Charge | 10,000 | |
| 111-93 Provincial Government Welfare Grant | <u>14,000</u> | |
| | \$ 138,741 | <u>138,741.00</u> |
| | | <u>\$5,706,737.96</u> |

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the list of revisions be approved after adding an amount of \$1,500 for the grant to the Nova Scotia Hall of Fame and deleting an amount of \$4,325 for Office Furniture and Equipment. Motion passed.

At this time, Alderman A. M. Butler submitted the following statement and calculations supporting withdrawals from the Consolidated Sinking Fund:

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"In the establishment of a sinking fund to redeem a bond issue conservative calculations of earnings should be employed. Throughout, the City has followed this course.

In 1971, the last of our debt issues (those due at one time) will mature. This issue amounts to \$3,726,500.

Projecting the present resources of the sinking fund, and such that will be added in the next six years, there is now an excess of three quarters of one million dollars in the fund.

Most of this surplus is available for use by the City in its budget and should be used in view of the alliance pending between the City and its environs. Since dowries have become old-fashioned, we should make an earnest effort to avoid complicating the affair. Moreover, the taxpayers of Halifax built this surplus.

The use of the surplus in question will provide the opportunity to equalize the amount of taxes paid in 1965 with the amount to be paid in 1966, particularly in the case of residential taxes.

Taking such action we will have achieved a three-year level of taxes free of increase, throughout a period when our council-leadership was unchanged.

I suggest a business rate of 4.26 and a residential rate of 1.70 which is in proportion of 100/140 to 40/140. My view is that the residential rate should be a little below what could be expected normally, in order to offset the reassessment increase of about 31% on average, and in some cases increases well above 31%.

The following points should be considered in justification of this course:

Business enterprise absorbs its taxes from gross profits for income tax purposes;

The City undertakes a costly snow removal program from its streets, mainly for the benefit of business;

Other enterprises supported by the City confer advantage mainly to business;

The proposed "bed-tax" is being opposed actively by business, and because of this, could meet with rejection;

Residential taxes increased 60% in the six years prior to 1964. In the past eight years business rates have remained constant.

It will be time enough to consider a heavier impost on the homeowner when he is permitted to deduct most of his municipal taxes from his income tax return as an expense."

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"Table Showing Calculations Supporting Withdrawals of
from \$500,000 to \$750,000 from the

Consolidated Sinking Fund

| | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------|
| Value of Fund, December 31, 1965 | \$2,982,633. | \$2,982,633 |
| Add interest, 4 months at 5%, to May 1st, at which time the with- drawal will commence in instal- ments | <u>49,710.</u> | <u>49,710</u> |
| | \$3,032,343. | \$3,032,343 |
| Withdrawal, May to November | <u>500,000.</u> | <u>750,000</u> |
| | \$2,532,343. | \$2,282,343 |
| Add: 6 instalments due Estimates 1966-67-68-69-70 and 1971, \$138,684 x 6,88805 at 5½% | <u>955,269.</u> | <u>955,269</u> |
| | \$3,487,612. | \$3,237,612 |
| Deduct: 6 withdrawals 1966 to 1971 \$55,000 x 6.88805 (or one instal- ment in 1966) | <u>378,842.</u> | <u>55,000</u> |
| | \$3,108,770. | \$3,182,612 |
| Add: Earned interest for 5 years (10 periods) at 2½% semi-annually, \$2,532,343 x 28.00845 or (right column \$2,282,343 x 28.00845 | <u>709,246.</u> | <u>639,226</u> |
| | \$3,818,016. | \$3,821,838 |
| Amount of loan due 1971 | <u>3,726,500.</u> | <u>3,726,500</u> |
| Free surplus | \$ 91,516 | \$ 95,338" |

Alderman A. M. Butler suggested the following rates be
determined: a Business Rate of \$4.26 and Residential Rate of
\$1.70.

Alderman Black suggested that Council would not be wise
to spend all the money in the Sinking Fund Account and said he
would prefer that the tax rates be set so they will reflect an
increase of 5%. He further suggested that the available money
in the Sinking Fund Account be held for further use when the need
would be greater.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir, that
the residential and business rates be set at such a figure which
will produce a 5% increase in taxes for the year 1966.

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indicated MOVED in amendment by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the trustees of the Consolidated Sinking Funds meet and, subject to their approval of the withdrawal of a certain amount, and that such amount be entered into the revenue estimates, that the total estimates be set at an amount which will produce a business rate of \$4.21 and a residential rate of \$1.73.

City Manager that this procedure is a sound practice Alderman O'Brien referred to the ratio between the business and residential tax rates and suggested that Council hold the ratio as the present law requires.

Alderman Black maintained that the residential tax rate for 1967 would have to be increased to about \$1.90 according to the law.

Alderman Matheson favored the suggestion of Alderman A. M. Butler.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the rates should be \$4.34, business and \$1.81, residential.

Alderman O'Brien suggested that a report be prepared and submitted to the Council advising of available funds in hidden accounts while the budget is being considered and finalized.

4:45 p.m. Committee adjourned for a short recess to permit a meeting of the trustees of the Consolidated Sinking Funds.

5:10 p.m. Committee reconvened with the same members being present.

In view of the standing of the Sinking Fund account and the amount of investments, the City Manager felt that it would be quite in order to utilize an amount which should not be more than 75% of the last known surplus of the fund. He

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indicated he would agree to an amount of \$415,000.

His Worship the Mayor advised that if the sum of \$450,000 were included in the Budget as revenue, the tax rates would be \$4.21, business and \$1.73, residential, which would be equal to the amount of tax dollars which were paid in 1965.

Alderman Matheson asked for assurance from His Worship the Mayor and City Manager that this procedure is a sound practice in dealing with estimates. He also asked if they recommended this solution.

The City Manager stated that any prudent City maintains certain reserves against the rainy day and where all reserves are depleted there is only one recourse and that is to add to the taxes of future years. When the situation is analysed with which the City is faced at the present time, certain events in connection with education for vocational schools will mean that the City will receive a capital gain in the City's capital account. In addition to this, the City is contemplating tax revenue from the Central Redevelopment Area Project. Adding up these items, it appeared to him that there is justification for the action proposed. He said he was not aware of the proposal being made by the trustees of the Sinking Fund as he had not attended an official meeting, but having looked at the Fund, he felt it was in excess of the requirements for the maturities of 1971.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the Committee of the Whole (1) accept the recommendation of the Trustees of the Consolidated Sinking Fund to withdraw the sum of \$415,000 for inclusion in the revenue account of the Budget; (2) withdraw the sum of \$450,000 from the

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Deferred Revenue Account; (3) withdraw the sum of \$50,000 from the Prefabricated Housing Account; and (4) such amount from the Current Surplus Account which will produce a tax rate of \$1.73, residential and \$4.21, business.

The motion was put and passed, nine voting in favor of same and two against it as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen Moir, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Richard, H. W. Butler and Abbott - 9 -

Against: Aldermen O'Brien and Black - 2 -

5:25 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members being present.

RESOLUTION RE SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES

BE IT RESOLVED that the estimates as submitted by the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1966 amounting to \$5,682,011.51 be amended as follows:

Deletions

| | |
|--|------------|
| New Boilers | \$4,000.00 |
| Oil Conversion, Gorsebrook School | \$6,300.00 |
| Ventilation, St. Patrick's High School | \$6,900.00 |
| Heating - St. Stephen's Annex | \$5,800.00 |
| New Trucks | \$2,000.00 |

Addition

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Teachers' Salaries | \$130,000.00 |
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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the estimates, as so approved, be forwarded to the Board of School Commissioners for its information.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

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RESOLUTION RE: TAX RATES - 1966

BE IT RESOLVED that the estimates for the Civic Year 1966 be set at a total amount of \$18,291,568.37 that the Residential Tax Rate be determined at \$1.73 per \$100.00 of assessment and that the Acting Commissioner of Finance be authorized to withdraw from the Current Surplus Account a sum of \$397,185.98 and a further sum of \$450,000.00 from the Deferred Revenue Account and a further sum of \$50,000.00 from the Prefabricated Housing Account and a further sum of \$415,000.00 from the Consolidated Sinking Fund to produce a Business Tax Rate of \$4.21 per \$100.00 of assessment.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Matheson, that the resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION RE INTEREST RATE

W H E R E A S by subsection (2) of Section 425 of the Halifax City Charter, 1931, as that Section is enacted by Section 7 of Chapter 63 of the Acts of 1957, the Council may by resolution passed on or before the first day of March in any year, provide that on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid on the day to be named therein, interest shall be payable thereon until the same are paid at such rate as Council may from time to time, by resolution, determine, and such rate so determined shall continue in effect until such time as Council shall otherwise determine.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, excepting as otherwise provided in the Halifax City Charter, 1931, on all rates and taxes unpaid to the City Collector on or before the first day of June in the year in respect of which such rates and taxes were levied, interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum shall be payable.

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MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Trainor,
that the resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

FIRE PROTECTION RATE

A report was submitted from the Commissioner of Works
recommending a Fire Protection Rate for the year 1966.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher,
that a Fire Protection Rate of 8¢ per \$100.00 of assessment be
approved for the year 1966. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 5:30 p.m.

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CHARLES A. VAUGHAN,
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 3, 1966

1. Lord's Prayer.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes: January 24, 27, 31 and February 11, 1966.
4. Approval of Order of Business - Additions or Deletions.
5. Deferred Business:
 - (a) Rezoning of Land, Block Bounded by Spring Garden Road, Brenton Street, Brenton Place and South Park Street from R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone. (Awaiting Proposal by Developer).
 - (b) Rezoning of Land, Southeast Corner of South Park and Fenwick Streets from C-1 Zone to R-3 Zone. (Awaiting opinion of City Solicitor Relating to Non-conforming Buildings - C-1 Use in a Residential Zone).
 - (c) Rezoning of Land, Northwest Corner of Tower Road and Point Pleasant Drive from C-1 Zone to R-2 Zone. (Awaiting opinion of City Solicitor Relating to Non-conforming Buildings - C-1 Use in a Residential Zone).
 - (d) Appointments to Housing Authority of Halifax. (His Worship the Mayor Processing).
 - (e) Alteration to Ward Boundaries. (Consideration deferred to this meeting).
 - (f) Mumford Road Bridge. (Special Meeting of Council).
 - (g) Narrows Bridge Approaches. (Special Meeting of Council).
 - (h) Improvements - Armdale Rotary. (Special Meeting of Council).
 - (i) Urwick Currie Recommendations. (Special Meeting of Council).
 - (j) Improvements - ... (Special Meeting of Council).
6. Motions of Reconsideration: NONE.
7. Motions of Rescission: NONE.
8. Public Hearings: NONE.
9. Petitions and Delegations:
 - (a) Property Owners, Fairfield Road Re: Width of Fairfield Road.

Report - Finance and Executive Committee:

- (a) Declaration - Joseph Howe Area as Urban Renewal Area.
- (b) Lease of Property - #5229 Jacob Street.
- (c) Property Acquisition - #2548 Brunswick Street.
- (d) Property Acquisition - #2415-17 Brunswick Street. (Information).
- (e) Fee for Issuing Documents by Police Department.
- (f) (i) Proclamation - Section #248 of the 1963 City Charter.
(ii) Increase in Poll Tax to \$30.00.
- (g) Sub-lease - R.C.A.F. - Anderson Square.
- (h) Tax Agreements - Industrial Estates Limited and Volvo (Canada) Ltd.

1. Report - Committee on Works:

- (a) Tenders - Demolition - #2518-20 Brunswick Street.
- (b) Expropriation - Properties - Uniacke Square - Phase II

12. Report - Safety Committee:

- (a) Tenders - Uniform Clothing - Fire Department, Police Department and City Prison Guards.
- (b) Alteration - Police Department Establishment Re: Corporal.

13. Report - Public Health and Welfare Committee:

- (a) Transfer of Mental Hospital Patients.
- (b) Appointment to Committee to Co-ordinate Welfare Services of the Province, City, Children's Aid Society and the United Appeal in one Central Location.

14. Report - Committee of the Whole Council, Boards and Commissions:

- (a) Per Diem Rates - Halifax Mental Hospital.

15. Report - Town Planning Board:

- (a) Rezoning - #2490-2500 Creighton Street, #5569 To Vacant Lot Gerrish Street.
- (b) Modification of Front and Side Yard Requirements - #5651 Inglis St.

16. Motions.

17. Miscellaneous Business:

- (a) Accounts Over \$1,000.
- (b) Report - Canadian Urban Economics Limited - Phase II
- (c) Appeal from Refusal of Building Inspector to Issue Occupancy Permit for a Motel at #6779 Chebucto Road. (Date for Hearing).
- (d) Appointment - Council Representative to Welfare Council of Halifax and Dartmouth.
- (e) Call for Development Proposals - Central Redevelopment Area.
- (f) Letter - Board of Directors, Centennial Aquarium Re: Appointment of Special Consultants.

18. QUESTIONS.

Notices of Motion.

20. Added Items.

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CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 3, 1966,
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 City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

There were present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Aldermen Abbott, Moir, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Doyle, Richard, O'Brien, Matheson and E. W. Butler.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Eyars, D. F. Murphy, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, J. L. Leitch, R. B. Grant, G. F. West J. F. Thompson, V. M. Mitchell, G. H. Brundige, M. Latham, and Dr. E. M. Fogo.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meetings held on January 24, 27, 31, and February 11, 1966, were approved on motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS - ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

It was agreed to add the following item to the Order of Business: "Relationship--Members of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia and members of the City Council."

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved.
Motion passed.

DEFERRED BUSINESS

Rezoning of Land, Block Bounded by Spring Garden Road, Brenton Street, Brenton Place and South Park Street from R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone

Further deferred.