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such Ordinance to repeal and replace the present Ordinance #13 and to give effect to the new schedule of Rates or Fares which was approved by City Council on August 25, 1966.

ADDED ITEMS

Financial Statements for the Year Ending December 31, 1965

The following report was submitted from the City Manager:-

As directed by City Council, an examination had been made of the Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 1965, for the Board of School Commissioners and the City of Halifax.

There are no important differences between the statements prepared by the City and the Board of School Commissioners and those submitted by the external auditors.

A suggestion is made, however, that in future years it may be appropriate to include in the Board of School Commissioners accounts, all items dealing with the Capital Accounts of the City School System in order to portray the full cost of operation of, and investment in, assets operated by the Board.

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

Butler that the Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 1965, for the Board of School Commissioners and the City of Halifax be accepted and that in future years all items dealing with the Capital Accounts of the City School system be included in the Board of School Commissioners accounts in order to portray the full cost of operation of, and investment in, assets operated by the Board. Motion passed.

Collective Bargaining - Board of School Commissioners

A report was submitted from the City Manager requesting authority to act as negotiator to deal with two Union Submissions recently presented to the Board.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Abbott that authority be granted for the City Manager to act as negotiator

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for new agreements, effective January 1, 1967 with:-

1. Halifax Civic Workers Union #108 representing School Janitors.
2. Halifax School Maintenance Union #449.

Motion passed.

Collective Bargaining - Recreation and Playgrounds Commission

A report was submitted from the City Manager requesting authority to negotiate between the Halifax Civic Workers Union, Local 108 and the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission for a new agreement.

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Richard that authority be granted for the City Manager to undertake the negotiations between the Halifax Civic Workers Union, Local 108 and the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission. Motion passed.

Report - Scotia Square

The following report was submitted from the City Manager:

Under the terms of our Agreement with Halifax Developments Limited, the Company has today submitted to the City construction drawings, specifications and estimates of Stage I of the Scotia Square Development, which has been referred to as the Trade Mart. This construction is to be built in the northern portion of the Central Redevelopment Area or north of Jacob Street. All other requirements of our Agreement relating to the financial arrangements of the Company have also been submitted to the City. The City now has twenty-one days to examine the submission of the Company to ascertain whether or not they are consistent with the proposal accepted by the City. Within the next twenty-one days staff must determine whether today's submission meets the requirements of the proposal. Under the terms of the Agreement with the Company, the City will provide a lease to the land upon which Stage I is to be constructed at the commencement of construction.

Under the terms of our Agreement with the Minister of Public Works authorizing slum clearance and redevelopment, we must first convey a one-half interest in the land to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

It is therefore recommended that:

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(1) an undivided one-half interest as tenants in common in the City owned land in the Central Redevelopment Area north of Jacob Street be conveyed to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, and

(2) a leasehold interest in the lands north of Jacob Street upon which Stage I of the Development Proposal of Halifax Developments Limited is to be constructed be authorized providing the requirements of clauses 2 and 3 of the Agreement dated August 31st, A.D., 1966, between the City and Halifax Developments Limited are met.

Some discussion followed during which time Alderman Black asked if the financial ability of the Company has been fully investigated and if the City Manager is satisfied with the arrangements.

The City Manager replied that Halifax Developments Limited have complied with the terms of the agreement and have increased their Performance Deposit to \$70,000.00 and he is satisfied with the arrangements made by the Company.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that:

- (1) an undivided one-half interest as tenants in common in the City owned land in the Central Redevelopment Area north of Jacob Street be conveyed to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, and
- (2) a leasehold interest in the lands north of Jacob Street upon which Stage I of the Development Proposal of Halifax Developments Limited is to be constructed be authorized providing the requirements of clauses 2 and 3 of the Agreement dated August 31st, A.D., 1966, between the City and Halifax Developments Limited are met.

Motion passed.

10:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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CHARLES A. VAUGHAN
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

W. J. CLANCEY
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Council
September 27, 1966.
Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
September 27, 1966,
7:05 p.m.

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

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

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars,
S. A. Ward, G. F. West, R. B. Grant and Dr. E. M. Fogo.

The meeting was called specially to consider the
proposed Capital Expenditure Budget of 1966-1970.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman
Moir, that Council meet as a Committee of the Whole to con-
sider the Capital Budget for 1966-1970 as submitted from the
City Manager. Motion passed. Copies of the Budget had
been circulated to the members of the Council previously.

His Worship the Mayor observed that the proposed
budget provides for an annual capital expenditure of 4
million dollars annually for the next four years, exclusive
of the capital cost of the proposed Lane Memorial Hospital,
but including works in progress and projects approved by
Council.

Alderman O'Brien contended that the Budget as
submitted does not take into account possible recoveries
with respect to the Lane Memorial Hospital, and he said that
he understood that the Provincial Government is prepared to
make a grant of \$750,000.00 towards the capital cost of the

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Hospital. In addition, the Hospital Board is negotiating with the Dalhousie Medical School for a possible affiliation agreement. If such a one materializes, it will be possible for the City to apply to the Health Resources Fund set up by the Federal Government for some assistance. It would not likely turn out to be a large amount since the affiliation would only cover a fraction of the Hospital. There is a possibility of some Federal Funds in addition to the \$750,000.00 which seems assured from the Province toward the Lane Memorial Hospital.

His Worship the Mayor said that the City Manager had explained the Capital Budget to him and to the members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

At the suggestion of Alderman Matheson, the City Manager said he would start an explanation by reading the report of the Finance and Executive Committee, which follows:

"At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee on September 12, 1966, the following two recommendations were made:

1. that City Council confirm the Capital Works-in-Progress at December 31, 1965, as shown on the attached schedule in Section 11, providing for estimated debenture requirements of \$9,120,040.62 in the years 1966 to 1970;
2. that City Council approve the proposed Capital Borrowing Pattern - 1966 to 1970 inclusive, which is shown on Exhibit A in Section 1."

He stated that he had drawn on the experience of the previous five years in making his projections of Capital Expenditures for the years 1966 to 1970 inclusive, which are based on a constant taxation. He then proceeded to explain the figures shown on the various schedules which

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project capital expenditures totalling 20-1/2 million dollars during the five year period 1966 to 1970; 4-1/2 million for 1966 and four million for each of the other years, it being considered that four million dollars is a prudent forecast of capital expenditures annually, on the basis that capital expenditures should not exceed 20% of the current budget in any year, which percentage is considered to be a prudent ratio of capital to current expenditures. If Council decides that it wishes to go to 25% then the capital expenditures could be increased by \$9,700,000.00 but this would probably result in the need to increase taxes.

The City Manager said that it may become prudent at some time in the future to consider a fixed levy of so much on the \$100 of assessment which will be a Capital Fund and will be monies to be raised by taxation to be used for Capital purposes. The interest charges would then be saved by such a method.

7:25 p.m. Alderman Richard arrives.

In answer to a question by Alderman Black, the City Manager stated that the capital projects' situation at the present time is as follows:

- (a) Works in progress - unfinished capital projects
(based on authorizations
prior to 1966) - \$9,120,040.62
- (b) Authorizations since
January 1, 1966 - \$2,046,000.00
- (c) Borrowings awaiting approval
of Minister of Municipal
Affairs - \$1,578,000.00
- (d) Additions as of
September 8, 1966 but
borrowings not approved - \$ 500,600.00

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Alderman O'Brien asked if items, to which the City is committed indirectly by reason of decisions taken with respect to the Scotia Square Project, (Moving the Police Headquarters), Harbour Drive, Lane Memorial Hospital and other projects, have been added up and separated from items which have been authorized by Council to determine their effect on the capital budget projection.

The City Manager said that all the items have been included in the budget but have not been segregated in the manner referred to by Alderman O'Brien but they could be.

His Worship the Mayor said that it is obvious that Alderman O'Brien is suggesting the establishment of priorities but there is no easy method of determining the same.

Alderman Abbott contended that Council should endeavour to stay within the 20% ratio, and that it may be possible to increase the capital approvals if the promises of increased government grants are fulfilled.

Alderman Black referred to the fact that in past years Council has used the device of the application of surplus funds from non-recurring revenue accounts in order to "hold" the tax rate, and he contended that eventually such non-recurring sources are going to be exhausted and therefore the approach of tapping capital funds to hold tax rates is unrealistic especially at this particular time of inflationary trends.

He suggested that Council has two courses to follow - either to increase the taxes or to maintain the level of capital expenditures at the twenty percent ratio.

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New Roof - As a result of a suggestion from Alderman A. M. Butler, the words "available funds" in the first and last lines of Schedule 3 of Section I were changed to read "Proposed Debenture Issues".

The City Manager stated that the amount available for new capital projects which is shown on Schedule 3 of Section 1 of the proposed budget as \$11,380,000 as at December 31, 1965, but from this figure must be deducted the amount of borrowings authorized in 1966, plus approvals by City Council in 1966, and the adjusted figure is \$7,255,400.

He then explained Schedules 4-A and 4-B as well as Exhibits A, B, C, D, and E.

7:55 p.m. Aldermen Connolly and LeBlanc arrive and assume their seats.

SECTION II - WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

This Section, under its separate headings, was considered and the following action taken:

Improved Street Lighting

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir that capital funds in the amount of \$65,000.00 be provided for the purpose of effecting Improved Street Lighting. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Moir that application be made to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to revoke the following Borrowing Authorizations:

Hydrostone Street Lighting	- \$48,300.19
Improved Street Lighting	- \$20,000.00

Motion passed.

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New Roof - City Prison

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Trainor that the sum of \$8,464.00 for a new roof at City Prison be deleted but that the work be proceeded with by current account, if necessary. Motion passed.

Harbour Drive and Cogswell Street Flyover

It was agreed to fund this item as follows:

1967	-	\$ 60,486.69 *
1968	-	113,058.38 †
1969	-	100,000.00
1970	-	100,000.00
1971	-	100,000.00

Street Widening - Chebucto Road - Mumford Road to Swaine Street

Alderman Moir asked how much of the \$430,000.00 applied to the block Connaught Avenue to Swaine Street and was advised by the City Manager that the balance for the whole project was \$267,579.00 but the portion for Connaught Avenue to Swaine Street is not known.

It was suggested that the City Manager delete from the Budget the amount representing the difference between the original figure for the project and the cost of the work completed.

Since definite figures were not available, no further action was taken.

Mumford Road - Bridge Widening

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the amount of \$500,000.00 be deleted.

The Commissioner of Works suggested that this item be deferred rather than deleted because of possible financial help in the amount of \$213,000.00 from the Department of Transport.

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Alderman O'Brien suggested moving this item to the forecast section of the budget at a lower figure which could be adjusted when the facts are known.

His Worship the Mayor suggested leaving a figure of \$300,000.00 in the budget.

Alderman O'Brien then suggested putting in the gross amount with the revenue figure and start funding in 1968.

It was agreed to put in the figure of \$600,000.00 gross with revenue of \$300,000.00 and that funding start in 1968.

The original motion was not put.

General Alterations - Mental Hospital - \$20,400.00

In reply to a question from Alderman O'Brien, the City Manager advised that the sum of \$2,138.00 was spent to the end of August 1966.

Alderman O'Brien queried the funding of \$10,200.00 in 1966 if only \$2,138.00 had been spent. He pointed out that the patient load at the Hospital has been lowered very much and some alterations would not now be required.

It was agreed that Staff review the item and decide whether the alterations are to be proceeded with.

Wading Pools

It was pointed out that one wading pool to be constructed is awaiting the consultation of the Halifax Housing Authority.

The Development Officer was requested to bring this matter to the attention of the Housing Authority at the next meeting.

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Metal Fence - Fort Needham

During discussion on this item, His Worship the Mayor was requested to write a letter to the Halifax Relief Commission asking that it construct a metal fence around Fort Needham.

Maritime Museum - \$100,000.00

At the suggestion of Alderman O'Brien, it was agreed that this item be transferred to a section of the budget adjacent to the Waterfront items in the forecast.

Halifax International Airport - \$36,000.00

At the suggestion of Alderman Matheson, it was agreed to transfer this item to the post 1970 section of the budget.

SECTION III - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
FORECAST 1966-1970 INCLUSIVE

This section, under its separate headings, was considered and the following action taken:

City Hall - \$4,000,000.00

It was agreed to transfer this item to the post 1970 section of the budget.

Training Facilities - Bayers Road Fire Station - \$15,000.00

It was agreed to delete this item from the Budget.

Replacement - Young Street Fire Station - \$200,000.00

It was agreed to delete this item from the budget.

Relocation - Morris Street Fire Station - \$200,000.00

It was agreed to delete this item from the budget.

Court House - \$2,000,000.00

It was agreed to set the City's share for debenture requirements at \$575,000.00 and fund as follows:

\$250,000.00 in 1968
\$250,000.00 in 1969

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Left-hand Turn at Willow Tree - Traffic Lights

The Commissioner of Works reported that funds should be provided for traffic light installations at the above intersection in conjunction with a proposed left-hand turning movement for traffic.

Alderman Trainor contended that a plan should be prepared and submitted for consideration before action is taken. He then suggested an electrical control which would operate a flashing green light so that a certain number of cars can proceed to the left, the same as operated in other cities.

The Commissioner had in mind an amount which would be required for curb and gutter construction, pavement repairs and lights.

Alderman O'Brien suggested a complete study of the intersection by the Traffic Engineer. He also suggested if it would be possible to construct a depressed through street underneath the intersection.

It was pointed out that such a project would be costly because the land contains rock formation for about three feet.

No further action was taken with respect to including \$13,000.00 in the budget for Willow Tree Street Improvements.

Paving

Alderman Matheson asked if it would be possible to complete the pavement on Norwood Street from Connaught Avenue to Bloomingdale Terrace.

The Commissioner of Works advised that the street in question is included in the paving program.

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Pavement Cuts

Alderman O'Brien referred to cuts in the street and asked who is responsible for the proper repairs.

The Commissioner of Works advised that the cuts are done by the Public Service Commission who install new water mains to the houses prior to paving the street.

The Alderman suggested that there should be a co-ordinated timing between the City and the Commission so as to bear with the inconvenience for a short a time as possible.

His Worship the Mayor then referred to the fact that there would be certain recoveries coming to the City such as -

- 1) \$237,000.00 from the Court House Commission,
- 2) \$239,000.00 from the Provincial Government with respect to the Vocational School operation,
- 3) \$100,000.00 from the Province for the City Field land on which will be built the Museum of Science,
- 4) The sale of the City Prison and Basinview Home property in a few years time,
- 5) Old Abattoir property,
- 6) Spring Garden South Redevelopment lands.

He suggested that a report should be prepared and submitted to the Members of Council showing the total amount of the Capital Assets available to the City over the next 5 years so that the Capital Expenditure Forecast could be considered in the light of such a report.

Alderman Richard expressed the fact that the City was not receiving a sufficiently large grant from the Province for the City Field land in view of the fact that it will cost about \$300,000.00 to relocate as well as in comparison to other acquisitions the City has made.

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His Worship the Mayor replied that Council has already committed itself to the Province in this matter.

9:55 p.m. Council re-convened the same members being present.

Borrowing \$65,000.00 - Street Lighting

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, a Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$65,000.00 be approved to cover the cost of Street Lighting Improvements. Motion passed unanimously.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir, that application be made to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to revoke the following borrowing authorizations:

Hydrostone Street Lighting	\$48,300.19
Improved Street Lighting	\$20,000.00

Motion passed unanimously.

Canadian Summer Games 1969

His Worship the Mayor drew attention to the report from the Recreation Commission with respect to the 1969 Summer Games and stated that it would be discussed by Council at its next meeting.

Street Improvements Corner Cunard & Agricola Streets

The City Manager advised that the British American Oil Co. Ltd. has requested that Council immediately consider the re-alignment of streets at the above intersection as shown on plan #TT-6-16717 dated August 31, 1966.

At the request of Alderman Trainor, the matter was referred to a Special Meeting of the Committee on Works prior to the next Council meeting at which time the Traffic

1. Lord's Prayer.

2. Roll Call.
Engineer was directed to attend.

3. Minutes.

4. Approval of Order of Business - Additions and Deletions.
Meeting adjourned 10:00 p.m.

5. Defer

- (a) Appointment to Industrial Development Commission.
- (b) Traffic Signal Control - Willow Tree Intersection
(Capital Budget Consideration)
- (c) Request to Address Council - Mr. Murray Macdonald.
- (d) Expropriation - 2369 Maitland Street.
- (e) Report - City Solicitor Re Performance Report.
- (f) Labour Force Report
- (g) Appointments - Advisory Committee Re Various Facilities.

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(j)	Authority to Spend in Excess of \$1000.	
(k)	Capital Funds - Relocation of City Fleet - \$100,000.	
(l)	Appointment of Administrator - Office of Arthur Jones.	
(m)	Amendment to Staff Establishment - Police Department.	

C. A. VAUGHAN
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

11. Report - Committee on Works: NONE

12. Report - Safety Committee:

- (a) Tenders - Fire Hose.
- (b) Lease of Photostat Equipment - Police Department.

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CITY COUNCIL

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8:00 p.m.

1. Lord's Prayer.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes: September 15, 1966.
4. Approval of Order of Business - Additions or Deletions.
5. Deferred Items:
 - (a) Appointment to Industrial Development Commission.
 - (b) Traffic Signal Control - Willow Tree Intersection
(Capital Budget, Consideration)
 - (c) Request to Address Council - Mr. Murray Warrington.
 - (d) Expropriation - 2369 Maitland Street.
 - (e) Report - City Solicitor Re: Performance Deposit.
 - (f) Labour Force Report
 - (g) Appointments - Advisory Committee Re: Parking Facilities.
6. Motions of Reconsideration:
 - (a) Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Sidewalk Snow Removal.
7. Motion of Rescission: NONE.
8. Public Hearings and Hearings: NONE.
9. Petitions and Delegations.
10. Report - Finance and Executive Committee:
 - (a) Westwood Park F. P. 4 - Closing Out Statement.
 - (b) Purchase of Land for Street Widening - Southwest Corner
Bayers Road and Dutch Village Road.
 - (c) Property Acquisition - 2540 Barrington Street.
 - (d) Additional Appropriation - Halifax Memorial Library.
 - (e) Proclamation - Section 428A - Halifax City Charter, 1963
 - (f) Tenders - Centennial Aquarium.
 - (g) Request for Increased Grant - Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal.
 - (h) Property Acquisition - 5448 North Street - Closing Date.
 - (i) Land - New Children's Hospital.
 - (j) Site - Lane Memorial Hospital.
 - (k) Authority to Spend in Excess of \$1000.
 - (l) Capital Funds - Relocation of City Field - \$100,000.
 - (m) Appointment of Administrator - Estate of Arthur Jones.
 - (n) Amendment to Staff Establishment - Police Department.
11. Report - Committee on Works: NONE
12. Report - Safety Committee:
 - (a) Tenders - Fire Hose.
 - (b) Lease of Photostat Equipment - Police Department.
13. Report - Public Health and Welfare Committee: NONE.

14. Report - Committee of the Whole Council, Boards and Commissions:
(a) Report - Committee of the Whole Council Re: Amendments
City Charter and Ordinance #106 "Court of Revision".

15. Report - Town Planning Board:
(a) Rezoning - 2544-2550 Maynard Street - R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone.
(b) Request - Centennial Properties Limited -
Spring Garden South Redevelopment Area.

16. Motions:
(a) Motion - Alderman Black - Introduction of Ordinance #116.

17. Miscellaneous Business:
(a) Accounts Over \$1000.
(b) Report - Recreation Commission Re: 1969 Summer Games.

18. QUESTIONS.

19. Notices of Motion.

20. Added Items.

REPORT - Finance and Executive Committee:

Resolutions and Referrals:

REPORT - Finance and Executive Committee: NONE

MOTION OF RESOLUTION: NONE

(a) MOTION -- VOUCHER SYSTEM RE: STREETS SHOW REPORT

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION:

(a) appointments - advisory committee re: parking facilities

(b) report force report

(c) report - city solicitor re: performance report

(d) expenditure - 33rd widening street

(e) request to address council - Mr. Walter Martinson

(f) traffic signal control - Milton Lee Intercession

(g) appointment to industrial development commission

Deferred Items:

approval of order of business - additions or deletions

minutes: September 12, 1969

ROLL CALL

ROLL, a list

CITY COUNCIL
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Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
September 29, 1966
8:00 p.m.

A meeting of 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 Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle, Richard, O'Brien and H. W. Butler.

Also present were: Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, D. F. Murphy, S. A. Ward, J. F. Thomson, R. B. Grant, Dr. E. M. Fogo, M. M. Latham, G. F. West, V. W. Mitchell, G. H. Brundige, C. Chang, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey and Miss J. Lamb.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of City Council held on September 15, 1966 were approved on motion of Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chairman stated that there are the following items to be added to the Order of Business:

- 20(a) Tenders for Bond Issue
- 20(b) Bond Resolution
- 20(c) Appointment - Architect - Swimming Pool
- 20(d) Renovations to Fire Alarm Building for Winter Quarters
- 20(e) Extension to Non-conforming Building - 957 Marlborough Avenue
- 20(f) Street Improvements - Agricola and Cunard Streets
- 20(g) Supplementary Appropriation - Street Lighting Account - 316C City Charter

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- 20(h) Letter - Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Re: Public Housing Project, Creighton Street
(Information)
- 20(i) Letter - Maritime Paper Products Limited Re:
Land Site for Plant Expansion
- 20(j) Staff Report - Scotia Square Development
- 20(k) Report - Application to Board of Public Utilities
by Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited to
Set Rates for Supply of Electrical Energy to the
City of Halifax for Street Lighting Purposes.

Alderman Meagher asked that an item be added as 20(1)
relating to a letter he had received with respect to unsightly
premises on Poplar Street.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman H. W.
Butler that these items be added to the Order of Business.
Motion passed.

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

DEFERRED ITEMS

Appointment to Industrial Development Commission

Further deferred

Traffic Signal Control - Willow Tree Intersection

Further deferred

Request to Address Council - Mr. Murray Warrington

Further deferred at Mr. Warrington's request.

Expropriation - 2369 Maitland Street

Further deferred.

Report - City Solicitor Re: Performance Deposit

Further deferred until October 27, 1966.

Labour Force Report

Further deferred

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Appointments - Advisory Committee Re: Parking Facilities

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following persons
to form the Advisory Committee Re: Parking Facilities:

Mr. Carman Jerry, Royal Trust Company
Mr. Morris Goldberg, 1261 Barrington Street
Mr. David Zive, 1670 Barrington Street
Mr. Delbert Crocker, Eastern Canada Savings & Loan Co.
Mr. Robert J. Strand, Gottingen Shopping Centre Association
Mr. Ernest B. Edwards, Town & Country Restaurant
Mr. Donald Mahon, Mahon's Stationery Ltd.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott
that the above named persons, as nominated by His Worship the
Mayor, be appointed to the Advisory Committee Re: Parking
Facilities.

Alderman O'Brien asked if any of these persons are
connected with the Hospital Area, where there is a critical problem
with respect to parking.

His Worship the Mayor replied that Mr. Carman Jerry is
on the Board of Management of the Grace Hospital and lives in the
general area.

Alderman O'Brien asked that the Advisory Committee be
asked to consider, as a matter of urgency, the traffic problem in
the Hospital Area, and His Worship the Mayor stated that they
would be so directed.

The motion was then put and passed.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION

Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Sidewalk Snow Removal

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman H. W.
Butler that the resolution approved by Council on September 15, 1966
respecting sidewalk snow removal be reconsidered.

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Alderman Trainor listed as his reasons for making the motion, the following:

- "1. In my opinion, there is no equipment manufactured in this day and age adequate to do a good sidewalk snow removal job.
2. Who will be responsible for damage done to grass, shrubs and concrete?
3. Will the householder be responsible for taking off the last four inches to six inches of snow left after plowing?
4. Has the Commissioner of Works figured out the amount of damage done to sidewalks because of salt?
5. I have yet to receive a call from a person in Ward 5 or any other Ward indicating that they require snow removal?"

Alderman LeBlanc asked two questions of the Commissioner of Works as follows:-

- "1. What is the estimated cost of this work?
2. What are the results of the tests that were carried out last year on sidewalk snow plowing?"

In reply, the Commissioner of Works stated that the estimated cost of the work, as submitted in a report to City Council some time ago, was \$106,000.00, but that this did not include payment for damage or application of salt to cope with the icing problem. He further stated that the tests made last year worked out pretty well, but that no salting was done, and icing was a very real problem. He said that another difficulty was one where the sidewalks were plowed, the snow piling into the roadway, then the street plows coming along and pushing it back onto the sidewalk, which necessitated a second clearance.

Alderman Matheson asked how many miles of sidewalks are plowed by the City with mechanical equipment?

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The Commissioner of Works replied that about 25 miles of sidewalks were plowed. He further stated that hand shovelling was by far the best method of snow clearance, but that it was extremely difficult to obtain men to do this work.

Alderman H. W. Butler asked how many operators would be needed to implement sidewalk snow plowing?

The Commissioner of Works replied that the City would need at least twenty machines to do an adequate job and that as employees would have to work on shifts of eight hours each, forty and possibly sixty operators would be required to keep the plows moving on a round the clock basis.

Alderman Connolly asked the cost of twenty machines which would be needed.

The Commissioner of Works replied that cost amortization for these machines would be approximately \$16,000.00.

In reply to a question from Alderman A. M. Butler, the Commissioner of Works stated that he did not know if snow plows could be rented from the manufacturers.

Alderman Matheson asked the Commissioner of Works if a properly trained operator could clean the snow less than three inches from the sidewalks.

The Commissioner of Works stated that plowing to less than three inches would be a risky operation and could cause extensive damage to sidewalks and snow plows and is not recommended.

The motion of reconsideration was then put and passed, eight voting for the same and six against it, as follows:-

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For: Aldermen Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle,
Richard, O'Brien and H. W. Butler 8

Against: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson and
A. M. Butler 6

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that
the City undertake sidewalk snow removal beginning with the
Season 1966-67 and the City Manager be asked to report on the
best method by which this principle might be implemented.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor
that the matter be referred to the City Manager for a report on
the methods of implementing sidewalk snow removal to be submitted
to City Council on October 27, 1966.

The City Manager stated that he would be in attendance at
the International City Manager's Association Convention at that
time.

Alderman Trainor asked that the motion be amended accord-
ingly and suggested November 17, 1966 as the date for the report.

The amended motion reads as follows:

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor
that the matter be referred to the City Manager for a report on
the methods of implementing sidewalk snow removal to be submitted
to City Council on November 17, 1966.

Alderman O'Brien stated that he made this motion because
of the fact that there are many questions that have not received
satisfactory answers.

The motion to refer was then put and passed, eight voting
for the same and six against it as follows:

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For: Aldermen Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle,
Richard, O'Brien and Black 8

Against: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler
and H. W. Butler 6

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

No motions of rescission were heard at this time.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND HEARINGS

No Public Hearings or Hearings were scheduled for this time.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

No Petitions were presented or Delegations heard at this time.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee of their meeting held on September 22, 1966 with respect to the following matters:

Staff Report - Westwood Park F. P. 4 - Closing Out Statement

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. the closing date for the Westwood Park Housing Project be established at December 31, 1965;
2. His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the Closing Out Statement on behalf of the City.

Motion passed.

Street Widening - Bicentennial Entrance - Texaco Canada Limited (southeast corner of Bayers Road and Dutch Village Road)

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City purchase the 3,931 square feet of land at the southeast corner of

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Bayers Road and Dutch Village Road required for Street Widening at the Bicentennial Entrance, from Texaco Canada Limited for the sum of \$7,185.00 as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition of this property, funds to be provided from the Street Widening Account. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - #2540 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City purchase the property owned by Mrs. Hazel Pope, at #2540 Barrington Street in the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area for the sum of \$11,300.00 as settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisition of the said property. Motion passed.

Request for Additional Appropriation - Halifax Memorial Library

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority be granted for Account No. 9-400-277 of the Halifax Memorial Library to be over-expended by \$158.46, funds to be provided from within the overall appropriations of the Halifax Memorial Library Budget. Motion passed.

Proclamation of Section 428A - Halifax City Charter, 1963

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council authorize His Worship the Mayor to request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to have Section 428A of the City Charter, 1963 proclaimed. Motion passed.

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Tenders - Centennial Aquarium

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Ivany
that:

- (a) the Board of Directors of the Centennial Aquarium be authorized to negotiate with Stevens and Fiske Construction Limited in an endeavour to seek a reduction of \$81,200.00 in the tender price for the Centennial Aquarium submitted by the said firm;
- (b) if the said negotiations are successful, additional capital funds in the amount of \$111,000.00 be provided by capital borrowing; and
- (c) His Worship the Mayor be authorized to seek additional grants from the Federal and Provincial Governments to assist in the financing of this project.

Alderman Matheson questioned the figures given by the City Manager with respect to the cost of the Aquarium, and as set out in his report which estimated the cost to be \$984,000.00. He stated that according to his calculations, an additional amount of \$311,000.00 would be required to build the Aquarium. He asked if his calculation was correct. He also asked what happens if the City Manager is unsuccessful in his negotiations with the contractor for the \$81,000.00 reduction. He further stated that, at a previous meeting, he would not support any further expenditure of money other than the \$600,000.00 which includes the grants.

The City Manager stated that when he used the figure of \$600,000.00, it was the amount of the previous authorizations yet to be funded as of August 31, 1966 - Account No. 58-16 - Capital

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Funds - Aquarium. He also stated that the amount of \$185,000.00 would have to be added to this sum making \$785,000.00. He contended that the additional amount to this figure would be another \$111,029.00.

Alderman Matheson stated that the original proposal was to construct the Aquarium at approximately \$400,000.00 made up of \$215,000.00 from the City and \$185,000.00 from the Provincial and Federal Governments. The Aquarium Board came back to Council and pointed out that the total cost of the Aquarium would be \$600,000.00. The Council approved such an amount which was an additional \$200,000.00 the City would have to be responsible for. He pointed out that the project would have to be built with City money and then the grants would be applied as a credit against the expenditure.

Alderman Ivany stated that he considered that further reductions in the cost estimate could be made in decreasing the amounts allowed for landscaping, \$10,000.00, and contingencies, \$20,000.00 and also there are changes in the specifications for the Aquarium tank. He contended that a further saving could be made of approximately \$28,000.00.

Alderman Matheson referred to the resolution approved by City Council on January 13, 1966 when an additional borrowing was approved for \$200,000.00 and Council agreed that no further funds would be provided for the cost of this Project. He stated that Council should re-affirm the position taken at that time.

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Alderman Black stated that in view of a very severe inflation the Country is faced with at the present time, he suggested that everyone should co-operate to cut down on capital projects otherwise the City would face the ever increasing inflation. He further stated that he would go along with the project if the City's share and share between the Federal and Provincial Governments was on a 50/50 basis. He felt the site selected was the wrong one and would vote against the project even though the City might lose the grant of \$185,000.00.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the net cost would be \$711,000.00 to the City.

Alderman O'Brien stated that, in his opinion, he was in agreement with Alderman Matheson, and even more so after the lengthy session of Council on Tuesday, September 27, 1966 on the Capital Budget which has to be reduced from \$38,000,000.00 to around \$20,000,000.00. He contended that half the items would have to be eliminated from the Capital Budget. He stated that this item requires a great deal of additional financing beyond what the City is able to supply. If the City followed the reasoning of Alderman Black, the Federal Government, in the light of inflation has asked everyone in the Country to hold back on capital expenditures. He suggested that if the City co-operate with the request of the Minister of Finance, it may be an extra weapon in the City's hands for securing additional Federal aid for the project on a deferred basis. He suggested that if the Federal Government reaches the position where it will try to stimulate the economy by receiving applications for loans through the Municipal Development and Loan