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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

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CITY COUNCIL
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Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
May 11, 1967
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 Black, Abbott, Ivany, Moir, Matheson, A.M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler.

Also present were: City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and other Staff members.

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Minutes of the meeting of Council held on April 27, 1967, were approved on motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ivany.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS - ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

His Worship the Mayor stated that Mr. Arthur J. Smith, representative of the Special Planning Secretariat of the Privy Council in Ottawa, was present in the Council Chamber and he would like Council to have the opportunity of hearing from Mr. Smith who is a member of the Secretariat which has been set up in connection with the War on Poverty.

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He said that Mr. Smith is in Halifax under the auspices of the Halifax-Dartmouth Welfare Council and may be able to enlighten the members of City Council as to the plans of the Federal Government for carrying out its war on poverty. and how the municipalities could benefit and assist in the Program.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Connolly that an item be added to the Order of Business entitled, "Presentation - Mr. A. J. Smith". Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor said that an item is to be added to the Order of Business respecting, "Nomination - Special Committee Re: Parking in the Hospital - University Avenue Area".

Alderman Matheson asked that an item be added to the Order of Business respecting, "Simultaneous Construction of the Narrows and North West Arm Bridges".

Alderman LeBlanc asked that an item be added respecting, "Beautification Clean-Up".

Alderman Ahern asked that an item be added respecting, "Hours for Placing Garbage on the Streets for Collection".

It was agreed to add the additional items as requested.

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

PRESENTATION - MR. A. J. SMITH

Mr. Smith, after thanking Council for the opportunity to address the members of Council, said that he is one of eight members of Federal Departments who were seconded to work

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with the Special Planning Secretariat for the Prime Minister two years ago when the Federal Government declared its intention to take an active interest in the human and social development of Canada in what is known as the "War on Poverty" or the "Work and Opportunity Program".

He said that the job of his group is to plan and co-ordinate all the efforts of the Municipal, Provincial and Federal Government Agencies in social and economic development measures.

He said that there are about seventeen agencies of the Federal Government involved and between them they administer 150 social programs running from housing and urban renewal through to agricultural and rural development; to area development and industry; to welfare and health measures.

He said the purpose of his group is to ensure that the efforts of these various Federal agencies are co-ordinated so that each agency does not act as individual, separate, isolated, fragmented agency.

He said in this Country today, there is more and more economic development going on which affords more opportunities for jobs and a sharing in the benefits by more people. Also, there are the social security measures and health programs which have been put into effect such as Medicare, but the one thing that the group is concerned with is the elimination of poverty and elimination of the program of subsidy and direct aid Welfare.

"What I have learned in the last twelve months by

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being associated with people involved with human beings and their development is that there are far more things than physical and economic planning -- there is also social development. Unless, as we see it, in every development that takes place in this Country in terms of economic, physical and resource development -- unless the human aspect is taken into account and melded with these other kinds of development, then nothing will succeed, or they will not have a full measure of success.

"Our talks with the Welfare Council of Halifax centres around the merging together of the private factor of the community level and what came out of it was the fact that unless there is an awareness at the local level on the part of the Municipal Governments and the Citizenry represented by those dedicated people that there has to be a working together, a co-ordination of all things physical and economical with the human resources, then you will not have true success."

Mr. Smith said that one of the main goals of his group is the prevention and the elimination throughout the whole of Canada of that third element of our society to bring them into the main stream of Canadian life, and he said this applies in every municipality, and Halifax is no exception.

He continued: "The Government programs at the Federal and Provincial levels really look after most of the economic and social security needs but what really is up to the people at the municipal level is this want of economic resource development and elimination of the third factor, those people who are

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not capable of bearing their full load. This is up to the Municipality, to the private sector and Municipal Government to really get together to plan and co-ordinate."

He said that the senior governments take care of social security for the universal programs and it is up to the municipalities to take advantage of the tools that are available in order to get to the root of poverty and to eliminate poverty at the municipal level; and this requires a merging of the physical, economic and social planning at the municipal level.

Alderman Abbott asked if Mr. Smith could indicate where the City could get a indication of the "tools" that are available to the municipalities for implementing the Social Betterment Program.

Mr. Smith said that there are many programs and he would, in due course, see to it that the City Hall is made aware of the whole gambit of these programs that are available to urban municipalities most of which he will in conjunction with their Provincial Governments.

Alderman LeBlanc asked when results may be expected from the Special Secretariat.

Mr. Smith said that results have started to take place immediately and he cited several instances where Federal Departments in co-operation with Provinces have developed programs of re-location of people from depressed areas to growth areas and the re-training of people for new industries.

He also referred to programs being carried out in Cape Breton, New Brunswick and Manitoba.

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Alderman Sullivan asked if Mr. Smith's group is performing the role of trouble-shooter on matters of unemployment and other national problems.

Mr. Smith said that his group would like to take this kind of thing in its stride because it affords a certain "feed-back". In that sense, their work could be considered as "trouble-shooter".

Alderman Sullivan referred to the fact that City Council is endeavouring to find ways and means of assisting the waterfront and shipyard workers in the Halifax area who have suffered as a result of decline in port activity, and he asked Mr. Smith if the Secretariat could do anything to assist in this regard.

Mr. Smith said that if the nature of this matter was brought to the attention of the Secretariat, the Minister and Deputy Minister of the Federal Departments concerned would be contacted in an endeavour to see what assistance could be given by legislation and other means.

Alderman Sullivan asked that an invitation be extended to Mr. Smith to attend the meeting which has been scheduled for June 2, 1967, to deal with the matter of waterfront unemployment problems.

His Worship the Mayor said that the City Clerk would be directed to extend an invitation to Mr. Smith.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. Smith for his presentation and assured him that the City of Halifax is interested in adding the dimensions of social planning and development to its urban renewal program.

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He said that members of Council are aware that improvements are required and any information that Mr. Smith and his group can supply the City as to the assistance that is available from Ottawa will be appreciated.

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

Motion - Alderman Connolly to Rescind Resolution of Council dated September 16, 1965, respecting Site for Proposed Home for Special Care

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the resolution passed by City Council on September 16, 1965, as follows, be rescinded:

"MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Board of Management of the Basinview Home:

- (1) The block of land bounded by Cunard, Maynard, Cornwallis and Creighton Streets be selected as a site for the Home for Special Care;
- (2) That the City immediately acquire the property necessary for the initial construction of the Home;
- (3) That the City rezone the balance of the land to Park and Institutional zone;
- (4) That the procedure, as outlined on Page 19 of the Staff Report, dated May 28, 1965, be followed."

Alderman Connolly gave his reasons for moving the motion of rescission and suggested three alternative sites as follows:

- (1) Rainnie Drive, the site originally proposed for the location of the New Court House,
- (2) the site of the present Basinview Home,
- (3) the north side of Cunard Street between Moran Street and Robie Street.

He contended that either of the suggested alternative sites will be more economical as the cost of acquisition of the

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Cornwallis, Creighton, Cunard and Maynard Streets site will cost the City at least \$400,000.00.

Alderman A. M. Butler, Chairman of the Board of Management, Basinview Home, stated that:

(1) the site selected for the new Home for Special Care has the solid endorsement of Staff and the advice of Staff members, who are experts in their particular fields, should be followed unless they are proved wrong;

(2) the former Board of Management has studied the matter of site in some depth and gave solid endorsement to the selected site;

(3) the City Staff has stressed the point that rebuilding on the present site of the present Basinview Home is not desirable for reasons which will come later;

(4) the selected site offers a combination of urban associations and the pastoral scene afforded by the Commons which would be enjoyed by the patients, many of whom are not confined to the institution but are ambulatory and thus able to take advantage of the shopping facilities on Gottingen Street;

(5) the building of the Home for Special Care on the suggested site will act as a stimulus to further development of the general area and the economic development of the Gottingen Street shopping area;

(6) any change in site would prove costly as the architect is working on his figures and plans for the new building which is designed for the selected site; and

(7) the Gottingen Street merchants are in favour of the development taking place on the proposed location.

With respect to the Rainnie Drive site, Alderman A. M. Butler stated that this site is earmarked for another kind of development, in due course, if it is not ultimately required as the site for the Court House; also that the site is too far removed from the Gottingen Street shopping area and the open space of the Common.

He also contended that construction of the new Home

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for Special Care should be proceeded with as quickly as possible so that the grants from the Federal and Provincial Governments can be obtained.

After further discussion, the motion was put and lost as follows:

For: Aldermen Meagher, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle,
and Sullivan - 5 -

Against: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany,
Matheson, A. M. Butler, LeBlanc, Fitzgerald
and H. W. Butler - 9 -

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND HEARINGS

Public Hearing Re: Closure of Polar Street

A public hearing was held at this time in connection with the proposal to close Polar Street known as Polar Place from Almon Street northwardly as shown on Plan No. TT-7-16887.

The City Clerk stated that the matter had been duly advertized and that no written objections had been received.

At the direction of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager explained the proposal and said that the Staff report relating to the closure of Polar Street had cited the following reasons for such closure:

- (1) Polar Place is not required for City purposes;
- (2) Its retention impedes rather than helps the development of the commercial and industrial enterprises presently located in the area;
- (3) Its only useful function was to provide access to the tenants of the McLellan property;

and that subsequently it had been recommended by the Committee on Works that a public hearing be held.

The City Manager continued and said that since the

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decision had been made to hold a public hearing, he has been informed that contrary to popular belief, the street is now required by Piercey Supplies Limited as a means of access to their property and he said that this information changes the whole picture.

Further, he said that he had been advised by the Deputy City Solicitor that the whole situation had changed and perhaps it would be improper to proceed.

It was agreed to continue the public hearing since it had been scheduled for this time.

Mr. Ronald M. Pugsley appeared and made the following submission on behalf of Piercey Supplies Limited:

"I am appearing on behalf of Piercey Supplies Limited whose premises are located near the intersection of Robie Street and Kempt Road in the north end of the City.

"My clients are opposed to the closure of Polar Street, not so much as a consequence of any inconvenience that this would cause them at the present time although the problem is already felt but because of the very hardship that it would impose in the light of proposed plans of the City in connection with the development of this area, in conjunction with the second harbour bridge.

"I have talked to members of the Works Department and they advise that one possibility being considered is the closure of Kempt Road in front of Pierceys, the expropriation of property frontage bounding on the east and west side of Robie Street and the creation of a boulevard on Robie Street with two single lanes for traffic. Although the adjoining property owners will undoubtedly petition for cutoffs in the boulevard to permit access of cross lanes to their premises, cutoffs of this kind are not generally considered to be good practice and should be discouraged.

As a matter of interest, the Traffic Department has advised us that in May, 1966, between 8 and 9 o'clock in the morning an average of 800 to 900 cars per hour travelled in front of Pierceys either in a north or south direction and between 5 and 6 p.m. an average of 939 cars per hour travelled

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by of which 568 were proceeding north.

"My clients estimate that at least 60% of their business is a result of customers attending at their premises. Yesterday, for example, it was a cold day, nevertheless 160 cash transactions were recorded and probably three times as many transactions on credit.

"In short, between 500 to 600 customers attend each day for business transactions. There are perhaps two significant points to be made:

- (1) any cutoff of the boulevard in front of Pierceys to permit northern travel to enter their premises is unrealistic.
- (2) Pierceys are bound to lose customers simply because it will be less convenient to attend their premises.

"The building supplies business is highly competitive. It is estimated that there are approximately 40 firms competing for this business in the Halifax area.

"Pierceys has been in business since 1915 and has made significant contributions each year by way of taxes to the City's revenue and I do not think it is unfair to suggest that consideration should be given to this problem before you consider closing Polar Street.

"In short, as the diagrams disclose that I will be showing to you shortly, the access and egress problem could be mitigated to a large extent if Polar Street were kept open.

"What I am really suggesting is that any action on your part to close Polar Street should be deferred until such time as the proposals for Robie Street are off the drawing board and into effect. To close it now when the future plans are uncertain seems to me most unwise and could cause a serious dislocation in the progress of this Company."

No other person wished to be heard against the closing and no person wished to be heard in favour of the closing.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that no action be taken to close Polar Street but that the street remain open to public use. Motion passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

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REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on May 4, 1967, with respect to the following matters:

Confirmation of Decision to Build Lane Memorial Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, in spite of the City's capital budget position, the decision previously made by Council to have the Lane Memorial Hospital built in time to take all of the mental patients now in the Halifax Mental Hospital prior to the opening day of the Izaak Walton Killam Hospital be confirmed, provided that the Minister of Municipal Affairs approves the borrowing resolution authorizing the expenditure of the necessary funds. Motion was put and passed as follows:

For: Aldermen Abbott, Ivany, Matheson, A.M. Butler,
LeBlanc, Fitzgerald, H.W. Butler and Black -8-

Against: Aldermen Moir, Meagher, Ahern, Connolly,
Doyle, and Sullivan - 6 -

Sale of Land and Lease of Building - Children's Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the land now occupied by the Halifax Mental Hospital be sold to the Children's Hospital at a price of \$400,000.00 on condition that the Children's Hospital lease back to the City the present Halifax Mental Hospital for a period of six years certain, such lease to be subject to the following options:

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- (a) the east wing of the Halifax Mental Hospital building to be leased to the City for a further period of four years at the discretion of the Children's Hospital;
- (b) the balance of the said property to be leased to the City for a period of four years further to the six-year certain term at the discretion of the City of Halifax.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ivany that the sale of the land to the Children's Hospital be subject to a reservation of sufficient land on Robie Street required for street widening purposes after negotiations between the City Staff and representatives of the Children's Hospital. The amendment was put and passed.

The motion as amended was then put and passed.

Amendment to Lease - Rehabilitation Council Re: Anderson Square

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the lease, dated February 14, 1964, and amendment dated November 17, 1965, between the City and the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council respecting the lands at Anderson Square be amended to provide for a deferral of the commencement and completion dates with respect to the construction of the proposed Rehabilitation Centre, subject to confirmation in writing from the said Council that:

- (a) the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council will assume **full** responsibility for removal of the heating plant at Anderson Square when it is no longer required;
- (b) the Rehabilitation Council is prepared to commence construction of its new Centre as soon as the plans and **spec-**ifications have been approved by the appropriate agencies of the Federal and Provincial Governments;
- (c) that Federal and Provincial Government financial **particip-**ation in the cost of construction of the Centre **is** assured.

Motion passed.

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Waiver of Clause 4 - Lease Between D.N.D. and City of Halifax Re:
Anderson Square

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Clause 4 of the lease, dated February 14, 1964, between the City and the Department of National Defence as it pertains to the removal of the heating plant at Anderson Square be waived, subject to acceptance by the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council to assume the responsibility for such removal.

The City Clerk advised that a letter had been received from the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council assuming responsibility for the removal of the heating plant. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 1877 Argyle Street

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$58,500.00 be paid to Halcraft Printing Limited as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation by the City of their property at 1877 Argyle Street, located within the Central Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - #7 Elevator Court

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$3,000.00 be paid to Mr. L.J. LePine as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition of his property at #7 Elevator Court, located within the boundaries of the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area approved by the City, but not within the cost-shared area, funds to be provided from the Sale of Land Account. Motion passed.

A formal resolution authorizing the withdrawal of \$3,500.00 from the Land Sale Account to cover the purchase price and incidental costs in connection with the property #7 Elevator Court was submitted.

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

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Property Settlement - 2292 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$9,800.00 be paid to Harry M. Flumerfelt as settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisition by the City of his property at 2292 Barrington Street, located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 2301-2303 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$30,000.00 be paid to Mrs. Ethel Michael and the Estate of Morris Jacobson as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of the property at 2301-2303 Brunswick Street, located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 2351-55-57 Gottingen Street and 5469
Gerrish Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$31,350.00 be paid to the Estate of Ida Mosher as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of the properties at 2351-2355-2357 Gottingen Street and 5469 Gerrish Street, located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 5214 Gerrish Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,

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the sum of \$11,000.00 be paid to Mrs. Jean Levy as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of her property at 5214 Gerrish Street, located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 2560 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$12,000.00 be paid to Yvon Bastarache as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of his property at 2560 Barrington Street, located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Property Settlement - 5431 Gerrish Street

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$1,300.00 be paid to Mr. Max Pascal as settlement in full for all claims for interest and costs in connection with acquisition by the City of his property at 5431 Gerrish Street. Motion passed.

Acquisition of Land - Saint Patrick's High School Extension

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, additional land required in connection with the extension of Saint Patrick's High School on Windsor Street be acquired as follows:

- (a) Lot "A" as shown on Drawing No. P350-25 dated April 27, 1967, be purchased by the City from the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for

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the sum of \$160,000.00; with reservation of a right-of-way to the said Episcopal Corporation over the land shown on the said Drawing No. P350-25 and Marked "A-A";

- (b) the sum of \$1.00 be paid to the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for an easement over the land shown as Lot B on Drawing No. P350-25;
- (c) a borrowing resolution for \$168,500.00 be approved to cover the purchase price, cost of appraisals, demolition and contingencies.

After a full discussion, the motion was put and passed.

A borrowing resolution for the sum of \$168,500.00 was submitted.

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

Replacement of Furnaces - Bayers Road Housing Project

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the budget of the Halifax Housing Authority be increased by \$20,400.00 annually for three (3) years to cover the cost of replacing the remaining 102 coal furnaces by new oil furnaces at the Bayers Road Housing Project, such replacement program to be staggered over the next three (3) years as

follows:

1967 - 34 units @ \$600.00 - \$20,400.00
1968 - 34 units @ \$600.00 - \$20,400.00
1969 - 34 units @ \$600.00 - \$20,400.00

Alderman LeBlanc asked if the price for the replacement units had been obtained by tender and Alderman Fitzgerald asked if any consideration had been given to compensating the tenants who replaced the furnaces at their own cost.

The City Manager was directed to obtain answers to the questions from the Halifax Housing Authority and report at a subsequent meeting. The motion was then passed.

Pension - Mr. J. A. Hardiman

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,

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pursuant to Legislation passed this year, Mr. James Hardiman, retired City employee, be permitted to make a contribution to the Halifax Superannuation Fund in accordance with the formula set out below, and that upon payment of such sum, he shall be deemed to have made such contribution prior to the 11th day of April, 1957, and shall be eligible for and entitled to receive all the benefits as provided in Sections 17 and 20 of Chapter 90 of the Acts of 1966, from the date he retired from employment with the City:

Contribution based on wages	\$188.88
Interest at 6% on an instalment basis over a six-year period	32.88
Payment in lieu of earnings on the contribution of \$188.88 plus interest (based on average earnings of the Fund).....	47.79
	<u>\$269.55</u>

Motion passed with Aldermen Black, A. M. Butler and Moir voting against.

Poll Tax Collections

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the following action be taken in the Poll Tax Collection effort:

- (a) Use of collection agency to supply addresses after the Staff has used every effort to locate the debtor;
- (b) The cut-off for use of the collection agency in collection arrears for 1958 to 1962 be deferred until recoveries are minimal;
- (c) when a cut-off date is established, institute an annual write-off, subject to review by the Finance Committee and City Council, of poll taxes

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Group 1 that are more than six (6) years in arrears.
12 Authorize the use of a collection agency in
8 the fourth year of arrears; and

Group 11 (d) the policy be reviewed in October of 1967 when
legislation is being considered.

Motion passed.

Parking Meter Collector's Car

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Abbott
that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,
the Staff be authorized to call for tenders for a new car to
replace the 1958 model car used in the collection of parking
meter revenue, funds for this purpose to be provided out of
parking meter revenues. Motion passed.

Change of Effective Date for License Year

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

- (a) all permits and licenses issued by the City
become due and payable on January 1st of each
year;
- (b) the permit and/or license year be from January
1st to December 31st, and
- (c) the appropriate ordinances, etc., be amended
accordingly.

Motion passed.

Mileage Allowance

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman
Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive
Committee, the following schedule of compensation for use of
private cars on City business be approved:

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Group 1 For regular required use - \$55.00 per month, plus
12¢ per mile for travel in excess of 5500 miles in
a given year.

Group 11 For casual use - 12¢ per mile

The positions in Group 1 include the following:

Works Department - City Electrician
Engineers
Sewer Inspector
Paving Inspector

Development Department - Housing Inspector
Social Worker

Health & Welfare Department - Psychiatric Social
Worker
Director of Welfare
Director of Health
Services
Public Health Inspector
(milk & water supply
only)

The affected positions in Group 11 are as follows:

Development Department - Traffic Engineer
Deputy Building Inspector

Health & Welfare Department - Director of Public
Health and Welfare
Director of Dental
Services
Director of Maternal and
Child Health

Motion passed.

Supplementary Appropriation - Alterations to Canteen Buildings -
\$1,000.00 - Section 316C

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman

Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive
Committee, a supplementary appropriation in the amount of
\$1,000.00 be approved to cover the cost of necessary repairs
to the canteen buildings at the Public Gardens and Central Common
Playgrounds, Bell Road, Halifax, funds to be provided under the

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authority of Section 316C of the City Charter. Motion passed.

Application for Tag Day

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, permission be granted to the Halifax Minor Baseball Association to hold a Tag Day on July 7 and 8, 1967. Motion passed.

Final Certificate - Fundy Construction Company Limited - Sewer Retention Tank - \$15,900.09

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, payment of the sum of \$15,900.09 be made to Fundy Construction Company Limited as per Certificate No. 13 (Final) respecting construction of the Sewer Retention Tank on Fairfield Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Motion passed.

Authority to Expend in Excess of \$1,000.00

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the Staff be authorized to expend the sum of \$1,160.00 for the purchase of a Model 316 Transmatic S.C.M. Calculator, funds to be provided as follows:

\$1,100.00 - Current Account No. 3-107-450
 60.00 - Supplementary Appropriation under the
\$1,160.00 authority of Section 316C of the City Charter

Motion passed.

Borrowing Resolution - Regional Jail

Alderman Matheson referred to violators of the Nova Scotia Liquor Control Act, the majority of whom serve a number of short-term sentences annually, and he contented that the

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City should not be spending money to provide expensive facilities for this type of violator in a maximum security jail.

He said these people are sick people who should not be punished for their weakness but that other facilities should be provided for them.

Alderman Black said that the Regional Authority had given some consideration to the type of thinking expressed by Alderman Matheson but as a member of the Regional Authority, he would broach the matter at the next meeting of the Authority in an effort to have representations made to the appropriate authority for provision of facilities for violators of the Liquor Control Act.

Alderman Matheson contended that it would be too late to do anything after the jail is built.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Director of Health for his comments.

The Director of Health stated that the question raised by Alderman Matheson has been the subject of considerable discussion by the Technical Advisory Committee to the Regional Authority.

He said it is a very complex subject with certain overtones of personal liberties, etc., that have been thoroughly gone into by persons at the Provincial level in Ontario where some millions of dollars were proposed to be spent on special facilities for violators of the Liquor Control Act; but the legal implications have very seriously put a crimp in the plans because long periods of incarceration are required in respect

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of the Rehabilitation Program which is involved in the new approach.

He said that his Department has had discussions with the Department of Public Health of the Provincial Government together with the representatives of the Alcoholism Research Foundation with respect to the use of facilities of the Nova Scotia Hospital, but he repeated that it is a very complex problem to which there is no simple solution; and he said that to date, no one has been able to offer a very practical solution.

His Worship the Mayor said that he had spoken to Mr. John Arnott of the John Howard Society who had advised him that the Technical Advisory Committee had gone into all the questions related to the building of the new jail and a full report had been submitted to the Deputy Attorney General for the Province and that all of the material had been made available to the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority.

Alderman Matheson said that his only concern was that the Regional Authority had considered this question before making the decision.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a borrowing resolution as requested by the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority be approved to cover the temporary borrowings and the actual bond issue required in connection with the construction of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Jail, the purpose being to provide a guarantee of any funds borrowed by the Regional Authority for such construction. Motion passed unanimously.

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REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee on Works held on May 2, 1967, with respect to the following matters:

Tenders for Demolition of Buildings

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the lowest tenders for the demolition of buildings be accepted as follows:

Group One: 5079 George Street, 5090 George Street
George A. Redmond - \$5,700.00 provided a Performance Bond in the amount of \$11,400.00 is deposited with the City. Funds for this work have been provided in Capital Account No. 59-25 (Waterfront Redevelopment).

Group Two: 2237 Maynard Street
George A. Redmond - \$700.00 provided a Performance Bond in the amount of \$1,400.00 is deposited with the City. Cost of demolition to be charged to the owner as a lien on the property.

Motion passed.

Canteen Concession Fleming Park

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the canteen concession for Fleming Park be awarded to Kenneth Chaddock, Jollimore, N. S. in the amount of \$7,160.00 for a period of three years. Motion passed.

Call for Tenders Mobile Canteen Concessions - Wanderers' Grounds and Horseshoe Island

The following report was submitted:

"It is recommended that new tenders be called with respect to the canteen concessions at the Wanderers' Grounds for a mobile type canteen. The tender call to indicate whether or not it includes the Highland Games.

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It is recommended that new tenders be called with respect to the canteen concessions at Horseshoe Island for a mobile type canteen."

The City Solicitor advised that under the City Charter, it is not permissible for the City to locate mobile canteens in any section of the City, with the exception of one on the Commons.

It was agreed to refer this matter back to the Committee on Works for further consideration.

Request for Sewer Installation - Ogilvie and Brussels Streets

The report advised that Commercial Developments (Maritimes) Limited were requesting sewer services be provided for their lot at the south west corner of Ogilvie and Brussels Streets. This installation would cost \$243,350.00, and the City would receive only \$22,744.00 for betterment charges.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, no action be taken for the time being as the City is under no obligation to supply sewers to all properties in the City, as well as the prohibitive cost involved. Motion passed.

Closing James Street - Date for Hearing

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the section of James Street from West Street northwardly 175 feet be closed to permit the erection of the new Fire Department Headquarters at West Street and that a date be set for a public hearing into the matter.

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Alderman Connolly referred to complaints he had received from individuals concerned about the closing of James Street with respect to the fact that City Staff would not talk with the persons involved.

The City Manager advised that it is the practice of City Staff to deal with the lawyer acting for the individuals concerned at all times, but that if the people wish to dismiss the lawyer, City Staff would be quite willing to talk with them.

After a short discussion, the motion was put and passed and June 15, 1967 fixed as a date for a public hearing into the matter.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Safety Committee held on May 2, 1967 with respect to the following matters:

Tenders for Fire Hose

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the tender of B. T. R. Industries Canada Limited, for the supply of three inch, single jacket fire hose at a cost of \$69.75 per 50 ft. length to the Halifax Fire Department, be accepted. Motion passed.

Increase Parking Meter Fines

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, City Council

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request the Traffic Authority to give consideration to increasing the Parking Meter Fine to \$2.00.

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

For: Aldermen Abbott, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler, LeBlanc, Fitzgerald, H. W. Butler and Black 8

Against: Aldermen Moir, Meagher, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, and Sullivan 6

Request - Children's Aid Society for Bicycles, Etc.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the Police Department be authorized to sell nineteen bicycles, from the number unclaimed at the Police Station, to the Children's Aid Society of Halifax for the sum of \$5.00 each. Motion passed.

10:00 p.m. Alderman Abbott retires.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council held on May 10, 1967 with respect to the following matter:

Development Plan

Staff reports dated March 16, 1967 and May 9, 1967 respecting the Development Plan were referred to City Council for consideration.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ivany that Council proceed to consider the matter at the present time. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ahern

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that this matter be deferred for a Special Meeting of City Council to be held at the call of the Chair. Motion lost.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher that this item be considered when all other Council business has been dealt with. Motion passed.

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on May 2, 1967, with respect to the following matters:

Rezoning - 6178 Almon Street - R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone

The report of the Board reads as follows:

"It is recommended that the application for rezoning the property at 6178 Almon Street from R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone to permit its use as a funeral home, be rejected."

Mr. Fred Dickson, Solicitor for the applicant requested that this application be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that this matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration. Motion passed.

Creighton Street and Brunswick Street Housing

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board:

1. The preliminary plans for the Creighton Street housing be approved.
2. The preliminary plans for the Brunswick Street housing be approved, subject to satisfactory solutions to the problems outlined in the Staff report. It is suggested that these problems can be solved in the following manner:

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- a) Information on the functional design of Harbour Drive north of Cornwallis Street is to be made available to staff on May 9, 1967 and no final decision on the elevation of the buildings should be taken until it can be related to this functional design.
- b) The Uniacke Square Development Plan proposed closure of Gerrish Street from Gottingen Street to Barrington Street in order to preserve and protect the residential complex to be created. The matter was before Council in 1962, 1963 and 1966 when the future use of Gerrish Street was explained in some detail by staff. The closure of Gerrish Street will permit it to be incorporated into the project as a service lane leading from Brunswick Street to the northerly entrance.
- c) The northerly service lane and the service lane from Brunswick Street should be altered to provide a continuous lane from the present Gerrish Street area to Brunswick Street. This service lane would be a project lane rather than a public street.

On closure of Gerrish Street, there would be a continuous service lane around the northeast and southerly boundary of the project. At that time, consideration could be given to creating a one-way flow of traffic on this service lane.

The minimum width of the lanes should, if possible, be 25 feet.

- d) The houses proposed to be sited on the northerly boundary should be set back far enough to ensure no encroachment by steps or porches.

Motion passed.

Regulations Respecting the Parking of Trailers and Boats in Residential Areas

The Board had for consideration and discussion, Regulations Respecting the Parking of Trailers and Boats in Residential Areas, and recommended adoption of the Regulations with certain amendments.

Council permitted Mr. Fred Briggs to address the