

The motion was put and passed as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher,  
LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle and Sullivan - 8  
AGAINST IT: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Fitzgerald and  
H. W. Butler - 5

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

No report was submitted for consideration at this time.

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

No report was submitted for consideration at this time.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Ordinance No. 122 - Tax Concessions for New Commercial and Industrial Construction (Second Reading)  
(DEFER)

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Matheson that the item be deferred to give the City Solicitor an opportunity to re-draft the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Amendment to Ordinance No. 55 - Respecting Tag Days and the Solicitation of Money on the Streets (Second Reading) (DEFER)

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that the item be deferred to give the City Solicitor an opportunity to re-draft the Ordinance. Motion passed.

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REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the Town Planning Board from its meeting held on January 2, 1968, with respect to the following matters:

Extension to a Non-conforming Building - 6407 Bayers Road

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the application for an extension to a non-conforming building at 6407 Bayers Road, as shown on Drawing No. P200/2335, to permit the construction of a second storey addition, be approved. Motion passed.

Rezoning R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business -  
5242-5244 Green Street

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the application for rezoning of the property at 5242-5244 Green Street from R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business, as shown on Drawing No. P200/2333, to permit one room on the ground floor of the building to be used as an office from which to operate an Export and Import business, be rejected. Motion passed.

Siting of Memorial Sherman Tank

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the Memorial Sherman Tank be located adjacent to the entrance of the new Central Commons Field House facing Cogswell Street, as recommended by the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission. Motion passed.

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Site for Provincial Park - Moirs Dam

The report of the Board reads as follows:

"The Board had for consideration a letter from the Bedford Service Commission requesting support from City Council of a request submitted to the Premier of Nova Scotia that the Province of Nova Scotia acquire and develop as a Provincial Park the area of Moirs Dam near Bedford.

It is recommended that City Council support the request of the Bedford Service Commission."

Alderman LeBlanc felt that the land referred to could be developed as an excellent park and strongly urged Council to investigate this possibility. He said that after Annexation has taken place this area of land will be adjacent to the City boundaries. He stated that the matter has been discussed at the Tourist and Convention Committee earlier this week and a communication will be forthcoming from that body relating to the matter.

Alderman Matheson felt that the City should investigate the possibility of purchasing the land which has an area of approximately 22 acres. He suggested that the matter should be treated as one of urgency. He said that he would support the recommendation of the Town Planning Board if a rider was added indicating the City's interest in the land and that an approach should be made to the owners to ascertain a purchase price.

Alderman Fitzgerald said that he would support the recommendation, but referred to a large portion of land adjacent to Fleming Park which is undeveloped at the present time and which, with a minimum of expense, could be developed as an

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excellent park.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Moir that City Council support the request of the Bedford Service Commission and that the City make enquiries about the value and the availability of the Moirs Dam lands. Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Accounts Over \$1,000.00

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Ivany that the Acting City Manager be authorized to pay the following accounts over \$1,000.00:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Moore Business Forms Limited	Parking Violation tickets	\$ 1,455.10
N. S. Housing Commission	City's share Expenditures Federal Provincial Projects for quarter ending Sept. 30, 1967.	24,486.60
Gordon B. Isnor Ltd.	Coats for school crossing guards	1,064.00
		<u>\$27,005.70</u>

Motion passed.

Report - Advisory Committee on Parking

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Advisory Committee on Parking, City Council authorize Staff to begin negotiations immediately on an exclusive basis with Bryant Realty and Leasehold Company, being the only Company submitting a proposal prior to the December 31, 1967 deadline of the Call

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for Proposals, with a time limit of three months, aimed at securing a development on the site of the Grafton Street Parking Lot in the best interests of the City of Halifax.

Motion passed.

Expropriation of Properties - Cogswell Street/Harbour Drive Interchange and Redevelopment Purposes - 3rd Group

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above-noted subject.

After discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that City Staff be authorized to notify the affected owners/tenants that vacant possession of their properties will be required in accordance with the scheduled dates, as listed below, and that if negotiations for acquisition by agreement are unsuccessful, the appropriate expropriation resolutions, plans and descriptions will be filed on that date:

GROUP 3

1. May 1, 1968  
Hilda Watson  
2109 Barrington Street  
  
Estate Bridget Ead and Estate John Ead  
5118 Proctor Street and 236-240 Upper Water Street (Vacant Land)  
  
Estate John Stonley  
2 Proctor Street (Vacant Land)  
  
Estate Patrick Power  
246-248 Upper Water Street  
(Vacant Land)  
  
William Collings and Sons Limited  
Barrington Street and Upper Water Street (Vacant Land)

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2. June 3, 1968
- Karlsen Shipping Company Limited  
2089 Upper Water Street
  - Grimsby Group of Canada Limited  
2099 Upper Water Street
  - Mahar's Transfer Express Limited  
2111 Upper Water Street
  - Atlantic Spring and Machine  
Company Limited  
2119 Upper Water Street
  - Howard A and Audrey Salter  
2115-17-19 Barrington Street
  - William Collings and Sons Limited  
2095 Barrington Street
3. August 1, 1968
- William Collings and Sons Limited  
2095 Barrington Street (Part  
Vacant Land)
  - Estate John James Brown  
2054-56-58 Upper Water Street
  - Salvation Army  
2035-45 Barrington Street
  - Mary E. Morgan  
2026-28-30 Upper Water Street
  - Louis Newman  
2023-25 Barrington Street
  - William Moir  
2015-17 Barrington Street
  - John E. Ahern  
2014-18 Upper Water Street
  - Halifax Labour Temple Association  
5410 Cogswell Street
  - Imperial Oil Company Limited  
Civic Wharf - Upper Water Street
  - James Simmonds and Company Limited  
1855 Upper Water Street
  - Pickford and Black Limited  
1867 Upper Water Street

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Nova Scotia Shippers Limited  
Rear 1885 Upper Water Street

Donald C. Keddy Limited  
1879 Upper Water Street

Sullivan Storage Company Limited  
1879 Upper Water Street

Joseph Simon  
1885 Upper Water Street

Motion passed with Aldermen Ahern and LeBlanc voting against.

Staff Report - Creighton Street Housing Project

The following report was submitted from Staff:

"The preliminary plan of the Creighton Street Housing Project submitted to the City by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation was approved on May 11, 1967. Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation has now finalized their working drawings and tender documents and has submitted them to the City for approval. Staff has examined the drawings and have no major objection to the submission. However, Staff would recommend the following changes:

1. All catch basins should have concrete bases.
2. Particular care should be given to all drainage areas, e.g., drainage at southeast corner of Block "B" runs onto private property.
3. Grades should all be established from a finished curb and gutter grade. A finished grade should be set for Creighton Street.
4. All driveway entrances into parking lots to have sidewalk running through with standard 20'+ concrete driveway ramp.
5. Concrete sidewalk to be 9' -0" from face of curb. Area between rear of sidewalk and face of sidewalk to back of curb and gutter to be sodded.
6. Plans show only concrete curb. Standard curb and gutter are strongly recommended. In this way grades for parking lots and driveway entrances are established at the same time. By using just concrete curb, bird baths occur in asphalt and are a continual maintenance problem.

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7. The position of the lower window in the front elevation in each unit should be adjusted so that at least one side should align with one side of the windows on the upper floor.

It is, therefore, recommended that the working drawings and tender documents be approved subject to the changes recommended by Staff."

A Senior Planner displayed preliminary drawings of the project at the request of members of Council.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the working drawings and tender documents submitted by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the Creighton Street Housing Project be approved, subject to the changes recommended by Staff and as set out in the Staff Report. Motion passed with Alderman Ahern voting against.

Staff Report - Maitland Street Apartment Building

The following report was submitted from Staff:

"Council by resolution on November 16, 1967 requested Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to proceed with design and construction of public housing on certain lands on Gottingen Street between the Halifax North Memorial Library and Phase I of Uniacke Square under Section 35A of the National Housing Act. The Resolution also specified that May 1, 1968 be a tentative date set for a call for tenders and that the Project be developed in accordance with maximum density controls applicable under the present City By-law and that the project contain bachelor, one and two bedroom housing units.

Preliminary design work by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for this project (called the Maitland Street apartment building) is now in progress. Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation would like to obtain the City's concurrence for two aspects of the preliminary design.

1. Only 50 per cent parking will be provided (all at grade) with the provision that if additional parking is required in the future a parking deck can be built over the service parking area.

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2. The building will be of ten storeys with the following number and types of units:

9 bachelor  
38 one-bedroom  
46 two-bedroom  
93 units

Part XV (k) of the Zoning By-law reads as follows:

"Notwithstanding anything in this By-law contained, the City Council may permit the erection of multiple dwelling units on any land owned by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and may modify any regulations in this By-law as the Council may deem necessary to permit the erection of such multiple dwelling units on any such lands."

According to this provision, Council may grant permission for 50 per cent parking. Most of the units proposed in the building are one and two bedroom which usually have a goodly percentage of women as head of the household. Automobile ownership is infrequent in such families, especially in public housing. Furthermore, the site is close to shopping and neighbourhood facilities well served by transit and within walking distance of downtown. For this reason Staff has no objection to the 50 per cent parking, especially when the design provides for the possibility of additional parking on a deck over the at-grade parking if it is found later that additional spaces are needed.

Inso far as the allocation of the number and types of dwelling units, Staff is of the opinion that this is satisfactory as it balances the large number of three and four bedroom units in the adjacent Uniacke Square Housing Project.

The Halifax Housing Authority has been consulted on these matters and is in agreement with them.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is, therefore, recommended that City Council concur in the preliminary design as presented thus far by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation."

The Senior Planner indicated to members of Council that the proposed apartment building is of ten-storeys and a creche is proposed in the basement for children of working mothers.

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Alderman Ivany said that he had viewed the preliminary drawings whilst in Ottawa attending the Housing Conference and said that in his opinion the design was comparable to that of any private apartment development.

Alderman LeBlanc was concerned as to whether or not the 50% parking provision would create a precedent for private developers.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that City Council concur with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in the matters of 50% parking for the apartment building project on Gottingen Street and with the allocation of bedroom units. Motion passed.

Rebate - Diesel Fuel Tax - N. S. Light & Power Co. Ltd.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that a rebate, in the amount of \$3,739.76, to Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited for the period October 1, 1967 to December 31, 1967, in accordance with the provisions of Section 15, Chapter 8 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1965, as it relates to the Gasoline and Diesel Oil Tax Act, be approved. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Sullivan - Basinview Home

Alderman Sullivan referred to a discussion he had had recently with Mr. F. MacKinnon, Deputy Minister of Public Welfare and a visit he made to the present Basinview Home and he asked if it was possible for the new Home to be started

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very shortly as a matter of urgency. He felt that the people living in the home were not receiving proper care because of the age of the building and certain antiquated facilities.

The Director of Health and Welfare advised that a new Home is needed as quickly as possible, but the medical care that the inmates receive is of the best.

Alderman Sullivan felt that sufficient money for the construction of a new Home should be obtained immediately.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that further discussion should be held on this matter when the Capital Budget is under consideration shortly.

Question Alderman Connolly - Editorial in Mail-Star dated  
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Alderman Connolly referred to an editorial on the front page of the Mail-Star and asked if the Director of Finance could prepare a report giving the answers to the questions contained therein.

Question Alderman LeBlanc - Snow Clearance after a Storm

Alderman LeBlanc asked if snow plowing equipment is being used after the streets are plowed, to clear snow from gaps in boulevards and widen certain streets further to facilitate the flow of traffic.

His Worship the Mayor advised that he had noticed plows working on Connaught Avenue doing this very job.

Alderman LeBlanc suggested that the Superintendent of Operations at City Field be encouraged to look at this

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aspect of snow clearance further.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald - Report from Summer Games  
Committee

Alderman Fitzgerald asked if it would be possible to have a report from the Canadian Summer Games Committee outlining the progress to date.

Alderman A. M. Butler indicated that such a report could be prepared and advised that the resignation of the President, Mr. A. Patterson, has caused some delays in progress.

Question Alderman Ivany - Assessments of Expropriated  
Properties

Alderman Ivany asked if it would be possible for members of Council to be informed of the assessments of those properties which are being expropriated by the City.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the assessments are generally indicated by Staff and referred to a report received at this meeting and stated that the assessments were indicated on an earlier Staff report.

Question Alderman Ivany - List of Priorities

Alderman Ivany asked if it was not time to review the list of priorities of certain projects and other work of the City.

His Worship the Mayor said that priorities for certain projects will be established during consideration of the Capital Budget.

Alderman Ivany said that he is concerned by the

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fact that considerable time is being spent at meetings, etc.  
and the insignificant number of things being accomplished.

Question Alderman Ahern - Stadium for Canadian Summer Games

Alderman Ahern referred to a question he had asked  
at a previous meeting relating to the location of the  
Stadium to be constructed for the 1969 Canadian Summer Games.

Alderman A. M. Butler indicated that this has  
a top place on the matters under discussion by the Summer  
Games Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Rescission - Alderman A. M. Butler - Cogswell  
Street/Harbour Drive Interchange

Alderman A. M. Butler gave notice that, at the  
next regular meeting of Council to be held on January 25,  
1968, he will move that the resolutions approved by Council  
on July 19 and December 20, 1967 respecting the Cogswell  
Street - Harbour Drive Interchange, as recommended by  
A. D. Margison and Associates, be rescinded.

Notice of Motion - Alderman A. M. Butler - Cogswell Street/  
Harbour Drive Interchange

Alderman A. M. Butler gave notice that, at the  
next regular meeting of Council, he will move that the  
alternate proposal by Mr. Allan Duffus for the Cogswell  
Street - Harbour Drive Interchange, as presented to Council  
on December 20, 1967, be approved.

Notice of Motion - Alderman LeBlanc - Private Informal  
Meeting with City Staff and Unions

Alderman LeBlanc gave notice that, at the next

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regular meeting of City Council, he will move that a private, informal meeting be held between members of Council, representatives of the Unions and every City department to discuss Staff relationships and morale.

ADDED ITEMS

Hi-Cap Maritimes Limited

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the above mentioned property, a portion of which is required for the construction of the Creighton Street Housing Project, and he asked for clarification of the negotiations and procedures followed to date with the owners of the property.

His Worship the Mayor advised that there appears to be a difference in the interpretation of the Council action by the Solicitor for Hi-Cap and the City Solicitor. He suggested that the City Solicitor be asked to outline his understanding of the matter.

The City Solicitor reviewed the matter for members of Council and advised that the action taken by Council was to acquire the rear portion of the Hi-Cap property which is presently zoned R-3. He said that certain members of Council expressed the view that the whole property should be acquired by the City, but no decision was reached on that point. He stated that legislation would be required before the City could acquire the whole property, since under the City Charter, the City is required to have a purpose for such acquisition. He felt that the Solicitor for Hi-Cap after

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hearing the discussion and expressions of sympathy from some Aldermen, accepted the expressions as the intent to purchase the whole property.

Alderman Sullivan said that he had asked on a previous occasion for a written report from the Industrial Development Commission relating to their dealings with the Company on the matter of an alternative site.

His Worship the Mayor said that he had indicated previously that the Industrial Development Commission, were informed by the Solicitor of the Company that alternative arrangements had been made for a site.

After further discussion, it was agreed that Staff should prepare a report outlining the position of the matter to date and indicating any assistance that has been given the Company in the relocation of the business.

#### Centennial

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the Centennial Year just passed and the programme which had been arranged throughout the year and felt that Council should record a vote of thanks to the Chairman of the Centennial Committee, Alderman Donald G. LeBlanc, who so ably handled the organization of the celebrations.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Abbott that a vote of thanks be given to Alderman LeBlanc for a job well done. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor presented to Alderman LeBlanc

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on behalf of the City of Halifax, a tray engraved with the crest of the City of Halifax in appreciation for the work he did in connection with the Centennial Celebrations in the City.

Alderman LeBlanc expressed his thanks and contended that he would have been unable to succeed without the assistance of the Committee and he thanked all the persons who assisted him in so many ways.

9:55 p.m. Council adjourned to meet privately in the Mayor's Office.

10:46 p.m. Council reconvened, the same persons being present.

Report - His Worship the Mayor Re: City Manager

The following report was submitted by His Worship the Mayor and read by the City Clerk:

"As members of City Council have been informed, Candidate A has decided against coming to Halifax and is not open to negotiations.

Private informal meetings of Council will continue, in order to determine next steps aimed at a suitable appointment."

It was then MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that the City Council appoint the Acting City Manager, Mr. S. Arnold Ward, to the position of City Manager at a salary of \$20,000.00 per annum with the assurance to him that the salary will be reviewed after one year's service with a view of an adjustment depending upon his performance in that office during that period.

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Alderman Matheson contended that Mr. Ward had given good and efficient service to the City as Director of Finance and Acting City Manager. He felt that Mr. Ward has had the confidence of all members of Council in both positions, his relations with Council have been excellent and it would appear that he has had good relations with Staff. He said he considered Mr. Ward a better choice than either Candidates B or C as the alternatives submitted by the firm of management consultants.

Alderman H. W. Butler subscribed to the remarks of Alderman Matheson.

Alderman Connolly then referred to a letter from Mr. Arthur Ward, Training and Personnel Officer, which listed the qualifications for the position of City Manager. He then referred to the advertisement placed by the management consultants which stated that such qualifications should require a university education as well as several years in the municipal field. He said he was led to believe that the person appointed as City Manager should be a trained engineer, accountant or administrator. As a matter of principle, he said he could not vote for Mr. Ward.

Alderman LeBlanc was of the opinion that Mr. Ward was a capable and dedicated employee as well as an excellent Director of Finance. He said he would vote against the motion strictly on the basis that he thought the qualifications for the position of City Manager should be higher. He indi-

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cated he would be willing to co-operate and work with Mr. Ward and wished him every success should he be appointed.

Alderman Sullivan stated that he would support Mr. Ward but regretted that Mr. West had withdrawn his application because he felt he was qualified, experienced and capable of the position. From his observance of Mr. Ward as Acting City Manager, he felt that he would do a good job as City Manager.

Alderman Ahern contended that Mr. Ward was a fully qualified man based on experience he had with him and that he would be a good City Manager as he is fair-minded and receives good co-operation from Staff.

The motion was then put and passed, ten voting for the same and three against it as follows:

For:	Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, Ahern, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler	10
Against:	Aldermen Ivany, LeBlanc and Connolly	3

His Worship the Mayor at this time congratulated Council on its decision and Mr. Ward on his appointment.

Mr. Ward thanked the members of Council for their support and confidence they had placed in him. He advised that he would carry out his duties to the best of his ability.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the City Manager be authorized to engage the services of a placement agency to obtain a suitable person to fill the vacant position of Director of Finance.  
Motion passed.

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11:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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8:00 p.m.

- 1. Lord's Prayer
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Minutes: January 3, 5, and 11, 1968
- 4. Approval of Order of Business, Additions & Deletions

- 5. Deferred Items:
  - (a) Expropriation of Land - Africville
  - (b) Appointments - The Housing Authority of Halifax

Motions of Reconsideration: NONE

- 7. Motions of Rescission:
  - (a) Motion of Alderman A. M. Butler to Rescind the Resolutions Approved by Council on July 19 and December 20, 1967, respecting the Cogswell Street - Harbour Drive Interchange as recommended by A. D. Margison & Associates

- 8. Public Hearings & Hearings:
  - (a) Public Hearing Re: Rezoning #6287-6311 Liverpool Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone

9. Petitions & Delegations

- 10. Report - Finance and Executive Committee:
  - (a) Halifax Mental Hospital - Accounts
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  - (c) Property Acquisition - #5432 Gerrish Street
  - (d) Staff Benefit Proposal - The Housing Authority of Halifax
  - (e) Bank Borrowing Resolution
  - (f) Request for Increased Pension - Retired Policemen
  - (g) Grant - Atlantic Child Guidance Centre - Interim Payment

- 11. Report - Committee on Works:
  - (a) Tenders for Demolition of Buildings
  - (b) Snow Clearing Around School Properties

- 12. Report - Safety Committee:
  - (a) Symbolite Traffic Signals
  - (b) Tenders - Parking Meters

- 13. Report - Public Health & Welfare Committee:
  - (a) Tenders for Groceries & Cleaning Materials
  - (b) Tenders for Bread Supplies

Report - Committee of the Whole Council, Boards & Commissions:

- (a) Ordinance #122 - Tax Concessions for New Commercial & Industrial Construction (Second Reading) (DEFER)
- (b) Amendment to Ordinance #55 - Respecting Tag Days and the Solicitation of Money on the Streets (Second Reading) (DEFER)
- (c) Terms of Reference - City Field
- (d) Recreation Facilities - Ward 5

Report - Town Planning Board:

- (a) Alteration to a Subdivision - Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation, Windsor Street
- (b) Amendments to Ordinance #50

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- (a) Motion - Alderman A. M. Butler Re: Alternate Proposal Cogswell Street/Harbour Drive Interchange
- (b) Motion - Alderman LeBlanc Re: Private Informal Meeting with City Staff and Unions

Miscellaneous Business:

- (a) Accounts Over \$1000
- (b) Report - Housing Committee
- (c) Report - Advisory Committee on the Preservation of Historic Buildings
- (d) 1968 Legislation

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Council Chamber,  
City Hall, 1968  
Halifax, N. S.,  
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8:00 p.m.

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

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

There were present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Black, Abbott, Ivany, Moir, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Doyle, H. W. Butler and Fitzgerald.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of the meetings held on January 3, 5 and 11 were approved on motion of Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The Order of Business as prepared by the City Clerk was submitted for approval.

The City Clerk asked that an item be added entitled "Appointments to Hospital Board, Committees, etc."

It was agreed to add the item.

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

DEFERRED ITEMS

Expropriation of Lands - Africville

Further deferred.

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Appointments - The Housing Authority of Halifax

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following persons for appointment to the Housing Authority of Halifax to replace Messrs. Peter Herschorn and R.B. Grant, whose terms have expired: Rev. Father Colin Campbell and Mr. S. J. Langmaid.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the appointment of Rev. Father Colin Campbell and Mr. S. J. Langmaid to the Housing Authority of Halifax be confirmed.

Motion passed.

8:03 p.m. Aldermen Sullivan and Matheson arrive.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

No Motions of Reconsideration were heard at this time.

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

Motion of Alderman A. M Butler to Rescind the Resolutions Approved by Council on July 19 and December 20, 1967, respecting the Cogswell Street - Harbour Drive Interchange as recommended by A.D. Margison & Associates

Alderman A. M Butler said that before making his motion he would ask Council to suspend the Rules of Order and permit him to withhold making his motion until a subsequent meeting in order that some arrangement could be made to examine more closely, the merits of the alternative scheme for the Cogswell Street Harbour Drive Interchange proposed by Mr. Allan Duffus.

His Worship the Mayor said that, if Council gave unanimous consent, the requested permission would be granted.

Alderman Black indicated that unanimous consent would not be forthcoming.

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8:05 p.m. Alderman Connolly arrives.

Alderman A. M. Butler stated that he would proceed with his proposed motion.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Council adjourn to meet as Committee of the Whole to discuss the matter.

The motion as put and passed as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Abbott, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan Fitzgerald and H. W Butler. - 12

AGAINST IT: Aldermen Black and Moir. - 2

8:10 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as Committee of the Whole.

9:50 p.m. Council re-convened, all members being present.

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole, as follows:

His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

The Committee of the Whole, at its meeting held on this date, recommends to City Council that the motion of Alderman A. M. Butler to rescind the Resolutions approved by Council on July 19 and December 20, 1967 respecting the Cogswell Street - Harbour Drive Interchange as recommended by A.D. Margison & Associates be rejected, having voted in the following manner on the motion presented by Alderman A.M. Butler:

"FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen A.M. Butler, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan and H.W. Butler - 7

AGAINST IT: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, Meagher Fitzgerald and Black - 7

His Worship the Mayor cast his vote against the motion and declared same "lost".

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thirty-three (33) unit apartment building on the site. The  
report recommends that the requested rezoning be approved.  
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MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald  
that the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole be  
approved.

The motion was passed as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Moir, Ivany, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc,  
Connolly, Fitzgerald, Black and Abbott. - 9

AGAINST IT: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Ahern, Doyle, Sullivan and  
H. W. Butler - 5

9:55 p.m. Council recessed for five minutes on motion  
of Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Matheson.

10:00 p.m. Council re-convened, all members being present.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS & HEARINGS

Public Hearing Re: Rezoning #6287-6311 Liverpool Street  
from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone

A public hearing was held at this time in connection  
with an application to rezone the land at 6287-6311 Liverpool  
Street from R-2 to R-3 Zone.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Chief  
Planner "briefed" the Staff report dated November 30, 1967,  
stating that the application consists of a request for rezoning  
from R-2 to R-3 zone of three (3) adjacent lots located on  
the north side of Liverpool Street, between Dublin and Windsor  
Streets, in order to permit the construction of a four (4) storey,

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thirty-three (33) unit apartment building on the site. The report recommends that the requested rezoning be approved.

Mr. MacKenzie, Senior Planner on the Staff, then briefed Council as to the broader aspects of the Staff's planning considerations as they affect this particular area.

He pointed out that there is a gradual trend toward commercialization and/or industrialization of the general area east of Windsor Street and that it was felt by Staff that in order to obviate this form of blighting influence creeping to the west of Windsor Street that a type of buffer development should be permitted to protect the residential zones to the west.

He also pointed out that Windsor Street is a natural access road or connector between the traditional down-town shopping areas and the shopping centres in the north-west-end of the City, and that it is a logical transit route. Therefore, it is considered desirable to have a concentration of high density housing units along Windsor Street, the occupants of which could help to make the operation of an efficient transit system a viable one by becoming patrons of the system.

Alderman Connolly suggested that consideration should be given to designating the area east of the North Commons and north of Cogswell Street for apartment development.

The Chief Planner said that the Staff would welcome a proposal of that nature but that developers are reluctant to become involved because of high land values and blight in the area. He suggested that the area could be considered

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for re-development with a quantity of single unit housing at a later time. He also said that the present application is an opportunity to add to the housing stock in the City which is at a low ebb at the present time.

The City Clerk stated that the matter had been duly advertised and that a petition signed by twenty-four (24) residents in the area of whom twenty-three (23) are property owners, was received protesting against the proposed rezoning. Also, letters of objection were received from the following: Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Murray, 2980 Windsor Street; Mr. Lester T. Bayers, 6302 Liverpool Street and Mr. J. T. Stuart, 6290 Liverpool Street.

Mr. L. J. Hayes, Solicitor representing the petitioners, addressed Council and asked that Council reject the application for rezoning for the following reasons:

- (1) several years ago the City Staff approached the residents of the area and asked that they not oppose the building of an apartment building complex on the south east corner of Dublin and Cork Streets because of the need for housing units at that time and assuring the residents that no further development of this kind will be permitted in the future;
- (2) traffic congestion in the area where there are now four (4) apartment buildings would be increased;
- (3) nuisances now suffered by the area residents such as noise, pollution etc. would become more intolerable.

Mr. Fred Machan of 6294 Cork Street and Mr. Lester T. Bayers of 6203 Liverpool Street addressed Council in opposition to the proposed rezoning.

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with respect Mr. Trevor Jones of 6285 Liverpool Street, which is adjacent to the land in question, spoke in favor of the proposal, contending that the proposed apartment building will be an asset to the area and will remove what is now a blighted area.

Mr. Herman Newman, owner of the property in question, addressed Council at some length and said that he proposed to build a well designed and aesthetically pleasing building with sufficient parking for all tenants on the ground floor.

He referred to the need for housing accommodations in the City and he said that he had been approached by a number of people for apartments and that he had acquired the land because he felt the area in question was ideal for the type of housing he proposed to build.

No other person wished to be heard.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the application, for rezoning of the property at 6287-6311 Liverpool Street from R-2 to R-3 zone, be rejected.

After discussion, the motion was put and passed as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler. - 9

AGAINST IT: Aldermen Ivany, A. M. Butler, Black, Abbott and Moir - 5

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and

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Staff be authorized to expend funds in excess of \$1,000.00 for repairs to #1 and #2 furnaces at the Incinerator; funds to be provided in the 1968 Current Budget Account No. 004-156-202. Motion passed.

Committee Property Acquisition - 5432 Gerrish Street

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

(a) the sum of \$14,000.00 be paid to the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers as settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisition of their property at 5432 Gerrish Street required for street widening purposes; and

(b) the parking lot at the rear of the said property be leased to the said union on a month-to-month basis at a rental of \$150.00 per annum. Motion passed.

Staff Benefit Proposal - The Housing Authority of  
Halifax

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, and subject to Federal and Provincial approval, the Housing Authority of Halifax be authorized to contribute fifty per cent of the cost of a staff benefit proposal including life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, weekly income insurance, supplementary hospital benefits, medical and surgical benefits and supplementary major medical benefits as described in a letter from the Manager of the Halifax Housing Authority dated September 12, 1967; at

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an annual cost to the Partnership of \$3,124.68 of which the City share amounts to \$400.00. Motion passed.

Bank Borrowing Resolution

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 214 of the City Charter, Staff be authorized to borrow the sum of \$6,000,000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada for the Civic year 1968; and that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a special banking resolution authorizing the City Treasurer and Deputy City Treasurer to sign demand notes on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

Request for Increased Pension- Retired  
Policemen

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, no action be taken during the current year on the request from a group of retired members of the Police Department for an increase in their monthly pensions, but, that appropriate members of Staff attempt to provide a counselling service in order that the affected former employees may be made aware of such assistance as is available from established sources; also, that retired employees of the City be advised by letter of the availability of such counselling service.

Alderman LeBlanc asked if there is any type of assistance that could be given in this instance and if Council has an obligation to

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grant an increase from time to time to cover the increased cost of living.

His Worship the Mayor said that he was not aware that it is normal practice in business to supplement pensions and he pointed out that legislation had been obtained in 1965 which prevents the City granting supplementary allowances to retired employees.

Alderman LeBlanc again asked if there is not some member of the Staff who can find some way to assist these people. He referred to the fact that the City is able to find money for many other things and is facing and overcoming many financial crises, such as are involved in the Cogswell Street Interchange Harbour Drive etc.; and he contended that Council has a responsibility to review its obligation to former employees who are finding it difficult to meet present day living costs.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that Council has agreed to seek legislation to have the right to charge the cost of a further actuarial study of the pension plan to the funds of the plan, and, if legislation is obtained and Council wishes to undertake such a study, then it will be possible to look at the question of whether the pension scheme can carry any further load in the light of higher interest rates which benefit the plan.

Aldermen Ivany and Fitzgerald both were of the opinion that, if the City cannot afford to pay the requested pension supplement, a definite effort must be made to set up a counselling service to help people who are in need and who have

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REPORT - COMMITTEES ON Council,  
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Council considered the report of the Committee on Works served the City in the past and deserve more consideration than just a form letter.

Tenders for Demolition of Buildings

MOVED The motion was then passed.

Ivany that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender His Worship the Mayor stated that if Council for the demolition of 1807-1817 Upper Water Street be awarded to the firm agreed with the suggestion of Aldermen Ivany and Fitzgerald of \$8,500.00, funds having been provided by the City Manager should be directed to report as to 33-32 (Harbour Drive) Motion passed.

Snow whether or not Staff is able to provide such a counselling service and to indicate what adjustments may be required it is recommended that:

1. in order to implement such a policy. adjustable blade so that sidewalks can be plowed whenever the School Board deems it necessary. It could also be used for snow removal whenever the snowfall was not an extremely heavy one.
2. accordingly. which is needed and which could not easily be performed by the truck could possibly be done by students themselves on some basis formulated by the School Board.

Grant - Atlantic Child Guidance Centre - Interim Payment

3. The Deputy Traffic Commissioner has been covering the whole City, which states that cars cannot be parked on the street until it is cleared. This would enable Council to be clarified in the drafting of any proposed legislation.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, payment of an interim grant of \$5,000.00 be

Alderman Connolly stated that this matter was reported made to the Atlantic Child Guidance Centre pending to the School Board who have investigated the matter carefully and had approval of their request for a grant of \$26,539.00.

Motion passed.

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REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on January 16, 1968 with respect to the following matters:

Tenders for Demolition of Buildings

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender for the demolition of 1807-1817 Upper Water Street be awarded to the firm of G. A. Redmond Trucking and Demolition in the amount of \$6,500.00, funds having been provided in Capital Account 59-32 (Harbour Drive). Motion passed.

Snow Clearing Around School Properties

The report of the Committee reads as follows:

It is recommended that:

1. The School Board purchase a four wheel drive truck with adjustable blade so that sidewalks can be plowed whenever the School Board deems it necessary. This truck could also be used for clearing school yards, etc. whenever the snowfall was not an extremely heavy one;
2. Any clearing which is needed and which could not easily be performed by the truck could possibly be done by students themselves on some basis formulated by the School Board;
3. The Deputy Traffic Authority be asked to consider a parking ban covering the whole City, which states that cars cannot be parked on the street until it is cleared. This would enable continuous clearing of streets and faster service to the schools. The definition of a "Cleared Street" to be clarified in the drafting of any proposed amendment.

Alderman Meagher referred to the fact that a school child has slipped in a school yard and had broken his ankle.

Alderman Connolly stated that this matter was reported to the School Board who have investigated the matter carefully and have now put sand on the yard.

After discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Matheson,