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that can be done, and no-one had come in this case. The article made Mr. Dodge look like quite an incompetent sort of individual. He understood that the newspaper did not check with any member of City Staff before printing what they did, but he advised that he had received a call from a radio station who wanted his opinion on the truth of the article. He said that this is a case where one news media is trying to check on another and he would like the Mail-Star to give this repudiation the same prominence, on the front page, as the other article. As a result of the newspaper article there had been many comments made on a local radio programme which caused Mrs. Dodge to call in and explain the correct details and which did bring forth an apology from Mr. Ozard, the programme moderator. He then read from some memoranda written by the planning and engineering staff with respect to Mr. Jackson's proposed development which showed that he had not applied to the City for approval of the subdivisions at any time.

Question Alderman Abbott Re: St. Mary's University Development  
on Stanfield Property

Alderman Abbott asked if Staff had held any discussions with St. Mary's University and whether or not they have any idea of the use to which the former Stanfield Property is to be put.

The Chief Planner said that Staff have held a number of meetings with the University but that it has not yet formulated any plans for the development of the former Stanfield Property.

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Question Alderman Abbott Re: Report on Housing

Alderman Abbott asked when Council can expect a report from Alderman Ivany on housing which would include certain proposals for additional housing in the City.

Alderman Ivany replied that he has had one meeting with Staff and has asked for some information and had hoped to have had his thoughts put on paper but had not had sufficient time. He thought that he would try and get his thoughts on paper as soon as he could.

Question Alderman Ivany Re: Processing of Development Applications

Alderman Ivany asked if Staff are in a position to adequately handle any proposal or submission that comes in from a developer without undue delay.

The City Manager replied that Staff are not able to answer the questions or process the submissions as quickly as they would like. This is due, of course, to many reasons, annexation being one of the main ones. He said that the amount of work that Staff has put in on the historic buildings question is very considerable often necessitating rehashing the same problems. He said that when Staff is faced with an extremely heavy workload and cannot see their way through it to an end, they tend to say why bother and performance is inclined to drop. He said that many factors act together to reduce output and combined with a lot of other things may lead, in some cases, to a member of Staff saying enough is enough and leaving the employ of the City. It should be realized that Staff is not always right but he thought that a little



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more cognizance should be given to the fact that there are a very small number of people that are carrying these things along and if the City did not have those people then Council might as well forget running the City at all.

Alderman Ivany said that he raised the question because he felt that the Planning Department could not keep up with all the developments that are proposed.

The Development Officer said that many of the proposals that come in to be processed have to be studied by the Building Inspection Department, the Planning Department and the Engineering Department and it is an interlocking problem.

Alderman Ivany wondered if any thought had been given to having the meetings of the Town Planning Board separate from the other Committees when all applications can be thoroughly discussed.

The Deputy Mayor said that he had considered this thought of holding the Town Planning Board meetings on a separate day from the Committee of the Whole Council.

The City Manager pointed out that the layout of City Hall is not the best and citizens are able to walk in off the street and enter any office to discuss a matter, which could hold up work on something else. He hoped that when the Department moves to Scotia Square an arrangement could be made where appointments would be required.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the meetings of the Town Planning Board should be timed for the next month and then, when the Deputy Mayor returns from his vacation, the

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possibility of separating its meetings from the Committee of the Whole Council should be considered.

Question Alderman Abbott Re: Staff Time - Historic Buildings

Alderman Abbott asked if Staff would have any idea of the amount of overtime they have spent on the historic buildings question over the past few years.

The Development Officer said that as a quick guess, he would estimate that Staff has spent over \$25,000.00 worth of time on this one matter.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Progress Report - City Prison Lands

Alderman Sullivan asked if a progress report has been received from Project Planning Associates relating to Phase I of the project.

The Chief Planner said that Phase I of the project was a tuning-up phase and it was his understanding that it did not require a report, but a report would be presented at the completion of Phase II.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Reply to Letter from Halifax-Dartmouth and District Trades and Labour Council

Alderman Sullivan asked if a reply has been sent to the Secretary of the Halifax-Dartmouth and District Trades and Labour Council with respect to a letter which had been sent to all members of Council concerning a member of City Staff.

His Worship the Mayor understood that no reply has yet been sent.



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Question Alderman Allen Re: Sewers in Joyce Avenue and Circle Drive Area

Alderman Allen asked if Staff could advise when people living in the Joyce Avenue and Circle Drive area will be able to hook up to the City sewer system.

The City Engineer advised that the Whimsical Lake Pumping Station could be in operation by next Wednesday, but the pumping station is not much good unless there is a sewer built from Joyce Avenue to the station and a force main on Inverness Avenue. As far as the force main is concerned it could be built on the street. Roy Judge is responsible for building it and as soon as that is completed, blasting will have to be started 10 feet below it to construct a gravity sewer and that is the responsibility of Mr. Jackson. He said that it could be months before the people could hook up into the system.

Alderman Allen said that health inspectors have been visiting the area and feel that the delay could cause a health hazard.

The City Engineer explained the position in greater detail and said that the only contact the City has with Mr. Jackson is through the Municipal Spraying Company.

Alderman Allen asked if the City Manager could contact Mr. Jackson to ascertain what he intends to do about the sewer construction.

Question Alderman LeBlanc Re: Tomorrow's Tour of Annexed Areas

Alderman LeBlanc asked the purpose of the Tour of Wards 7, 8, 9 and 10 arranged for tomorrow.

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The City Manager said that he thought that members of Staff should tour the areas with the Aldermen who could explain and point out certain difficulties or potential problems.

Alderman LeBlanc felt that a whole afternoon could be spent on each of the Wards and no good purpose would be served by such a brief tour if all four Wards are to be visited in one afternoon. He said that there are some residents in his particular ward who had wished to point out certain things to the Council and Staff.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the tour be cancelled until further discussion has taken place and the Council decided on a more detailed visit to the various wards.

Alderman LeBlanc suggested that if it is decided to visit the Wards one at a time, a new diesel coach of Nova Scotia Light and Power Company should be hired to hearten some of the area's residents.

Alderman Ivany thought that the other Wards should not be forgotten and some consideration might be given to a similar tour of the old City sections.

Question Alderman Ivany Re: Lane Memorial Hospital

Alderman Ivany asked if the contract for the Lane Memorial Hospital has been let.

His Worship the Mayor replied in the affirmative.

Alderman Ivany asked if the City Solicitor knew who was given the electrical contract.

The City Solicitor advised that the contractor returned the signed contract this morning. He had been assured



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in conversation with the contractor that the letter the City wrote requesting information with respect to the sub-trades has been forwarded to the architect. He understood that Arthur and Conn have the electrical contract.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman McGuire - Amendment to Ordinance No. 121 "The Retail Shop Closing Ordinance"

Alderman McGuire gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on Wednesday, May 14, 1969, he will introduce an amendment to Ordinance No. 121 "The Retail Shop Closing Ordinance" which will exempt from the provisions of the Ordinance requiring shops in the City to be closed on certain days of the year and between certain hours on other days, "a general store whose prime business is the joint sale of groceries, hardware, small wares and varieties, when the business occupancy assessment is Thirty Thousand Dollars or less".

Notice of Motion - Alderman Hogan - Amendment to Ordinance No. 109 "Lord's Day Ordinance"

Alderman Hogan gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on Wednesday, May 14, 1969, he will introduce, or cause to be introduced, an amendment to Ordinance No. 109 respecting Opening on the Lord's Day which will permit a class of stores known as a general store to remain open on the Lord's Day.

ADDED ITEMS

Barrington Street Housing Project

The following report was submitted from Staff:

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"His Worship Mayor O'Brien has been advised by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation that the Corporation has recommended against proceeding with all phases of the Barrington Street Housing Project under provisions of Section 35A of the National Housing Act. In essence, therefore, the Corporation has recommended against public housing on the site which is jointly owned by the City and the Corporation.

The site is, in accordance with the Uniacke Square Clearance Agreement and because of the previous plan to proceed with public housing, substantially cleared of existing properties. Within a very short time, this site could be available for actual development. Because of the stand by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and because of the existing site situation, it appears necessary for the City to immediately initiate a course of action to obtain development on the site. Any such action will, of course, require approval of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

It is suggested that the most effective way of obtaining development on the site would be through a Call for Development Proposals. The Call document could be relatively simple, although it would be necessary to spell out such planning principles as are applicable. Among the matters which would be dealt with in the Call would be:

1. The site would be developed for residential purposes.
2. Preference could be given to proposals which involved at least a proportion of limited dividend housing. This latter type of housing would have lower rentals than conventionally financed housing, although the rentals would be higher in most instances than public housing.
3. Due consideration would have to be given by the Developer to the ultimate construction of Harbour Drive at the eastern side of the site.
4. The Developer would be expected to maintain the concept of low density residential development on the Brunswick Street frontage while high density development would be expected along Barrington Street.
5. Arrangements as to the method of disposal of the land would have to be clearly spelled out in the Terms of Reference.

If Council agree that an early Call for Proposals should be issued on this site, the task of preparing the Call and obtaining Corporation and Council approval of the terms and conditions of the Call will be given top priority by staff.



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His Worship the Mayor briefly reported on discussions he had held with some of the senior officials at Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in Ottawa.

It was MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Staff Report be approved and a Call for Proposals be prepared.

His Worship the Mayor said that Staff have indicated that this matter will be given a top priority and the Call for Proposals will be prepared as soon as possible.

It was suggested that some outside consulting firm might be hired to prepare the Call.

The Development Officer said that Staff should be able to handle the work as it would not be a complicated document.

Alderman Sullivan asked if this would mean that there will be no more public housing in the City of Halifax constructed.

His Worship the Mayor said that this is not the case and that there will be a trend to integrate public housing of certain types with private residential developments.

After further discussion, the motion was put and passed.

#### Tenders - Sidewalk, Curb, Gutter and Sodding

A tabulation of tenders was submitted for Sidewalk, Curb, Gutter and Sodding.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the tender of Standard Paving Maritime Ltd., in the following amounts, be accepted for sidewalk, curb, gutter and sodding; Standard Paving Maritime Ltd. having submitted the

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lower tender based on unit prices on major items:

Sodding	\$1.65	sq. yd.
Curb & Gutter	3.95	Lin. Ft.
4" Concrete sidewalk	7.15	Sq. yd.
Removal Granite Curb & Gutter and Replaced by new Curb & Gutter	6.10	Lin. ft.

Motion passed.

Senior Citizens Housing Development - Fairview

Alderman Hogan referred to a submission which has been made to the Planning Department for a proposed 200 bed Senior Citizens Home in Fairview and which requires some urgent action. He understood that the Planning Department were not able to prepare a Staff Report in time for this meeting and the developer's options are running out.

The City Manager said that this is a case where the workload is causing problems and there are many different proposals under study. He said that this particular development project has to be studied in relation to the Dunbrack Street arterial road and the sewer problems.

The Senior Planner said that one of the difficulties the Department has is to assign priorities and he was of the opinion that a small developer or someone wishing to modify his property is as keenly anxious for an early decision as a larger developer with a larger project. At the request of Council, the Senior Planner briefly outlined the proposal and the points of concern to Staff.

Some discussion ensued with respect to the need for such a development and the possibility of proceeding too quickly without giving Staff sufficient time to prepare a



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report.

It was suggested that if a Senior Citizens home is constructed at the proposed location, it would not be necessary for the City to proceed with the Home for Special Care on Creighton and Maynard Street.

Alderman Ivany thought that Council might approve the development in principle.

Alderman McGuire said that he could not possibly approve such a development without the benefit of a written report from Staff.

Some discussion followed with respect to the amount of time required by Staff to assess the proposal and prepare a report.

It was pointed out that a decision is required on the Dunbrack Street matter before Staff can evaluate this proposal. The City Manager said that if appraisals are required with respect to the alternative route for the Rockingham-Fairview-Spryfield arterial, a decision could not be made for say eight to ten weeks, when the appraisals are received.

Council then agreed to hear from Mr. J. Bryant with respect to the Senior Citizens Home proposal.

Mr. Bryant briefly outlined the proposal and the difficulties he encountered in trying to find a suitable location for such a development.

7:35 p.m. Alderman Ivany retires.

Alderman McGuire felt that Council should make an early decision on the Dunbrack Street matter when it comes up

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next Wednesday at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

After further discussion, it was agreed that Staff should proceed with the preparation of a Staff Report on the proposal as quickly as possible.

Council Chamber Renovations

Alderman McGuire reported that one of the matters of concern to the Committee which has been considering the changes and improvements to the Council Chamber has been the sound system and he said that two prices have been quoted by E.M.I. Electronics Ltd as follows:

Complete new sound system installed and purchased outright	\$4,682.00
Sound system rented, installed and maintained for a period of five years	\$1,489.00 annually.

He said that the rental can be applied to the purchase price and he would recommend the rental of such a system in the first instance.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that an amount of \$1,489.00 be appropriated under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter to cover the rental of a complete sound system for the Council Chamber for one year and that an agreement be entered into by the City with E. M. I. Electronics Ltd. for the installation of such system. Motion passed.

7:40 p.m. Aldermen Hogan and Sullivan retire.

Alderman LeBlanc pointed out that it is expected that such system will be as good as that installed in the Legislature building.



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Appointment to the Halifax Forum Commission  
Appointment to the Halifax Athletic Commission  
Basinview Home

Since the Aldermen who wished the above items added to the Order of Business had retired from the meeting, the items were not discussed.

Waterfront Historic Buildings

The City Manager referred to the lengthy discussions on the Waterfront Historic Buildings held last night and said that there are still some decisions to be made on his short report, submitted at that time.

After a short discussion, Council agreed to defer consideration of Items 2 to 5 of the City Manager's Report dated April 30, 1969 to the Special Meeting of City Council to be held on Wednesday, May 7, 1969.

7:45 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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R. H. STODDARD  
CITY CLERK

1. Transit;
2. Modified Harbour Fill Operation Based on Demolition of Two (2) Buildings and Wharf;
3. Location and Elevation of Court House and Street Fronting Court House; and
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Description - Board of Commissioners

The recommendation of the Transit Committee read as follows:

"THAT approval be given to the following Description of a Board of Commissioners to operate the transit system:

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2:40 p.m.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

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

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Abbott, Allen, Ivany, McGuire, Connolly, Sullivan, and Meagher.

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

The City Clerk advised that the meeting had been called especially to consider:

1. Transit;
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"Membership

The Board of Commissioners shall consist of a minimum of three and a maximum of five members appointed by the Council of the City of Halifax. The General Manager will be an additional non-voting member of the Board.

"Term of Membership

Members may serve as appointed by Council for a three-year term. The desirability of maintaining continuity in membership will be recognized by rotational appointments.

"Selection of Members

Members will be selected from persons who by reason of experience and background can contribute most effectively and objectively to the fulfillment of the duties of the Board. Special attention should be given to the need for financial knowledge as well as an appreciation of planning requirements for area economic development.

"Organizational Function

1. To prepare and maintain policies relating to the financing, planning development and operation of the transit system for the City of Halifax.
2. To assist City Council and other agencies and Departments concerned with regional development in the effective utilization and integration of transit into overall development programs.
3. To provide direction to the general manager and delegate responsibility and authority for routine operational matters as appropriate within the Board's overall responsibility for the exercise of control of all operations of the Commissions.
4. To co-ordinate, review and advise the City Council annually on:
  - the progress and results of Commission operations (Annual Report);
  - the long term plans for the Transit System.
5. To evaluate and report to the Council or its designated representative on the current performance both financial and operational of the Commission.
6. Shall engage a competent and experienced general manager who shall be responsible for all operating matters as delegated by the Board.
7. The Board shall also appoint as required legal counsel and auditors.

"Method of Operation

To be determined by the Board in accordance with the interests and experience of its members. Since members will be participating on a part-time basis

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"responsibility and authority for routine operational matters will normally be delegated to the General Manager. Commissioners will be concerned primarily with the establishment of operational guide-lines or policies and the long-term planning and development of transit operations.

"Agenda and Minutes

The executive secretary of the Commission will be responsible for preparing an agenda from members recommendations at least one week prior to each meeting and for taking and distributing copies of minutes for the meeting.

"Meetings

To be held at the discretion of members but at least 10 times per year.

"Staff Liaison

The General Manager will be responsible for all liaison between the Board and staff.

"Authority to Expend Funds

Within the limits of the City's financial commitment and the level of service as approved by City Council, or as modified from time to time by the City Council.

"Honorarium and Expenses

As determined by City Council. A minimum of \$500 per year for each appointed member plus a further \$300 per year for the Chairman. The first Chairman will be appointed by City Council, and subsequent appointments will be made by the Commission. All out of pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Commission by Board members will be reimbursed as approved by the Commission."

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman McGuire, that the paragraph entitled "Membership" be changed to delete reference to a minimum of three members, and state "The Board of Commissioners shall consist of five members, appointed by the Council of the City of Halifax, two of whom shall be members of the City Council."

A discussion followed on the wisdom of having two of the Board members selected from the ranks of City Council. His Worship the Mayor said that because of action taken at the last Council, the City was committed to



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selecting one member of the Board from the senior ranks of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, so that with two members of Councils also on the Board, this would only leave a choice for two nominations outside of Council and the Light and Power Company. He said he realized the pattern on which the motion was based, utilized two members of Council, and cited the Public Service Commission as an example, but he added that from his experience with such Commissions, he felt one representative from Council would provide adequate liaison. Furthermore, he said, the size of City Council had been reduced since the pattern of using two of its members on Commissions had been initiated.

Alderman Abbott said his reason for moving two members of City Council serve on the Board, was that he felt one of the representatives from the Council should be His Worship the Mayor, and in view of the many meetings which His Worship had to attend, there might be occasions when he could not attend. He felt that on such an important Commission as the Transit, it was necessary that there always be a representative from the City present at Board meetings.

His Worship the Mayor said it was difficult to state a general policy in this regard, since there were different classes of Board, some of which were inter-related with the overall development of the City, but he added he was nervous about the image that might be created by having two of the five members of the Board chosen from City Council - if what was desired was a "business" image.

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Alderman Ivany said he had made a study of the Toronto Transit formation over the years, and they had always kept three clauses in the organizational set-up: (i) City Council appoint the members, (ii) City Council have final say on capital that could be borrowed on City's credit, and (iii) all Commission records would be open to the scrutiny of the City Auditor.

There was some question about item (ii) and whether the City need be involved if the Commission arranged their borrowings within the limits of the deficit approved by the City and the revenue from the system. It was agreed, however, that in essence the Commission would always be borrowing on the City's credit, because if the City did not guarantee the deficit, no one would be likely to loan the Commission money, so that there could be an affect on the City's own borrowing position.

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the following be included in the paragraph entitled "Authority to Expend Funds": "Legislation will be sought providing that any borrowings made by the Commission, that required a guarantee from the City, must first receive the City's approval." Motion passed.

A discussion followed on the necessity of close liaison between City staff and the transit Commission, in order to exploit fully the use of transit as a planning tool. Alderman Meagher said there was always the danger of insufficient liaison because of personality conflicts, and said the requirements should be clearly laid down.



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His Worship the Mayor agreed with Alderman Meagher, but said he felt such matters should await decisions until the General Manager of the Commission is hired, following which he and the City Manager could submit joint recommendations.

The question of the number of Council members to be appointed to the Board was taken up again, and Alderman McGuire asked if the total number of Board members could be increased to six, thus allowing two City representatives, one from the Light and Power Company, and three from outside business.

His Worship the Mayor said that the Transit Committee had thoroughly discussed this question of the size of the Commission, and had concluded that, in order for the Board to be able to take decisive action, its membership should not be too large, which was the reason for stating a maximum of five.

Alderman Abbott said that in view of the importance of this Commission, and the necessity of the City being involved, particularly in the initial stages, he was not prepared to change his motion to read one member from City Council.

The motion was then put and passed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation of the Transit Committee, concerning the Description of a Board of Commissioners to operate the transit system, as amended, be approved.  
Motion passed.

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Chart of Organization

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Allen, that as recommended by the Transit Committee, approval be given to the Chart of Organization as outlined in the Consultant's report of April 22, subject to a review by the Commission after a period of one year. Motion passed.

Estimated Advance Expenditures for Promotional effort, Advertising, New Image Development

Alderman said he realized Item No. 5 on the Transit Committee's report had already been approved at a previous Council meeting, but he nevertheless was questioning whether \$12,000 would be sufficient to cover the type of promotional effort which the new transit system would require.

Alderman Allen said the amounts requested were only to cover expenses until the end of this year, which was probably why the amount was fairly small in view of what would be required in an overall advertising and promotional campaign.

53-Passenger Buses

The City Manager said that Mr. Hipwell had contacted him this morning in regard to a discussion which had come up at Council as to whether the 53-passenger buses would be able to manouever the City streets. Mr. Hipwell, he said, had informed him that General Motors was putting one of these buses into Moncton, and were prepared to bring it down here on May 14 to operate the whole day throughout the City. He suggested that members of Council, and interested staff members such as the Traffic Engineer, might like to ride the bus on that day, in which case he suggested they



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advise the City Clerk of their intention to do so and let him know what hour would be the most convenient.

WATERFRONT HISTORIC BUILDINGS

His Worship the Mayor said he would like to report briefly on a meeting which had been held in the morning between himself and the City Manager, and the Civic Advisory Committee for the Preservation of Historic Buildings. He said it was decided at that meeting it would be best for Council to confirm the grade of the Court House site, and get that matter out of the way, but there was some question about arriving at decisions on Items 2 and 4, which were related, at this time. He said he was therefore putting forward for Council's consideration, a suggestion that a decision on the fill question be put to the same deadline as applied for the Co-ordinating Committee which was to prepare a Call for Proposals.

His Worship the Mayor said he had received a telephone call from Mr. Peter Bennett of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development in Ottawa, who felt the City had been too quick in taking them up on their offer to have some of their officials work with the City on the problems of retaining the waterfront historic buildings, since the two parties in question were both tied up elsewhere for at least the next ten days. He said a week from the coming Monday was mentioned as being the earliest they would be available.

This developed into a discussion on the four-week time limit, which would commence from the date of the motion being passed on April 30th in Council. His

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Worship the Mayor said that since the representatives of the Federal Department would not be available before May 19, it was obvious a four-week deadline commencing April 30th did not allow them sufficient time for a study of the matter, and he suggested adding two weeks to the four.

After a further discussion of the additional time requirement, it was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ivany, that the time requirement in the motion passed at the April 30th Council setting up a Co-ordinating Committee to prepare a Call for Proposal, be extended to allow that Committee until June 18th, 1969 to report back to Council. Motion passed.

Before deciding on deferring a decision on the fill question to correspond with the June 18th deadline set for the Co-ordinating Committee, the Chairman asked the City Manager to advise Council of the implications involved in so doing.

The City Manager said the problem was that the City was already several months overdue in removing the fill from the C.V.D. property, and he therefore felt that Council should make an official request to the Department of National Defence to give that body an opportunity to defer their commitments for the property. He referred to a suggestion of the Civic Advisory Committee that the site might be an excellent one for a marina, and he felt time should be allowed to investigate that possibility. If the Department was not willing to grant a deferment, the City might have to make some financial arrangements with them to insure that their plans are not set astray.



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Alderman McGuire asked the City Manager if there was any other use for the fill, rather than at the historic buildings site. The City Manager replied that the fill could be used for the new Container Pier, but if later it was required at the historic buildings' site, the City might be placed in the position of having to purchase it at a higher cost, so he felt the question of whether it would be required to fill the harbour at this location should be settled first.

If the Department of National Defence was committed to some other party to have the land available at a certain date, His Worship the Mayor said, this would involve negotiations with the Department for an interim arrangement.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman McGuire, that a decision in the matter of the disposition of the fill from the Department of National Defence property be deferred until June 18th, to allow time for the Co-ordinating Committee to prepare a Call for Proposals for the use of the waterfront historic buildings, and in the meantime the City negotiate with the Department of National Defence for an extension of the date for moving the fill. Motion passed.

Location and Elevation of Court House and Street Fronting Court House

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the grades for the Court House building be confirmed as submitted by City staff.

Reference was made to a statement made by the Court House architect at a previous Council meeting to the

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effect that the Court House grade could, if necessary, be altered one foot up or down, although the architect had also stated that they preferred no changes be made at this time.

Alderman McGuire asked for clarification that what was under discussion was the grade of Harbour Drive, and the Chairman confirmed this point.

Mr. Dodge was asked to comment, and he stated that the grade of Harbour Drive had been laid down and the figures submitted to the architect for the Court House, and as far as Staff was concerned, the grade had been definitely established some time ago.

His Worship the Mayor said that from the City Engineer's remarks, he gathered that a motion from the Council at this time confirming the Harbour Drive grade was not absolutely necessary, but on the other hand, he said, it could do no harm.

Aldermen Abbott and Connolly then agreed to use the word "re-affirm" rather the "confirm" in their motion so that it now read: MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that Council re-affirm the grade of Harbour Drive in the area of the new Court House site, as submitted by staff. Motion passed.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE - R-3 ZONING CONTROLS

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole:

1. An Advisory Committee be set up consisting of:-



- One member of City Council
- One member of City staff (to be named by the City Manager)
- Two members of the Urban Development Institute (to be appointed by that body)
- One member of the Nova Scotia Association of Architects (to be appointed by the Association)
- One member of the Mortgage Lenders Association (to be appointed by the Association).

2. The Urban Development Institute initiate and convene the meetings as required.
3. All Associations inform the Urban Development Institute of their appointee to the Advisory Committee.
4. A progress report be made to City Council monthly.
5. Alderman Abbott be appointed as the City Council representative to this Committee.

Motion passed.

3:20 p.m. - Council adjourned.

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8:15 p.m.

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

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

Present were: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Connolly, Ivany, Sullivan, Meagher, LeBlanc, and McGuire.

Also present: City Manager, City Solicitor, City Engineer, Acting City Clerk, and other staff members.

MINUTES

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Minutes of Council meetings of April 29th and 30th, 1969, be approved. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

It was agreed to add the following items to the agenda:

- 20 (a) Tabulation of Tenders - South Street Sewer - Children's Hospital.
- 20 (b) Amendments to Administration Order No. 6, First Reading.
- 20 (c) Aerial Mapping - Additional Requirements for Long Range Planning.
- 20 (d) Purchase of Transit Buses
- 20 (e) City Council approval of a draft letter from the Port Commission to Commissioner, Enquiry Under the Canada Labour (Standards) Code.

Alderman McGuire said it would be useful to have a discussion on the preliminary study design in



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connection with the Interim Development Plan. His Worship the Mayor suggested this matter be referred to the Town Planning Board for discussion at their next meeting.

At the suggestion of Alderman LeBlanc, it was also agreed to add the following to the agenda:

20 (f) Staff morale.

The agenda, as amended, was then approved.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Alderman Sullivan Re: Facilities for Handicapped Persons in  
New Housing and other Buildings

His Worship the Mayor informed Council that the Building Inspector would report orally on this matter.

Mr. Jefferson said that, subject to Alderman Sullivan's wishes, he could either speak on the matter at this meeting, or if Alderman Sullivan was agreeable to having it deferred to the next Committee of the Whole meeting, he would prepare a written report.

Alderman Sullivan felt it would be preferable to have a written report prepared, in order that interested parties could receive copies.

It was then agreed by Council to defer the item for discussion at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Rezoning - R-2 Residential Zone to C-2 General Business Zone -  
Lots #13 and #15, Catamaran Road

His Worship the Mayor said that there was no recommendation from the Town Planning Board, but that the following motion had been put and lost at the Board's meeting of April 9, 3 voting for the same and 4 against it, as follows:

For: Aldermen Abbott, Connolly, and Sullivan.  
Against: Aldermen Hogan, McGuire, Meagher, and His Worship the Mayor