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DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning of land at the intersection of Cogswell Street and
Rainnie Drive from P & I (Park & Institutional) to
C-2 Zone (General Business)

A public hearing on the above-noted rezoning application was held on November 7, 1973.

The matter was considered by City Council at a meeting held on November 15, 1973, at which time the following resolution was passed:

"that this matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of City Council."

The City Clerk advised that a letter dated November 21, 1973, was received from the solicitor for the applicant, Mr. H. E. Wrathall, requesting that this matter be deferred.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that this matter be deferred for one month.

In reply to a question from Alderman MacKeen, the City Solicitor advised that the solicitor for the applicant is presently in Ottawa negotiating with the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

The motion was then put and passed with Aldermen Meagher and MacKeen voting against.

Rezoning Civic No. 6241 Summit Street and Civic No. 2724
Windsor St. from R-2 Residential Zone (General
Residential) and R-3 Residential Zone (Multiple
Dwelling) to P (Park and Institutional) Zone

A public hearing on the above-noted rezoning application was held on November 21, 1973.

Alderman Connolly stated he has met with a number of residents in the area and there appears to be a general feeling among them that they would like to see the church expand their facilities, however, there is great concern regarding the parking lot. He stated the original recommendation from staff was that additional parking should be provided, however, he would be inclined to keep with the wishes of a number of residents as the concern appears to be the parking lot and not the extension to the church.

Alderman Stanbury stated she would recommend that this rezoning application be refused because this is a quiet residential area and the people generally have the feeling that a parking lot introduced into the area will create the trouble experienced in other parts of the City with such lots.

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She stated such lots become hangouts for undesirable behaviour etc. and this tends to completely destroy the tenure of the neighbourhood. She stated she has every sympathy with the church and knows they require more room but their greatest need is on Sunday and they could carry on as they have been carrying on and the people will be allowed the quiet quality of their neighbourhood without introducing this element into it.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the rezoning of Civic No. 6241 Summit Street and Civic No. 2724 Windsor Street from R-2 Residential (General Residential Zone) and R-3 Residential (Multiple Dwelling Zone) to P, Park and Institutional Zone, be refused.

Alderman Connolly stated he is sure there is not a great deal of opposition to the expansion to the church and perhaps there is enough on-street parking in the area, with the proper kind of control from the church pulpit, the parking inconvenience could be overcome. He stated he would have to vote against the motion and if the motion is defeated he would move that the church be allowed to expand as per plans and that the rezoning for the parking lot be refused.

Alderman Stanbury stated she would not want to see the church suffer as a result of the motion but would definitely refuse rezoning for the parking lot.

The City Manager expressed concern that Council was considering approval of the expansion of the church without additional parking space in the belief that the people in the area are going to be less affected by doing it that way. He submitted that there will be more people more grievously affected if the parking provision is not insisted upon. He urged Council to bear in mind the impact of greater activity in that area and the need to take care of that impact so as not to dislocate the lives of a host of people within blocks of the church rather than a few who may live contiguous to the parking area proposed.

Deputy Mayor Hogan entered the meeting at 8:27 P.M.

His Worship the Mayor made two observations, one being that the church is presently overcrowded and the parishioners are there and, secondly, that Council is talking transit and yet considering putting a parking lot in a residential district. He stated he met with residents in the area and they are extremely concerned about an unsupervised parking lot in that district. He stated he is not opposed to an addition to the church but is opposed to the construction of a parking lot in a residential district as it would detract from and lead to the deterioration of the district.

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Aldermen Stanbury and Sullivan, with the approval of the remaining members of City Council, withdrew their original motion.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the rezoning of Civic No. 6241 Summit Street from R-2 Residential (General Residential Zone) to P, Park and Institutional Zone, be approved. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that Civic No. 2724 Windsor Street be not rezoned from R-3 Residential (Multiple Dwelling Zone) to P, Park and Institutional Zone. Motion passed with Alderman Moir voting against.

Rezoning Civic No. 3707 Howe Avenue, lands of Canadian General Electric from R-2 Zone (General Residential) to C-3 Zone (Industrial Zone).

A Public Hearing re the above-noted rezoning application was held on November 21, 1973.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell, that the rezoning of Civic No. 3707 Howe Avenue, lands of Canadian General Electric, as shown on Plan No. P200/6008 of Case No. 2946 from R-2 General Residential to C-3 Industrial be approved. Motion passed.

Rezoning Hemlock Ravine, Prince's Lodge Preservation Area from R-1 (Single Family Dwelling) Zone, R-2 (Two-family Dwelling) Zone and "G" (General Building) Zone to "P" Zone (Park and Institutional)

A Public Hearing re the above-noted rezoning application was held on November 21, 1973.

Alderman Hogan requested that he be recorded as not having taken part in the discussion of this matter and retired from the Council Chamber.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that this matter be deferred pending further negotiations and receipt of the draft agreement from the Nature Conservancy.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell, that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of City Council. Motion passed.

Deputy Mayor Hogan returned to the Council Chamber.

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Hearing Re: Appeal against the Decision of the Development
Officer to Approve an Alteration to a Building at
6409 Cloverdale Road.

A staff report dated November 27, 1973, was submitted and considered.

Mr. B. Davidson, of the Development Department, explained to Council the decision of the Development Officer and reasons therefor. He advised that the minor variance of the east side yard requirement is requested by the applicant as it is his intention to convert the existing two-unit dwelling to a three-unit dwelling. Mr. Davidson circulated pictures of the property under consideration to members of Council.

Mr. David MacAdam, member of the law firm of Burchell, Jost, MacAdam and Hayman, representing Mr. Aloisi, owner of the property, stated that Mr. Aloisi became the owner of this property in January 1973. He stated the property is a corner property and is at the extreme north end of Oxford Street beyond Bayers Road and is not really fronting on only one street but, in effect, is fronting on Oxford Street to the extent of 100 feet. He advised that the access is by Cloverdale Road and Oxford Street, the parking and entrance to the parking lot is by Oxford Street, and the proposed apartment would have an access to the parking lot and the other access would be to the side of the building on which there is the seven foot yard. Mr. MacAdam answered questions from members of Council and also circulated pictures of the property under consideration.

Alderman Wentzell stated he could not agree with allowing three units on this property and would provide the precedent for applications for three-units on properties of similar size.

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman MacKeen, that City Council uphold the decision of the Development Officer to refuse the application for a minor variance of the east side yard requirement for the property known as Civic No. 6409 Cloverdale Road as shown on Plan No. P200/5926 of Case No. 2942.

Alderman Stanbury stated that the property is an orderly, compact and neat set of flats and would provide a nice basement apartment.

The motion was put and resulted in a tie vote, five voting for the same and five voting against as follows:

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FOR: Aldermen Bell, Hogan, MacKeen, Moir and Wentzell

AGAINST: Connolly, Meagher, Stanbury, Stapells and Sullivan.

His Worship the Mayor cast his vote in favour of the motion and declared the same passed.

Hearing Re: Appeal against the Decision of the Development Officer in Granting a Modification of the Rear Yard and West Side Yard Requirements at 145 Rosedale Avenue

A staff report dated November 22, 1973, was submitted and considered.

Mr. B. Davidson, of the Development Department, explained to Council the decision of the Development Officer and reasons therefor in permitting a single car garage at the rear of Civic No. 145 Rosedale Avenue.

Mr. William Adair, resident at 147 Rosedale Avenue, objected to the decision of the Development Officer and asked how such a building could be constructed too close to the property lines after having obtained a building permit.

Mr. K. Rideout, Building Inspector, advised that when the permit was issued it was assumed the building would be constructed within the boundary limitations and it is not their habit to lay out a building for an applicant. During the inspection phase the deficiencies were noticed and the owner was informed and shortly thereafter application was made for minor variance.

Mr. Adair stated that he feels the structure is too close to the proximity of his property and the danger of fire concerns him.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that this matter be deferred to the Committee of the Whole in order to determine whether a plot plan was submitted. Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

City Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on November 21, 1973, as follows:

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Auctioneer's License - Mr. M. V. Isaac

The City Clerk advised that a letter from the applicant dated November 27, 1973, states that the site from which the auction will be held is 5667 Cogswell Street.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Council is not approving any location but just the application for the license.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman MacKeen, that the application be approved and the fee of \$150.00 paid for such license for the year 1973.
Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan voting against.

Grants - Pier I Theatre - Water Street and Canadian Association
for Mentally Retarded - 2070 Windsor Street.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. a tax grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 be approved for Pier I Theatre to cover both business realty and occupancy taxes for the year 1973;
2. a tax grant in the amount of \$5,200.00 be approved to cover both business realty and occupancy taxes assessed against the Halifax Branch of the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded on premises occupied by them for the civic year 1973; funds to be transferred from the City Manager's Contingency account for this purpose.

Motion passed.

Renewal of Agreement - Halifax Senior Citizens Housing
Corporation - Northwood Manor

A staff report dated November 29, 1973, was submitted and considered, advising Council of the cost related to the renewal of the agreement for the years 1973 and 1974.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that:

1. the agreement between the City of Halifax and the Halifax Senior Citizens Housing Corporation be renewed for the years 1973 and 1974;

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2. the City of Halifax is planning to evaluate its whole Senior Citizens Program, financially, socially and physically and before Halifax Senior Housing Corporation consider any major construction involving subsidies, they are requested to submit their proposal, in writing, to the City so it can be evaluated by Staff. Staff will then report to the Committee of the Whole Council with recommendations.

Motion passed.

Date for Hearing - Ordinance No. 121 - Store Hours

The City Clerk advised that the earliest date in the new year on which the hearing could be held would be January 9, 1974.

Alderman Moir stated he would have to be convinced that a change is necessary before he would support same and suggested that it might not be fair to the merchants to hold the hearing so early in the new year.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that a public hearing re Ordinance No. 121 - Store Hours, be held on January 23, 1974.

Alderman Connolly stated that the merchants he had been talking to are prepared to deal with this matter as soon as possible.

The motion was then put and passed with six members voting for the same and four against, as follows:

FOR: Aldermen Bell, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Wentzell and Deputy Mayor Hogan

AGAINST: Aldermen Connolly, Stanbury, Stapells and Sullivan

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REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on November 21, 1973 with respect to the following matters:

Negotiations for Purchase Recreation Lands - Spryfield Area

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Hogan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the City of Halifax begin negotiations with the owner of the land immediately behind the shopping centre in the Leiblin Park area in an attempt to reach a purchase price that is acceptable to both parties within the present market conditions and that the Nova Scotia Housing Commission be approached to see if one or two acres of its land can be made available which abuts this piece of property.

Alderman Wentzell spoke to the motion and outlined the discussions which took place in Committee. In reply to a question he advised that there is no intention to discontinue the filling of the bog area and he was of the opinion that if land can be obtained from the Nova Scotia Housing Commission, the fill which will be available from the grading of that land will assist greatly in the filling operations.

Alderman Hogan asked how much money is available in the account into which the 5% payments from developers in lieu of recreation land is paid.

The City Manager advised that \$33,000.00 is the amount in the Account.

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

Noise at Various Construction Sites from Heating Salamanders

This item was referred to Council from Committee without recommendation.

Alderman Moir spoke of the noise from the heating salamanders from the construction presently taking place at 6095 Coburg Road which is unbearable for the nearby residents. He was of the opinion that some drastic measures must be taken to ensure that these heating salamanders do not contravene the Noise Ordinance. It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that City Council instruct the Building Inspector that no permits be issued for heating equipment in any residential areas of the City unless the noise is controlled to the degree that it does not disturb the tranquility of the residents within the provisions of the Noise Ordinance.

Alderman Stanbury questioned how many more hurdles are going to be put in the way of construction in this City.

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She felt that the noise from trucks, motor cycles, etc. also disturbs the tranquility of the residents.

Alderman Stapells contended that this motion would virtually grind all construction in the City to a halt. He said that he could not support the motion to instruct the Building Inspector not to issue permits for heating equipment at construction sites because such heaters are essential for the safety of the buildings. He suggested that some input should be obtained from the Urban Development Institute and the Construction Association before such a motion is considered.

Alderman Moir understood that there are ways of silencing the heating salamanders.

Alderman MacKeen said that he had also heard that there are ways of muffling the noise of heating salamanders. He went on to speak of the noise from the furnace at the Armouries and felt that an immediate order should be issued stating that the noise of the furnace must be cut down to a reasonable level or forbidden completely.

Alderman Connolly suggested that some professional opinion should be obtained with respect to the silencing of heating salamanders and it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be referred back to the Committee of the Whole Council for further discussion and some professional input.

The motion to refer was put and passed with Aldermen MacKeen and Stanbury voting against.

Tender 73-123 (R) Furnace and Stove Oil

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender of Gulf Oil Canada Limited be accepted for the supply of Furnace Oil, Stove Oil and Service as follows:

Furnace Oil	\$.2235/gal.
Stove Oil	.3020/gal.
Service	Day - \$7.00/hr.
	Night - \$7.50/hr.

the prices being subject to direct fluctuation with company's posted price for Halifax area, the Company reserves the right to revise these net prices beyond posted price change on 30 days' notice if in their sole opinion it is dictated by supply market conditions. If this provision is invoked the City would be free to cancel any covering contract within a 30 day period. The above prices are those in effect November 1, 1973 and any changes to posted price prior to January 1, 1974 will increase the price of the product by the amount of the posted price increase. Motion passed.

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Tender 73-127(R) - Gasoline and Diesel Fuel

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender of Gulf Oil Canada Limited be accepted for the supply of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel as follows:

Marked Gasoline - Grade I	.2800/gal.
Marked Gasoline - Grade II	.2350/gal.
Kerosene (45 gallon drum)	.3990/gal.
H. S. Diesel Fuel	.2425/gal.

the prices being subject to direct fluctuation with company's posted price for Halifax area, the Company reserves the right to revise these net prices beyond posted price change on 30 days' notice if in their sole opinion it is dictated by supply market conditions. If this provision is invoked the City would be free to cancel any covering contract within a 30 day period. The above prices are those in effect November 1, 1973 and any changes to posted price prior to January 1, 1974 will increase the price of the product by the amount of the posted price increase. Motion passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report from the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on November 21, 1973 with respect to the following matters:

Boundaries - Central Business District

The recommendation from the Committee of the Whole reads as follows:

"It is recommended that the recommendation of the Downtown Committee that the Downtown or Central Business District boundary not be changed at the present time, be approved."

Alderman MacKeen advised that, as he requested earlier, a petition is to be presented by a group known as the Citizen Concern for the Old South End Community.

Mr. Roger Dial submitted and spoke to a petition signed by approximately 600 persons reading as follows:

"C.O.S.E.C. disagrees with both Connolly motions to extend the boundaries of the Central Business District. The first motion on November 7, 1973 was discussed by Committee of the Whole. The motion, as it stood then, was to extend the Central Business District from Spring Garden Road south to South Street, eastward to the Harbour and westward to Robie Street; had this motion not been modified, 470 additional acres of land could have been made available to commercial construction.

This motion would have unquestionably threatened the shaded areas on the map on the reverse side of this petition which

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are now the only residential areas left in the area proposed for extension of the Central Business District.

The second, and modified motion, suggests that the Central Business District be extended not south as far as South Street but south to Morris Street. This motion still threatens a considerable amount of the residential areas. Hence, we concerned citizens of the old South End community are firmly opposed to this proposed extension as it is a threat to the only existing housing in the area proposed for extension of the Central Business District.

There are two other reasons why we firmly oppose the proposed extension of the Central Business District. First, before any change is made in the Downtown concept, surely a Master Plan should first be a fact. Halifax is about the only large Metropolitan Area which operates without a Master Plan. This organization desires to be a part of the Committee which will be charged with the development of such a Plan. To abruptly make a decision of this magnitude, without having established a Master Plan, would defeat Council's demonstrated wisdom in the past.

Staff, Department, Consultant and Committee reports have shown that there is enough land in the present Central Business District to accommodate anticipated commercial and residential growth until 1991, even if views and historic precinct by-laws are passed.

We, the residents of the area, ask Council to take these facts into consideration when they consider this motion."

Alderman Connolly was of the opinion that the purpose of his original motion has been misunderstood. He said that his reason for making the motion was mainly to define the boundaries of the Central Business District since, depending to whom you are speaking or to what Department of City Hall you are speaking, everyone appears to have a different understanding of the definite boundaries. He went on to say that he, for one, likes to know where certain buildings can be constructed so that everyone is aware where they are going.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the recommendation of the Downtown Committee that the Downtown or Central Business District boundary not be changed at the present time, be approved.

Alderman Moir spoke to his motion and also spoke in defence of Alderman Connolly saying that he considers that there has been some over-reaction in this instance by the citizens.

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Sullivan voting against.

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Application for Consolidation of Parcels of Land C, L,
M and G with D, Kempt Road

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for consolidation of Parcels C, L, M and G with Parcel D to create Lot "A", as shown on Plan No. P200/6072 of Case No. 2985, be granted approval. Motion passed.

Application for Resubdivision Portion of Clayton Park
Subdivision Block J-2, Willett Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for re-approval of Block J-2, in accordance with Plan No. P200/6087 of Case No. 2749, be granted. Motion passed.

MOTION

Motion - Alderman Stapells Re: Tenders for City of Halifax
Banking

Alderman Stapells gave Notice at the last regular meeting of City Council that he would move that the City Manager investigate the possibility of putting the complete City of Halifax Banking to Tender with the view to implementing same in the budget year 1974 if Council receives the proposal favourably.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the motion be referred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council for discussion.
Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Appointments

His Worship the Mayor said that he is not ready to bring in names for appointment to various vacancies on City Boards and Commissions but expected to introduce them at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Tender #73-93 (Recall) North End Library new Air Conditioning
Systems and Renovations to Heating and Vent Systems

A Staff Report was submitted relating to the above item.

His Worship the Mayor said that he understood the reason why F. L. Worth Ltd. did not proceed with the work was because they were unable to obtain a performance bond and for that reason only. He felt that in that event the second lowest tender should have been accepted for the work.

Alderman Moir questioned whether the lowest bidder

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in this instance will be able to obtain the necessary bonds and provide the appropriate service. It was MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council for further consideration and a more detailed Staff Report.

At the request of the City Manager, Council heard from the Purchasing Manager who advised that the recommended tenderer is well able to carry out the work and will be able to obtain a bond. He listed the sub-contractors who will be involved and the type of equipment to be installed which will be serviced by a Waverley firm.

In light of the comments of the Purchasing Manager, Alderman Moir, with the approval of his seconder, withdrew his motion.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Bell that the lowest bid of C. W. Hubbard, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning in the amount of \$31,988.00 be accepted for the supply and installation of new air conditioning systems and renovations to the heating and venting systems in the North End Library. Motion passed.

Special Tax Arrangements - Tex Park Limited

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that a statement from the auditors of Texaco Canada Limited, giving the amounts of revenue received from the Tex Park parking operation, be accepted as equivalent to a financial statement for the purposes of calculating rentals due under the terms of this lease. Motion passed.

Notification to Council - Union Local 108 to Arbitrate a Dispute Re: Vacations

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the matter of arbitration of a dispute with respect to vacations requested by Local 108, C.U.P.E. be referred to the Director of Labour Relations for appropriate action.

In reply to a question from Alderman MacKeen respecting why all such requests for arbitration are not referred to Council, the City Manager advised that other arbitration requests under the terms of this particular Collective Agreement with Local 108, have been referred to Council in the same manner but none of the other Collective Agreements include this particular clause and are handled administratively.

The motion was then put and passed.

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Lease of Lands - Scotia Square Stage VIII

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Halifax the lease of the partnership lands comprising Stage VIII of the Scotia Square project to Halifax Developments Limited, in accordance with the requirements of the Agreement between the parties dated August 31, 1966. Motion passed.

Authorization to Expropriate Lands Required for Widening of Keating Road

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Council recess for a short time to discuss this item in camera at this time.

10:37 p.m. Council recessed to discuss the above matter in private.

11:12 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members being present.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Staff Report be tabled. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Hogan Re: Improvements to the Bedford Highway - Funds Included in Capital Budget

Alderman Hogan asked when the improvements to the Bedford Highway can begin since funds have been included in the Capital Budget for that purpose. He hoped that they will be done before Spring.

The City Manager said that the Capital Budget must be formally approved by City Council then receive the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs but he was certain that some design work can be started on certain of the items and he would make sure that the design work on this item receive top priority.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Shed Constructed next to Miller and Johnson's Auction Hall

Alderman MacKeen asked the Building Inspection Department to look at a shed constructed adjacent to the Miller and Johnson's Auction Hall which he considered defies description. He asked if a permit was issued for the construction and if not, why not? He also asked what can be done to straighten it up and if it could be considered an unsightly premises.

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Question Alderman Moir Re: Energy Crisis and Possible City
Action

Alderman Moir referred to the above matter and concurred with the attitude that has been taken by His Worship the Mayor. He felt that when the full facts are known, City Council through His Worship the Mayor should make suggestions to the citizens of Halifax and City Staff for the conservation of fuel.

His Worship the Mayor said that he has arranged a meeting for next Tuesday when he will discuss the whole matter with the City Manager and other Department Heads when a list of suggestions will be considered. He said that some of the suggestions are quite drastic that he will put forward. He advised that he would report to the Committee of the Whole at its meeting on Wednesday the results of that meeting.

Alderman MacKeen felt that it might be necessary to increase the amount given to welfare recipients during the winter for the cost of fuel.

His Worship the Mayor again said that this whole matter will be discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting and a possible directive issued to City employees with suggestions for the citizens indicating the best ways in which to conserve fuel, etc.

Alderman MacKeen congratulated His Worship the Mayor on the stand he has taken in this matter.

Alderman Sullivan felt that some approach should be made to the Federal Government objecting to the fact that people living in Eastern Canada will be required to pay higher amounts for fuel oil and gasoline than those living in Western Canada. He contended that it is one Canada and every Canadian should be treated alike wherever they reside.

Questions Alderman Connolly Re: Revenue and Expenditure
Statement

Alderman Connolly asked several questions relating to the Revenue and Expenditure Statement with respect to payments from the National Harbours Board, from the Nova Scotia Power Corporation and Grants in Lieu of Taxes from the Provincial Government, some of which appear to be less than anticipated or delayed.

The City Manager and the Director of Finance answered the questions and elaborated on the amounts expected and possible reasons for the delay in payment. A question was also answered by the Director of Finance from Alderman Sullivan relating to monies received from the Province for social assistance.

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NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Stanbury Re: Taxation Relief
for City Residents 70 years of age and over.

Alderman Stanbury gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on December 13, 1973, she will move that a feasibility study be undertaken to provide substantial city taxation relief for city residents 70 years of age and over. Eligibility probably should require city residents for at least fifteen years. Residents who are assessed owners of a home in which they live - and residents who live in rented quarters - there should be no means test.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Stanbury Re: Provincial Cost
Sharing - Bubble over Tennis Court on Commons

Alderman Stanbury gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on December 13, 1973, she will move that Halifax City Council approach the Provincial Government to substantially cost share in the erection of a bubble over the tennis courts on the commons, to promote recreation in this sport during the winter months.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Moir Re: Amendments to
Ordinance No. 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption
of the National Building Code

Alderman Moir gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on December 13, 1973, he will introduce amendments to Ordinance Number 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code. The purpose of the amendments is to formally adopt the 2nd Printing of the 5th Edition of the 1970 National Building Code.

Alderman Moir went on to say that the amendments will include a clause which will make the installation of sprinkler systems in buildings of 6 storeys or more mandatory.

His Worship the Mayor briefly reviewed the discussions held at the last meeting of the Fire Protection Committee.

ADDED ITEMS

Proposed Engineering and Design Account

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman
Meagher that:

1. a special reserve fund be set up in the Capital

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Account called "Engineering and Design Reserve Account", into which shall be paid the unexpended portion of the design allotments presently and from time to time authorized through the Current Budget;

2. that design costs paid from this Reserve Account shall be charged to the actual project once the project is undertaken and the Reserve Account replenished accordingly.

Motion passed.

Local Improvement Charges - Keating Road

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that this item be deferred and dealt with at a later time. Motion passed.

Lock-out and/or Strike on the Waterfront

Alderman MacKeen referred to the above matter and was concerned that the City should not shirk its responsibility in making a decision on this matter, particularly where the families of the workers are in desperate need of welfare assistance. He was aware that the two sides have been asked for briefs to permit the Director of Social Planning to make a decision as to whether welfare payments should be made or not, but he felt that if the briefs are slow in arriving, some decision will have to be taken by the Director.

Council was advised that there is nothing that can be done legally until it is decided whether it is a Lock-out or a Strike. If the men are working and in need until the first pay check, then welfare assistance can be given.

Alderman MacKeen felt that it still might be necessary for the Director of Social Planning to act on his own without the benefit of briefs from both sides in the dispute.

11:40 p.m. Council adjourned.

HEADLINES

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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
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Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
December 5, 1973
8:10 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; Aldermen Bell, Moir, Stanbury, Meagher, Sullivan, Connolly, and Deputy Mayor Hogan.

Also Present: City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called as a Public Hearing to consider the Rezoning from R-4 to R-2 Zone of:

1. The vacant plot of Land Approximately 4 Acres in Size Bounded by the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the northern Side of Marriott Road, the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the west Side of Withrod Drive; the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the southeast Side of Osborne and Mayo Streets; and
 2. The Plot of Land Comprised of Lots 10C and 11B on the west Side of New Margaret Road.
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A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above noted matter.

The matter was duly advertised and no submissions were received either in favour of, or opposed to the proposed rezoning.

The Director of Planning then, with the aid of a map, outlined the rezoning proposal and answered questions put forth by members of Council.

8:15 p.m. - Aldermen Wentzell and MacKeen arrive.

His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the proposed rezoning.

Mrs. Daisy Goodall, Chairman of the Kline Heights Citizens Advisory Committee, addressed Council and read a brief dated December 5, 1973 on behalf of the Committee in favour of the rezoning; a copy of the brief is in the official file of this meeting.

Shirley Marriott of 11 Marriott Road spoke in favour of the proposed rezoning saying she would like to see the large piece of property in question rezoned which lies in the centre of the Kline Heights area, to protect the homeowners, and most important, to protect the 24 homeowners which surround the property in question.

Mr. Hatcher, a citizen of the area, spoke on the matter saying he was in favour of the original staff recommendation which proposed a neighbourhood park be developed on the vacant lands and that this land also serve as a possible community centre which he suggested, was of high priority.

Mr. Hatcher said the older citizens are sometimes neglected on matters such as recreational needs saying that in the Kline Heights area of the City, it is difficult for the older citizens on fixed incomes to get to other parts of the City where such facilities are available. Mr. Hatcher suggested that if the land in question were developed as previously recommended by staff, it would meet both the social and recreational requirements of most of the people in the area. Mr. Hatcher requested that when Council meets to make a decision on the matter, serious consideration be given to this need.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour of the proposed rezoning, His Worship called for those persons wishing to speak against.

Mr. Don Bell of 50 IdlwyIde Road addressed Council and by the use of the blackboard, briefly outlined the effect high-rise buildings have in terms of blockage of views and the cost of servicing as opposed to low-rise buildings.

Mr. Bell suggested that Council has two choices in this matter, one being to rezone the property as it feels it should be or to take into consideration the voice of the people on the issue. With respect to the second point, Mr. Bell displayed a map which outlined by way of red squares, those houses in the area where the residents were in favour of the area proposed for rezoning to remain as R-4 which he said, totalled approximately 130 residents.

Mr. Bell was then questioned with respect to the map which he presented and as to how the signatures were obtained.

Mrs. Bell then addressed Council opposed to the rezoning suggesting it is a moral issue. Mrs. Bell said the map presented by Mr. Bell indicates the majority of people in the area are not in favour of the rezoning and suggested that the Kline Heights Advisory Committee does not represent the majority of people. Mrs. Bell suggested this was proven once before by way of a petition which Council did not entertain, and said it has been proven once again.

Mrs. Bell was then questioned by members of City Council on the matter.

Mr. Lionel Welsh of 16 Sunset Road addressed Council advising that he spoke at the previous public hearing at which time he suggested a plebiscite be held to determine the true feelings of the residents of the area, but it was stated by staff that this was not possible.

Mr. Welsh then outlined what has taken place with respect to the rezoning of Kline Heights to date and urged that before a final decision is made, that the people be made aware of what is taking place. Mr. Welsh suggested there are plans for two large units to be built in the southeast corner of Kline Heights which is now zoned to R-2, and suggested that if development is to be allowed in one area, it should be allowed in other areas.

The City Solicitor said this is a different situation saying that the Kline Heights area is made up of approximately 200 properties in individual ownership. He said the Cowie Hill project was a massive development which was the subject of a development permit and was a totally integrated development with a mixture of housing uses which was before City Council and agreed upon as a unit development. The City Solicitor said an agreement was entered into between the City and the developer in which the developer was given permission to do certain things in return for many concessions which the City exacted from the developer, saying this is a different situation from that which applies to Kline Heights.

Mr. Welsh was questioned by members of City Council.

Mr. Bruce Waterfield, representing Mr. D. Keddy and Audrey Power, owners of the major portion of land which is the subject of tonight's public hearing, addressed Council. Mr. Waterfield advised that his clients have gone forward with plans under the R-4 use and are ready to submit same, saying that by rezoning the land decreases its value quite substantially as does it devalue all the properties which have already been rezoned to R-2.

Mr. Waterfield said the homes which exist in Kline Heights are good homes but said the area has to develop and at some future date, the owners will be offered a price for these homes based on R-2 zoning which will not give them as good a price as it would be if the area had been left as R-4. Mr. Waterfield suggested that as long as there are people in Kline Heights and there are people who want to develop, that City Council can change its mind as it has done in the past month.

Mr. Waterfield advised that his clients appraiser did a considerable amount of research into the cost valuation and best use of land in the area and said the appraiser explains that the site is an area where lower priced homes predominate but that there is evidence indicating the overall area is in a stage of transition into a multi-family area. He said examples of this are the Cowie Hill development to the east and a number of low-rise apartment buildings to the west. Mr. Waterfield said the supply and demand in Halifax is great and there is a great need for R-4 zoning in this area. He said this is emphasized in an article from the Globe & Mail which indicates that Halifax has one of the lowest vacancy rates in the entire country in its apartment buildings, and said that because of this, Halifax requires more R-4 zoning.

Mr. Waterfield said his clients are willing to trade their property for another piece of R-4 property of the same size saying they want R-4 property and are against it being zoned to R-2. Mr. Waterfield also suggested it is not in the best interest of the people to rezone to R-2 saying that as a result of tonight's meeting, it appears the people are against the proposed rezoning.

Mr. Waterfield then answered questions put forth by members of City Council on the matter.

There being no further persons wishing to speak against the rezoning, His Worship declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the matter be forwarded to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

9:30 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

Rezoning from R-4 to R-2 Zone of:

1. The vacant plot of land approximately 4 acres in size bounded by the rear property lines of the lots on the northern side of Marriott Road, the rear property lines of the lots on the west side of Withrod Drive; the rear property lines of the lots on the southeast side of Osborne and Mayo Streets; and
2. The plot of land comprised of lots 10C and 11B on the west side of New Margaret Road

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Council Chamber
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December 13, 1973
8:10 P. M.

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

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

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Hogan, Aldermen Bell, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, Moir, Wentzell, Meagher, MacKeen, and Connolly.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on November 29, 1973 and December 5, 1973 were approved on Motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Stanbury.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

At the request of the City Clerk, Council agreed to add:

20(a) - Borrowing Resolution - Current Account

20(b) - Non-Union Employees - Vacation Entitlement

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved.

Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Rezoning Hemlock Ravine, Prince's Lodge Preservation Area from R-1 (Single Family Dwelling) Zone, R-2 (Two Family Dwelling) Zone and "G" (General Building) Zone to "P" (Park and Institutional) Zone

The public hearing on the above noted rezoning was held on November 21, 1973.

Alderman Stapells did not have a vote on the item as he was absent from the Public Hearing.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that the above noted rezoning matter be deferred.

Motion passed.

A Formal Resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing Motions of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that the Formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Loading Zone, south side of Cogswell Street

The City Clerk submitted and read a petition dated November 30, 1973 from Mrs. Barbara Garlock containing 19 signatures requesting the establishment of a ten minute loading zone on the south side of Cogswell Street next to the Department of Recreation Building on the Commons. The petition was endorsed by Alderman Moir.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the matter be referred to staff for consideration and a report to be submitted at a meeting of the Safety Committee.

Motion passed.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on December 5, 1973 as follows:

Possible Closure and Sale - Carleton Street north from Spring Garden Road - Trizec Equities Ltd. - DATE FOR HEARING, Jan 9/74

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a date be set for a public hearing to consider the closing of Carleton Street.

Motion passed with Alderman Moir abstaining.

The City Clerk advised the public hearing has been scheduled for January 9, 1974.

Positions - Director of Labour Relations and Training and Personnel Officer

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, City Council go on record as questioning the amount the positions of Labour Relations and Training and Personnel is costing the City, and whether the cost is in the best interests of the City, and that Council during the Current Budget discussions, be made aware of how these duties can be carried out more economically than is being done at present. Motion passed.

Possible Expropriation Settlement - 2317 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, Mechanical Fitters Social and Athletic Club be paid the sum of \$32,600.00 less the advance payment of \$11,250.00

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December 13, 1973

Rezoning from R-4 Zone to R-2 Zone Kline Heights:

- (1) Vacant Plot of land approximately 4-acres in Size Bounded by the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the northern Side of Marriott Road; the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the west Side of Withrod Drive; the Rear Property Lines of the Lots on the southeast Side of Osborne and Mayo Streets; and
 - (2) The Plot of Land Comprised of Lots 10C and 11B on the west Side of New Margaret Road
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The Public Hearing on the above noted matter was held on December 5, 1973.

It was advised by the City Clerk that Alderman Stapells could not vote on the item as he was not present at the public hearing.

It was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that the vacant plot of land approximately 4-acres in size in Kline Heights bounded by the rear property lines of the lots on the northern side of Marriott Road; the rear property lines of the lots on the west side of Withrod Drive; the rear property lines of the lots on the southeast side of Osborne and Mayo Streets be rezoned from R-4 Zone to R-2 Zone.

Alderman MacKeen spoke against the Motion saying that he was in favour of the area being rezoned to Park and Institutional as was originally recommended by staff, but noted that since that time, it has been advised that this would not be feasible. Alderman MacKeen said a great deal of information has been received from the area saying there is a division on the issue, and felt that if it cannot be rezoned to Park and Institutional, it should remain as R-4.

The City Manager advised that Council has rezoned the balance of the land in the area from R-4 to R-2 with the exception of the two portions which are before Council tonight, and suggested the area should either be rezoned all R-4 or R-2.

At the request of Council, the Director of Planning, with the aid of a map, explained what has taken place to date with respect to the rezoning of Kline Heights and outlined what is before Council at this time.

Alderman Wentzell advised that he has personally visited the larger portion of land which is the subject of discussion saying he would vote against the Motion as he could not see how this land could be developed economically if it were rezoned to R-2.

Further discussion ensued on the matter and the Motion was put and passed with Aldermen Wentzell and MacKeen voting against and with Alderman Stapells abstaining.

It was MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that the plot of land in Kline Heights comprised of Lots 10C and 11B on the west side of New Margaret Road, be rezoned from R-4 Zone to R-2 Zone.

Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen against and Alderman Stapells abstaining.

as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of the premises located at civic number 2317 Barrington Street; funds available from account number 850-969.

Motion passed with Aldermen Connolly and Meagher against.

Business Disturbance Claim - Cousins Fish and Chips -
2299 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Hogan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Mr. Steve Karteroulis be paid the sum of \$2,250.00 as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of the premises located at 2299 Barrington Street; funds available from account number 840-969.

Motion passed with Aldermen Connolly and Meagher against.

Possible Acquisition - 2561-2563 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property of the Estate of Alice Cohen, known as Civic Number 2561-63 Barrington Street, be purchased for \$10,000.00 as settlement in full for all claims subject to approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of the withdrawal of the required funds from the Sale of Land Account; the withdrawal to include the additional sum of \$1,000.00 to cover the estimated cost of eventual clearance of the site.

Motion passed with Alderman Connolly and Meagher against.

Possible Acquisition of Land, Williams Lake Road

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council from the Finance & Executive Committee without recommendation.

A supplemental staff report dated December 13, 1973 was submitted which in summary, stated that staff feels that it is in the best interest of the City to purchase these two lots at the appraised value for protection of the present drainage system and the future potential system.

Following discussion, Council agreed that the matter be deferred to the end of the agenda.

Possible Acquisition of 943-943½ Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property of Max Pascal known as Civic Number 943-943½ Barrington Street, be purchased for \$16,800.00 as settlement in full for all claims subject to approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of the withdrawal of the required funds from the Sale of Land Account.

Motion passed with Alderman Connolly against.

Interest Charges on Unpaid Balance - Local Improvements

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hogan that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, that City Council set an interest rate of 9% per annum on the unpaid balances of all local improvement charges for new improvements assessed to property owners during 1974.

Motion passed.

Energy Crisis - Possible City Action

At the last meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee, it was advised that a report would be submitted from the City Manager at tonight's meeting containing suggestions which Council may institute on a short term basis to help alleviate the energy crisis.

A staff report dated December 12, 1973 entitled "Energy Conservation" was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that City Council adopt the following resolutions in order to provide leadership to the citizens of Halifax and in order to ensure that the City is prepared for future developments in the energy situation:

1. Continue the use of Phase I measures within the Corporation; Phase I being the precautionary phase in which the public should be urged to voluntarily reduce excessive consumption of energy by being more frugal in gas consumption, keeping thermostats and lighting at a reasonable level, and further possible measures as outlined in Appendix "A" as attached to the staff report of December 12, 1973;
2. Public Relations campaign to urge conservation measures by the public such as greater use of transit, lower thermostat temperatures, etc.
3. Request that the Province of Nova Scotia initiate careful study into the feasibility of various energy conservation measures such as the correct home temperature, how low the thermostat should be at night, how long a light must be turned off to effect a net saving of electricity, etc.
4. Preparation of legislation to amend the City Charter and Ordinances to give the City authority to take action in matters under their jurisdiction so that if the need arises, the legislation is ready.

Motion passed.

Some discussion ensued as to whether Council should be giving direction to the public on the matter of Christmas lighting.

His Worship the Mayor said he would be looking for Council's direction on this matter as the City has not as yet, been entirely informed by the government as to just how serious the energy crisis is.

After discussing the matter, it was agreed that as a policy or guide line, City Council ask that the lighting of homes during the Christmas season be kept to a minimum and that such lighting be limited to three days prior to Christmas Day and three days following.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on December 5, 1973 as follows:

Water Services - Woodcrest Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Hogan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the City retain its neutrality with respect to water services for the thirteen lots which form part of the Ernest Nicholson Subdivision and take no action, and that in view of the time constraints, the affected citizens be advised as to the decision of the Committee on Works immediately thereafter as is outlined in the staff report of December 3, 1973.

Alderman Wentzell noted that the property in question was up for tax sale last Wednesday and questioned what the outcome of that was, to which Alderman Connolly advised that he was in attendance and the property was sold for \$700.00.

Alderman Wentzell said that if this lot which contains water services for the area has been sold to someone other than one of the residents, it could be a serious situation. Alderman Wentzell said he would like to have the matter investigated further before Council takes final action. He said the City should be looking towards the Public Service Commission to see if it can look into the situation more seriously.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the matter be referred to staff for a report to the Committee of the Whole Council next.

His Worship noted this is becoming a time consuming item saying that a solution was suggested and said it was up to the residents to take the necessary action. His Worship said however, Council should be certain the Public Service Commission is aware of the problem and the people be informed to apply to the Commission for a take-over.

Alderman Wentzell said he would like the Commission to think about taking the system over and to think seriously about extending water to the area.

It was advised by the City Solicitor that in order for the affected citizens to now purchase the lot, it would require a payment in the amount of the cost of the lot plus 10%.

His Worship, for the information of Council, read a portion of the letter which was sent to the citizens following the last meeting of the Committee on Works.

Further discussion ensued, and the Motion was put and passed with Alderman Connolly against.

Noise at Various Construction Sites from Heating Salamanders

The recommendation from the Committee on Works read as follows:

"That City Council defer action which would seriously impede winter construction until such time as current investigations respecting noise at various construction sites from heating salamanders are concluded, bearing in mind that Inspection Services Division will continue to enforce the By-law as it exists, that is no noise between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. except when special permits have been issued for the operation of heating equipment."

Alderman Moir noted that the Construction Association was to submit a report to Council within two weeks on the matter, and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Hogan that the matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole. Alderman Moir said he would like the Association to be advised that Council is waiting for their report.

Alderman MacKeen said that at the last meeting of the Committee on Works, he had requested that the Building Inspector make a follow-up call with respect to noise which was being created in the area of Armoury Place, and that he be informed of the results. Alderman MacKeen said that he checked with one of the residents concerned, and advised that the Building Inspector had not visited the site as requested. Alderman MacKeen suggested that the City Manager confer with the Building Inspector to ensure that the residents of the area in question are consulted to see if they are satisfied with present conditions.

His Worship advised that the City Manager will check into the matter as mentioned by Alderman MacKeen.

The Motion was then put and passed.

Official Street Lines - Penny Avenue - DATE FOR HEARING, Jan.9/74

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, in accordance with Section 357 of the City Charter, City Council set a date for a Public Hearing to alter and confirm official street lines as shown in Section 46-A of the Official City Plan.

Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing has been scheduled for January 9, 1974.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on December 5, 1973 as follows:

Isleville Street Playground

The following is the recommendation from the Safety Committee:

"That the matter be referred to Council without recommendation and, in the meantime, a meeting be held at Richmond School at 4:00 P.M., on December 7, 1973 to discuss the matter with members of the Recreation Committee, the Alderman for the district, the Community Relations Officer, residents of the area, and the young people attending."

Alderman Sullivan advised that a meeting was held at Richmond School as requested by the Safety Committee at which time the matter was gone into. Alderman Sullivan also advised that another meeting was held last evening at the Police Boy's Club and said as a result of the information which he is now receiving, this matter now seems to be under control.

It was MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the matter be referred to staff and the Director of Recreation be requested to supply Council with periodic reports regarding conditions re: Isleville Street Playgrounds.

Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

View Planes - Date for Hearing

The Committee of the Whole Council recommended that a date be set for a public hearing to consider each of twelve view planes.

The City Manager advised that View Plane C-1 which is included in the twelve to be considered would be violated if the development as submitted to Council this afternoon by Durham Leaseholds Limited is permitted to proceed. He said that the Company did take into account the B-3 View.

Alderman MacKeen felt that it is not right to start deleting view planes before a public hearing is held.

Considerable discussion ensued on the question of how many view planes might be accepted by City Council from the twelve.

It was MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the C-1 View Plane be deleted from the twelve that are going to Public Hearing.

Alderman Hogan felt that it is absurd that Council should go to public hearing with twelve view planes when it has no intention of approving more than four or five.

Alderman Moir was of the opinion that all twelve view planes should be considered and after all interested persons have expressed their preference, a decision should be made.

His Worship the Mayor said that he could see no reason why a public hearing should not be held on eleven view planes but he hoped that one more meeting could be held and then a decision made.

Alderman Stanbury felt that it is about time a decision was made, she hoped that the public hearing will receive the utmost publicity so that Council can hear from the public one more time only. She was concerned that at every meeting held on this item the same members of the public spoke offering the same comments, putting up the same opposition to the detriment, in her eyes, of progress.

In reply to a question, the City Clerk advised that the public hearing would be scheduled for January 16, 1974.

Alderman Meagher felt that the C-1 view should not be deleted from the twelve.

His Worship the Mayor said that if it is not deleted the approval of the proposed development presented this afternoon which appears to be highly desirable could be delayed for some considerable time.