

Mr. Hubert Grant spoke in favour of the rezoning stating that there is a liquor outlet by St. Agnes School which he felt did not create any problems. He stated that there is only one outlet on Corwallis St. in the area which will be closing shortly, then the residents will have to go to other areas of the City. He suggested that a liquor outlet in the area might cut down on the illegal sale of liquor.

Mr. Rocky Jones spoke in favour of the application and suggested that if the area was fenced off around Maynard St. and up Charles St. and the Charles St. entrance was closed until after 5:00 p.m. it would seem that the traffic flow would be going in from Agricola and going back out on Agricola St., and in the evening the Charles St. entrance could be opened and the traffic flow could go down Charles St. and across Maynard St. He also stated that if "no parking" and "no stopping" signs were placed on Charles and Maynard Sts., cars would not be stopped to block traffic and drivers could see pedestrians which would solve problems re children which the people seemed to be worried about.

Mr. Bud Powers addressed the meeting in favour of the application stating that the residents have been attempting to have a liquor outlet located in this area for five years. He also indicated that it would cut down on the illegal sale of liquor.

Mr. Robert Verge addressed the meeting on behalf of Senior Citizens. He stated that many senior citizens mistakenly believed that the Dominion Store was moving from the area. He asked that City Council in future make the purpose of rezonings more clear.

No other persons present wished to speak in favour of the application.

His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak against the application.

Mr. Jim Shirley spoke against the application for rezoning because of the proposed liquor outlet being located in the close proximity to a school. He felt that the trend on the part of this rezoning is to oblivate the residential character of the community. He stated that there are other sites in the area which he felt could be considered.

Mrs. Sedilla Zinck, representing Halifax Welfare Rights, 2188 Gottingen St., read a petition, copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Pat Barton, representing the Principal and staff of Joseph Howe School, stated they are opposed to the

site being used for a liquor outlet because of the traffic increase, the type of people who will linger in the immediate area of the school, and they feel there are other locations in the north end where the liquor outlet could be placed.

Miss Marion, Executive-Secretary of the North End Area Council, stated that they are very opposed to the location of the liquor outlet. She felt that traffic problems would be increased and expressed concern for the safety of children.

Sheila Cole addressed the meeting and stated that she has a son who will be attending school next year and she has no desire to have a liquor store across from the school her son will be attending. She also expressed concern re the increased traffic in the area and the safety of pedestrians.

Mr. F. Fillmore addressed the meeting and stated he had no objection to a liquor outlet going in the north end but did object to this type of planning which is not conducive to the saving of Gottingen Street. He stated that the homes which will be demolished could be renovated and made into places to live.

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

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

9:15 P.M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

Public Hearing : Rezoning of Civic Nos. 2544-2550  
(Lots 10 & 11) Maynard St., Lot 11, Maynard St. and  
Lot 35, Charles St., and one-half of Lot 36, Charles  
St., from R-3, Multiple Dwelling Zone, to C-2,  
General Business Zone ..... 390

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ACTING MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD  
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CITY COUNCIL  
M I N U T E S

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
September 26, 1974  
8:00 P. M.

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

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

Present: Acting Mayor L. C. Hogan, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Connolly, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

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

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

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

- 9(a) - Letter - Dr. Goomar Re: Lot 21 Belmont on the Arm
- 20(a) - Tender No. 74-137 - Furniture & Fittings - Halifax Regional Library
- 20(b) - Report Stipend Committee
- 20(c) - Recreation Site - Leiblin Park Area
- 20(d) - Possible Playing Field Site - South Spryfield
- 20(e) - Tender - Adventure Playground - George Dixon Playground
- 20(f) - Revision to Council Minutes Re: Kempt Road Closure

Council also agreed that Item 20(b) "Report - Stipend Committee", be dealt with as 4(a).

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

Report - Stipend Committee

A report dated September 25, 1974 was submitted from the Stipend Committee under signatures of Mr. Matthew Burke and Mr. Brian Flemming.

Mr. Brian Flemming addressed Council saying there has been some controversy with respect to the previous Chairman of the Committee and said that the Chairman was not elected by City Council but by the two other members of the Committee. Mr. Flemming said the Committee also hopes that the document does not become a political football on the eve of the upcoming Election saying the Committee decided to report at this time so that the report could be passed, if Council so decides, prior to Election Day. Mr. Flemming then went on and briefly explained the report.

A lengthy questioning of Mr. Flemming then ensued with respect to the submitted report following which the Chairman, on behalf of Council, extended thanks to both Mr. Flemming and Mr. Burke for a job well done and conveyed the thanks of Council to Mr. Morris.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Recommendation #1 - "The Committee be continued, with instructions to report to City Council on its present mandate and additional matters not later than December 31, 1975; that a third member be appointed to the Committee; and that your Council have the resignations of each or both of the present members if you wish to appoint others. These resignations are submitted herewith;" be deferred to the next regular meeting of City Council.

Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that Recommendation Nos. 2 and 3, as follows, be approved:

Recommendation No. 1 - That the remuneration of the Mayor for full-time service be set at \$27,000.00, effective January 1, 1975, with one-third to be deemed non-taxable as representing necessary expenses of the Mayor.

Recommendation No. 2 - That the budgetary provision for Mayor's City transportation and mileage be eliminated.

Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that Section 3 of Administrative Order No. 5 be amended, where it reads \$1,000.00, to read \$2,000.00.

Motion passed

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that appropriate authority be drafted by the City Solicitor and enacted by City Council to provide that, upon the death or resignation of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor be designated Acting Mayor and be entitled to remuneration as if Mayor. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stapells that a position of Administrative Assistant be provided in the Office of the Mayor, and provision for its salary and benefits be provided in the 1975 and subsequent City budgets.

Alderman Stanbury questioned whether it is not possible for the Mayor to obtain Administrative advice which he may require without going to the additional expense of creating another position.

The Acting City Manager advised that there are a number of Administrative Assistants within the organization saying that such persons operate from the office of the City Manager and are assigned to various departments as well. The Acting Manager advised that to date, there has not been an Administrative Assistant assigned to the Office of the Mayor.

Alderman Sullivan questioned whether it would be possible to incorporate the position of Information Officer with that of an Executive Assistant saying that the Information Officer presently does a great deal of work for the Mayor and also noted he is located just across the hall from the office of the Mayor. Alderman Sullivan said he could not see why the Mayor should not have the power to incorporate the two positions saying that this particular person has given long meritorious service to the City and is very capable.

Alderman Meagher suggested that most members of Council concur with the comments of Alderman Sullivan.

The Acting City Manager said that Council is now getting into job specifications and administrative personnel matters, and suggested the matter should be referred to the City Manager for a recommendation taking into consideration remarks which Council might wish to make.

Alderman Sullivan requested that when the City Manager considers the position in question, a meeting be held with the Mayor before presenting a recommendation.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be referred to the City Manager for a report. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the remuneration of Aldermen be set at \$10,000.00 effective January 1, 1975, with one-third to be deemed non-taxable as representing necessary expenses of the Aldermen.

Following a debate of the matter, the Motion was put and passed, five voting for the same and four against at as follows:

For: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Moir, Stapells, & Wentzell -5  
Against: Aldermen MacKeen, Meagher, Stanbury, & Sullivan -4

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that Section 16(6) of the City Charter, which provides that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor or any Alderman may in writing, filed with the Clerk, at any time fix the sum which he (or she) is respectively entitled to receive at an amount less than the sums determined by the Council and may alter or revoke such fixation at any time, be continued.

Motion passed.

Alderman Connolly noted that Recommendation #8 on Page #5 of the submitted report also deals with the matter of Mayor and Aldermen joining the pension plan, and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Stapells that this matter be deferred and dealt with by the new Council at the same time as Recommendation No. 1; and, that Recommendation Nos. 9 and 10, as outlined in the submitted report, also be deferred and dealt with as part of Recommendation No. 1.

Motion passed.

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on September 12, 18, & 19, 1974, were approved on Motion of Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Moir.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Closure of Portion of Birmingham Street from Clyde Street to  
Approximately one hundred and fifty feet in a northerly  
Direction, and  
Closure of Portion of Dresden Row from Clyde Street to  
Approximately one hundred and ninety feet in a northerly  
Direction

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Public Hearings with respect to the two above noted items were held on September 18, 1974.

The Chairman advised that agreement has been reached between the Halifax Infirmary and the Spring Garden Road Merchants to the effect that 90 stalls be assigned to the Infirmary for parking purposes.

Alderman Connolly questioned whether this represents the entire problem. Alderman Connolly said he has been told there are other parties who would like to make some representation with respect to the two Closures in question, and also said he has had representations from the Halifax Infirmary to the effect that they are most anxious to look at an overall plan as well as to meet with Transit authorities.

Alderman Connolly said he would like to think that the very best facility can be arranged and if this is to take two or three weeks, he would be willing to wait. Alderman Connolly also said that one of the owners of the property was unaware of the public hearing and would also like to address Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the two subject Closures be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

In reply to a question as to whether further representations can be heard as the public hearing has already been held, the City Solicitor advised that this would only create problems when Council is determining the rights of competing individuals such as is the case in many rezoning matters. Mr. Murphy suggested the public hearing on the Street Closures was not in that category.

Mr. Murphy suggested that if Council is now going to continue with the public hearing, then other persons who have not had an opportunity to speak, should also be given such an opportunity. Mr. Murphy noted there could be a problem if the matter is deferred for any length of time saying there is only one more Committee of the Whole meeting left before Election Day and said there will be two members of the existing Council short at the following meeting of Council as those seeking the Office of Mayor must resign prior to the Election.

The Motion to defer was put and passed.

Permanent Closure of the Median at Connaught Ave. & Young Street

The Public Hearing regarding the above noted matter was held on September 18, 1974.

Alderman Stanbury said she would like to see the situation remain as it presently is with the closure of the Median and referred to a letter from the Police Department saying there is a feeling that if Cork Street was blocked off as well, it would discourage the left-hand turns as it was felt traffic would not go as far as Liverpool Street.

Alderman Stanbury said the letter also suggested that to discourage people from making left-hand turns from Connaught Avenue, that Liverpool, London, and Edinburgh Streets could also be closed for a period of up to three years.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury that the median at Connaught Avenue and Young Street remain closed for now but that the matter be referred to the Traffic Department for a full report. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Sullivan.

Alderman Sullivan noted that there has been an increase on Cork and Young Streets due to the closure and noted there are figures given for Liverpool, London, and Edinburgh Streets but they do not indicate whether they are increases or decreases, and felt this should be clarified before a decision is reached by Council.

Alderman Meagher also referred to the matter of restricting left-hand turns from Connaught Avenue between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. saying this seems to be the time when accidents are occurring and asked that this be considered as well.

The Motion was then put and passed.

To Alter and confirm the east Street Line of Barrington St. from Duke Street to Buckingham seven feet to the east,  
To Alter and confirm the north Street Line of Duke St. from Granville Street to Barrington St. ten ft. to the north,  
To Confirm the east Street Line of Barrington St. from Buckingham St. north to Cogswell St. Interchange Ramp; and  
To Confirm the southwest Street Line of Cogswell St. Interchange Ramp from Barrington St. three hundred feet southeastwardly.

The Public Hearing regarding the aforementioned matters was held on September 18, 1974.

The Director of Engineering and Works suggested that a decision regarding the Altering and confirming the north Street line of Duke Street from Granville Street to Barrington St. ten feet to the north, should be deferred until negotiations have been finalized. He said the other items could be dealt with.

Alderman Connolly said it may be that staff has reached agreement, but questioned whether the City may have to purchase the affected properties if street lines are confirmed from Duke Street to Buckingham as these properties are privately owned.

City Manager arrives.

Mr. Murphy said the law is that if the City confirms the Street Lines, it can, at the option of the owner of the property, be required to purchase within 30 days and failure to come to an agreement as to price, would be the same situation as if the City had expropriated.

The City Manager noted that at the public hearing, Mr. Brown indicated he was agreeable with the Street Lines proposed on Barrington Street from Duke Street through to where they are proposed.

Mr. Murphy said that due to the type of development the owners of property on the east side of Barrington Street are committed to, it would be uneconomic for them to proceed with their project unless and until they obtain the triangular piece of land owned by the City at the end of the block and Buckingham Street. He said that if they are to proceed to acquire this land, they will eventually have to deal with the City.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that City Council:

1. Alter and confirm the east street line of Barrington Street from Duke Street to Buckingham Street seven feet to the east;
2. Confirm the east street line of Barrington Street from Buckingham Street north to Cogswell Street Interchange Ramp; and
3. Confirm the southwest street line of Cogswell Street Interchange Ramp from Barrington Street three hundred feet southeastwardly.

Motion passed with Alderman Connolly against.

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



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MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that City Council deny the request to alter and confirm the north street line of Duke Street from Granville Street to Barrington Street ten feet to the north.

Alderman Moir said he felt the matter should end at this time but said that if two or three feet are required and the sidewalk can be narrowed, then this is something worthy of consideration by staff when the time comes.

Alderman Stapells noted that staff was of the opinion that the street line affecting the Prince of Wales building should be moved but if this was not acceptable to Council, then a corner cut-off may be required west of the Prince of Wales building. Alderman Stapells said that if the Motion is intended to remove flexibility by staff in re-arranging traffic patterns, then he was opposed to it.

It was noted the matter can be re-opened in three months time and it was suggested by Alderman Connolly that not that much would take place in three months anyway. Alderman Connolly said he was impressed with advice given to Council by a Traffic Planner suggesting that the solutions given to the problem should be considered by the City's Traffic Department. Alderman Connolly said he could not see anything wrong with not granting the request this evening and noted it holds the matter in abeyance for a three month period.

The Motion was put and passed with Aldermen Stanbury and Stapells against.

Rezoning of Civic Nos. 2544-2550 (Lots 10 & 11) Maynard Street, Lot 11, Maynard Street, and Lot 35 Charles Street, and one-half of Lot 36 Charles Street, from R-3 Multiple Dwelling Zone to C-2 General Business Zone

A Public Hearing was held into the above noted matter on September 24, 1974.

The City Clerk advised that he received another petition just prior to tonight's meeting containing 300 signatures of persons in favour of the application.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Moir that the application to rezone the properties located at Civic Nos. 2544 and 2550 (Lots 10 and 11) Maynard Street, Lot 12 Maynard Street, and Lot 35 and one-half of Lot 36 Charles Street from R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business as shown in Case No. 3081 on Plan No. P200/6509, be refused by City Council.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion was put and passed.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

Motion - Alderman MacKeen to Reconsider Resolution of Council Approved September 19, 1974 re Proposed Development - Commercial Developments Maritimes Limited, Waterfront Lands at Water Street - Case No. 3085

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MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Moir that City Council reconsider its Motion of September 19, 1974 relating to the Proposed Development of Commercial Developments Maritimes Limited, Waterfront Lands at Water Street - Case No. 3085.

Alderman MacKeen said the Downtown Committee does not object to the building in question but said there are certain modifications which the Committee is requesting, and said he is asking for reconsideration in order that Council can give consideration to same.

The Motion of Reconsideration was then put and lost, four voting for the same and five voting against it as follows:

For:	Aldermen Connolly, MacKeen, Meagher, & Moir	- 4
Against:	Aldermen Bell, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell	- 5

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

Letter - Dr. Goomar Re: Lot 21 Belmont on the Arm

The City Clerk submitted a letter from Dr. J. S. Goomar appealing a decision of City Council made on July 11, 1974 in upholding the decision of the Development Officer in granting a minor variance of the front yard requirement of Lot #21, Belmont on the Arm.

Dr. Goomar then addressed Council and with the aid of a sketch, gave his reasons for appealing the decision of Council.

Alderman Connolly noted that Council has dealt with a number of cases in this particular area suggesting that development in this area has taken on an aspect which is not fair to the rest of the neighbourhood. Alderman Connolly suggested the developer wants to dispose of the land and is not adhering to the covenants etc.

Mr. B. Davidson of the Development Department explained the situation to Council and in reply to a question as to whether a permit has been issued, said it was his understanding that it had but could not say for certain.

Alderman Connolly said the Building Inspection Department should look at the facts and determine whether the building can be moved back without affecting the 20' sewer easement saying that if it can, he would be prepared to make a Motion that the House be set back. MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that the matter be referred to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole for a report. Motion passed.

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REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on September 18, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

Lacrosse Box/Ice Mat

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the following negotiated tenders be awarded for excavation, drainage, backfilling, grading, chain link fence, asphalt paving and carpentry at the Lundy's Lane site at a maximum of \$100,000 on the basis of a future ice mat system being acquired at an approximate cost of \$95,000:

Excavation, drainage, backfilling, grading and sodding	
EDMONDS BROTHERS ENTERPRISES LIMITED	\$ 49,012.00
Chain link fence	
EASTERN FENCE ERECTORS LIMITED	17,530.96
Carpentry	
CECIL E. CRAINES	9,837.00
Asphalt paving	
STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LIMITED	11,717.00

Motion passed.

Resolution - City of Lethbridge re Finances for Residential  
Development

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation and with a request that information from the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities be obtained.

A Staff Report was submitted on the matter.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that City Council pass a resolution in general support of the resolution made by the City of Lethbridge expressing concern at the shortage of mortgage funds, and the present interest rates on funds available for residential construction and calling upon the Federal Government to take positive action to deal with this situation which unless action is taken must inevitably have an inhibiting effect on the growth of the City of Halifax and on the general level of employment in the City; and, that Council instruct that a copy of this resolution together with a copy of the Lethbridge resolution be forwarded to the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities for consideration by their Executive and that Staff also be instructed to forward a copy of the resolution to the Office of the Secretary of State for Urban Affairs and to the Council of the City of Lethbridge, Alberta. Motion passed.

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Possible Extinguishment - Electrical Railway Right-of-Way  
Fleming Heights

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authorization be given to staff to prepare, and present, the necessary documents to the Legislature requesting the extinguishment of the remaining portions of the right-of-way and authority for the City to sell all its right, title and interest in the lands. Motion passed.

Amendments Development Agreement - Convoy Place - Phase III

A Supplementary Report was submitted on this item containing a breakdown of the costs in respect to the provision of underground wiring for Phase III, as requested at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on September 18, 1974.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that:

1. City Council grant preliminary approval to the revised Phase III of Convoy Place in order to allow the construction of the proposed condominium units;
2. approval in principle be granted for the installation of overhead wiring;
3. approval in principle be granted to permit access by way of a private road and that subject to the provision by the developer to the City of the detailed requirements of the development agreement, that they be permitted to commence construction of the three condominium units.

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

Tender 74-123 - Police Winter Coats

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation and with a request for a further Staff Report.

A Supplementary Staff Report was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that authority be granted to purchase Police coat requirements from G. B. Isnor and Morris Goldberg at costs of \$5670.00 and \$5700.00 respectively. G. B. Isnor will supply the coats requiring Chevrons and there will be no extra charge for the sewing. Motion passed.

Tender 74-121 - Demolition 2240 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the tender for the demolition of 2240 Barrington Street be awarded to Francis J. Brown, in the amount of \$7,665.00; funds being available for this demolition from the Uniacke Square project with 50% of the cost being covered by the Federal Government. Motion passed

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Tender 74-134 - Eight Delivery Vans

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to the low bid of Wood Motors (N.S.) Ltd., for the supply of eight 1974 model delivery vans; sufficient funds are available in the equipment reserve account to cover this expenditure; the amount of the low bid is \$34,600.00. Motion passed.

Merkel Street Expropriation - Corrected Description and Plan

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Clerk be authorized to file the correct description and plan of the Merkel Street Expropriation in the Registry of Deeds. Motion passed.

Lease - St. Mary's Boat Club Property

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the lease on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on September 18, 1974, with respect to the following matters:

Agricola Street Transit Service

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, upon delivery of the four new buses expected, the matter of transit on Agricola Street be added to the list of priorities for transit service and reviewed by the Halifax Transit Corporation. Motion passed.

C.N.R. Crossing - Palmer Hill Road

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation to give all members of Council an opportunity to visit and inspect the area in question.

Alderman Stapells said that it has been ascertained that the City's garbage trucks have been making use of this short cut to avoid the Armdale Rotary.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Meagher that any decision on this matter be deferred for further information to be collected. Motion passed.

Contract for Soil Shed - Parks & Grounds Department

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation but with a request that staff further review the

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possibility of an alternative site for the soil shed and the transportation costs of the soil.

Some discussion ensued on this matter and a number of Aldermen expressed the view that the soil shed should not be located on the site proposed.

The City Manager advised that the soil shed is very necessary and that Staff have said that it can be located on the City Field site.

The Director of Engineering and Works explained the need of the soil shed and said that although the City Field location is not the preferred one by Staff, it would be acceptable.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that a contract be awarded to Precision Steel Structures Ltd., in the amount of \$16,980.00 for the supply and installation of a soil shed, complete with foundation on the site of City Field. The recommended low bid of \$16,980.00 will be further reduced to \$16,400.00 upon receipt of refund of Provincial Sales Tax. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Commercial Developments Maritime Limited - Proposed Office Tower - Barrington Street and George Street

At this time, it was MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Moir that a spokesman be permitted to address Council from the Downtown Committee.

The Acting Mayor pointed out that permission to speak must be given by a unanimous vote of Council.

The motion was put and was not unanimous, therefore the spokesman for the Downtown Committee was denied permission to address Council.

The City Manager said that Staff have undertaken some urban design work on this matter and she asked Council to hear from Mr. Davidson on the subject.

A sketch drawing was distributed indicating the views of staff with respect to the appropriate and desirable development of this block. Mr. Davidson explained the drawing and outlined the staff work that has been done.

After some discussion and after Alderman Sullivan had explained why he voted against permitting a spokesman for the Downtown Committee to be heard, it was MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the application for lot consolidation and setback modification be approved subject to the view planes legislation. The motion was put and passed with Alderman MacKeen voting against.

Alderman MacKeen then gave notice of Reconsideration.

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REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on September 18, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

Alteration to a Subdivision and Lot Consolidation - 1566-76  
(Lots 9, 10, 11) Hollis Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, with respect to the alteration to a subdivision and lot consolidation, 1566-76 (Lots 9, 10 & 11) Hollis Street, Lot "X" be resubdivided to form the original Lots 10 and 11, and Lots 9 and 10 be consolidated to form a new Lot "Y", as shown on Plan No. P200/6647 of Case No. 3079 which is for the purpose of correcting an error made in the original application. Motion passed.

Application for Subdivision of lot 115 Kingsmere Court

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application to subdivide Lot 115 to create Lots 115A and 115B, as shown on Plan No. P200/6644 of Case No. 3105, be approved. Motion passed.

Consolidation of Lots 131, 132, 133 and 134 to Form Block "P"  
Willet Street

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the consolidation of Lots 131, 132, 133 and 134 to form Block "P", as shown on Plan No. P200/6457 of Case No. 3068, be approved. Motion passed.

Application for Lot Consolidation to Create Lot 4A-B Sherwood  
Park Subdivision, Crest Drive

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for lot consolidation to create Lot 4A-B, as shown on Plan No. P200/6650 of Case No. 3083, be approved by City Council, subject to approval by the Atlantic Health Unit for septic tank installation. Motion passed.

Resubdivision to Form Lots 1 & 2, Lands of W. E. Schwartz,  
480 Bedford Highway

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council approve Lots 1 and 2, Lands of W. E. Schwartz, Bedford Highway, as shown on Plan No. P200/6629 of Case No. 3096. Motion passed.

Application for Consolidation of Lots 29 & 30 of the William  
McFatrige Subdivision, McFatrige Road

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly

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that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for consolidation of Lots 29 and 30 to create Lot "A", as shown on Plan No. P200/6642 of Case No. 3097, be granted approval by City Council. Motion passed.

Resubdivision of Lot 5 to Create 5A and 5B, MacIntosh Road

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Council approve the resubdivision of Lot 5 to form Lots 5-A and 5-B of the Bridget Roche Subdivision, MacIntosh Street, as shown on Plan No. 6568 of Case No. 3091. Motion passed.

Lot Consolidation - Anderson Square, Summer Street and University Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, consolidation of Lots D and E to create Lot X, as shown on Plan No. P200/6681 of Case No. 3095, be approved. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman MacKeen re Twenty-Mile Speed Limit, Residential Streets in Halifax

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the City of Halifax approach the Provincial Authorities with a request that the speed limit of vehicular traffic on residential streets in the City be set at 20 miles per hour.

Alderman MacKeen spoke to his motion and said that he has received numerous letters from the public who favour this reduction in the speed limit.

Alderman Stanbury suggested that if the speed limit is reduced it should be reduced on all streets. She pointed out that in residential areas, children usually have gardens and yards to play in, but those living on streets not considered residential generally have to play in the street. She expressed herself as not being in favour of the reduction in speed limit.

Alderman Sullivan also was of the opinion that some streets other than residential should have the reduced speed limit if it is introduced.

Alderman Moir suggested that before the matter is forwarded to the Provincial Authorities, some input should be given from City Staff. He contended that comments should be received from the Traffic Engineer and Police Department together with a report from the City Solicitor to see whether such a change is possible. It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the matter be referred to Staff for consideration and report to an early meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.



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Alderman MacKeen said that he had only suggested the reduction in speed limit on residential streets because he thought that it might not be possible on major streets which are designated as a part of the Provincial Highway system.

After further discussion, the motion to refer the matter to Staff was put and passed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

##### Appointments

##### Abbie J. Lane Memorial Hospital Board

His Worship the Acting Mayor nominated Mr. James S. Cowan for re-appointment to the Abbie J. Lane Memorial Hospital Board for a one year term expiring October 1, 1975.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moir that the nomination of His Worship the Acting Mayor be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Stapells suggested that a letter be written to Mr. Cowan advising him of his re-appointment and thanking him for all his hard work during his past term of appointment.

##### Halifax Landmarks Commission

His Worship the Acting Mayor nominated Mr. Brian Flemming for appointment to the Landmarks Commission to fill the unexpired portion of the term of Mr. A. Gordon Archibald, who had found it necessary to resign, the term expiring on April 30, 1975.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir that the nomination of His Worship the Acting Mayor be approved. Motion passed.

##### Revision to Council Minutes re Kempt Road Closure

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

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that City Council authorize the City Clerk to correct the Council Minutes of July 11, 1974 to delete the incorrect plan numbers TT-18-20368 and TT-18-20369 and insert in their place the correct numbers, TT-19-20811 and TT-19-20812. Motion passed.

#### QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Accident - Peter Levy -  
Gottingen Street

Alderman Connolly asked if the City Solicitor would report with respect to the accident of Mr. Peter Levy on Gottingen Street.

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The City Solicitor said that he would review the file and report.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Immunity from Increased Taxation

Alderman MacKeen referred to a motion he had made some time ago with respect to the immunity from increased taxation for a residential property owner who does renovations to his home and he said that this motion was referred to Staff for a report; which report has not yet been received.

The City Manager said she would check up on the matter.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Tax Rebate

Alderman MacKeen asked what the procedure is for those tenants who, by the end of September, have not received notice of their amount of rebate.

The Director of Finance advised that according to the instructions received from the Provincial Government a tenant who has not received notice of his amount of rebate by the end of this month is permitted to deduct the rebate from his October rental, but he said this is difficult since the tenant would have no way of knowing what amount he should deduct. He said that applications are still being processed in the City Collector's Office and he would recommend that tenants who have not yet received notification from the City of their amount of rebate should contact their landlord to make certain that he has completed the necessary forms and applied for the rebate.

Question Alderman Moir Re: High School Hockey League

Alderman Moir asked for a report on what might be done for next year with respect to the high school hockey league programme to avoid the difficulties encountered this year.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: School Crossing Guard - Corner Chebucto and Mumford Roads

Alderman Stanbury asked that the Chief of Police be approached to see whether a school crossing guard can be located at the corner of Mumford and Chebucto Roads, where a great number of children are crossing.

The Acting Mayor advised that he had been in contact with the Chief of Police a couple of days ago about this very matter and he was assured that a guard would be located at the intersection.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Removal of Signs on Residential Streets Stating "No Trucks over ½-Ton Permitted"

Alderman Stapells asked why the signs stating "No Trucks over ½-Ton Permitted" are being and have been removed from residential streets. He said that people living on these

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streets felt comfortable and protected by these signs. He could not understand why they have been removed before all truckers are fully familiar with the Designated Truck Routes.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that the signs are now redundant with the Truck Routes all being marked and widely publicized.

Alderman Stapells suggested that it is difficult for the Police Department to scrutinize all trucks which are using these residential streets and he contended that the signs should have remained for at least a couple of years until all truckers have full knowledge of the designated truck routes.

The City Solicitor suggested that it is possible that too many signs tend to cause confusion and be ignored.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Driveway - Duffus Street -  
Mrs. Raymond

Alderman Sullivan referred to a letter from City Staff addressed to a Mrs. Raymond on Duffus Street who had made application for a driveway to her property. He read the last paragraph of this letter in which it was stated that although the City refused the request, the person could take the application further by contacting her Alderman, Mr. Sullivan. He questioned the reasoning behind this suggestion since it is Staff who investigate and decide on such issues. He also suggested that if these statements are going to be made, then the Alderman involved should have full knowledge of the subject.

Question Alderman Wentzell Re: Lieblin Drive

Alderman Wentzell referred to the problems that have arisen on Lieblin Drive, which bled tar all summer after having been resurfaced. He said that crushed stone was put on it along with sand and the combination of tar, stone and sand created a dreadful situation. He asked what can be done now to obviate the same thing happening next year.

The Director of Engineering and Works said that this item can be discussed at Budget time but that he would report on the problems encountered this year.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Use of Aerial Ladder Truck by  
Contractors Working on Grand Parade Flagpole

Alderman Connolly referred to an Information Report that has been submitted and he asked if the Contractors checking the flagpole were charged for the use of the aerial ladder truck from the Fire Department.

The Director of Engineering and Works advised that the use of the Fire Department's aerial ladder truck was written into the contract, so the Company was not charged for its use.

ADDED ITEMS

Tender 74-137 - Furniture & Fittings - Halifax Regional  
Library

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

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that City Council approve the award of contracts in the amount of \$16,978.37 to Seaman-Cross Limited for the supply, placing and installation of furnishings and draperies for the Halifax Regional Library. Motion passed.

Recreation Site - Leiblin Park Area

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

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the land constituting Lots 1 to 11 inclusive on Rhonda Court, Rhonda Court itself and Falcon Drive, as appears on a plan showing a portion of the Leiblin Park Subdivision, Spryfield, Halifax, N. S., dated March 19, 1969, by R. Donovan N.S.L.S., be purchased from the Halifax Nursing Homes Ltd. at a total price of \$23,500 as settlement in full for all claims, said lands to be added to existing City owned lands in the vicinity to aid in the expansion of recreation facilities; funds being available in Account No. 425 HA 009. Motion passed with Alderman Stanbury voting against.

Possible Playing Field Site - South Spryfield

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

Alderman Wentzell spoke to the report and said that the Green Acres site is much preferred to the others mentioned. It was then MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Moir that Staff be directed to make one further attempt to negotiate for the Green Acres site and report to the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council whether expropriation action should be commenced.

Some discussion ensued on this item and various members of Council considered that perhaps the Morris Park Lands should be acquired since they are available.

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

Tender - Adventure Playground - George Dixon Playground

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

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the lowest bid received, being from Calfax Crane

Service Ltd., in the amount of \$7,094.55 for the construction of an adventure playground at George Dixon Playground be accepted and that an allowance of \$650 be added to the contract for the pressure treatment of wood preservative.

Alderman Moir questioned the use of copper arsenic in the preservation of the wood and suggested that Staff thoroughly study the safety of this use particularly in a playground facility.

The motion was then put and passed.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Stapells - Removal of Street Signs

Alderman Stapells gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on Thursday, October 17, 1974, he will introduce a motion respecting street signs, the effect of which will change City Staff policy of removing certain street signs for up to a period of one year, as a result of the implementation of Truck Routes.

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ACTING MAYOR LEO C. HOGAN  
CHAIRMAN

R. H. Stoddard  
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
October 17, 1974  
8:00 p.m.

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

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

Present: Alderman Meagher, Chairman, Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan and Wentzell.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of City Council held on September 26, 1974, were approved on motion of Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Sullivan.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

The City Clerk advised that the following changes are to be made to the Order of Business:

Deletions

- 17(a) Application for Canopy Permit - 5680 Sp. Garden Road
- 17(c) Agreement between City of Halifax & N. S. Housing Commission - Billman Property

Additions

- 20(a) New Staff Position - Liaison Worker for Public Participation & the Municipal Development Plan
- 20(b) Tender Fairfield Road Seawall, Phase II
- 20(c) Resubdivision to Form Lots 1A & 2A Lands of W. E. Schwartz - 480 Bedford Highway
- 20(d) Election Returns

Alderman Connolly asked that an item be added as 20(e) entitled "Election Procedures"

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the Order of Business be amended accordingly.  
Motion passed.

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



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DEFERRED ITEM

Stipend Committee - Resignation of Members

Alderman Connolly spoke to this item since it had been referred to this Council meeting for a decision and he questioned whether the new Council would wish to consider those recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on which decisions have not been made.

It was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that this item be deferred to the next meeting of City Council. Motion passed.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION

Motion - Alderman MacKeen - To Reconsider Resolution of Council Approved September 26, 1974 re Commercial Developments (Maritimes) Limited - Proposed Office Tower - Barrington Street and George Street

It was explained that since Alderman MacKeen is no longer a member of City Council, unless another Alderman wishes to make the motion, Council will proceed to the next item.

No member of Council was prepared to make the motion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND HEARINGS

Public Hearing - Street Closure - Brockley's Lane from Tower Road to Summer Street

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the above mentioned matter.

The City Clerk advised that the matter has been properly advertised and that no correspondence for or against the street closure has been received.

Council heard briefly from Staff on the item and sketch plans were displayed.

The Chairman then ascertained that no persons present wished to speak for or against the street closure.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Brockley's Lane from Tower Road to Summer Street be closed. Motion passed.

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

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

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PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition - Residents of Westmount - Re: To Re-Open Peter  
Lowe Avenue to Through Traffic

The City Clerk submitted a petition signed by approximately 100 persons relating to the above matter.

Alderman Bell pointed out that later in the Order of Business, City Council will be setting a date for a public hearing on this matter and the petition can be referred to the Public Hearing.

REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on October 9, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

City Manager's Expenditure Authority

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Solicitor be instructed to obtain an amendment to the Halifax City Charter 1963, Section 159(1) L to increase the City Manager's limit of expenditure from \$5,000 to \$7,500.00. Motion passed.

Possible Sale of City-Owned Land - Corner of Leppert &  
Phillip Streets

The City Manager advised that the further report requested at the last meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council is not yet ready and she suggested that the matter be deferred to the next meeting.

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

Expropriation of 13 Margaret Road, Kline Heights, Estate of  
William Thornton

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Mrs. Thornton be paid the amount of \$825.00 being 6% simple interest on \$5,500 for 2½ years regarding the expropriation of 13 Margaret Road. Motion passed.

Morris Street Fire Station - Repairs

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to Charles W. Stone Limited in the amount of \$26,810.50 for repairs and waterproofing to the Morris Street Fire Station. Motion passed.

Deed - 3370 Prescott Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute a Quit Claim Deed on behalf of the City confirming the fact that the City has no legal interest in the land located at 3370 Prescott Street. Motion passed.

Multi-Service Office - Social Assistance Office - Mainland South

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a two year lease for the ground floor office space at 337 Herring Cove Road for approximately \$3,900.00 per annum, and a two year lease for the second floor office space at 337 Herring Cove Road for approximately \$6,365.00 per annum, be entered into effective November 1, 1974. Motion passed.

Tender 74-133 - Two 1974 Mobile Compressors

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to W. N. White & Co. Ltd., in the amount of \$18,388.00 for the supply of Two 1974 Mobile Compressors. Motion passed.

Engineering Study - Ramp #1 Bridge Structure - Cogswell Street Interchange

Some discussion took place on this item and it was suggested that rather than hire an outside engineering consultant to make the study, the firm who built the structure should be contacted.

The City Solicitor explained that the contractor who built the structure has, in effect, said that there is no problem with it but the City is sufficiently concerned and is recommending the engagement of an independent engineering consultant. He said that upon receipt of the study, the City can decide whether or not it has a claim against the original contractor.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the required engineering consultant fee of approximately \$5,000.00 (upper estimated limit) be paid from current account 009-085 (Consultant and Engineering Services) with this account being credited to a later date from the repair project cost as will be submitted for approval under the proposed 1975 Capital Budget Program. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on

Works from its meeting held on October 9, 1974 with respect to the following matters:

Award of Survey - Sherwood Park, Sherwood Heights Area

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, Council authorize the firm Wallace-MacDonald Surveys Limited to undertake a survey and prepare topographic plans of the Sherwood Park/Sherwood Heights Area. Motion passed.

Closure of Portion of Birmingham Street from Clyde Street to approximately One Hundred and Fifty Feet in a northerly direction; and

Closure of Portion of Dresden Row from Clyde Street to Approximately One-Hundred and Ninety Feet in a northerly Direction

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This item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

Alderman Connolly asked Staff to advise whether or not they could envisage an entrance and exit from either Dresden Row or Birmingham Street.

Mr. C. L. Dodge of City Staff said that he would not favour an entrance and exit from Dresden Row and from Clyde Street. He went on to explain that in the proposed Development Plan, Spring Garden Road in the future is expected to be a pedestrian walkway facility.

Alderman Sullivan was concerned that in 1973, Council passed a resolution to sell a certain amount of the land in this area to the Federal Government for the construction of an office building and he suggested that this resolution should be rescinded before the area is enlarged as a parking lot.

The City Solicitor said that the City would still own the land and the temporary use of the land for parking would not preclude any future construction should a suitable proposal be submitted.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell, that the streets be closed and that the entrance to the parking lot be from either Dresden Row or Birmingham Street and that no traffic be allowed on Clyde Street on to the parking lot.

Alderman Connolly suggested that the Solicitor for the Spring Garden Merchants be asked to comment on his motion.

The Chairman was of the opinion that there were others in the gallery who wished to speak on this matter and if Mr. Robertson is permitted to speak, so should the others be.

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MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that those who wished be permitted to address Council on this item. Motion passed.

Mr. G. Robertson said that the Spring Garden Merchants Association want only one entrance and exit point to the parking lot and have no objection to this point being on Dresden Row.

Mrs. DeCoste addressed the meeting and suggested that perhaps the matter should be deferred for further discussion on traffic congestion in the entire Clyde Street area.

Mr. Doyle spoke as a resident of the area and expressed concern about the great amount of traffic on Clyde Street in the vicinity of the Liquor Store.

After some discussion, and after hearing from Mr. Dodge that City Staff has no objection to one entrance and exit to the parking lot at Dresden Row, Alderman Connolly, with the approval of his seconder amended his motion as follows:

THAT the streets be closed and that the entrance and exit to the parking lot be from Dresden Row and that no traffic be allowed on Clyde Street to the Parking Lot.

At this time, Alderman Sullivan asked if approval of this motion would prevent any suitable development taking place on the City-owned land presently being used as a parking lot.

The Chairman answered in the negative.

The motion was then put and passed.

A Formal Resolution to Close the streets was submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

#### South Spryfield Playground

This item was forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Mr. A. W. Churchill, Supervisor of Real Estate displayed sketches of the two sites presently under consideration, the Green Acres Site which is preferred by City Staff and the Morris Park site. The sketches showed the shape of the lands and possible development for baseball or softball diamonds and football field.

Mr. D. McLeod, City Architect, explained that the shape of the Green Acres site is more appropriate for organized recreation development, the Morris Park site being rather narrow.

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Mr. McLeod also stated that the Morris Park site is heavily treed and would require considerable work whereas the Green Acres site has no trees and could be prepared at rather less cost.

Some discussion took place as to why the City would not go ahead and purchase the Morris Park site which is available rather than go through expropriation processes for the Green Acres site.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that a meeting be held with residents of the area before a decision is made on a site for a South Spryfield Playground. Motion passed.

Barrington Street - Street Lines - Date for Hearing

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, a date be set for a public hearing to consider street line alterations being made at the northeast corner of Barrington and Duke Streets. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing will be held on November 20, 1974.

Closure of Peter Lowe Avenue - Date for Hearing

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, a date be set for a public hearing to consider the closure of Peter Lowe Avenue. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the Public Hearing will be held on November 20, 1974.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on October 9, 1974 with respect to the following matters.

Permanent Closure of Median on Connaught Avenue at Young St.

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the median opening on Connaught Avenue at Young Street remain temporarily closed and that the median opening on Connaught Avenue at Cork Street be temporarily closed as well. Motion passed.

Stop Signs - Corner of Young Avenue and Inglis Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, City Council recommend to the Traffic Authority that a four-way stop sign be placed at Young Avenue and Inglis Street. Motion passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on October 9, 1974 as follows:

Application for Lot Consolidation - Lots 1, 2, and 3 to Form Lot A - Lands of the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul's, Argyle Street and Grafton Street and Application for Modification of the Height Setback Requirement

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for the consolidation of Lots 1, 2, and 3 to form Lot A, lands of the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul's, Argyle Street and Grafton Street, and modification of the height setback requirements to permit the construction of a seven-storey, mixed-use building on the property known as Civic No. 1718 Argyle Street as shown on Plan Nos. P200/6651-6660 of Case No. 3075, be approved by City Council. Motion passed.

Bright Street - Resubdivision to Create Parcel GH-1

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council approve the resubdivision to create Parcel GH-1, Bright Street (Chebucto Inn), as shown on Plan No. P200/6702 of Case No. 3093. Motion passed.

Application for Subdivision - Sunset Subdivision, Main Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council grant lot approval for Parcel 159-A and create Parcel 159-B as a service easement, as shown on Plan No. P200/6670 of Case No. 3110. Motion passed.

Application for Lot Consolidation to Create Block A - Corner of Penny Avenue and Layton Road

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for lot consolidation to create Block A as one lot, as shown on Plan No. P200/6496 of Case No. 3080, be granted by City Council. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Stapells Re Removal of Street Signs

The following is the Notice of Motion given by Alderman Stapells at the September 26, 1974 meeting of City Council:

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"Alderman Stapells gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on Thursday, October 17, 1974, he will introduce a motion respecting street signs, the effect of which will change City Staff policy of removing certain street signs for up to a period of one year, as a result of the implementation of Truck Routes."

Alderman Stapells referred to the notice of Motion and suggested that the Director of Works had a word to say on the matter.

Mr. Sheflin advised that staff did meet with the Alderman regarding trucks using streets which they should not be using and said it was pointed out at that time that there are very few such streets left with signs posted. He said the signs had no legal status saying that staff felt that if a truck driver did not see a sign posted, they may be of the opinion they could use such streets. Mr. Sheflin said it was indicated to the Alderman that the Police Department and staff are willing to work with members of Council to ensure trucks do not use residential Streets.

Alderman Stapells said that residents feel more comfortable with the signs in place but said he is satisfied with the explanation given by the Director and would not make the Motion which he intended.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Application for Canopy Permit - 5680 Spring Garden Road

The above noted item was deleted from the Order of Business at the request of the City Clerk.

Amendment to City Council Minutes of September 26, 1974 re:  
Tender 74-123 - Police Winter Coats

The City Clerk advised that when the above noted item was dealt with on September 26, 1974, the staff report which was submitted stated that the cost for Police Coats from G. B. Isnor and Morris Goldberg were \$5670.00 and \$5700.00 respectively instead of \$56.70 and \$57.00. The City Clerk said the Minutes must now be corrected to show the correct figures.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the City Council Minutes of September 26, 1974 related to Tender 74-123 - Police Winter Coats, be corrected to show the proper figures. Motion passed.

Agreement between City of Halifax and Nova Scotia Housing  
Commission - Billman Property

The above noted item was deleted from the Order of Business at the request of the City Clerk.