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His Worship then called for those persons wishing to speak in favour of the staff recommendation.

Mr. Warrick Kimmins, 1684 Edward Street, addressed Council and noted the pressures on the area provided by the University and high rises, the commercial shops on Quinpool Road, and pressures within the Ward due to a high number of houses of special care and a large number of pre-schools and day schools. He felt that residents of the area do feel uncertain about the stability of the area and presented a petition, with approximately 249 signatures attached thereto, indicating support for the recommendation of City staff. He requested that members of City Council consider favourably the recommendation made by City staff.

A resident of Duncan Street, a member of and representing the OVO Co-operative, addressed Council in favour of the staff recommendation and read a brief, copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Mr. Emerose Stagman, 6035 Williams Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation, and stated that he had recently purchased his home. He stated that it is unthinkable that houses of the type found in the area would be replaced by apartment buildings. Mr. Stagman felt that the criteria which provided for the exclusion of the area from Coburg Road to Quinpool Rd. from the 250 density would also provide for the exclusion of the area from Quinpool Road to Cunard Street.

Mr. Paul Bolby, 6052 Williams Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation. Mr. Bolby suggested that the staff report be considered in light of the petition containing approximately 500 signatures which was submitted at a public hearing held on July 21, 1976, re the related area. He referred to the unpredictable impact of the proposed Quinpool Road development, the uncertainty of whether the Commons can support, in a recreational capacity, three new high-rise developments in the area, and the fact that no detailed area plan has yet been established, and appealed to members of City Council to consider carefully the impact of any decision which would permit speculators to continue to allow premises to be destroyed and decline in a neighbourhood which is under radical change for the better. Mr. Bolby then responded to questions from members of Council.

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Mr. Colin Stoddard, 1695 Edward Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation, and commended City staff for their recognition of the unsettling effects of prospective high-rise development on otherwise stable communities. Mr. Stoddard stated that, as a resident of the area concerned, he looks forward to increased stability by moving the boundary and welcomes the present proposal of staff, urging Council to act on it.

Mr. John Mroz, 1595 Edward Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation, and stated he has been a homeowner in the area since 1969. Mr. Mroz felt that any further development would increase the traffic problems in the area and would certainly not be of any benefit to the existing neighbourhood. He stated that the number of applications for permits for renovating and remodelling in the area would further support staff's position.

Ms. Sue Wolstenholme, a resident of Lawrence Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation, and expressed concern with comments in the staff report which could apply to her present neighbourhood, relating to neighbourhood stability and recreational area. She stated that she supports very strongly the proposed amendment that the change be from Cunard Street to Coburg Road and not from Quinpool Road to Coburg Road. Ms. Wolstenholme responded to questions from members of City Council.

Mr. Dimitri Procos, 1639 Henry Street, member of the Ward 2 Residents Council and Chairman of its Planning Committee, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation. Mr. Procos referred to policies developed by the Municipal Development Plan Committee and urged favourable consideration to the proposal which is not only in line with much of the thinking that came out of the work of the Municipal Development Plan Committee itself, but which will also facilitate the elected officials and citizens of Halifax in the long process of detailed plan formulation that lies ahead.

Ms. Donna Williams, Duncan Street, addressed Council in support of the staff recommendation, noting that there are a number of homes being renovated in her area as well. She suggested that schools in the area are already

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

Mr. Peter Green, representing Mrs. Vivian Currie, the owner of property fronting on Robie Street between Pepperell and Shirley Street, stated that Mrs. Currie assembled the noted property, and additional property on Pepperell Street, over the last twelve years, the largest portion of which was assembled in the last year. He stated that the lands were acquired with the knowledge that the zoning is R-3 and since 1965 there has been the boundary line to which reference is being made, forming Schedule A to the R-3 zone providing for 250 persons per acre on properties to the east of the line. He stated the properties are investment properties and are used for rental accommodation.

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was designed to permit high density development in the inner core of the City and, in 1965, it was considered that such development could be supported within the inner core area.

Mr. Green stated that the staff recommendation really only relates to the property south of Pepperell St. rather than south of Quinpool Road because the block between Quinpool Road and Pepperell St. has already been rezoned to commercial use to a depth beyond the Schedule A line. Mr. Green suggested that the block between Pepperell Street and Shirley Street fronting on Robie Street does lend itself to high density development, and has a considerable amount of open space to the east, north and south from the Commons to the cemetery.

Mr. Green submitted that the block between Pepperell St. and Shirley Street, fronting on Robie Street, should be excluded from any changes made within Schedule A. Mr. Green then responded to questions from members of Council.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in opposition to the proposed amendment, His Worship declared the matter to be before City Council.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that this matter be referred to City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

The following written communications in support of the proposed amendment were received and copies were circulated to members of City Council:

Letter dated August 28, 1976, from Miss Clara B. Mitchell
Letter dated August 30, 1976, from David M. Lewis, P.Eng.
Letter dated August 30, 1976, from Mrs. Donna Slater
Letter dated Sept. 1, 1976, from Paula and Gordon Hiltz
Letter dated Sept. 2, 1976, from R. F. Addison
Letter dated Sept. 2, 1976, from Tom and Betty Dixon
Letter dated Sept. 4, 1976, from Ian H. Langlands
Letter dated Sept. 7, 1976, from Judith M. Fox
Letter dated Sept. 7, 1976, from Charles L. Illsley

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The following written communications opposed to the proposed amendment were received and copies were circulated to members of City Council:

Letter dated August 30, 1976 from W. Roberts

Letter dated August 31, 1976 from W. Roberts

Meeting adjourned - 9:50 p.m.

HEADLINES

Amendment to the R-3 Zone of the Zoning By-law for the Peninsula Area - (Western Boundary of Schedule "A" as it exists between Cunard Street and Coburg Road) 420

MAYOR EDMUND MORRIS
CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (MRS.)
CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
September 16, 1976
8:00 p.m.

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

After the meeting was called to Order, Rabbi Leo Heim of Shaar Shalom sang a chant and recited a prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Stanbury, Walker, Hanson, Moore and Lawrence.

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

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on August 26 and September 8, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

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

- 20(a) - Appointments to Halifax Athletic Commission
- 20(b) - Acceptance of Financial Statements - 1975

At the request of Deputy Mayor Connolly, Council agreed to add:

- 20(c) - Sidewalk Renewal - University Avenue and Summer Street

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At the request of the City Clerk, it was agreed that item 10(m) Tender 76-19 - Coronet Avenue be transferred and shown as item 17(d).

The Order of Business, as amended, was approved.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Motion on Public Hearing to Consider Changes to the R-2
Zone (Rezoning all University Land Holdings) DATE
FOR HEARING

This matter was considered at a meeting of City Council held on August 26, 1976, and deferred to this meeting.

A staff report dated September 3, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moore, that City Council set a date for a public hearing on the matter of:

- (i) deleting Section 1 (d) in the R-2 zone of the Peninsula By-law and Section 19(e) in the R-1 zone of the Mainland By-law, and adding same to the respective Park and Institutional zones of the Peninsula and Mainland By-laws;
- (ii) amending Section 55 (d) in the Park and Institutional zone of the Mainland By-law to delete the phrase ". . . if not operated for gain";
- (iii) deleting Section 1 (e) in the R-2 zone of the Peninsula By-law and adding it to the Park and Institutional zone;
- (iv) deleting Section 1 (f) in the R-2 zone of the Peninsula By-law; and
- (v) amending Section 1 (h) in the R-2 zone of the Peninsula By-law to read as follows:

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"A foster or group boarding home for not more than eight children or adolescents, provided that such foster or group boarding homes provide twenty-four hour care and supervision, and be licensed by the Province."

Alderman Shannon expressed concern re group homes and day care centres. She suggested that Council consider deleting group homes from the R-2 zone altogether and have individual applications made to Council, or a Committee of Council, for such use. She further suggested that day care centres be dealt with when the staff report, as referred to in the September 3, 1976 staff report, is received.

The City Solicitor advised that Alderman Shannon's objective is a reasonable one if it is recognized that the deletion is only a temporary measure. He stated that the existing uses, by such deletion, would be made non-conforming.

The Mover and Seconder agreed that the motion be amended to read:

"that City Council set November 3, 1976, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, as the date for a public hearing on the matter of the R-1 and R-2 zones, including, but not so as to limit the generality of the foregoing, the specific matters as set out in the recommendation in the staff report dated September 3, 1976."

Deputy Mayor Connolly requested that in all future deliberations on this matter all references to 'University Land Holdings' be deleted and the matter be referred to as changes to the R-1 and R-2 zones. He stated that when the matter was first introduced some time ago it was on the basis of University land holdings but it has since been expanded to encompass a much wider subject matter. He suggested that there may be confusion in the minds of the public if it continues to carry reference to University land holdings.

Discussion ensued re the proper formulation of an advertisement to encompass the intentions of Council re the matter.

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MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Shannon, that the matter of a date for a public hearing re the foregoing subject be deferred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council, to allow staff time to draft an appropriate advertisement to comply with the requirements of the Planning Act. Motion passed.

Rezoning - From R-2, Two-Family Residential Zone to C-2,
General Business Zone - 287 Herring Cove Road

A public hearing was held re the above matter on August 18, 1976, at which time it was forwarded to this meeting of City Council without recommendation.

The City Clerk advised that His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Walker were not present at the public hearing and therefore are not permitted to vote on the matter.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly, that City Council approve the application for the rezoning of 287 Herring Cove Road from R-2, Two-Family Residential to C-2, General Business, as shown on Plan No. P200/7398 of Case No. 3317, and the Formal Resolution. Motion passed with Aldermen Shannon, Lawrence and Downey voting against and Alderman Moore abstaining.

Rezoning - Lands in Area of Chebucto Road, Allen Street,
Chebucto Lane, & Robie Street

This matter was deleted from the Order of Business of the City Council meeting held on August 18, 1976, at the request of the City Solicitor pending a legal opinion.

A Private and Confidential report dated August 24, 1976, was submitted by the City Solicitor.

Alderman Meagher addressed Council in support of the application to rezone, reviewing the historical aspects of the Dairy lands and noting that the residents would consider rezoning the property to a higher density, either residential or commercial, but it must be in keeping with the neighbourhood and the objectives and plans of the Metropolitan Development Plan Committee.

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MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Shannon that:

1. For the R-3 area bounded generally by Chebucto Road and Cunard Street on the north, Robie Street on the east, Welsford Street and various property lines on the south of Allen Street to the south, Monastery Lane to the west, Allen Street to Chebucto Lane to the north, and Chebucto Lane to the west, less the C-2 area along Windsor Street, be rezoned to R-2, all as shown in Exhibit 3 attached to the staff report of May 11, 1976;
2. For the C-2 area along Windsor Street as shown in Exhibit 3 as attached to the staff report of May 11, 1976, in accordance with Policy 2.1. and in view of the fact that sufficient information is not yet available to devise more appropriate zoning for this area, the present C-2 area be rezoned to C-1;
3. For the C-3 area at Chebucto Road and Chebucto Lane as shown in Exhibit 3 attached to the staff report of May 11, 1976, the City rezone this area from C-3 to R-2;
4. Council state its willingness to consider rezonings to higher density residential and/or commercial uses where specific proposals made to the City are made on the basis of a plan which is consistent with the Statement of Objectives and Policies.

Deputy Mayor Connolly stated he has no difficulty whatsoever in supporting the rezoning provided that it is proceeded with in the manner outlined in the private and confidential staff report submitted by the City Solicitor.

Alderman Sullivan stated he would support the motion but felt the correct way to proceed would be to meet with the City Solicitor to discuss the private and confidential report before a decision is made.

Alderman Stanbury indicated her support for the motion and stated that the Dairy property does not comply with the Metropolitan Development Plan the Council is now trying to establish. She suggested that the requests of the residents should be granted wherever possible.

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Alderman Shannon suggested that Council meet with the City Solicitor and the Director of Planning so that the City Solicitor could explain his private and confidential memorandum and what time frame would be involved if it went through the Municipal Development Plan process.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, that the matter be deferred so that a meeting may be arranged with the City Solicitor and the Director of Planning to accommodate the implications of the City Solicitor's private and confidential memorandum dated August 24, 1976, and again be considered at the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council to be held on September 22, 1976. Motion passed with Aldermen Downey, Meagher, Stanbury and Lawrence voting against.

Amendment to the R-3 Zone of the Zoning Bylaw for the Peninsula Area (Western Boundary of Schedule "A" as it exists between Cunard St. and Coburg Rd.

A public hearing was held re the above matter on September 8, 1976.

The City Solicitor advised that Alderman Hanson could not vote on the matter as he was not present at the public hearing.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that City Council amend Schedule "A" of the Peninsula Zoning Bylaw in order to delete from the inner high-density zone that portion of the western side of Robie Street between Cunard Street and Coburg Road, and that the Formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on September 8, 1976, as follows:

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Proposal - Rockingham "Y" Committee (Northcliffe Community
Recreational Centre)

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that City Council accept the offer of the Y.M.C.A. to sell to the City the land and buildings of the Northcliffe Community Recreational Centre, outright and free of all encumbrances, for the fee of \$1.00. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon, Sullivan and Stanbury voting against.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council authorize the expenditure of not more than \$39,800.00 for the operation of the Northcliffe Community Recreational Centre from September 8, to December 31, 1976, under the authority of section 201(1) of the Halifax City Charter.

The City Manager advised that a request for additional funds might be made to City Council to repair damages to the building resulting from recent acts of vandalism.

The motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon, Sullivan and Stanbury voting against.

Appeal Against the Refusal of the City Clerk to Issue A
Lord's Day Permit to Ms. Susan Petursson

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the decision of the City Clerk be upheld and the appeal be denied. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Stanbury voting against.

Appeal Against the Refusal of the City Clerk to Issue A
Lord's Day Permit to Mr. G. Jarrett - Heirloom Ltd.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Walker that as recommended by the Finance and Executive

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Committee, the decision of the City Clerk be upheld and the appeal be denied. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman Stanbury voting against.

Possible Leasing - 2574 Barrington St. - SEAWAY TAVERN

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the subject property known as Civic No. 2574 Barrington Street be leased to Mr. Cecil O'Hearn for \$300 per month subject to the conditions set forth in the staff report dated August 27, 1976.

Deputy Mayor Connolly stated that he felt strongly that further negotiations should take place so that a more reasonable return on the City's investment would be realized.

The motion was put and lost, with Deputy Mayor Connolly, Aldermen Shannon, Downey, Meagher, Stanbury and Lawrence voting against.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Connolly, seconded by Alderman Shannon, that the matter be referred to staff for further negotiation re a higher rental and/or the possibility of a tender call for the use of the building as a tavern. Motion passed.

Possible Sale of City-Owned Property - 3297 Prescott St.

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council authorize the sale of City-owned property at 3297 Prescott Street by public tender. Motion passed.

Transfer of Funds from Account CEA27

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the amount of \$1,000. be transferred from Account CEA27 to Account CEA72 in order to have the work (reinstatement work of the trenching along Purcell's Cove Road at the

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Herring Cove Road) performed through Maritime Tel & Tel Co. Ltd. on behalf of the City. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

Tender - 76-76(R) - One Brush Chipper

MOVED by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority be granted to order one brush chipper from the lowest bidder, N. S. Tractors & Equipment Ltd., at a cost of \$9,169.00. Necessary funds have been approved by City Council in new equipment account 017-452-XE232. Motion passed.

Tender - 76-122 - Reroofing Centennial Pool

A supplementary staff report dated September 14, 1976, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Downey that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to the low bidder, Atlantic Steel Buildings Ltd., P.O. Box 969, Bedford, Nova Scotia, in the amount of \$93,866.00 to re-roof the Centennial Pool. Motion passed.

Renovations - 28 Withrod Drive

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Walker that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a contract be awarded to the low bidder, C. Coleman Construction Ltd., P.O. Box 218, Lower Sackville, Halifax Co., N. S., for the carpentry renovations at 28 Withrod Drive. Motion passed.

Stationary Engineer - Police Station

A supplementary staff report dated September 10, 1976, was submitted.

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MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that Council authorize the creation of a new position for a Stationary Engineer within the Engineering and Works Department staff establishment and the expenditure for the remainder of 1976 be authorized under section 201 of the Halifax City Charter. Motion passed.

Abbey J. Lane Memorial Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Council agree with the proposal to have the Abbie J. Lane Memorial Hospital change its function to that of an active treatment hospital to serve the citizens of Halifax and the surrounding western area, provided confirmation is received in writing, pending satisfactory resolution of the points raised in the staff report dated September 7, 1976.

His Worship stated that City Council may defer the motion pending receipt of the confirmation or may approve the motion conditional upon receipt of the said confirmation.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly, that the matter be deferred to the meeting of Committee of the Whole Council scheduled for September 22, 1976. Motion passed.

Toll Increase - Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission

His Worship requested that this matter be deferred so that he might provide back-up information to Council members.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly, that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole Council to be held on September 22, 1976. Motion passed.

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REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on September 8, 1976, as follows:

Kearney Lake Road Sewer Services - Bedford Highway to Dunbrack Street

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee on Works,

- (a) Council authorize the issuance of tenders of the Kearney Lake Road sewer project between Bedford Highway and Dunbrack Street as a local improvement project under the authority of Section 391 of the City Charter without allowing the abutting properties the right to petition against;
- (b) Staff be authorized to make all necessary applications to other levels of government for financial assistance and to authorize His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk to sign agreements on such cost sharing as and when received.

Motion passed.

Encroachment - South Park Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, an encroachment be authorized to Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Limited for the purpose of erecting a telephone booth on the southwest corner of South Park Street at Spring Garden Road, back of the sidewalk area, adjacent to the existing statue. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

Encroachment - Cogswell Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, an encroachment be authorized to Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company Limited for the purpose of erecting a

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telephone booth on the South side of Cogswell Street in the vicinity of the wading pool, as indicated on the sketch attached to the staff report. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

Encroachment - Coburg Road

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, an encroachment be authorized to Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company Limited for the purpose of erecting a telephone booth at the North East corner of Coburg Road at LeMarchant Street, as indicated on the sketch attached to the staff report. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

Encroachment - Oxford Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, an encroachment be authorized to Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company Limited for the purpose of erecting a telephone booth at the South West corner of Oxford Street at Quinpool Road, as indicated on the sketch attached to the staff report. Motion passed with Alderman Hanson abstaining.

Petition - Armshore Drive

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, staff be instructed to implement the Street Maintenance Program as approved by Council and the petition be denied. Motion passed. Motion passed.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on September 8, 1976, as follows:

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Exclusive Transit Lanes

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Safety Committee:

1. consideration for the implementation of exclusive transit lanes be deferred at the present time;
2. the exclusive transit lane proposals for the street sections studied continue to be examined within a total transit planning framework. Such framework would identify service and vehicle requirements, develop routing and scheduling alternatives, and ultimately tie in the implementation of exclusive transit lanes to new and expanded service; and
3. staff of the TMB examine other areas and means by which transit priority measures could be implemented and make recommendations on them through the City Manager and City Council.

Motion passed.

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REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on September 8, 1976 as follows:

Neighbourhood Improvement Program - Old Northern Suburb

The recommendation from the City Planning Committee was that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to convene a special meeting between the Core Committee and members of City Council on the matter.

A staff report dated September 16, 1976, was submitted as well as the NIP Conceptual Plan Report dated September, 1976, prepared by H. J. Porter & Associates.

The City Manager advised that the figure of \$225,000 as shown on Page #1 of the attachments of the staff report of September 16, 1976 under the heading "NIP Contribution" should read \$180,000. The City Manager also advised that the figure of \$167,000 as shown on Page #2 of the attachments, should read \$212,000.

Discussion ensued on the matter and a questioning of staff following which, it was MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that the following resolution be approved:

"WHEREAS Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the Province of Nova Scotia, and the City of Halifax have agreed to a Neighbourhood Improvement Program and a Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program within the area bounded by Cogswell Street, North Park Street, Agricola Street, North Street, and Gottingen Street, and

WHEREAS the City has approved a gross capital expenditure of \$2,400,000 consisting of contributions of \$1,000,000 from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, \$100,000 from the Province, and \$1,300,000 from the City of Halifax, and

WHEREAS planning for this program has been underway since June 12, 1975, and

WHEREAS this planning has been carried out in large measure by the residents of the declared area with assistance from consultants and City staff, and

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WHEREAS there has been active citizen participation in this planning, and

WHEREAS the majority of the citizens of the area have approved the plan at a duly advertised public meeting on August 25, 1976

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax having received the conceptual plan dated September, 1976, prepared by H. J. Porter & Associates Limited, consisting of graphic and descriptive written material and twenty specific recommendations, now authorize staff to apply for the Implementation Certificate from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Nova Scotia Housing Commission provided, however, that

(a) the sums budgeted for the Multi-Cultural Centre, Health Centre, and Health Clinic may also be allocated in whole or in part for the acquisition and demolition of substandard housing, and

(b) that each specific recommendation for implementation in the Neighbourhood Improvement Program shall be approved in detail by City Council after consultation with the community following the detailed planning stage and prior to implementation.

Motion passed.

Building Permit Application - 5521-23 Cornwallis Street -
NIP Area - Mayflower Social & Benefit Club

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council approve the building permit application of the Mayflower Social and Benefit Club for reconstruction and enlargement of the back portion of their building at 5521-23 Cornwallis Street.

Motion passed.

Application for Funding for a Second Neighbourhood
Improvement Area

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign an application for funding for a second NIP area. Motion passed.

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- (i) Lacewood Connector
- (ii) Application for Subdivision & Rezoning Land owned by Sisters of Charity and Clayton Development Limited - Willet Street, Dunbrack Street, and Lacewood Drive

The above noted items were forwarded to City Council without recommendation by the City Planning Committee. A staff report dated September 15, 1976 was submitted.

Discussion ensued on the matter following which, it was MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that a date be set for a public hearing to consider:

1. the approval of street lines for the roadway referred to as "Lacewood Connector" as delineated on City Drawing No. TT-21-21773 from the Bedford Highway westward to Dunbrack Street; and
2. the application for rezoning Lot L-4-B from R-4, Multiple Dwelling Zone and P, Park & Institutional Zone to C-2, General Business Zone; and for Rezoning Lot L-5 from G, General Building Zone to R-4, Multiple Dwelling Zone, as shown on Plan No. P200/7501 of Case No. 3329.

The City Clerk advised that the hearing has been scheduled for November 17, 1976 at 8:00 P. M.

Motion passed.

Resubdivision of Lots 684-A Lacewood Drive & Lots 696-A to 699-A Inclusive, Cedarbrae Lane, Clayton Park

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Council approve the resubdivision to form Lots 684-A Lacewood Drive and 696-A to 699-A inclusive, Cedarbrae Lane, as shown on Plan No. P200/7510 of Case No. 3078.

Motion passed.

Zoning to R-1 Residential Zone - Halifax Golf and Country Club (ASHBURN)

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation with a report to be submitted from the City Solicitor on the matter.

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A report under date of September 14, 1976,
was submitted from the City Solicitor.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman
Lawrence that the zoning of the Halifax Golf and Country Club
(Ashburn) property, located on Dutch Village Road at the
Bicentennial Highway, to R-1 Residential, as contained in Case
No. 3335, be refused by City Council.

Following a debate of the matter, the Motion
was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Connolly and Aldermen
Shannon, Stanbury and Walker against.

Lot Consolidation - 5600 Sackville Street & 1583-91
South Park Street, Parcels 1, 2, and 3

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Deputy
Mayor Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning
Committee, the lot consolidation of Parcels 1, 2, and 3
(5600 Sackville Street and 1583-91 South Park Street) to
form Block C, corner of Sackville and South Park Streets, as
shown on Plan No. P200/7484 of Case No. 3353, be approved by
City Council.

Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Halifax Fire Department Annual Report 1975

The annual report of the Halifax Fire Department
for the year 1975 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by
Alderman Walker that the annual report be tabled.

Alderman Meagher suggested that members of
Council should probably have a meeting on the item with the
Fire Chief suggesting it should be tabled and a meeting be held.

His Worship suggested this could be the subject
of a regular private meeting of the Safety Committee.

The Motion was put and passed.

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Contract - North End Fire Station

A staff report dated September 10, 1976,
was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that City Council award the contract for the construction of the North End Fire Station to H. W. Corkum Construction Company Ltd. of Halifax.

Motion passed.

Tender - 76-33, Multiple Aggregate Surface Treatment

A staff report dated September 9, 1976, was
submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Shannon that:

1. Tender 76-33 not be awarded;
2. Projects approved in the 1976 Capital Budget relating to Multiple Aggregate Surface Treatment, be cancelled; and
3. Multiple Aggregate Surface Treatment Program be discontinued and no submission be made in the proposed Capital Budget for 1977.

Motion passed.

Tender 76-19 - Coronet Avenue

The above noted item originally appeared on the agenda under the Report of the Finance & Executive Committee. The City Clerk advised that this item should have appeared under "Miscellaneous Business" as it was not a report from the Finance & Executive Committee, to which Council agreed.

A report dated September 9, 1976, was
submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Connolly that:

1. Tender 76-19 be awarded to Harbour Construction Company Ltd. on the basis of unit bid prices and required funds be approved from Capital Account Number DAA63;

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2. Surplus funds of \$30,000 from account number 808-193-DAA63, be transferred as follows:
 - (a) \$5,000 to Princeton Avenue (Account Number 808-193-DAA56); and
 - (b) \$25,000 to Lacewood Drive easement (Account Number 808-193-DAA58).

Alderman Hanson requested that staff contact Mrs. Wilson who is affected by the charges and that staff attempt to supply her with information as to how financial assistance may be obtained if any is available.

The Motion was put and passed.

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Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Post Road Inns Property -
Bedford Highway

Alderman Lawrence said he would like staff to give consideration to the above noted property in terms of submitting to Council a proposed zoning scheme for the property.

Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Ordinance #147

Alderman Lawrence asked that the City Solicitor review Ordinance #147 pertaining to the Licensing of Dogs. Alderman Lawrence noted that the Ordinance makes reference to dogs not being permitted in the public gardens unless on a leash and felt this should be expanded to include playgrounds, school yards, etc.

Alderman Lawrence also requested that the City Solicitor give consideration to the possibility of including a section in the Ordinance which forces the owner of a dog to clean up the animal's waste whether the dog is leashed or unleashed. Alderman Lawrence said that such a requirement is not uncommon in other municipalities and felt such a provision should be included in the City's Ordinance.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Boarded-up Buildings

Alderman Meagher said that the matter buildings which are dilapidated and remain boarded-up for a period of time are becoming a problem to other homeowners in the area. Alderman Meagher said there approximately six such buildings in his Ward and said he would like staff to review the policy with respect to this matter and to consider ways of speeding up the process of requiring the owner to either repair the building or demolish it.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Damaged Curb - Edinburgh Street

Alderman Stanbury advised that the curb in front of 6389 Edinburgh Street was damaged by the snowplow last winter and asked that the Director of Works have this matter looked into.

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Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Young Street Incinerator

Alderman Stanbury said she previously asked for a report on the operation of the above noted Incinerator saying she had not as yet received any information.

The City Manager advised that the report was signed today.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Livingstone Place - Back Lane

Alderman Sullivan said he would like to know when work is to commence on the above noted project saying he previously asked for a report but has not, as yet, received any information.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Boarded-up Buildings - Uniacke Square

Alderman Downey said he would like to receive a report on the status of the four buildings in Uniacke Square which have been boarded up for approximately four months.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Curb Cut-back - Corner of
Cogswell and North Park Streets

Alderman Downey said he was of the understanding that there is to be a curb cut-back at the above noted location and asked when this work is to take place.

The Director of Works said he was of the opinion that there were no plans for such a cut-back because of a private property that would be affected.

Question Alderman Walker Re: Building Permits specifically for
Insulation Repairs

Alderman Walker said he was of the understanding that the Federal Government has removed the tax on insulation materials and questioned whether consideration could be given to the matter of the City not charging for a building permit where the project proposed is for installing insulation for the purpose of conserving energy.

Question Alderman Shannon - Sidewalk, Corner of Duke & Hollis Sts.

Alderman Shannon referred to obstructions on the sidewalk at the above noted location and asked what the reason was for this.

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The Director of Works advised that a base for a traffic light pole is being installed in this area saying the wooden pole is being removed and a new pole will be erected.

ADDED ITEMS

Appointments to Halifax Athletic Commission

A report was submitted from His Worship the Mayor relating to the above noted matter.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moore that the following appointments to the Halifax Athletic Commission, be approved with terms to be held at the pleasure of City Council:

Alderman J. Albert Walker, 149 Herring Cove Road
Donald Kerr, 5871 Chain Rock Drive
D. W. "Buddy" Daye, 2319 Maynard Street
Murray Sleep, 6940 Cook Avenue
(re-appointments)

Alderman Ronald Hanson, 80 St. Margaret's Bay Road
Lloyd Newman, Arcade Ladies Shoppe, Halifax Shopping Centre
David Johnson, 2508 Poplar Street
(new appointments)

Motion passed.

Acceptance of Financial Statements

The Financial Statements of the City of Halifax and its related Boards and Commissions for the period ended December 31, 1975, were submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Walker that City Council accept the Financial Statements and Auditor's report for the period ended December 31, 1975 and that the appropriate signing Officers be authorized to sign same if and when required.

Motion passed.

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Sidewalk Renewal - University Avenue & Summer Street

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Deputy Mayor Connolly.

Deputy Mayor Connolly, in referring to the new Rehabilitation Hospital, said that new sidewalks are being installed in this area as well as some paraplegic ramps. Deputy Mayor Connolly said there is a boulevard section running through University Avenue which has ramps at one end of the walkway but none at the other and requested that staff check into the matter. The Deputy Mayor said the location is at the Summer Street and University Avenue junction.

Deputy Mayor Connolly said there are also a number of bad sidewalk slabs and asked that staff also look into this.

Alderman Lawrence suggested that staff ask the Paraplegic Association if they would like to have a member of their Association accompany City staff on such an inspection.

11:00 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (Mrs.)
CITY CLERK

PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES

Record

St. Patrick's Complex
Gymnasium
Maitland Street
Halifax, Nova Scotia

8:00 P. M. *SEP 20 1976*

A public meeting was held on the above date.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Sullivan, Shannon, Stanbury, Moore, Downey, Meagher, Walker, and Deputy Mayor Connolly.

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

The purpose of the public meeting was in order for City staff to present the following proposals to the public and to receive comments and response from the citizens:

1. Proposed Realignment of North Barrington Street; and
2. Proposed Programming for Redevelopment in the area Bounded by Barrington, Cogswell, Gottingen, and North Streets.

His Worship opened the meeting by advising that Council wishes to present two ideas, one from a Consultant's study relating to the proposed realignment of North Barrington Street, and the other resulting from internal administrative staff workings on the matter of the Uniacke Square Redevelopment area.

His Worship advised that the Consultant's Study on the proposed realignment of North Barrington Street was commissioned by Council and was completed and deposited with the City under date of December 1975, and was prepared by J. Philip Vaughan and Associates of Halifax.

His Worship advised that the Study makes certain recommendations concerning the realignment of North Barrington Street from a point commencing at the Cogswell Street Interchange to a point approximately 200 feet south of the intersection at Devonshire Avenue. His Worship said the Study contains three alternatives saying that City staff will present these this evening. His Worship further advised that the main thrust at this time is to designate official street lines of North Barrington Street saying that in designating these lines, the City will also be designating the boundaries of the land abutting the lines.

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His Worship said the second topic of discussion is the proposed programming for redevelopment, which includes restorative housing, rehabilitative housing, heritage conservation housing, and infill housing in the total heritage conservation zone defined by Barrington, Cogswell, Gottingen, and North Streets.

His Worship advised that the two topics have become the subject of the public meeting because, in a sense, the study on the alignment boundaries of Barrington Street has an affect on the definition of the land boundaries abutting Barrington Street.

His Worship suggested the first item for discussion will be the Barrington Street alignment study saying that Mr. Dodge of the Development Department will explain what is contained in the Vaughan Report following which alternatives may be put forth to be followed by a discussion of the matter.

Mr. C. L. Dodge of the Development Department, addressed the meeting and with the aid of a number of maps, outlined the existing roadway of Barrington Street as well as the three proposals contained in the Consultant's report and the differences between each.

Mr. Dodge advised that City staff were recommending Proposal "B" as contained in the report as the plan which should be used. Mr. Dodge then proceeded to outline the parcels of land in the area which would become available for development if proposal "B" were to be accepted.

Mr. Dodge then responded to a number of questions put forth by those present.

His Worship advised that an effort would be made to place a copy of the Consultant's report in the Halifax North Library tomorrow in order that those interested may review it.

Mr. Graham Hicks addressed Council and, with the aid of a map, presented his proposal with respect to the future realignment of North Barrington Street.

Mr. Hicks then responded to a brief questioning from those present.

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Mr. Alan Ruffman addressed the meeting on behalf of the Ecology Action Centre and advised that they would make a brief presentation as tonight's meeting was not an official public hearing giving consideration to the matter of laying down street lines, saying there will be an opportunity to make a formal presentation in the future.

Mr. Ruffman briefly reviewed the reasons for the need to realign Barrington Street saying it will allow an early start on the redevelopment of the Uniacke Square lands, direct traffic off Brunswick Street, and will facilitate traffic moving up and down Barrington Street.

Mr. Ruffman said the Ecology Action Centre questions whether it is necessary to spend such a large amount of money for just one portion of the roadway pointing out there is another piece that will have to run from the MacDonald bridge to the Africville interchange. He suggested that if the same objectives can be accomplished by another alternative, then consideration should be given to it.

Mr. Ruffman then, with the aid of maps, indicated that the land that would be lost by the construction of Barrington Street in accordance with the Consultant's report saying that in proposal "A", there is a loss of 18.2 acres, proposal "B", a loss of 15.2 acres, and in proposal "C", a loss of 9.7 acres.

Mr. Ruffman suggested that what the Ecology Action is putting forth as an alternative deserves consideration saying that the net amount of lost land is only 3.6 acres. He also pointed out that their proposal results in an amount of 28 acres being available for development below Barrington Street as opposed to about 7 acres if Alternative "B" is chosen.

Mr. Ruffman agreed that the bubble on Barrington Street should be widened to four lanes but noted it has worked well during the recent past at two lanes. He did not, however, feel it should become a six lane expressway as proposed in the consultant's report. He also felt that Brunswick St. traffic should not be accessible to the bridge and also felt that access to Brunswick Street at Proctor Street should be eliminated and also suggested it is not necessary to build an overhead ramp in order to gain access to the MacDonald bridge saying that inexpensive minor construction changes may be able to achieve this.

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Mr. Ruffman also noted that the Dockyard is desirous of parking about 2,000 vehicles in the area where the present railway tracks exist and said this is contrary to the Federal parking policy which is attempting to cut down on parking in Federal establishments and is trying to encourage the use of transit. He suggested that the area proposed for parking should be made available for housing and light industry saying Upper Water Street could be extended to serve this area. He also suggested leaving two of the railway lines in this area in order to keep the options open for a rapid transit system in the future.

A discussion by those present ensued on the matter of the proposed realignment of North Barrington Street and one speaker advised that the Old North End Community Residents' Association, in brief discussions, felt that they did not want Barrington Street substantially widened as the affected land is required for housing.

The meeting then turned to the subject of the proposed Uniacke Square Redevelopment area.

Mr. Chris Pelham of the Development Department, addressed the meeting and, with the aid of various maps, outlined the amount of City owned land in the area, buildings presently occupied, built up areas, and those lands over which the City has no control.

Mr. Pelham went on to outline the contents of the proposed call for proposals and the way in which staff arrived at the plan which is the subject of the call for development proposals. Mr. Pelham said it is staff's proposal that the development package as illustrated be issued saying it is intended that the units in the interior be restricted to the assisted home ownership program of C.M.H.C. which limits to price to \$38,500 and also provides assistance to a prospective purchaser in the event that it is needed.

Mr. Pelham also advised that a proponent can make a proposal either on the new and old units or can make a proposal for the restoration of the old units only. He said this was included in the Call in the event that a community group wished to make a submission with respect to restoring existing buildings.

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A representative of the Old North End Community Residents' Association addressed the meeting and expressed the feeling that the Association is pleased with the idea of new people coming into the area as a result of the new proposed units. The representative said the people are proud of the historic preservation which is to take place but said the local residents want to be able to purchase the residences which presently exist and are the houses they have lived in for the past number of years. The representative of the Association advised, at this time, of a presentation which was circulated prior to the meeting, a copy of which is in the official file of this meeting.

His Worship questioned how the residents could become involved in the purchasing of the homes, and Mr. Pelham suggested the residents could put together a proposal for submission to the City with respect to the restoration of the buildings in question suggesting this could be done by way of the formation of a non-profit Corporation. Mr. Pelham said the City would then be in a position to turn the buildings over to the non-profit Corporation. He pointed out, however, that such a corporation would be competing against other proponents to develop the properties.

His Worship questioned whether an individual could respond to the Call and Mr. Pelham advised that such an option does exist.

A further representative of the Old North End Community Residents' Association addressed the meeting and advised that they are working on a group presentation to the City with respect to the restoration of existing housing in block "A". The speaker went on to advise that it is proposed that the group will be working with Interfaith Housing in preparing the proposal and proceeded to outline what has taken place to date.

A representative of the Ward #3 Residents' Council addressed the meeting and read a letter relating to the proposed realignment of North Barrington Street, the Uniacke Square Redevelopment proposal, and the CFB Stadacona proposal.

His Worship requested that the speaker make available to the City, a copy of the letter from the Ward #3 Residents' Council.

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A representative of the Sir Sanford Flemming Society addressed the meeting and advised that his group is in the process of restoring the former residence of Sir Sanford Flemming. He advised that his group is only interested in the vacant and historic houses and said that if they succeed with the present project, they would welcome the opportunity to take on another house.

The Chairman of the North End Area Council addressed the meeting and advised that as a result of a number of meetings, the following Motion was approved by the Area Council:

"The NEAC strongly endorses the express desire of the present residents of the Uniacke Square Redevelopment area; That the first opportunity to buy present or future housing units be given to present or former residents of this area; Furthermore, we strongly recommend to Council that very careful consideration be given to the proposal presented by the Old North End Community residents in view of the fact that there has been so little input from the residents."

The Chairman advised that the North End Area Council is very interested in this particular meeting as well as what might happen to the community and particularly to the present and former residents.

A representative of the Interfaith Housing Corporation addressed the meeting and advised that the Corporation has agreed to provide technical and professional services to the residents' group which will allow them to make a proposal in response to the Call for Development Proposals.

Mr. Sidney Langmaid addressed the meeting on behalf of the Community Planning Association of Canada and read a letter under date of September 20, 1976, a copy of which is in the official file of this meeting.

Phyllis Blakley, President of Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia, addressed the meeting saying that Brunswick Street has a street scape which is unique in Canada and suggested that if the Landmarks Commission and Heritage Trust had not worked with City Council and CMHC in an attempt to save the buildings on the street, this topic would not be the subject of discussion this evening.

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Ms. Blakley said that Heritage Trust has a great interest in protecting the street scape of Brunswick Street and expressed the desire that Council will permit the Landmarks Commission in consultation with City staff, to draw up the necessary criteria for its protection.

A representative of the Ecology Action Centre pointed out that no social planning type of studies have been conducted to assess the potential impact of any redevelopment on the existing neighbourhood and suggested this is something that should be done. The speaker expressed the feeling that when the call for proposals is issued, it is important to make sure the people who live in the area have an opportunity to assess the proposals that are received so their impact can be gauged.

With respect to the restoration of the houses in Block "A", the speaker expressed the hope that the proposal of Interfaith Housing and the Old North End Community Association would be the successful one which would permit the people of the area to carry out the redevelopment.

A resident of Brunswick Street since 1960, addressed the meeting saying that those who have lived in the neighbourhood can testify to the deterioration that has occurred to buildings and to moral and community spirit that once characterized the neighbourhood. The speaker suggested there has been a marked decline to church practice and an indifference to learning and felt this decline can be attributed to the fact that very few residents have the dignity of owning their own homes or the opportunity to help plan or share in decisions affecting their neighbourhood. The speaker contended that the citizens and City administrators have a moral obligation to the people of the area who desire to help themselves and improve their living conditions and to compensate for past neglect such as eviction and displacement.

Another resident of 2125 Brunswick Street referred to the amount of time, effort, and money which they have put into repairing their dwelling only to be informed that their fire insurance was to be increased from approximately \$100.00 per year to \$1,200.00. The speaker said the reason for the increase which was given by the insurance company was that they do not give consideration to the dwelling but rather to the area where it is located and in the case of Brunswick Street, it was considered to be a bad risk area.

The speaker said that other residents have been affected in the same manner and questioned whether Council could use its influence to correct this situation.

Mr. Ruffman suggested this action is the direct result of the City policy of either boarding up or demolishing houses and felt that Council must give publicity to the problem. Mr. Ruffman made the suggestion that the City could stand behind these people by providing inspection reports from the Halifax Fire Department saying this is one of the minimal things that could be done for those who are trying to help themselves.

His Worship said that what Council has heard this evening is the strong view that in the rehousing that is now about to begin, the view is that the people who have had residences in the area should in some way secure a preference in consideration of the restorative and new housing.

His Worship said Council has taken this view into account and will attempt to deal with it.

11:00 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR EDMUND L. MORRIS
CHAIRMAN

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CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

Record

Council Chamber
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.
September 30, 1976
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: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Connolly, and Aldermen Moore, Stanbury, Sullivan, Walker, Hanson, Downey, Shannon, Lawrence, and Meagher.

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

His Worship the Mayor

His Worship advised that a report has been distributed to members of Council from the City Manager concerning the Municipal Research Support program sponsored by the Ministry of State for Urban Affairs. His Worship advised the reports announces that Halifax has been chosen for support under the program for a project initiated by the Social Planning Department for learning resource centers. His Worship said Council is encouraged by this support of the Halifax City program and complement the staff of the Social Planning Department for having successfully applied for this worthwhile and substantial research program which will commence on the first of November and continue for six months.

His Worship also advised the City has received a further communication from the Minister of Social Services for the Province of Nova Scotia. His Worship said Council will remember receiving word earlier in the year of the disapproval of a portion of the Social Services budget for the current year saying the City had requested for \$5,900,000 approval for joint cost sharing and the final approval amounted to \$4,900,000.

His Worship advised that a delegation of Council visited the Minister in June of 1976 and shortly thereafter, the City received a letter which announced reconsideration of some of the items in the initial budget. His Worship said that further correspondence from the Minister indicated the Province would consider the matter again in September or October when more accurate information would be available. His Worship said the Minister has now reviewed the situation and has advised the City he is prepared to adjust previous approvals for cost sharing by increasing Privately operated Boarding and Nursing Homes from \$1,469,000 to \$1,804,000 and Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged from \$86,000 to \$130,000.

His Worship said these adjustments represent a total adjustment in the City's budget upward of \$379,000 for which the City is appreciative and is publicly saying so by tonight's announcement.

MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meeting held on September 16, 1976, were approved on Motion of Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Lawrence.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

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

- 20(a) - Proclamation of Sections of Halifax City Charter
- 20(b) - Replacement of 3-ton Dump Truck -
Point Pleasant Park
- 20(c) - Cancellation of Balance of Grant -
W. T. Smith Half Way House

The agenda, as amended, was approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, HEARINGS, ETC.

Appeal of the Decision of Building Inspector's Refusal to Grant Permit to Keep Back of Buildings Open at
6208 Quinpool Road

A letter dated September 24, 1976 was submitted from L. Arkelian, President of Halcraft Printing Limited, appealing the above noted decision of the Building Inspector.