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MOVED in Amendment by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Maley that staff be authorized to enter into a lease at the most favourable terms available with Trizec Equities Limited for 2,000 square feet of office space in Tower 2 of the Halifax Shopping Centre for a period of 12 months.

Alderman Shannon suggested that during the year, staff look very hard to find more suitable space in whichever location would best suit the heavy demand in the area.

The Amendment was put and passed with Aldermen Sullivan, Wooden, and Moore against.

The Chairman advised it was not necessary to take the Motion as amended and suggested if staff are not able to negotiate a one year lease, they will have to come back to Council. His Worship indicated that Council could deal with the item at the special Council meeting next Wednesday evening if need be.

#### School Admission Age

The above item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

Alderman Clarke advised that he spoke with the Director of Education who was awaiting a reply from the Department of Education as to whether the Province would cost share in any change with respect to the matter of the school admission age, and whether such changes are being considered. Alderman Clarke advised that the reply was that it was being considered but nothing further was being done at the present time.

Alderman Clarke said he would like the item referred back to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council, to which Council agreed.

#### Halifax Housing Authority Budget

The above item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

His Worship advised the Authority has found a further reduction from its original budget and the net City cost is further reduced to \$631,125.

Mr. West, Manager of the Halifax Housing Authority, addressed Council and advised of the further reductions resulting from a further review of the Budget by the Board. Mr. West informed Council the total reduction was now \$263,100.00.

Alderman Moore referred to the proposed reduction of \$2,800 representing paraplegic ramps at the senior citizens' residence on Cook Avenue and advised that he would like to see this item left in the budget, to which Council agreed.

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Alderman Wooden referred to the proposed deletion from the budget in the amount of \$3,000 representing fill and landscaping at Greystone Drive and advised she would like to see this item left in the budget, to which Council agreed.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Hamshaw that Council adopt the Halifax Housing Authority budget as amended by Mr. West and subject to the list of deletions not including a total of \$5,800 in respect of Greystone Drive fill and landscaping, and a provision for a possible ramp at the Westmore Lodge.

Motion passed.

His Worship asked that Mr. West supply Council with a statement of how the Authority checks the assets of persons renting its facilities, and Mr. West indicated this would be done.

Application for Building Permit - Quinpool Centre

The above item was forwarded to Council without recommendation.

A report dated February 6, 1980, was submitted from the City Solicitor in connection with the item.

Alderman Meagher advised there is a great amount of concern on Quinpool Road in connection with a proposal to lease an area of the Centre for an Arcade which will contain slot machines etc. Alderman Meagher referred to a letter which he received from one of the merchants in the Centre expressing concern about the matter and also noted that a similar establishment is presently located on the street which is causing concern.

His Worship referred to the submitted report and suggested the question was what could be done about the matter, if anything.

Discussion followed and the City Manager advised that when the subject was brought up in Council, he informed both the operator of the Centre and the applicant with respect to the concern expressed by Council. The City Manager said he was asked whether it would be appropriate for the applicant for the permit to come before the Committee of the Whole Council to explain the proposed operation and to have a dialogue with Council.

Council then agreed that the item be deferred to Committee of the Whole Council meeting scheduled for next Wednesday.

Purpose and Use of Special Items in Current Budget

The above item was forwarded to Council without recommendation.

The City Manager suggested the item could be deferred.

Alderman Maley indicated she had some difficulty understanding the report and suggested that perhaps Council should have a supplementary report or a discussion on the subject. The City Manager suggested the item could be discussed at the next Committee meeting.

Council agreed that the item be referred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

Award of Tender 80-01 - Sewer Renewal - Hennessey Street

The above item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation. A staff report dated January 29, 1980, was submitted.

Alderman Sullivan noted the item was listed on the agenda as "Hennessey Place" saying it should more properly be "Hennessey Street".

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Clarke that:

1. Tender #80-01 for Projects, Materials or Services Listed in the staff report dated January 29, 1980 for sewer renewal on Hennessey Street, be awarded to Woodlawn Construction Limited for the unit prices quoted.
2. Project funds be authorized from Account DA019.
3. Funding transfers be approved as shown in the staff report dated January 29, 1980.

Motion passed.

Award of Tender 79-30 - Traffic Improvements, Earth Retaining Structures

A staff report dated January 15, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Moore that:

1. Tender #79-30 for Projects, Materials or Services listed in Appendix "A" be awarded to Municipal Spraying & Contracting Ltd. for the unit prices quoted; and
2. Project funds be authorized from Account CJ001.

Motion passed.

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Resolution City of Sydney - Train Schedule

A staff report dated January 29, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Maley that this matter be referred to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

Repeal of Ordinance No. 46, respecting the Erection, etc. of Structures to Carry Television Antennae

It was agreed that this matter be referred to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.



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REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on February 6, 1980 as follows:

Street Acceptance - Quingate Place

It was agreed that the matter be referred to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Minimum Standards Ordinance

It was agreed that the matter be referred to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Herring Cove Road - Survey Consultants

A staff report dated January 28, 1979 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Meagher that:

- (a) Council authorize staff to enter into a contract with the firm of Servant, Dunbrack, McKenzie & MacDonald Limited for a survey of the properties required for the realignment of the Herring Cove Road, Phase 1, Sussex Street to William's Lake Road, at a cost not to exceed \$36,500.00; and
- (b) Council authorize staff to negotiate with the firm of Servant, Dunbrack, McKenzie & MacDonald Limited for the survey of up to 45 properties required for the realignment of the Herring Cove Road, from the William's Lake Road to the Old Sambro Road.

Motion passed.

Cost Sharing Agreement No. 23

This matter was previously considered at a meeting of City Council held on March 29, 1979 at which

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time His Worship the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Downey, and Aldermen Sullivan and Clarke were asked to represent the City to the Ministry of Highways seeking to express the City's disappointment with the exclusion of the Bayers Road and Chebucto Road systems and to have the said exclusions reinserted, and the matter of the Maintenance Agreement No. 23 was deferred.

MOVED by Alderman Clarke, seconded by Alderman Wooden that a resolution be passed accepting the changes to the cost-sharing agreement as recommended in the letter from the Department of Highways dated December 27, 1978, with the exception of the proposed deletion of the Bayers Road and Chebucto Road systems; and that such resolution be forwarded by the Mayor to the Minister of Highways requesting the inclusion of the Bayers Road and Chebucto Road systems. Motion passed.

City Tree Inspection - Status Report - DATE FOR PUBLIC MEETING

It was agreed that a public meeting re City tree inspection be held on Monday, March 24, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. in the Audio Visual Room, Queen Elizabeth High School.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on February 6, 1980 as follows:

School Crossing Guards - Spryfield

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Meagher that provision be made in the 1980 budget for two school crossing guards, one to be placed on Williams Lake Road at the intersection of Lyons Street, and one on the Herring Cove Road at the intersection of Marie Avenue. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Ordinance No. 164, the Incinerator Ordinance - SECOND READING

A supplementary staff report dated February 8,

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1980 was submitted.

A supplementary staff report dated February 7, 1980, was submitted by the City Solicitor.

Mr. Morgan, Building Inspector, responded to questions from members of City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Maley that Ordinance No. 164, Respecting the Regulation of Incinerators, as attached to the supplementary report dated February 7, 1980, submitted by the City Solicitor, be now read and passed a Second Time. Motion passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on February 6, 1980, as follows:

Case No. 3727 - Contract Development - 1173 Wellington Street - DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Alderman Shannon that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council set a date for a public hearing to consider the application to permit the construction of two additional units in the basement of the existing 12-unit apartment building at Civic No. 1173 Wellington Street. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Home Occupations

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that this matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

Case No. 3807 - Contract Development - 43 Rufus Avenue - DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Hamshaw, seconded by Alderman Moore that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee,

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that a date for a public hearing to consider the contract development application under Section 67 of the Zoning Bylaw (Mainland Area) to permit the occupancy of one additional apartment on the second floor of the existing 8-unit apartment building at Civic No. 43 Rufus Avenue. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Altering of Street Lines, Lower Water Street - DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, a date for a public hearing be set to consider alteration of street lines along Lower Water Street from Salter Street to Terminal Road, to provide for a 60-foot width, as shown on Official Plan 18-0. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

NIP I - Sidewalk Renewals - 1980

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Council approve the NIP I Sidewalk Renewal Program for 1980 to include the sidewalks listed in the staff report dated January 25, 1980, and authorize staff to proceed with implementation. Funds are available in Account #Z0500 EH003. Motion passed.

Adult Entertainment Uses - DATE FOR PUBLIC MEETING

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Downey that City Council confirm the date of Monday, March 3, 1980, 7:30 p.m. for a public meeting re Adult Entertainment Uses, the meeting to be held at St. James Anglican Church Hall, 12 Dutch Village Road. Motion passed.

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Application for Occupancy Permit - Old Dominion Store -  
Quinpool Road

Alderman Shannon advised that an application has been received from McDonald's to occupy part of the space in the old Dominion Store on Quinpool Road. She stated that, in conversation with Alderman Meagher and older residents of the area, it seems that originally when the Peppereli Street side of the parking lot was opened up, it was either for a trial period or was limited to the use of Dominion Stores only.

She advised she has brought the matter to the attention of the City Solicitor who is presently having the matter researched and will report to City Council.

Waterfront Development Corporation - Street Resurfacing  
Contract

A submission dated February 14, 1980 was received from Alan Ruffman, Urban Committee, Ecology Action Centre.

His Worship advised that a meeting took place at the Waterfront Development Corporation offices on February 12, 1980. He stated his understanding is that the Waterfront Development Corporation will give undertaking that it will not proceed and will not allow a contractor to proceed with the work in the area adjoining the Irving Arch and at the foot of Sackville Street, until further dialogue and until Council has had an opportunity to dialogue with others.

Alderman Wooden stated if the Waterfront Development Corporation showed the costs related to the particular area in question, perhaps the contract could proceed. His Worship stated that the costs could be assigned as requested.

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Maley that City Council approve the Street Resurfacing Contract as submitted in order that the Waterfront Development Corporation can prepare the final documents for a tender call, with the proviso that the section from the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic property to the south side of the Irving Arch not be progressed until there be further dialogue in respect of that section of the road surface and the Irving Arch. Motion passed.

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Alderman Shannon stated there is a policy in the Plan providing that Lower Water Street be kept to its physical width and it will be used for local traffic only. She stated Council has adopted a series of options for traffic planning in the downtown area and it seems Council should be, at this time, asking staff to submit a report on whether staff has the capacity to finalize the matter or whether consultants are required. She stated her concern is, if Council concurs in proposed street widenings, it is in fact setting up a situation where trucks will be permitted because of the wider streets.

#### MOTIONS

Motion Alderman Maley re: Amendment to Ordinance No. 138,  
respecting the Fee to be Paid for a Tax Certificate  
- FIRST READING

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MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Alderman Shannon that the amendment to Ordinance No. 138, respecting the Fee to be Paid for a Tax Certificate, as submitted, be now read and passed a First Time. Motion passed.

Motion Alderman Sullivan re: Date for Public Hearing -  
Views - Fort Needham

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MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Clarke that the date for a public hearing to consider views from Fort Needham be changed from Wednesday, March 19, 1980 to Wednesday, April 9, 1980. Motion passed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

##### Recommendation - Metropolitan Authority

A letter dated February 5, 1980, was submitted by R. Mort Jackson, Executive Director, Metropolitan Authority of Halifax, Dartmouth and the County of Halifax.

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Hamshaw that the Town of Bedford be offered a seat on the Authority and the representation on the Authority be City of Halifax (3), City of Dartmouth (3), County of Halifax (3), Town of Bedford (1) effective from the date of the incorporation of the Town of Bedford, and that an on-going investigation of alternative forms of representation be conducted. Motion passed.

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Tabling of the 1980 Operating Budget

Copies of the 1980 Operating Budget of the City of Halifax were circulated.

It was agreed that the 1980 Operating Budget of the City of Halifax be tabled.

His Worship suggested that the Proposed Operating Budget be considered at meetings to be scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 25, Monday, March 3 and Monday, March 17, 1980. It was so agreed.

Appointments:

Halifax-Dartmouth Port Commission

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Downey that Mr. David Quinn be appointed to the Halifax Dartmouth Port Commission for a term as and while President of Local 269, International Longshoremen's Association (replacing Ronald Walsh). Motion passed.

Directors of Point Pleasant Park

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hamshaw that Mr. G. Frank Bennett, Mr. Hector Porter and Dr. Charles A. Gordon be reappointed as Directors of Point Pleasant Park, each for a term to expire December 31, 1982. Motion passed.

Board of the Halifax City Regional Library

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Alderman Shannon that the following be reappointed to the Board of the Halifax City Regional Library, each for a term to expire December 31, 1980:

Mr. Bryce Merrill  
Mr. L. B. Murphy  
Mrs. Joyce Prest  
Mr. George White

and that Mrs. Nita Graham be appointed to the Board of the Halifax City Regional Library, for a term to expire February 15, 1981. Motion passed with Alderman Wooden voting against.

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Building Permits - Old South End

A staff report dated February 13, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Alderman Shannon that City Council indicate no objection to the permits for the applications listed in the staff report dated February 13, 1980. Motion passed.

Minutes of Council - October 11, 1979 (Street Closure and Lot Consolidation - Kempt Road)

A staff report dated February 12, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Clarke, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Minutes of City Council of October 11, 1979, be amended to read as follows: "That City Council approve the closure of a portion of Kempt Road to be designated as Parcel Q-1-B and consolidation thereof with Parcels N, E-1, Q-1-A, O and Z-3 to form Lot F, all as shown on plan no. 00-13-25848. Motion passed.



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QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Wooden re: Public Meetings re Future  
of G. K. Butler School

Alderman Wooden asked that City Council request the Board of School Commissioners to proceed with public meetings regarding the future of the G. K. Butler School as quickly as possible.

His Worship stated the suggestion will be made forthwith and the School Board will be requested to dialogue with Alderman Wooden on behalf of City Council to determine the most effective way to keep the community in communication.

Question Alderman Wooden re: Flooding of Lakes and Ponds

Alderman Wooden asked if it is possible, during the present cold weather, to flood a few of the ponds and lakes in the area to improve the ice surface, suggesting in particular Frog Pond, Bluestone Pond, Cunard Pond and Punch Bowl. His Worship added that requests have also been received for the flooding of the Egg Pond and Kearney Lake.

The City Manager stated that there are financial and safety considerations associated with the request and indicated that he would submit a report to the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council on the matter.

Alderman Wooden suggested that the flooding could be confined to small ponds and undertaken on a one-time basis.

Question Alderman Shannon re: Traffic Movements - New  
Camp Hill Hospital

Alderman Shannon stated that some weeks ago she asked staff to contact the Department of Public Works re traffic movement in the area of the new Camp Hill Hospital. She advised that she has not yet received a reply and requested that staff respond regarding the matter.

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The City Manager advised that staff are pursuing the matter but have not been able to secure much information because the plans are in a very preliminary stage.

His Worship advised that he is a member of the Steering Committee and the City Manager is a member of the Planning Committee and assured Alderman Shannon that the matter will be put through from the Steering Committee and it is a matter that will unquestioningly have to be dialogued with City staff.

Question Alderman Maley re: Titles on Order of Business

Alderman Maley requested that items on meeting agendas retain their original titles when they are carried on to subsequent meetings.

Question Alderman Maley re: Scheduling of Public Meetings during Summer Months

Alderman Maley asked that Council consider the scheduling of public meetings during the summer months, noting that last year City Council decided there would be no public meetings scheduled during one month, either July or August. She asked that the matter be included on the agenda for the next regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

Question Alderman Maley re: Centralization of Costs - Boards and Commissions

Alderman Maley requested that staff prepare a report on what measures can be taken by the various Boards and Commissions which would centralize costs for same, such as in purchasing, and identify areas in which such measures would be useful.

Question Alderman Maley re: Skating in Metro Centre at Lunchtime

Alderman Maley stated she received a letter from three people who work in the Central Business District who would like to see some skating in the Metro Centre at lunchtime. She asked that the Metro Centre be made available for skating at lunchtime again, as it has been in the past.

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NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion Alderman Shannon re: Repeal of  
Ordinance No. 46, the Television Antennae  
Ordinance

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Alderman Shannon gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council of the City of Halifax, to be held on Thursday, February 28, 1980, she proposes to introduce the repeal of Ordinance No. 46, the Television Antennae Ordinance.

She stated that the reason for the repeal of the Ordinance is that outdoor television antennae are no longer necessary in the City and the Ordinance has become redundant.

ADDED ITEMS

Resolution - Extension of Date for Setting Tax Rate

A staff report dated February 14, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Maley that Council request the authorization of the Minister of Municipal Affairs for an extension of the date by which the 1980 tax rate must be set to no later than March 31, 1980. Motion passed.

Appointment - Director of Labour Relations

A staff report dated February 14, 1980 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Shannon, seconded by Alderman Hamshaw that Mildred M. Royer be appointed the Director of Labour Relations for the City of Halifax. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Capital Budget - 1980-84

A staff report dated February 14, 1980 was submitted.

Alderman Sullivan stated a \$25,000 expenditure had been approved for a building at the Highland Park Field and requested that those funds remain in the budget.

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MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman  
Wooden that Council approve the 1980-1984 Capital Budget  
as amended by Committee of the Whole Council, with the  
inclusion of \$25,000. approved for a building at the  
Highland Park Field. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned - 11:05 p.m.

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MAYOR EDMUND L. MORRIS  
CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (MRS.)  
CITY CLERK

Date Approved by City Council: \_\_\_\_\_



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

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

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Maley, Shannon, Downey, Sullivan, Clarke, Wooden, Moore and Hamshaw.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and other staff members.

It was agreed that the following items be added to the Order of Business:

1. Expropriations - Fairview Overpass Project and Widening of the Dutch Village Road, Northern Section
2. Tender No. 80-38 - Sewer Inspection in NIP I Area

Expropriations - Fairview Overpass Project and Widening of the Dutch Village Road, Northern Section

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hamshaw that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council:

- a) authorize the expropriation of the properties known as 3771 and 3775 Dutch Village Road, as shown on Plan No. TT-27-25970, for purposes of construction of the Fairview Overpass, along with authorization for application to the Attorney General for such orders for possession as may be required, should the City not be granted possession of the expropriated lands or interests in land as required by the construction schedule, offers of compensation to be approved by Council subsequent to their appraisal;
- b) authorize the expropriation of the lands shown on Plan No. TT-27-25673, as Parcels 8 and 11, for purposes of widening of the Dutch Village Road (north side), offers

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of compensation to be respectively \$11.00 and \$475.00, funds to be made available from Account No. 227418 20500 CJ001 (Land Expropriated for Dutch Village Project);

- c) authorize the expropriation of the lands shown on Plan (s) No. TT-27-25970, for purposes of widening of the Dutch Village Road (south side), offers of compensation to be brought forward for approval subsequent to their appraisal.

Motion passed.

Tender No. 80-38 - Sewer Inspection in NIP I Area

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. Tender No. 80-38 for T.V. Inspection NIP I Area Sewers be awarded to Nicholsons Services for the unit prices quoted;
2. Project funds be authorized from Account EH003.

Motion passed.

Application under Section 68 of the Zoning Bylaw (Mainland Area) for Development of Certain Lands South and West of Sherwood Heights Subdivision (Ross Street, Donaldson, Douglas, Norman, Borrett and Oakley Avenues) Case # 3751

A public hearing re the above matter was held at this time.

Mr. C. L. Dodge, Assistant Director of Development, with the aid of maps and sketches, explained the three phases of the proposed development, noting the issues of disagreement between staff and the developer. Mr. Dodge responded to questions from members of City Council and indicated that staff would look into the possible location of walkways in the area.

His Worship asked if, in section 4 of the proposed agreement, staff could spell out more definitely the dedication of 8 acres rather than say 5 acres per 1000 persons. Mr. Dodge stated it could be changed as suggested.

Alderman Sullivan retired from the meeting  
at 8:15 p.m.



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Mr. George Russell, representing Rockingham Ridge Ltd., addressed City Council in support of the application. Mr. Russell stated the developer would like to see a little more flexibility in the first phase in that they would like to see some apartment construction there because of the need to retain flexibility to answer to market conditions. He addressed the question of open space and stated the developer does not dispute the position or size of the parcels of open space but questions whether or not they should be donated to the City. He stated that in circumstances when topography is not conducive to open space, the developer pays money in lieu of the donation of land, and suggested that the money accrued in that fund be utilized for the acquiring of the lands additional to the 5% dedication of the developer.

Mr. Russell stated he supports the calculation of open space on the basis of population. He referred to the commercial space and stated it relates to a neighbourhood facility which would provide goods to a neighbouring population generally within walking distance. He suggested that the details regarding storm drainage and the four-way intersection can be worked out with staff.

Mr. Russell responded to questions from members of City Council during which he indicated he felt footpaths are essential within an area although there are always inherent problems associated with same.

Mr. Chuck Knowles, representing the applicant, advised that the development has top priority and the applicant would like to proceed as quickly as possible.

Mr. Ken Wilson, Beechwood Terrace, addressed City Council and requested clarification from the Planning Department regarding the height of the 28-unit apartments, the problem with the storm sewer, and advised the walkways in the area have not presented a problem in the past.

Mr. Dodge advised that the apartment houses and townhouses are proposed three-storey walkups and explained, with the aid of the map, the storm sewer proposal.

Mr. Emmet Currie, representing the Development Committee of the Ward Ten Community Association, submitted a brief, copies of which were circulated to members of City Council. Mr. Currie indicated the Association feels there are many aspects of the proposal

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that are worthy of support, although the Committee's response is similar to the staff response in most of the objections raised. He stated the Committee feels very strongly that if the recommendations in the staff report are adopted, many aspects of the proposal would be acceptable. He indicated support for the open space dedication based on population rather than acreage. Mr. Currie responded to questions from members of City Council.

No other persons present wished to address City Council in regard to the application.

A letter, undated, was received from Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Thomson, Jr., 79 Donaldson Avenue, copies of which were circulated to members of City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Hamshaw, seconded by Alderman Moore that the matter be referred to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation. Motion passed.

Application under Schedule "C", Section 83 of the Zoning Bylaw (Peninsula Area) to Permit the Occupancy of 5247 Morris Street with Two Dwelling Units and Office of an Interior Decorator Case No. 3775

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A public hearing re the above matter was held at this time.

Mr. B. Algee, Development Department, with the aid of maps and sketches, explained the application to convert 5247 Morris Street from a rooming house to an office/residential use. He noted that staff recommend refusal of the application, the main objection being that the property is located in an area reserved for institutional uses only in the Municipal Development Plan. Mr. Algee responded to questions from members of City Council.

Ms. Linda Scott, the applicant, addressed City Council in support of her application. Ms. Scott briefly described the operation of her business noting that there would be no noticeable disturbance to the neighbourhood.

Ms. Scott indicated she would be willing to enter into a contract with the City providing that the zoning would become null and void if she sold the building. She read letters of support from M. E. Doehler, Chairman, NIP II Core Committee and Jean & Frank Harrington, 5248 Morris Street. Minutes provided by Halifax Municipal Archives