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**SPECIAL COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARINGS  
MINUTES**

Council Chamber  
Halifax City Hall  
08 January 1992  
7:30 p.m.

A special meeting of Halifax City Council, Public Hearings was held on the above date.

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

**PRESENT:** Her Worship Mayor Ducharme, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Stone and Aldermen Holland, Fitzgerald, Downey, O'Malley, Adams, Hanson, Macdonald, and Crowley.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mr. Gerry Goneau, representing the City Solicitor's Office; Mr. Edward Kerr, City Clerk, and other members of City staff.

**HERITAGE HEARINGS**

**Heritage Hearing - 6503 Jubilee Road**

A heritage hearing into the above matter was held at this time.

Mr. Dan Norris, Heritage Planner, addressed Council and, using photographs, outlined the application to consider the designation 6503 Jubilee Road as a heritage property. Mr. Norris noted that the property owner has agreed to the proposed registration by way of letter dated 18 December 1991 to the City Clerk.

Mr. Norris responded to questions from Council.

There was no one wishing to address Council on this item.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Holland that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

Heritage Hearing - 5274 South Street

A heritage hearing into the above matter was held this time.

Mr. Dan Norris, Heritage Planner, addressed Council and, using photographs, outlined the application to consider the designation of 5274 South Street as a heritage property. Mr. Norris noted that the property owner has, through a telephone conversation, agreed to the proposed registration.

There was no one wishing to address Council on this item.

MOVED by Alderman Holland, seconded by Alderman Downey that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

Heritage Hearing - 2421 Brunswick Street - West/Hawkins House

A heritage hearing into the above matter was held at this time.

Mr. Dan Norris, Heritage Planner, addressed Council and, using photographs, outlined the application to consider the designation of 2421 Brunswick Street as a heritage property. Mr. Norris noted that the property owner was the City of Halifax and that the Real Estate Division had no objections to the proposed designation.

There was no one wishing to address Council on this item.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Adams that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

Heritage Hearing - 1777 Bloomingdale Terrace

A heritage hearing into the above matter was held at this time.

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Mr. Dan Norris, Heritage Planner, addressed Council and, using photographs, outlined the application to consider the designation of 1777 Bloomingdale Terrace as a heritage property.

Mr. Norris advised that the owner has requested a deferral on this matter to permit him further time to consider the application.

There was no one wishing to address Council on this item.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Adams that this matter be deferred to a later date.

Motion carried.

Heritage Hearing - 1358 Queen Street

A heritage hearing into the above matter was held at this time.

Mr. Dan Norris, Heritage Planner, addressed Council and, using photographs, outlined the application to consider the designation of 1358 Queen Street as a heritage property. Mr. Norris noted that the property owner has, through a telephone conversation, agreed to the proposed registration.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

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Public Hearing: Case No. 6285 - Plan Amendment Request - Stanley Park

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

A letter dated 8 January 1992 from David P.S. Farrar, Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, Barristers and Solicitors, Halifax, N.S. was submitted.

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A letter dated 8 January 1992 from Stanley E. Havill, North American Real Estate Limited, was submitted.

Mr. Angus Schaffenburg, Planner, addressed Council and outlined the application for a proposed municipal development plan amendment concerning a commercial development at north west arm drive and the proposed extension of Osborne Street (as outlined in the report dated 19 April 1991 and in the report by the Planning Advisory Committee dated 28 October 1991).

Mr. Morris Lloyd, Regional Vice President of UMA Engineering addressed Council and advised that he was acting as the consultant for the developer of the proposal in question, Mr. Stanley Havill.

Mr. Lloyd advised that when the agreement for Stanley Park was negotiated in July 1990, the developer indicated at that time that it was his intention to apply for a plan amendment at a later date to permit a shopping centre and service station at the juncture of the Osborne Drive extension and the Northwest Arm Drive. He added that the request was referred to the Planning Advisory Committee and that the PAC and staff have agreed that this was a logical place for a shopping centre. Mr. Lloyd indicated that agreement on the size has not been reached and will be subject to further negotiations.

Mr. Lloyd advised that an analysis was conducted with respect to the demand for commercial space which would be generated by the additional 2,800 people which would be housed in Stanley Park and he felt quite comfortable that there was a need for a shopping centre in the order of 80,000 - 100,000 square feet. He added that, in addition to the population of Stanley Park, the shopping centre would also service the existing population in that area.

Mr. Stanley Havill, the developer, addressed Council and suggested that the proposed development was ideally located and that it would benefit the surrounding areas as well as potential future development in the area. Mr. Havill reviewed his submitted letter dated 8 January 1992.

Mr. Havill pointed out that he has been approached and held preliminary discussions with a representative of Sobey's Inc. He added that he was informed that Sobey's would require a store of between 35,000 and 50,000 sq. ft. Mr. Havill advised that, in



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addition to this, Sobeys has expressed an interest in a convenience store and a service station/convenience store.

Mr. Havill then reviewed the various types of services which could be provided by his proposal such as doctors and dentists offices, a trust company, a bank, dry cleaning, fast food outlets, drug mart, and real estate office. Mr. Havill added that he did not believe that a mini-mall would be adequate or economically viable.

In requesting Council's favourable consideration of his request, Mr. Havill indicated that, in these tough economic times, developers need encouragement to continue with developments.

Mr. Havill responded to questions from Council.

Mr. Roy Gillis, a member of the Board of Directors of Condominium Corporation No. 10 in Cowie Hill, and Chairman of the Village Council in Ccwie Hill, addressed Council and spoke in opposition to the proposed development.

In his remarks, Mr. Gillis questioned the viability of the proposal, suggesting that it was not a needed service for the public in the area because the area was already well served by the present businesses, and he outlined the number and type of businesses presently existing in the area. He suggested that the development would not generate sufficient tax revenue to justify the inconvenience to the people in the area.

Mr. Gillis pointed out that, particularly, in these tough times it would not be fair to the present businesses in the area to have to compete with the proposed shopping centre. Mr. Gillis made reference to a number of surplus retail spaces and office spaces in the area and suggested that a new shopping centre would only further dilute an already poor market.

On another point, Mr. Gillis advised that the Chebucto Heights Elementary School was located near the proposal and, as a member of the local PTA, he was concerned about the attractiveness that this mall would have to the school children. He noted that the Stanley Park development has two high rise buildings which permit commercial development on the bottom floors and he advised that this should be sufficient for the needs of the developer.

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In concluding his presentation, Mr. Gillis expressed concern about the environmental factors of the proposal and advised that holding ponds will be constructed for runoff but, to date, there has not been an estimate of what these would cost the City of Halifax. Mr. Gillis requested Council's refusal of this matter.

Mr. David Farrar addressed Council and advised that he was with the Law Firm, Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales, and that he was the solicitor for Sobey's Inc. on this matter.

Referring to his submitted letter, Mr. Farrar drew attention to page 4, para. 3 and advised that the sentence which reads, "The proposal by North American Real Estate Limited, if accepted, would materially increase ..." should, in fact, read as follows:

"The proposal by North American Real Estate Limited, if accepted, would materially **decrease** ..."

Mr. Farrar advised that Sobey's was opposed to the amendment as presently drafted and had a number of concerns with respect to it. He added that the proposed amendment was so vague that it does not provide sufficient guidelines as to the size of a development which may be considered by Council pursuant to development agreement as a commercial convenience centre.

Mr. Farrar suggested that if the proposed amendment was intended to permit developments comparable in size to the 80,000 to 100,000 square foot centre proposed by North American Real Estate Limited, there has been a fundamental shift in the City Planning policy without any supporting justification. Mr. Farrar added that such a shift in policy would result in a treatment of Sobeys Inc. in a fashion which is unfair and inconsistent with that of North American Real Estate Limited.

Mr. Farrar advised that the proposed amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy permits, pursuant to development agreement, a "commercial convenience centre". He added that this term was not defined anywhere in the Municipal Planning Strategy and that there was no guidance as to the permitted size a commercial convenience centre may be. Mr. Farrar noted that the developer, City staff,

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and the Planning Advisory Committee have different views as to the size.

Mr. Farrar added that the proposed amendment was so unclear that any application for a development agreement under the proposed amendment would necessarily invite an appeal to the Municipal Board. He noted that City staff recommended against a change in the planning strategy which would permit a community commercial centre of approximately 80,000 to 100,000 sq. ft.

Mr. Farrar elaborated further on his concerns and noted that, in 1989, Sobeys Inc. was refused an application to redesignate certain of its lands located on the Herring Cove Road from medium density residential to minor commercial, and to rezone the lands from R-2P to C-2A for the reasons that it would undermine the desired pattern of commercial development, and that there was currently considerable land for commercial development. He advised that in April 1990, Sobeys Inc. revised its submission for a requested plan amendment, and it was recommended, because it did not increase the total amount of property to be zoned commercial.

In conclusion, Mr. Farrar advised that Sobeys Inc. felt that acceptance of the proposed amendment would result in North American Real Estate Limited being treated substantially different from Sobeys Inc. He pointed out that, in order for Sobeys to obtain its rezoning, it was necessary for it to do a corresponding redesignation of commercial land so that there was no net increase in vacant commercial land.

Mr. Farrar responded to questions from Council.

In response to a question by Deputy Mayor Stone, Mr. Farrar advised that there had been very preliminary discussions between Sobeys Inc. and the developer. He pointed out that Sobeys Inc. was concerned not so much with the development itself but rather with the amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy, and the way in which the amendment was put forward.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this item.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Adams that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.



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Motion carried.

Public Hearing: Case No. 6407: D/A: 2672-2712 Belle Aire  
Terrace, 5669 & 5670 Ontario Street

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

Mr. Gary Porter, Planner, addressed Council and, using diagrams, outlined the application for a development agreement by Bloomfield Housing Co-operative Limited to permit construction of 26 dwelling units in six buildings in the Belle Aire Terrace, Ontario Street area (as contained in the staff report dated 06 November 1991).

Mr. Peter Lavell, a resident of 2628 Belle Aire Terrace addressed Council and advised that he was a member of the Bloomfield Housing Co-operative Limited, who was responsible for the application. He introduced Ms. Theresa Thomas, consultant for the project and Mr. Robert McLaren, the architect of the project and advised that Mr. McLaren would provide an overview of the proposal following which the three of them would respond to any questions Council may have.

Mr. Robert McLaren addressed Council and, using architectural drawings, reviewed the proposed development. Mr. McLaren advised that the project was intended to be funded through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to create modest and affordable housing in this neighbourhood. He added that the intent of the project was to create stable housing and family housing and to infill several vacant sites in the area, keeping in mind the character of the existing buildings. Mr. McLaren then elaborated on the details of the buildings.

Mr. McLaren responded to questions from Council.

Mr. P. Lavell addressed Council once again and remarked that the Co-op wants to see the responsible development of the area and, to this end, it feels that it has a fair degree of support from the neighbourhood.

Ms. Theresa Thomas, the consultant for the project addressed Council and pointed out that of the proposed 26 units, 13 units will be available for people of moderate and low income and they will receive some rent

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supplement assistant from the Province. She added that the other 13 units will be available for market rental by members of the Co-op.

Ms. Thomas also noted that there are two accessible units, a two bedroom and a four bedroom, which could be used by a family or by a person who requires live-in assistance. She noted that a lot of interest has been shown in the project, should it proceed, and that the Co-op already has a list of people who are interested in renting the units.

Ms. Thomas advised that the Co-op was working to obtain 1991 allocation from CMHC but, to date, it has not been successful. She added that, however, the Board will proceed with 1992 allocation.

In response to a question about the demolition of existing buildings, Ms. Thomas pointed out that the reason the Co-op has decided to demolish the buildings rather than renovate them was that various inspectors, including CMHC inspectors, have expressed grave concerns about the conditions of the buildings. She indicated that these concerns, and the possibility of being refused funding by CMHC because of the present condition of the buildings, were the reasons why the Co-op decided to go with demolition.

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the first page of Appendix A of the 06 November 1991 staff report and advised that, at the top of the page where it is printed, "2672-78 Belle Aire Terrace proposed use - 9 units," should actually read 4 units.

Ms. Thomas indicated that this was an oversight and that Alderman Fitzgerald was correct.

Mr. Walsh, a resident of 2496 Creighton Street, addressed Council and advised that he was representing the minister and congregation of the New Life Christian Centre, a local church on the corner of Fuller Terrace and Ontario Street.

Mr. Walsh provided a brief history of the Church and advised that the Church fully supported this proposal, noting that it would provide affordable housing to those who require it, and it would also increase the property values of the adjacent properties.

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Mr. Blair Beed, a resident of 5510 Spring Garden Road addressed Council and indicated that he was pleased with the proposal. Mr. Beed suggested that, prior to demolishing the buildings in question, the City should take steps to have all aspects of the buildings on record. As well, Mr. Beed suggested that steps should be taken to "recycle" certain items in the buildings, noting that many people would be interested in having old building parts such as door hinges.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter.

MOVED by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Downey that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

HER WORSHIP MAYOR DUCHARME  
CHAIRMAN

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# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
16 January 1992  
8:00 P. M.

A regular meeting of Halifax City Council was held at this time.

The meeting was called to order, with Her Worship Mayor Ducharme inviting the Reverend Calvin Symonds, pastor of the Cornwallis Street Baptist Church, to lead the gathering in prayer.

**PRESENT:** Her Worship Mayor Moira Ducharme, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Bill Stone; and Aldermen Holland, Fitzgerald, Downey, Meagher, O'Malley, Pottie, Adams, Hanson, Jeffrey, Macdonald, and Crowley.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager; City Solicitor; City Clerk; and other members of City staff.

## Crime Prevention Month

Her Worship Mayor made reference to the fact that, in recognition of "Crime Prevention Month," the Deputy Mayor will be making a presentation at the 22 January meeting of Committee of the Whole Council regarding the City's action plan on crime.

## Order of Canada - Mrs. Ruth Goldbloom

It was agreed that a letter of congratulations would be forwarded by Her Worship Mayor Ducharme, on behalf of all members of Halifax City Council, to Mrs. Ruth Goldbloom, a recent recipient of the Order of Canada.

## MINUTES

Minutes of the last regular meeting of Halifax City Council, held on Thursday, 12 December 1991, were approved as circulated on a motion by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Hanson.

**APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS,  
ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

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

- 20.1 Case No. 6398: Development Agreement  
- 124 Kearney Lake Road (Deputy Mayor Stone)
- 20.2 Garbage Collection (Alderman Macdonald)
- 20.3 Canada Games Diamond (Alderman Adams)

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

**5.2 Heritage Hearing - 1777 Bloomingdale Terrace**

(NOTE: This meeting had been deferred "to a future date" during the 8 January public hearing).

At the request of Alderman Holland, Council agreed to add:

**20.4 Finger Pier**

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Downey that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

Motion passed.

**DEFERRED ITEMS**

**Heritage Hearing - Point Pleasant Park**

This matter had been deferred from a regular meeting of Halifax City Council held on 28 November, a public hearing having been held on 23 October 1991.

Alderman Holland reported that the Board of Directors for Point Pleasant Park have not yet had an opportunity to discuss the proposed heritage designation with members of the Heritage Advisory Committee, and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that the matter be deferred to a February meeting of Committee of the Whole Council.

The motion to defer was put and passed.



Heritage Hearing - 6503 Jubilee Road

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

Noting that the owner of the property in question supports the proposed heritage designation, it was moved by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Holland that Halifax City Council approve the registration of Civic Number 6503 Jubilee Road as a heritage property.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining from the vote owing to their absence from the 8 January public hearing.

Heritage Hearing - 5274 South Street

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

Noting that the owner of the property in question is in favor of the proposed heritage designation, it was moved by Alderman Holland, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that Halifax City Council approve the registration of Civic Number 5274 South Street as a heritage property.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining from the vote owing to their absence from the 8 January public hearing.

Heritage Hearing - 2421 Brunswick Street  
(West/Hawkins House)

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

Observing that the site in question is owned by the City of Halifax, it was moved by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Hanson that Halifax City Council approve the registration of Civic Number 2421 Brunswick Street (the West/Hawkins House) as a heritage property.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining from the vote owing to their absence from the 8 January public hearing.

Heritage Hearing - 1777 Bloomingdale Terrace

This matter had been deleted at the request of the City Clerk during the setting of the meeting's agenda.

Heritage Hearing - 1358 Queen Street

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stone that Halifax City Council approve the registration of Civic Number 1358 Queen Street as a heritage property.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining from the vote owing to their absence from the 8 January public hearing.

Case No. 6285: Plan Amendment  
Request - Stanley Park

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

Correspondence, dated 14 January 1992, was subsequently received from Mr. F. C. S. Lockyer, P.Eng., representing UMA Engineering Limited.

Alderman Hanson prefaced his remarks by emphasizing that he personally has a great deal of respect for a developer who is willing to proceed with a project of this scope in such a very difficult economic climate, adding that the development, when underway, will provide jobs for a considerable number of Haligonians. He went on to point out, however, that by the same token he was somewhat concerned about the size of the commercial component initially requested, pointing out that perhaps now is not the time to be embarking on a major commercial initiative.

Alderman Hanson emphasized that he had investigated the proposal very thoroughly both with staff and with various neighborhood groups, and had come to the conclusion that, at this point in time, the most appropriate approach for Council to take would be to approve an amendment to the Mainland South Secondary Planning Strategy which would in turn permit Council's consideration at a later date of a more detailed proposal concerning the commercial component.

Mr. W. B. Campbell, Senior Planner with the City's Development and Planning Department, responded to questions from various members of Council, clarifying that, once a Plan amendment of this nature was in place, Council could consider the size and configuration of the proposed commercial component through the public hearing process associated with development agreement applications.

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After some further discussion, it was moved by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Adams that Council reaffirm its motion of 14 November 1991, as follows:

- 1) That subsection 6 of the Residential Development District Guidelines of Section X (Mainland South) be amended by adding the following:

In addition, for a site at the southeast corner of Osborne Drive and North West Arm Drive within the Stanley Park Development, consideration may be given for a commercial convenience centre. The amount of gross leasable space and maximum lot area may be limited to ensure that the development primarily serves the adjacent neighborhoods. The intent is to provide for a range of uses such as retail, rental and personal service, household repair shops, service stations, restaurants and office uses. The additional matters to be considered are found in the guidelines of Policy 3.7 of Section II.

- 2) Lot "A" remain as private open space related to the apartment building on Site C of the Stanley Park development agreement. No commercial development should be considered because of the small size of the lot, negative impact on the Osborne collector roadway, and the separation of commercial uses;
- 3) staff prepare a further report on the advantages and disadvantages of proceeding with an amendment to Section 6 of the Guidelines of the Mainland South Plan to allow convenience-type uses within a Residential Development District.

The City Clerk advised that Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey had been absent from the 8 January public hearing.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining.

**Case No. 6407: Development Agreement -  
2672-2712 Belle Aire Terrace and  
5669 and 5670 Ontario Street**

A public hearing into this matter had been held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992.

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Responding to a question from Alderman O'Malley, the City Clerk advised that no correspondence in opposition to this proposal had been received.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that Halifax City Council:

- a) approve the application for a development agreement to permit 26 dwelling units in six buildings on Ontario Street and Belle Aire Terrace, as shown on Plans P200/18560-66 inclusive and P200/18585-87 inclusive of Case No. 6407; and further, that
- b) the agreement be signed within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the applicant, from the date of final approval by Halifax City Council and any other bodies as necessary, whichever approval is later, including applicable appeal periods; otherwise, this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

The City Clerk advised that Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey were ineligible to vote, owing to their absence from the 8 January public hearing.

The motion was put and passed, with Aldermen Meagher, Pottie and Jeffrey abstaining.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

**Submission Alderman Fitzgerald Re:  
Incineration of Solid Waste Materials**

Alderman Fitzgerald submitted correspondence and documentation forwarded to him by Professor Edward Laufer in opposition to the recent decision by the Metropolitan Authority to proceed with the incineration component of its solid waste management proposal.

In so doing, the Alderman asked that the City Clerk maintain this information on file so that interested members of Council might review it at their convenience.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992, as follows:

International Gospel Festival

This matter had been forwarded to Council without recommendation, pending receipt of a report from the City Manager.

A report, dated 14 January 1992, was submitted.

Deputy Mayor Stone opened the discussion by briefly overviewing the 14 January staff report, and emphasizing that he was very much in favor of the type of policy (regarding funding for cultural events initiated by private enterprise) outlined therein.

While concurring in principle with the Deputy Mayor's comments, Alderman Downey pointed out that the application from the International Gospel Festival initially included a request for approximately \$80,000 and expressed concern that no comment from Festival representatives on the City Manager's proposal had yet been received.

It was therefore moved by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the matter be deferred so that the City Manager's report of 14 January 1992 could be forwarded to the International Gospel Festival for a response.

After some discussion, the motion to defer was put and passed.

Pollution Control Charges

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the matter of pollution control charges for 1992 be postponed until the results of meetings by the Board of the Halifax Harbour Clean-Up Inc. are known.

The motion was put and passed.

Compensation for Alleged Property Damage:  
City of Halifax (Re: 26 Acorn Road)

A supplementary report, dated 9 January 1992, was submitted.

Alderman Adams addressed the matter, emphasizing that, in his opinion, the issue in question was not whether compensation should or should not be paid to the owners of



26 Acorn Road by the City of Halifax, but rather the amount of that payment.

In his remarks, the Alderman reiterated that the Beatties had been considerably inconvenienced by the property damage which is alleged to have occurred as a result of a recent sewer installation project initiated by the City. He went on to point out that, in his opinion, compensation should not be calculated purely from a perspective of "dollars and cents," but rather that humanitarian factors should also play a role in determining the amount of payment. To substantiate his argument, the Alderman submitted an excerpt from the City Council Minutes of 26 September 1991 at which time a property had been acquired by the City at a price considerably in excess of its assessed value.

It was therefore moved by Alderman Adams,  
seconded by Alderman Jeffrey that, as recommended by the  
Finance and Executive Committee, compensation be granted to the owners of the property located at 26 Acorn Road in an amount equivalent to that paid to the consultant (i.e., \$1,500.00).

The motion was put and passed with Alderman Hanson and Pottie in opposition.

#### Yearly Meeting Cancellations/Changes

A supplementary report, dated 10 January 1992, was submitted.

Deputy Mayor Stone made reference to his previous suggestion that members of Council might wish to consider changing the dates for their annual summer recess in order to ensure a greater participation in the City's Natal Day festivities. He noted, however, that he has since been advised that, even if Council were to take their vacation during the last two weeks in July, members would still not be expected back to a regular meeting of Committee of the Whole Council until Wednesday, 5 August, two days after the official Natal Day holiday. The Deputy Mayor therefore indicated that he would withdraw his recommendation that the traditional dates for the summer recess (i.e., the first two weeks in August) be changed, at least for 1992.

Responding to concerns raised by Alderman Fitzgerald, the City Clerk made reference to the staff recommendation in this regard, emphasizing that City boards and commissions are always informed of the various Council recesses and asked to curtail their activities for those periods as well.

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After some further discussion, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Stone, seconded by Alderman Downey that:

- 1) City Council **cancel** its Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, 5 August 1992** and the corresponding City Council meeting scheduled for **Thursday, 13 August 1992** representing a summer break;
- 2) City Council **cancel** its Committee of the Whole Council meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, 23 December 1992** and the corresponding City Council meeting scheduled for **Thursday, 31 December 1992**, representing a Christmas break;
- 3) City Council **reschedule** the City Council meeting of Thursday, 16 April 1992 to **Wednesday, 15 April 1992** as 16 April falls on the eve of Good Friday;
- 4) City Council **reschedule** the Committee of the Whole Council meeting presently slated for Wednesday, 18 March to **Monday, 23 March 1992** in recognition of the March Break; and
- 5) City staff, boards and commissions be informed of the foregoing changes and cancellations.

With particular reference to the 1992 Natal Day festivities, Alderman Meagher strongly urged that Her Worship the Mayor contact both the Halifax Natal Day Committee and His Worship Mayor Savage of Dartmouth to request that the Natal Day Parade in Halifax be scheduled for the actual Natal Day holiday (i.e., Monday, 3 August).

Alderman Pottie pointed out that this matter had been researched on various occasions by the Natal Day Committee. He went on to emphasize that it is extremely difficult to schedule the parade event for the holiday, owing to the fact that many of the bands and floats have committed themselves to other municipalities on that date.

Acknowledging the difficulties outlined by Alderman Pottie, Alderman Meagher reiterated that the parade date could be rotated between the cities of Dartmouth and Halifax on a yearly basis, and again asked that Her Worship pursue this matter.

The motion was put and passed.

**Terms of Reference -  
Election Procedures Task Force**

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council appoint for a term to expire on 30 November 1992 an Election Procedures Committee pursuant to the Terms of Reference appended to the 2 January staff report as follows:

1. The Committee shall consist of the City's Returning Officer at the last civic election and four other members, two of whom shall be members of Council.
2. The function of the Committee is to:
  - (a) identify any problems encountered with the proceedings of the last civic election and make recommendations to Council respecting those problems; and
  - (b) review the present ward boundaries and recommend to Council any changes in those boundaries.
3. The Committee shall conclude its mandate and file its final report to Council no later than 30 November 1992.

After some discussion, an amendment to Part (1) of the motion was moved by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Pottie; namely that the Committee shall consist of the City's Returning Officer at the last civic election and **six** other members, two of whom shall be members of Council.

The amendment was put and passed.

The original motion, as amended, was put and passed.

**Acquisition: Parcels A and B,  
Civic No. 6461-63 Chebucto Road**

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Pottie that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Parcels "A" and "B," as shown on Plan P200/18414 be acquired from Maroun and Lena Diab for \$9,040.50 (funds to be made available from Account No. 91608, Sundry Land Acquisition).

In putting forward this motion, Alderman Meagher expressed concern that the front portion of this property has been paved over with asphalt and is now being used for parking. The Alderman indicated that, given the fact that the City is proposing to assume ownership of this site, it would be his preference to see the asphalt removed and a green space reestablished at the front of these buildings.

Alderman Meagher requested that the City Manager pursue this matter, and submit a report to Council on his findings.

The motion was put and passed.

### Open Skies Policy

Her Worship Mayor Ducharme made reference to the Minutes of the 8 January Finance and Committee meeting in which Mr. Walter Johnson had been referred to as "a member of Tourism Halifax staff." While pointing out that Mr. Johnson was, in reality, a volunteer **advisor** to the Department, Her Worship emphasized that his contribution in this regard had been invaluable and most appreciated by all members of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Holland, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Halifax City Council endorse the position of the Association of Canadian Airport Communities (appended to the staff report dated 3 January 1992) as follows:

The Association of Canadian Airport Communities is supportive of an open skies air service regime between Canada and the United States based on the following principles:

1. Current Federal transportation philosophy does not address the needs of communities, business interests and tourism with respect to growth, competition, and the emerging global marketplace.
2. A philosophy of demand measurement based upon historic statistics is inadequate for today's challenges.
3. A new U.S./Canada air transportation relationship built upon new philosophies, today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities is badly overdue. It should be undertaken without delay.

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4. Fares should be designed to reflect free market forces.
5. Pre-clearance is a major element of passenger convenience and should be expanded wherever practical.
6. Adequate air service is not a Federal Government responsibility but an airline-community issue.
7. The new philosophy should be based upon freedom. Freedom for communities to explore new air carrier relationships, freedom of entrepreneurial carriers to launch new services, freedom to experiment with prices and promotional fares, and freedom to operate air services under free trade principles.
8. Air cargo is a growing and increasingly important element in the global marketplace and cargo carriers should be permitted market access as opportunities arise.
9. All elements of air travel -- North American, domestic and international -- should be included in the development of these principles.

The motion was put and passed.

**Closure of North Branch Post Office**

Alderman Downey made reference to a request made during the 8 January meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee; namely, that Her Worship Mayor Ducharme forward a letter, on behalf of Halifax City Council, to Mr. Gerald Roy, Director of Canada Post, expressing Council's concerns regarding the closure of the North Branch Post Office.

Mayor Ducharme advised that this letter had already been mailed to Mr. Roy and that copies would be distributed to members of Council. She added that she had already had a conversation with Mr. Roy concerning this matter and that she will be meeting with him in this regard in the near future.

**Halifax Harbour Clean-Up**

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Downey that, as recommended by the Finance and



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Executive Committee, City Council re-affirm its position in support of the Halifax Harbour Cleanup and encourage the Minister in charge of the Halifax Harbour Cleanup Corporation, Mr. Joel Matheson, Q.C., to proceed as quickly as possible.

Responding to a question from Alderman O'Malley, the City Manager advised that a further report on possible cost over-runs as well as other available options would be made to Council sometime after 3 February.

Alderman O'Malley subsequently referred to the 20 April 1989 publication of Hansard (p. 2238), in particular to comments made by then Minister of the Environment John Leefe, who was quoted as saying:

It is very clear that there is absolutely no intention by agreement for the municipalities to have to pick up cost overruns. That is clear in the document. It is clear in resolutions by the councils of the three municipal units which are signatories to the agreement. In the event that there are cost overruns, very clearly this government has said that it will meet those cost overruns. We do not anticipate that that will be the situation, but very clearly that is the position of this government. The Federal Government capped its participation within that \$200 million. We recognize the responsibility that is placed upon us as government, and we will meet that responsibility.

Pointing out that it would seem apparent from Mr. Leefe's statement that the Province initially intended to bear the full responsibility of any cost overruns, Alderman O'Malley queries why the original agreement had been amended to provide that the municipal partners **would** share in the payment of these expenses.

Her Worship the Mayor suggested that the matter had been referred back to the member municipalities as costs continued to escalate, and recommended that Council be provided with the information submitted to them at that time as well as with copies of the subsequent resolution on the cost-sharing arrangements.

**9:50 p.m. - Her Worship Mayor Ducharme retires from the meeting, with Deputy Mayor Stone assuming the Chair.**

The discussion continued with the City Manager suggesting that one of the primary reasons for the cost overruns currently being projected was the Province

Government's stance on the necessity for a environmental assessment review.

Alderman Adams suggested that Council might be provided with additional information as to why the Province decided to require this review in order that such costly decisions might be avoided in the future.

Alderman O'Malley, in reiterating her request for additional information regarding the current cost-sharing arrangements, emphasized that she wished to go on record as being supportive of the Halifax Harbour Clean-Up project. She pointed out, however, that she was also deeply concerned that every effort should be made to protect Halifax taxpayers from the need to contribute any more money to this initiative than is absolutely necessary.

The motion was put and passed.

#### Garbage Disposal

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Holland that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

- (1) Halifax City Council appoint a special task force to include the City Manager and Department Heads (Directors) to acquire, study and analyze information from all sources they may consider necessary and to recommend realistic alternatives to the proposed "waste to energy" plant, if any exist;
- (2) if no practical options are available given the legal and financial realities which currently exist, then the task force assess all financial implications from the best cost estimates available and their impact on the long term budget projections for the City;
- (3) a spokesman be selected from among the task force members to report to Council at each meeting beginning on 30 January 1992 with a final report to Council 26 March 1992.

Alderman Macdonald made reference to documentation entitled "City of Halifax - Proposed Review of Waste Management Systems" (distributed by Alderman Fitzgerald), and asked that this information also be taken under advisement by the proposed task force.

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10:10 p.m. - Her Worship Mayor Ducharme returns to the meeting, with Deputy Mayor Stone assuming his usual seat on Council.

A discussion ensued during which the City Manager responded to questions from Alderman Fitzgerald concerning the documentation previously referred to by Alderman Macdonald.

The motion was put and passed.

**REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS**

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992, as follows:

**Award of Tender Re: Refuse Pick-Up - Condominiums**

MOVED by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Stone that, as recommended by the Committee on Works:

1. staff be authorized to enter into a contract with Browning Ferris Ltd., effective 3 February 1992 and continuing until 31 March 1996, for the provision of collection and disposal of refuse from designated Halifax condominium properties;
2. funding be authorized in the amount of \$11,000.00 under Section 201(1) of the City Charter for the period covering 3 February to 31 March 1992; and the balance from the Engineering and Works Department proposed 1992/93 Operating Budget.

Motion passed.

**REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992, as follows:

**Sale of Beer and Wine in Convenience Stores**

MOVED by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the matter (i.e., the proposal to sell beer and wine in grocery

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stores) be deferred to the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, 22 January 1992**, pending a report from the Mayor's Task Force on Drugs.

Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL,  
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Proposed Amendment to Ordinance 116 Re: Membership -  
Halifax Taxi Commission (SECOND READING)

Consideration and report was given with respect to this matter at the last Committee of the Whole Council meeting held on 8 January 1992.

MOVED by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hanson that Halifax City Council give SECOND READING to an amendment (attached as Appendix "A") to the Taxi Commission's report of 2 December 1991) to City Ordinance 116, the Taxi Ordinance, allowing managers of local taxi brokerages to serve as full voting members of the Halifax Taxi Commission.

Motion passed.

Proposed Amendment to Ordinance 116 Re: English Fluency  
Requirement - Halifax Taxi Operators (SECOND READING)

Consideration and report was given with respect to this matter at the last Committee of the Whole Council meeting held on 8 January 1992.

MOVED by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hanson that Halifax City Council give SECOND READING to an amendment (attached as Appendix "A" to the Taxi Commission's report of 2 December 1991) to City Ordinance 116, the Taxi Ordinance, specifying that all new applicants for a Halifax taxi license be tested with regard to their fluency in the English language.

Motion passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 8 January 1992, as follows:

Case No. 6313: Request for Plan Amendment - Regatta Point

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Stone that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, this matter be deferred to the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting scheduled for 22 January 1992.

Motion passed.

Report from Planning Advisory Committee Re: Case No. 6062:  
R-2 (General Residential) Zone (Peninsula Area):  
Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Development Plan  
& Land Use Bylaw

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council reject proposed municipal development plan and land use bylaw amendments to the R-2 (General Residential) zone (Peninsula Area), and maintain the current R-2 zone requirements of 4 units and 8,000 square feet lot area and 80 foot of frontage.

Motion passed.

Civic No. 1139-43 South Park Street - Illegal Construction

MOVED by Alderman Holland, seconded by Alderman Downey that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the City Solicitor be authorized to apply to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia for an Injunction in respect of the illegal construction at 1139-43 South Park Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, as being contrary to the provisions of the City of Halifax Land Use Bylaw, the Planning Act, the Building Code Act, Ordinance 131, and the Halifax City Charter.

Motion passed.

Service Station Closings

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, staff arrange a meeting between the major service station companies and Aldermen Meagher and



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Fitzgerald (and any other interested member(s) of Council) to negotiate the hours of operation for service stations.

Alderman Fitzgerald noted that it was the hours between midnight and early morning that were causing concerns to the residents in the different areas where these service stations were located.

The motion was put and passed.

MOTIONS

Motion Alderman Macdonald Re: Proposed Amendments to Various City Ordinances - Licence Fees and Other Charges

Notice of Motion with respect to this item was given at the last meeting of City Council held on 12 December 1991.

A report from the City Solicitor dated 3 December 1991 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Crowley that City Council give FIRST READING to the amendments to various Ordinances (attached as Schedule "A" to the report from the City Solicitor dated 12 December 1991) and refer this matter to the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting scheduled for 22 January 1992 for consideration and report.

Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Jeffrey Re: Flooding - 26 Rockwood Avenue

Alderman Jeffrey referred to the flooding situation at 26 Rockwood Avenue. He noted that Mr. Bill Sullivan, Chief Engineer, is aware of the flooding problems in this area and that letters have been sent to abutting owners. The Alderman asked that Mr. Sullivan investigate the problems that have arisen at 26 Rockwood Avenue.

Question Alderman Jeffrey Re: Safety Ramp - Northcliffe School

Alderman Jeffrey noted that he had received a number of calls from residents requesting that a safety ramp be installed at the Northcliffe Pool. He suggested

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that the design should be similar to the one at the Rehabilitation Centre which is built at the shallow end of the pool. Alderman Jeffrey noted that there were a large number of seniors using this pool and indicated that a ramp would therefore be beneficial. The Alderman asked for a report in this regard.

Question Alderman Jeffrey Re: Halifax West School

Alderman Jeffrey referred to a report he had received from Mr. Howard pertaining to Halifax West School in response to a question he had raised respecting the closure of the fence at the bottom of Coronation Avenue. Alderman Jeffrey noted that Mr. Howard, in his report, commented that he did not believe that the closure of this opening would prevent students from entering the concerned area. Alderman Jeffrey indicated that he did not agree with Mr. Howard's conclusion and asked that he reconsider the matter.

Question Alderman Jeffrey Re: Major Stephen's High School

Alderman Jeffrey advised that it was his understanding that Major Stephen's High School was closed by the School Board for the year 1991. However, Alderman Jeffrey noted that the School remains open and is used by some Committees for meetings. The Alderman asked for a report by the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting to be held on **22 January 1992** indicating why this school is still open and is being used for various committee meetings. Alderman Jeffrey expressed the view that it should be turned over to the City and torn down as quickly as possible to be sold as residential lots in the area.

Question Alderman Jeffrey Re: Titus Smith School

Alderman Jeffrey asked for a report with respect to the Titus Smith School being used as a senior citizens complex. The Alderman requested that possibly an update could be provided by the next Committee of the Whole Council to be held on **22 January 1992**.

Question Alderman Pottie Re: Truck Traffic -  
Connaught Avenue

Alderman Pottie expressed concern about the amount of truck traffic on Connaught Avenue between the

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hours of 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. He requested that the Chief of Police conduct some selective enforcement in the area between these hours and report back to Council.

Alderman Pottie also requested that the Chief of Police (personally) contact a gentleman on Connaught Avenue, Mr. Edmond Jeffrey, who is very disturbed by this problem. The Alderman indicated that he could supply Mr. Edmond's phone number and address to the Chief.

**Question Alderman Downey Re: Food and Shelter Allowances**

Alderman Downey referred to a report dated September 1991 with regard to shelter allowance and food allowance. The Alderman expressed the concern that the shelter allowance has not been increased since 1988 and that the food allowance is 20 percent below the standard level. Alderman Downey asked for a report indicating when these allowances might be brought up to standard.

**Question Alderman O'Malley Re: Dog Licenses**

Alderman O'Malley advised that she had received several calls from citizens inquiring whether it would be possible for the City to send out renewal application forms for the licensing of dogs. The Alderman asked that staff provide a report on the feasibility of mailing dog license application notices to animal owners who are presently on City records.

**Question Deputy Mayor Stone Re: Mainland North Commons**

Deputy Mayor Stone indicated that he would like to receive an update on the Mainland North Commons. He noted that public meetings have been held and that it was his understanding that the matter was to come back to Council early in the New Year regarding design and the next phases of the project. The Alderman asked for a report or indication as to when this information might be available.

**Question Alderman Macdonald Re: Dunbrack Street**

Alderman Macdonald referred to the area on Dunbrack Street, on the right hand side opposite Clayton Park Drive at the Northcliffe Centre, where there is a crosswalk and "do not pass" warning signs. He noted that he travelled this area with one of his constituents who was very concerned about the dangerous situation which existed at this location. The Alderman suggested, as a possible solution to the problem, that there be a manually operated

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street light at this location that would remain green until activated by a pedestrian. Further, he suggested that there be amber lights flashing at the same time over the "do not pass" signs going both ways. Alderman Macdonald also requested Police surveillance in the area.

Alderman Macdonald asked that the Traffic Authority investigate his suggestions and provide him with a report.

Question Alderman Adams Re: Tax Bills

Alderman Adams asked that notice be sent to citizens explaining the new tax bill.

Her Worship noted that the City Manager has indicated that this was in the process of being done.

Question Alderman Adams Re: Criminal Activity in Ward 7

Alderman Adams noted that there has been a major problem in Ward 7 with regard to criminal activity resulting in a large number of break-ins. As a result, the Alderman noted that a meeting is being arranged between many of the business owners in the area. Alderman Adams indicated that they would like to have a member of the police force, preferably the Deputy Chief or Chief of Police, present to provide an education program to the business owners on crime prevention.

Question Alderman Adams Re: Storm Sewers

Alderman Adams noted that there was a problem in the area of Leiblin Park with storm sewers and drainage. He asked that staff investigate the matter and determine if an interim solution to the problem could be made.

Question Alderman Crowley Re: Walkway - West End Mall

Alderman Crowley referred to a letter that had been sent to Her Worship Mayor Ducharme from a resident in the Sir John Thompson Manor concerning a section of walkway in the West End Mall area where she had her cane stuck in. Alderman Crowley advised that she understood that this area was not within the City's jurisdiction, but requested that a letter be sent to the Mall owners asking that they take some measures to repair this walkway.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Task Force on  
Full Employment

Alderman Fitzgerald asked for a status report on the Task Force on Full Employment Report.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Assessment

Alderman Fitzgerald advised that it was his understanding that information would be coming forward with respect to assessments and requested that the item be placed on the next Committee of the Whole agenda scheduled for 22 January 1992.

The City Manager explained that staff would be looking very closely at assessments and suggested that what may take place is that the City maybe filing appeals in cases where there are reductions that do not appear to be appropriate.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Bill 93 - Public Gardens

Alderman Fitzgerald asked that Council be informed if there are any major changes developing with respect to Bill 93 regarding development around the Public Gardens.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Port of Halifax

Alderman Fitzgerald questioned whether the City was going to make representation to the Reagan Task Force on the future of the Port of Halifax.

Her Worship Mayor Ducharme advised that the matter was being pursued.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Dick Loiselle -  
"King Clancey Award"

Alderman Fitzgerald noted that he had read recently in the Daily News that Mr. Dick Loiselle, a former employee of the City of Halifax, had received the "King Clancey Award" by the Abilities Foundation of Nova Scotia. The Alderman noted that this was quite an honor and asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Loiselle in recognition of this award.



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Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Egg Pond - Halifax Commons

Alderman Fitzgerald asked if the Egg Pond on the Halifax Commons be flooded so that it could be used for skating.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: NS Liquor Commission

Alderman Fitzgerald noted that Mr. Bill Baily has announced that the NS Liquor Commission is going to start a program for a refund on bottles but it was his understanding that extra costs may be involved. The Alderman commended them on the concept but questioned whether this was the best way to proceed. He suggested that staff, possibly Mr. Jim Bald of the Engineering and Works Department, could comment on the matter.

Question Alderman Holland Re: City Debt

Alderman Holland indicated that he would like to receive a report from staff showing how much money the City had outstanding in gross debt, net debt, and what the reduction was for each of the last five years.

NOTICES OF MOTION

**Notice of Motion Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Amendment to Ordinance 180, the Streets Ordinance**

Alderman Fitzgerald gave notice of motion that at the next meeting of City Council to be held on Thursday, 30 January 1992, he proposes to introduce for first reading an amendment to Ordinance Number 180, the Streets Ordinance. The purpose of the amendment is to increase the license fees for newspaper boxes located on City streets.

ADDED ITEMS

**Case No. 6398: Development Agreement - 124 Kearney Lake Rd  
(Deputy Mayor Stone)**

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Deputy Mayor Stone.

Alderman Stone addressed the matter and noted that he will be out of town on 5 February 1992 which is the date for a public hearing on the above matter. The

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Alderman therefore requested that the public hearing be re-scheduled to 19 February 1992, to which Council agreed.

Garbage Collection (Alderman Macdonald)

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Macdonald.

Alderman Macdonald addressed the matter and advised that unfortunately an article had appeared in the newspaper indicating that he was fed up with City officials as a result of the Boxing Day garbage collection incident. The Alderman clarified that he was certainly not fed up with staff and that he had received nothing but the very best of cooperation from Mr. Sullivan and all staff.

A short discussion followed and Mr. Peter S. Connell, Director of Engineering and Works, addressed Council and advised that the City sends out a flyer in the Spring to every home-owner that designates which days garbage will not be picked up and what the alternative days will be. He noted that with respect to this past Boxing Day, the City had advertised notices on five radio stations three days in a row, and placed notices in three newspapers, three days in a row, prior to Boxing Day. Mr. Connell added that obviously what needed to be emphasized was the fact that the garbage trucks would be earlier than usual on those re-scheduled days.

Canada Games Diamond (Alderman Adams)

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Adams.

Alderman Adams addressed the matter and advised that the Canada Games Diamond is probably the premier slow pitch or fast ball facility in the City of Halifax. He noted that it was his understanding that there were plans to improve the Diamond this year i.e. improved lighting, new dugouts, and fencing. The Alderman went on to note that, at the last meeting of the Recreation Committee, there was discussion of holding some tournaments in Halifax. However, Alderman Adams noted that the present facility is not suitable for tournaments.

Alderman Adams requested information on what it would cost to have the fence extended to 225 feet down the left and right field lines, and 265 feet at centre field. He noted that these were the standards set by Softball Canada. The Alderman also requested information on what

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it would cost for slow pitch i.e. 275 feet down each line and 300 feet at centre field.

Alderman Adams noted that it was his understanding that Saint Mary's University was going to be replacing their Astro Turf. He suggested that this astro turf could be used for the in-field at the Canada Games Diamond. Alderman Adams asked for a report in this regard.

Finger Pier - (Alderman Holland)

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Holland.

Alderman Holland addressed the matter and advised that over the last couple of years he has had the opportunity to be on a number of the cruise boats that have come to Halifax. He added that he has spoken with the Captains and some of the senior crews along with the tourists on the ships and they have all commented about the location where the ships dock in the Harbour. Alderman Holland noted that it was their opinion that it would be much more attractive if the ships came in somewhere between Morris Street and Purdy's Wharf.

In his remarks, Alderman Holland suggested that the City should encourage Ports Canada and the Provincial and Federal Governments to consider the establishment of a finger pier somewhere in this location along the waterfront.

The City Manager advised that staff would be reporting on the matter in the near future and that a study was almost complete.

There being no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 p.m.

HER WORSHIP MAYOR MOIRA DUCHARME  
AND  
DEPUTY MAYOR BILL STONE  
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**SPECIAL COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARINGS  
MINUTES**

Council Chamber  
Halifax City Hall  
22 January 1992  
7:40 p.m.

A special meeting of Halifax City Council, Public Hearings was held on the above date.

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

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Stone, Chairman; and Aldermen Holland, Fitzgerald, Downey, O'Malley, Adams, Hanson, Jeffrey, Macdonald, and Crowley.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mr. Barry Allen, representing the City Solicitor's Office; Mr. Edward Kerr, City Clerk, and other members of City staff.

**ADDED ITEM**

The following item was added to the agenda being forwarded from a meeting of the City Planning Committee held earlier on this date:

**Case 6316 - 1336-44 Hollis Street - Rezoning from RC-2 to RC-3 and Lot Modification**

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Jeffrey that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, a date for a public hearing be set to consider the application to rezone 1336-44 Hollis Street from RC-2 (Residential/Minor Commercial) to RC-3 (High Density-Residential/Minor Commercial).

Motion carried.

The City Clerk advised that the date for the public hearing was set for **Wednesday, 19 February 1992** at **7:30 p.m.** in the Council Chamber, Halifax City Hall.

Council then continued with its scheduled agenda as follows:

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**Public Hearing: Case No. 6416: Appeal of Minor Variance  
Refusal - 1615 Preston Street**

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

A staff report dated 11 December 1991 was submitted.

A letter, received in the City Clerk's Office on 17 January 1992, from Edward J. Hannigan and Marilyn E. Kinnear was submitted.

Mr. Michael Hanusiak, Planner II, addressed Council and, using diagrams and photographs, outlined the reasons why a request for a minor variance of the side yard requirements of the land use bylaw for the property at 1615 Preston Street to allow a deck to remain 0 ft. from the side lot line was refused (as contained in the submitted staff report).

In summarizing his presentation, Mr. Hanusiak advised that the application was refused because it was in violation of a and b of Section 86 (3) of the Planning Act.

Ms. Barbara Stailing, the appellant, addressed Council and advised that, in May of 1991, she and her neighbour at 1621 had a fence constructed between their properties. She added that, in July of 1991, she hired the same contractor to construct a platform which would provide her access to a clothesline and to accommodate her future plans for a new back entry.

Ms. Stailing pointed out that since the contractor had obtained all the necessary documentation for the fence, she assumed he did the same when it came to constructing her platform, and was unaware that he did not do so. Ms. Stailing noted that she worked with the contractor on the design of the platform and, at the time, it seemed to make good sense to attach it to the fence. She advised that the deck was very compact with the dimensions being 7.5 ft x 10 ft.

In conclusion, Ms. Stailing requested Council's favourable consideration of her appeal.

Mr. Edward J. Hannigan, a resident of 1621 Preston Street, addressed Council advising that he was the

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main abutting neighbour to the appellant and that he objected to the deck.

Mr. Hannigan advised that several months before the deck was built, he and Ms. Stailing collaborated on and shared the costs of constructing a fence between their properties. He added that, at that time, there was never any indication of a deck being constructed in this area.

Mr. Hannigan advised that the site plan distributed to the abutting neighbours did not show the addition to his residence in May 1991. Referring to diagrams and photographs, he pointed out that, as a result, Ms. Stailing's deck was exactly 8 ft. 6 inches, and at eye level, from the bow window of his kitchen and family room. Mr. Hannigan noted that the clothesline pole was added significantly after the construction of the deck and was done without his knowledge.

Mr. Hannigan suggested that the deck was not just a clothesline deck and, referring to the photographs, advised that it was intended for recreational use because it has built-in benches and a barbecue. Noting the close proximity of the deck to his home, he added that he considers this to be an invasion of his privacy and property. Mr. Hannigan indicated that he was also concerned about further encroachment should Ms. Stailing sell her home to a larger family.

In concluding his remarks, Mr. Hannigan noted that, when he acquired his property in 1991, he obtained the proper building permits for an addition to his house and a deck, each of which, met the proper setback requirements.

Mr. Hannigan responded to questions from Council.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Holland that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

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Public Hearing: Case No. 6411: Schedule "C" Development Agreement - 2281 Brunswick Street

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

The following correspondence was submitted in support of the proposal:

- a letter dated 20 January 1992 from Daisy Maguire, a resident of 5435 Cornwallis Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 1A8.

- a letter dated 21 January 1992 from J. W. Low, Property Manager, Springwell Properties Limited, 2327 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS B3K 2Z2.

- a letter dated 20 January 1992 from Rev. John L. Hayes, Saint Patrick's Glebe, 2267 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 2Y9.

- a letter dated 14 January 1992 from a resident of 2628 Belle Aire Terrace, Halifax, NS, B3K 3W8.

- a letter dated 21 January 1992 from Sue Wolstenholme, Executive Director, St. Joseph's Children's Centre, 2326 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 2Z3.

- a letter dated 7 January 1992 from Sister Cecilia MacNeil, Local Coordinator, Saint Patrick's Convent, 2287 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 2Y9.

- a letter dated 28 October, 1991 from Johanna B. Oosterveld, Administrator, North End Community Health Association.

- a letter dated 29 July 1991, M.D. Teehan, M.D., FRCPC, Deputy Chief, Department of Psychiatry, Camp Hill Medical Centre.

- a letter dated 8 November 1991 from Carol Wambolt, Executive Director, Adsum House, 2421 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS, B3K 2Z4.

- a letter dated 20 September 1991 from Rev. Dr. Avery Kempton, Secretary, Churchmembers Assembled to Respond to A.I.D.S., c/o Pastoral Care Department, Victoria General Hospital, 1278 Tower Road, Halifax, NS B3H 2Y9.

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Mr. Michael Hanusiack, Planner II, addressed Council and, using diagrams, outlined the application for a development agreement with Dr. Judith Mills to permit use of 2281 Brunswick Street as a psychological counselling centre (as contained in the 29 November 1991 staff report).

In concluding his presentation, Mr. Hanusiack advised that, at the bottom of the staff report, noted is a comment by the Director of Development and Planning in which he has recommended the refusal of this application. Mr. Hanusiack added that the Director was in attendance should Council have any questions.

Judith A. Mills, M.D., the applicant, addressed Council and read and submitted a brief containing her reasons for wanting to establish a psychological counselling centre at 2281 Brunswick Street (a copy of this submission may be found in the official file of this meeting).

Dr. Mills advised that her work experience has shown her that real barriers to mental health services do exist in the community. She indicated that the fact that there are no mental health services in this area of Halifax is a barrier to many people because they cannot afford to travel elsewhere in the City for the service. Dr. Mills also pointed out that people who have psychosocial problems, and who are unable to pay for counselling, often end up in a formal psychiatric system, which can eventually be hard to break away from.

Dr. Mills advised that her proposed centre would address the barriers in three ways. First, she advised that it would be set up in the heart of the neighbourhood which it intends to serve. Dr. Mills added that, secondly, it will have an on-site, supervised playroom for children whose parents would be utilizing the services and, thirdly, she advised that the services would be affordable, which means that, in many instances, counselling would be provided free of charge.

Dr. Mills indicated that it was important to offer the patients a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere, and that the location of the centre and the house itself would provide this kind of environment. With respect to the location of the house, Dr. Mills advised that, initially, she looked at the areas of Creighton and Maynard Streets, but felt uncomfortable with the idea of setting up



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a counselling centre where there would be residential homes. She added that, upon talking with the residents of this area, they did not support her proposal in this location, and, consequently, she decided not to locate there. Dr. Mills also noted that her patients indicated that they would be uncomfortable with the idea of coming to a centre located in the middle of a street of private homes.

Citing further reasons in support of the location, Dr. Mills noted that the house was large and would offer privacy for several therapists and it had natural soundproofing. She added that it was set apart from its immediate neighbours, thereby, offering the neighbours privacy as well. Noting that the street was a very "public" street with churches, a day care centre and a public school, Dr. Mills advised that the house would offer anonymity to those coming to use its service. Dr. Mills also added that the house was formally used as a rooming house, and the internal layout was exactly what was required for a counselling centre and it wouldn't necessitate renovation costs.

In conclusion, Dr. Mills advised that she felt confident that her proposal would not diminish the character of the neighbourhood and that she believed she had the support of the neighbours and local community. Dr. Mills then reviewed the list of people who provided her with letters of support as well as people who provided their verbal support (as contained in her submission).

Dr. Mills responded to questions from Council.

Mr. John Balzar, a resident of 2277 Brunswick Street, addressed Council and spoke in favour of the application.

Mr. Balzar advised that his address was Morton House, a hospice for persons with AIDS, and it was located next door to Dr. Mills proposed clinic. He noted that, in the time Dr. Mills has purchased the house, the property has substantially improved. Mr. Balzar added that, prior to this, it was a rooming house which caused considerable concern to the neighbourhood because of the activity which often occurred. He advised that during this time there were fires in the back yard, the police were frequently called, and the residents of Morton House were subjected to verbal abuse.

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In reaffirming his support for Dr. Mill's proposal, Mr. Balzar pointed out that the clinic would be a direct benefit for some of the people staying at Morton House.

Sister Cecilia MacNeil, a resident of 2287 Brunswick Street, addressed Council and spoke in support of the application.

In her comments, Sister MacNeil advised that, as someone who worked in a school, she was well aware of the kinds of stress on people today, particular people living in the inner City. She indicated that Dr. Mill's proposed clinic would be beneficial for this area in question.

In reference to Mr. Balzer's comments regarding the activity of the rooming house, Sister MacNeil added that she, too, was pleased with the idea of having a new tenant in this house that made her feel more secure. She noted that the house has a security system and it has been made to be very presentable to the community.

Sister MacNeil responded to questions from Council.

Mr. Blair Beed, a resident of 5510 Spring Garden Road addressed Council regarding this matter and its connection to the heritage value of Brunswick street.

Mr. Beed advised that he was not opposed to Dr. Mill's proposed clinic but that he was concerned about the pressures which exist to change Brunswick Street to a commercial use. He noted that heritage homes like the West House, Akin's Cottage, and McCully House were all permitted to have some commercial use due to the cost of renovations. On another point, Mr. Beed advised that St. Pat's Hall, which had been a church at one time, had become a residential use because of the restrictions on the uses of the building.

Mr. Beed advised that there was nothing in the staff report which indicated that anything was going to be done to return the home back to reflect its heritage value, therefore, he supported the comments on page 5 of the report which recommends against this kind of use at 2281 Brunswick Street.

In conclusion, Mr. Beed cautioned against approving this application and suggested that, if approved,

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Council may find that others living in the area may also want to appear before Council in the hope of changing the use of their home.

Ms. Joyce Robart, a resident of 2495 Creighton Street, addressed Council and advised that she was representing the Congress of Black Women of Canada, Halifax-Dartmouth, and the Association of Black Social Workers Canada Inc.

Ms. Robart indicated that the proposed clinic would be very beneficial to the area in question and she noted that Dr. Mills has worked in the area for a long time and was well received by people of the community. Ms. Robart requested that Council give its favourable consideration of Dr. Mill's request.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

**Public Hearing: Case No. 6272: Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Respecting Non-Conforming Uses**

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

Mr. Marcus Garnet, Planner, addressed Council and outlined proposed amendments to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw which would allow Council to consider development agreements for additions and changes to non-conforming uses subject to certain criteria (as contained in the supplementary report dated 14 November 1991 and the information report dated 23 December 1991).

Mr. Garnet responded to questions from Council.

Ms. Rexanne Lugar, a resident of 1956 Rosebank Avenue, addressed Council and indicated her support for the amendments. She advised that she was an owner of a legal nonconforming set of flats in an R-1 zone. Ms. Lugar added that in March 1989 she requested permission to add a sunroom to the back of the building but was refused because

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it was nonconforming. She noted that the actual room fits the required parameters of the lot, but because it was nonconforming the application was denied.

Ms. Lugar responded to questions from Council.

Mr. Bill Cox addressed Council and advised that he was representing the Saraguay Club.

Mr. Cox advised that the Saraguay Club supported the proposed amendments because it would give the Club some flexibility in the future, should something happen that would require additions or improvements to the property. Mr. Cox then questioned what would happen to a property under the proposals if it were to burn down.

In response to Mr. Cox's question, Mr. Bill Campbell, Senior Planner, advised that if someone had a development agreement approved with the new provisions, then the agreement stays as is. He added that if there was no development agreement on the property and the building burned down or was stopped for more than six months, then the contract provisions would no longer apply because the property would not be in a nonconforming situation.

Ms. Cheryl Tizzington, a resident of Ferguson's Cove, addressed Council and advised that she represented Special Projects Ltd.

Ms. Tizzington indicated that she supported the proposed amendments. She added that, in particular, she would like to see the property at 1341 Brenton Street, formally Brenton Street Motors, brought up to the standard of the adjacent properties.

Ms. Tizzington then submitted a file for City staff.

Mr. Richard Grant, a resident of 3 Linden Lane, addressed Council and expressed concern about the proposed amendments.

In his remarks, Mr. Grant advised that he was concerned that under the proposed amendments, a property like 100 Leiblin Drive, which was a nonconforming commercial use surrounded on three sides by park land and on one side by low-density residential development, could apply for a contract to have adjustments made to the property. He also noted that 6-8 Cherry Lane was a car

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salvage yard, which was completely surrounded by residential uses and has expanded since 1976 with Council unable to stop the expansion.

Mr. Grant suggested that there was the possibility that even if a contract was refused by Council, it may be appealable under the Planning Act and he pointed out that there have been cases where the appeal has been approved. Mr. Grant suggested that Council should look at all nonconforming commercial uses to see if it can legitimize them in commercial areas rather than changing the nonconforming use.

In conclusion, Mr. Grant questioned if the new amendments would allow 100 Leiblin Drive to do something else in the nonconforming use.

In response to the speakers concerns, Mr. B. Campbell, Planner II, addressed Council and advised that staff and the Planning Advisory Committee, in developing the guidelines, specifically included such phrases as:

"the change in use must be to a less intensive nonconforming use"

"that the development could not take place except where specific benefits to the neighbourhood could be demonstrated"

"no additional lot area should be used for outdoor storage"

"demonstrable improvement to the neighbourhood"

"existing conditions which are a nuisance to the neighbourhood would have to be improved"

"operating hours shall be restricted if there are nuisances"

Mr. Campbell added that the concerns of Mr. Grant have been addressed and he pointed out that these guidelines were some of the most detailed guidelines that have ever been included in the Plan. He indicated that it was staff's intention to have very detailed guideline controls.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter.



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MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Jeffrey that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

**Public Hearing: Case No. 5505: Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Respecting Junk Yards and Recycling Facilities**

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

Ms. Shelley A. Dickey, Planner, addressed Council and outlined proposed amendments to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw for the City of Halifax for Junk Yards and recycling facilities (as contained in 9 July 1991 staff report).

Ms. Dickey responded to questions from Council.

Mr. Robert Pace, a resident of 12 Saraguay Place, addressed Council and advised that he was part owner of Evergreen Landscaping and Green Waste Systems which were located in the Industrial Park on Evergreen Road.

Mr. Pace advised that, at a previous Planning Advisory Committee meeting he attended, he pointed out that there were some I-3 areas which had no sewer and water facilities. Mr. Pace expressed concern about possible water contamination and he suggested that the amendments were not sensitive to this. He added that with the new amendments there was the potential that a junkyard could be put on a site not serviced by sewer and water lines. Mr. Pace advised that the staff report doesn't deal with this issue other than to indicate that this was an issue that the Department of Environment would be involved with.

In summary, Mr. Pace advised that he did not believe that junkyards should be permitted where there were no sewer and water lines.

In reference to the speaker's concerns, Alderman Fitzgerald questioned what requirements would have to be met under the new amendments.

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In response to Alderman Fitzgerald's question, Ms. Dickey advised that prior to starting an operation, one would require appropriate licensing and certification. She added that the Department of the Environment along with the Public Utilities Board regulates salvage yards in the Province and they monitor runoff or contamination of the site.

Mr. Rick Grant, a resident of 3 Linden Lane, addressed Council and indicated he was concerned about the kinds of facilities which would be permitted for recycling depots under the proposed amendments.

On a point of information, Mr. Grant advised that, as a former member of the Industrial Commission, he was aware that the Industrial Commission would refer matters such as this to its Lakes and Waterways Advisory Committee for review. As well, he pointed out that the Department of Fisheries would probably become involved in the matter as well.

In response to Mr. Grant's comments, Ms. Dickey addressed Council and advised that, under the proposed definition of recycling facility, the recycling depot will be required to be an enclosed building with all the collection and storage indoors.

There were no further persons wishing to address Council on this matter.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Hanson that this matter be forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

DEPUTY MAYOR STONE  
CHAIRMAN

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# HALIFAX CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
30 January 1992  
8:00 P. M.

A regular meeting of Halifax City Council was held at this time.

The meeting was called to order with members of Council joining in the recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

**PRESENT:** Her Worship Mayor Moira Ducharme, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Bill Stone; and Aldermen Fitzgerald, Downey, Meagher, O'Malley, Pottie, Adams, Hanson, Jeffrey, Macdonald, and Crowley.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager; City Solicitor; City Clerk; and other members of City staff.

## MINUTES

Minutes of the last regular meeting of Halifax City Council, held on Thursday, 16 January 1992, and of the special meeting held on 8 January 1992, were approved as circulated on a motion by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Hanson.

## **APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

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

**20.1** Advisory Committee on Concerns of Aging - Provincial Seniors' Special Assistance (Alderman O'Malley).

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Jeffrey that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Case No. 6416: Appeal of Minor Variance Refusal -  
1615 Preston Street

A public hearing into this matter was held on 22 January 1992.

Alderman Fitzgerald addressed the matter and, noting that this is a fairly controversial item and that he has not had the opportunity to complete his review of all of the facts, MOVED, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of City Council to be held on 13 February 1992.

Motion passed.

Case No. 6411: Schedule "C" Development Agreement -  
2281 Brunswick Street

A public hearing into this matter was held on 22 January 1992.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that City Council approve the application for a development agreement with Dr. Judith Mills to permit the use of 2281 Brunswick Street as a psychological counselling centre.

The City Clerk recorded that Aldermen Meagher and Pottie were not in attendance at the public hearing on this matter and therefore were not eligible to vote.

Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher and Pottie abstaining.

Case No. 6272: Proposed Amendments to the Municipal  
Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Respecting  
Non-Conforming Uses

A public hearing into this matter was held on 22 January 1992.

Alderman Fitzgerald addressed the matter and MOVED, seconded by Alderman Downey that City Council adopt the resolutions as appended to the Planning Advisory Committee Report of 12 November 1991 and as appended to the Supplementary Report of 14 November 1991 to read according



to the corrections as per the information report of 23 December 1992.

The City Clerk recorded that Aldermen Meagher and Pottie were not in attendance at the public hearing on this matter and therefore were not eligible to vote.

Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher and Pottie abstaining.

**Case No. 5505: Proposed Amendment to the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Respecting Junk Yards and Recycling Facilities**

A public hearing into this matter was held on 22 January 1992.

An information report dated 29 January 1992 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that:

1. Policy be included in the Municipal Development Plan which clearly states that a junk yard is an industrial use that should be permitted only in selected industrial zones;
2. The terms "junk yard" and "recycling depot" be defined in the land use bylaw as described in the staff report of 9 July 1991;
3. Junk yards be restricted to the C-5 zone of the Peninsula (if marine-related), and to the I-3 zone of the Mainland;
4. Recycling facilities continue to be permitted in a broader range of commercial and industrial zones; and
5. Council refer this report to the Planning Advisory Committee for public input and advice.

Alderman O'Malley addressed the matter and registered her vote against the proposed outdoor storage legislation. The Alderman advised that she was opposed to junk yards in C-5 zones noting that she considered them to be unsightly and unsafe. Alderman O'Malley indicated that it would be very unfortunate to see abandoned vehicles along the shores of the Bedford Basin. She added that there was a strong possibility that such vehicles could cause leaching into the Bedford Basin.

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Alderman Hanson expressed concern with respect to the terminology "junk yards". He suggested that the words "junk yards" should be changed to a more respectable term. The Alderman also expressed the view that these facilities should be serviced by City water and sewage and proposed an amendment in this regard.

The City Solicitor noted that he was doubtful that the motion could be amended after the Public Hearing process, adding that a further staff report would be submitted in this regard.

The Chairman noted that it was being suggested by the City Manager that Council proceed with the motion and that staff provide a report to address Alderman Hanson's concern with regard to junk yards being serviced by City water and sewage, to which Council agreed.

With respect to Alderman Hanson's concern, the Deputy Mayor advised that the only place for the City to locate a junk yard is in the City's Industrial Park. He explained that if one was located in the Ragged Lake Industrial Park, where there was no sewer or water, it would not be allowed without the provision of the services. Deputy Mayor Stone therefore expressed concern with limiting the locations for junk yards because it would limit the use in the Industrial Park where there is no sewer or water.

The Chairman suggested that staff could also address the Deputy Mayor's concern in the report requested by Alderman Hanson.

The City Clerk recorded that Aldermen Meagher and Pottie were not in attendance at the public hearing on this matter and therefore were not eligible to vote.

Motion passed with Alderman O'Malley voting against and Aldermen Meagher and Pottie abstaining.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Alderman Macdonald Re: The Maestro and Musicians  
of Symphony Nova Scotia - Incineration

Alderman Macdonald submitted a petition at this time from The Maestro and Musicians of Symphony Nova Scotia with approximately 42 persons strongly opposing incineration, not only in the Halifax area, but anywhere in Nova Scotia.

Petition Alderman Jeffrey Re: Incineration

Alderman Jeffrey submitted a petition at this time from approximately 674 residents of the Fairview and Dartmouth areas in opposition to the Metropolitan Authority's proposals to build a garbage incinerator in the Metro area.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 22 January 1992, as follows:

Enhancement Enforcement - Parking Violations -  
Commissionaires

Alderman Jeffrey addressed the matter and noted that he had requested a report at the last Committee of the Whole Council meeting pertaining to the fees for Commissionaires. Reiterating his comments at the last Committee of the Whole Council meeting, Alderman Jeffrey noted that it was his understanding that the City pays the Corps of Commissionaires approximately \$14.00 per hour for each Commissionaire and that the Corps, in turn, pays each Commissionaire approximately \$8.00 per hour.

Alderman Jeffrey went on to question why the City could not hire their own Bylaw Enforcement Officers suggesting that they did not have to be Commissionaires.

In response, the City Manager advised that the uniforms worn by the Commissionaires were a symbol of authority and gains respect and credibility.

Following a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Jeffrey, seconded by Alderman Downey that this matter be deferred to the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting to be held on 5 February 1992 pending receipt of a staff report in response to Alderman Jeffrey's questions regarding the hiring of commissionaires.

Alderman Downey noted that during the last week approximately 12 parking metres have been broken into. The Alderman asked that the requested report also indicate the amount of money lost because of these burglaries.

Motion passed.

9 Thackeray Close

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Stone, seconded by Alderman Jeffrey that an offer of contribution in settlement of the Ryan claim in respect of 9 Thackeray Close, be made to the other defendants and third parties, being F.G. Townsend Holdings Limited, Metro Foundation Specialists Limited and C.R. Falkenham Backhoe Service Limited.

Motion passed.

Property Tax Exemption - Widows, Widowers,  
Single Parents, Senior Citizens

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, under the authority of Section 227 of the City Charter, the exemption sum for the 1992 taxation year be set at \$361.00, but that such exemption shall not reduce taxation to less than \$100.00.

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

Liquidation Sales

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Adams that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council approve in principle the amendment of the Petty Trades Ordinance to delete the reference to a daily fee, to increase the fee from non-residential property to \$500.00 per sale, to exempt Christmas tree vendors and to increase the maximum penalty to \$2,000.00 and that City staff be directed to arrange for the introduction of the amendments for future adoption.

Motion passed.

F.C.M. Resolutions

A report from Her Worship Mayor Ducharme dated 30 January 1992 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Adams that the following resolutions be approved for forwarding to the F.C.M.:

**Municipal Staffing Policies**

WHEREAS Canadian society is made up of citizens with a diverse racial and cultural background; and

WHEREAS it is desirable that all segments of our society be equitably represented in all branches of the public sector administration,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the F.C.M. prepare a plan of action to be put in place on a national basis to ensure that the staffing of all municipalities reflect the racial and cultural diversity of those municipalities.

**Legislation Which Affects  
Police Financing**

WHEREAS the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada from time to time enact legislation which has the effect of increasing the costs to the municipalities of providing police services; and

WHEREAS at the present time no formal process is in place whereby the affected municipalities or their police forces are consulted before such legislation is adopted; and

WHEREAS it is desirable that such a formal process should be in place,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the F.C.M. request that the Governments of Canada and of the Provinces of Canada establish a formal process whereby the direct input of municipalities and their police forces be sought in respect of legislation which is likely to increase the cost of police services before such legislation is adopted.

**National Police Purchasing Policies**

WHEREAS it is necessary for various police forces across Canada in the furtherance of their responsibilities are required to purchase various vehicles, uniforms and equipment; and

WHEREAS no national standards or purchasing policies exist in respect of such purchases; and



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WHEREAS it is economically desirable that uniform national standards and designs be adopted for such vehicles, uniforms and equipment; and

WHEREAS it is also economically desirable that a national purchasing agency be established for the purchase of such vehicles, uniforms and equipment by Canadian police forces,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FCM support a national standard and purchasing policy and the establishment of a national purchasing agency for the purchase of police vehicles, uniforms and equipment by police forces across Canada.

**Reimbursement of Enforcement Costs**

WHEREAS the Parliament of Canada has enacted legislation under the Criminal Code in respect to the seizure, freezing and forfeiture of the proceeds of crime and drug trafficking, and the money laundering of such proceeds; and

WHEREAS the provisions of those amendments will result in assets being forfeited to the Crown in the right of Canada or the Provinces respectively, through the Attorney General or the Minister of Health and Welfare; and

WHEREAS profits from criminal enterprises such as drug trafficking are often disguised by complex financial transactions through the use of legitimate businesses and by sophisticated organized crime; and

WHEREAS such police costs are now borne by the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS no policy or procedure has yet been established to distribute these funds back to the police community,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FCM join the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police in urging the appropriate members of the Government to establish such policy in order to reimburse police forces conducting these investigations with the funds expended to seize such proceeds.

**Redirection of Social Assistance and  
Unemployment Insurance Payments**

WHEREAS: Canadian municipalities are faced with historically high demands on their social assistance budgets;

WHEREAS: many recipients of municipal social assistance have inadequate educational levels to equip them to obtain meaningful and long term employment to enable them to become financially self-sufficient;

WHEREAS: it is in the long term interests of all levels of government that funds be directed towards the educational needs of these social assistance recipients;

WHEREAS: the Social Assistance and Unemployment Insurance programs as now structured do not meet these funding requirements;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the FCM request the Federal Government to change the requirements with respect to Social Assistance and Unemployment Insurance payments whereby such payments may be paid in the form of training and educational assistance payments and whereby recipients of such payments may be offered training and educational upgrading courses.

**Extension of Drug Patents**

WHEREAS: The Federal Government is proposing to extend the drug development patent period from ten years to twenty years;

WHEREAS: It has not been amply demonstrated that the extension of the patent period will result in increased research and development in the Canadian pharmaceutical industry;

WHEREAS: the extension of the patent period will have the result of keeping generic drugs off the market;

WHEREAS: as a consequence, these costs will adversely impact on the social assistance budgets of Canadian municipalities which are already subject to historically high demands;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the FCM express its concern and objection to the extension of

the drug patent period by the Federal Government.

Motion passed.

Maintenance of Wards and Apprehension Costs

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

- 1) City Council make the Province of Nova Scotia aware of its concern about the increasing expenditures that have been created by the new Child Welfare Legislation;
- 2) staff explore with the Department of Community Services and with the Children's Aid Society the possibility of spending funds in a more effective way;
- 3) the Province be demanded to cost-share with the municipality in all child welfare related cases; and
- 4) that the F.C.M. be asked to request the Federal Government to consider a more appropriate method of service delivery with regard to child welfare cases in order that municipalities might be reimbursed for their expenditures in that regard.

Alderman Macdonald addressed the matter and indicated that it was his understanding that there was a Task Force to review the taxation make-up between the municipalities and provincial governments. He added that it was his belief that a recommendation may be forthcoming that municipalities will only look after non-social needs. Alderman Macdonald went on to suggest the possibility of a further tax on "games of chance". He explained that it was his understanding that a disproportionate number of poor people play "games of chance". The Alderman suggested that a higher tax could be a way of recycling some of the money back into uses that might be beneficial to these people.

The Chairman pointed out that the Minister of Finance is holding a public meeting February 17th and is asking for people to provide ideas on how he could realize some additional revenues. She indicated that Alderman Macdonald's suggestion was one that could be put forward at that meeting.

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A discussion followed with Mr. Harold Crowell, Director of Social Planning, addressing Council and responding to questions.

**At approximately 8:45 p.m. Alderman Holland entered the meeting.**

Alderman Jeffrey strongly emphasized recommendation one of the motion that City Council make the Province of Nova Scotia aware of its concern about the increasing expenditures that have been created by the new Child Welfare Legislation.

A discussion followed and Her Worship Mayor Ducharme agreed that this matter should be addressed with the Premier of Nova Scotia and also with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities.

Motion passed.

**Social Planning Department Expenditures**  
**- Request to Overspend 1991/92 Budget**

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

- 1) an additional \$1,650,000.00 be approved for the Social Assistance budget;
- 2) an additional \$150,000.00 be approved for spending on the Maintenance Costs for Wards and Apprehensions.

Following a discussion, the motion was put and passed.

**Progress Report: Race Relations Initiatives and**  
**Employment Equity Initiatives Within the City of Halifax**

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Halifax City Council reiterate its support for the initiatives taken in the areas of Employment Equity, Multiculturalism and Race Relations in the City of Halifax, and confirm its commitment to the continuation of these efforts to truly serve all minority communities within the City of Halifax.

The motion was put and passed.

Advisory Committee on Concerns  
of Aging - Membership

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Council further amend the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee on Concerns of Aging to include a permanent membership position for a representative from a Seniors Manor.

The motion was put and passed.

Assessment Reductions

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Manager prepare a general letter of concern to the Minister responsible for the Provincial Assessment Department, conveying Council's deep concern regarding the recent reduction in the City's assessment and the manner in which the Federal and Provincial government holdings are currently being assessed; and further, that this letter be submitted to members of Council for their consideration.

Following a discussion, the motion was put and passed.

Closure of Major Stevens Junior High School

MOVED by Alderman Jeffrey, seconded by Alderman Crowley that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

- (1) the Halifax District School Board be requested to submit a further report advising Council as to when it intends to reach a decision regarding the complete closure of the Major Stevens Junior High School and its subsequent designation as a surplus building; and
- (2) that the Board also be requested to provide full details as to the building's present status and the amount of money that has been expended on this facility since the Board's decision to terminate its use as a junior high school.

Alderman Crowley questioned whether staff could investigate the possible closure of further schools in the future and devise a policy with respect to the closure and use



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of these schools. She suggested that perhaps staff could meet with the School Board to assess the whole matter.

The Chairman advised that staff would address Alderman Crowley's request.

The motion was put and passed.

Siting of Incinerator

A memorandum dated 30 January 1992 from Her Worship Mayor Ducharme, with attached information relating to Dartmouth City Council's motion of January 28th for the proposed Burnside Industrial Park location for the Waste to Energy Plant, was submitted.

A memorandum dated 30 January 1992 was also submitted by Her Worship Mayor Ducharme regarding incinerator versus sustainable alternatives.

The City Manager addressed the matter and gave an update on what is happening with the Metropolitan Authority with respect to the siting of the incinerator. At this time, the City Manager also referred to his report of 30 January 1992 outlining the progress being made as a result of Alderman Macdonald's motion to appoint a special Task Force to acquire, study and analyze information from all sources they may consider necessary and to recommend realistic alternatives to the proposed "waste to energy" plan.

Mr. Murphy went on to advise that the Task Force is made up of himself, the Director of Finance, the Director of Engineering and Works, and the Director of Development and Planning. As indicated in his report of January 30th, Mr. Murphy advised that they have held two meetings to date to review the situation on how to proceed and how they interpreted their direction from Council. He went on to advise that they are of the view that their approach to the matter is to look at the process by which the Metropolitan Authority came to their decision to incinerate. Mr. Murphy also advised that it was their intent to determine whether there has been any omissions or any serious miscalculations in the process and, if there is, determine an alternative which has not yet been suggested or that has not been properly considered.

The City Manager went on to indicate that he was disturbed by the proposed location of the incineration site. He explained that when the decision to incinerate was made and when sites were being considered, there was no indication that the Metropolitan Authority was prepared to pay more than a dollar for a site. The City Manager noted that he did not believe that anyone had realized that the Authority would

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consider paying market value for a site from one of its member municipalities. He further added that one of the demands of Dartmouth is full taxation or a grant in lieu of taxes.

In his remarks, the City Manager referred to the information presented by Her Worship Mayor Ducharme on Dartmouth's motion respecting the proposed Burnside Industrial Park location for Waste to Energy Plant. With respect to the location of the site, the City Manager suggested that it appears obvious that the location of the site is a device of the City of Dartmouth to get the other three member municipalities to finance road construction and sewer and water construction for the further development of the Burnside Industrial Park. The City Manager reiterated his concern with respect to the entire decision making process.

The Chairman clarified that there were two items before Council at this time: (1) The Task Force on Waste to Energy; and (2) the action that Council would like to see their representatives on the Metropolitan Authority take with regard to the demands of the host municipality for the incinerator. She proposed that Council should deal first with the siting of the incinerator in Dartmouth and the demands and conditions that the City of Dartmouth is placing upon the Metropolitan Authority.

Alderman Fitzgerald reiterated his concern with respect to the costs associated with the incinerator. In light of the information submitted regarding Dartmouth's motion on the proposed Burnside Industrial Park location for the incinerator, Alderman Fitzgerald strongly recommended that the Minister of Municipal Affairs should investigate the matter. Alderman Fitzgerald went on to note that he would like to know what reports were provided to the Authority with respect to the location and who prepared the reports.

The discussion continued and it was MOVED by Alderman Pottie, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

- (1) Halifax City Council request the Minister of Municipal Affairs to investigate the motion presented to the Metropolitan Authority for the purchase of the 25 acres of land (relevant to the siting of the proposed incinerator facility) with full taxes from the City of Dartmouth at full market value; and
- (2) that Halifax City Council withhold the payment of its share with regard to the lands in question.

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- (3) the Minister of Municipal Affairs be asked to address the recommended change of siting for the incinerator that involves road construction and sewer and water servicing in connection with the proposed Burnside location.

Alderman Pottie indicated that he would like to add to the motion the request that the City's three representatives on the Metropolitan Authority (Mayor Ducharme and Aldermen Macdonald and Holland) seriously contemplate, until the Minister of Municipal Affairs has investigated the matter, to withhold their representation from the Metropolitan Authority.

The Chairman pointed out that the Act would not permit withdrawal of representation from the Metropolitan Authority for more than one meeting. She added that, the City could withdraw its representation for one meeting, but then the Authority could proceed without the City's representation.

Alderman Pottie therefore withdrew his proposed addition to the motion.

Alderman Macdonald spoke in support of the report from the City Manager on the progress to date with respect to the Task Force on Waste to Energy.

Responding to a concern from Deputy Mayor Stone, the Chairman advised that the question with respect to whether it is the intent for trucks over a certain weight to travel around the Bedford Basin through the Town of Bedford, rather than over the Bridge, could be brought to the Metropolitan Authority for response.

Following a further discussion, the motion was put and passed unanimously.

**Council dealt with the City Manager's Report dated 30 January 1992 on the Task Force on Waste to Energy Progress Report 1 at this time.**

A copy of a motion with an Attachment "A" regarding an Amendment to Non-Incineration Alternatives Study was also submitted.

A discussion followed and it was MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that:

In order to facilitate with the greatest possible vigor and rigor in the search for viable alternatives to incineration for the City of Halifax, the motion to create a special task force, as adopted by City

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Council on 16 January 1992, be amended as follows:

- (1) A Citizens' Committee be formed immediately to assist the Task Force on Waste Management Systems as per Attachment "A" of the motion submitted. This Committee be composed of citizens that have displayed previous commitment to understanding and promoting alternatives to incineration.
- (2) A consultant with outstanding previous expertise in alternatives to incineration be retained if necessary.
- (3) A Peer Review Group of Nova Scotia academic and other experts on economics, management, environmental medicine, compost biology, and public process be formed by citizens, staff and politicians. This peer review group will double-check recommendations and suggest fine-tunings of proposed options.
- (4) Funds to be appropriated by the City of Halifax to meet the needs of the Task Force.
- (5) The Citizens' Committee will invite the Government of Canada and the Government of Nova Scotia to contribute financially through "Green Plan" programme budgets; such funding may reduce the City of Halifax budget in (4) above.
- (6) The Citizens' Committee will report to Council through the Task Force at each meeting and complete its Review of Waste Management Systems on or before 26 March 1992.

Indicating that he could support the motion, Alderman Pottie went on to refer to Dartmouth City Council's motion of January 23rd regarding the proposed Burnside Industrial Park location for the incinerator. Alderman Pottie suggested that Council should ask Mr. Mort Jackson, Executive Director of the Metropolitan Authority, to appear at the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting and explain this proposal and why it was submitted to the Metropolitan Authority without first being brought before each of the participating municipalities. He suggested that the procedure followed was an unusual one.

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The Chairman agreed that it was an unusual circumstance noting that it was like a negotiation for a contract taking place publicly between the City of Dartmouth and the Metropolitan Authority. She agreed that Council could request Mr. Jackson to attend for the purpose of clarifying the situation and addressing questions.

The discussion continued and Deputy Mayor Stone questioned the use of the \$40,000 to be approved for the Citizens' Committee. He noted that it was understanding that the \$40,000 was to be used for the hiring of a consultant, if needed, to cost out the possible alternatives the Committee proposes, and not for the Citizens' Committee.

A fax was submitted at this time by Alderman Fitzgerald on the "\$100-Million Green Plan Initiative Technology for Environmental Solutions Unveiled". Alderman Fitzgerald reviewed his motion noting that the \$40,000 was proposed for a consultant and other costs such as typing fees.

The motion was put and passed.

11:10 p.m. - Her Worship Mayor Ducharme retires from the meeting, with Deputy Mayor Store assuming the Chair.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 22 January 1992 as follows:

Sale of Wine and Beer in Convenience Stores

This matter had been forwarded to Council without recommendation.

MOVED by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the City of Halifax oppose the Province of Nova Scotia's proposal to sell alcoholic beverages in convenience stores or in grocery stores; and that this position be communicated in writing to the Premier of Nova Scotia.

While acknowledging that responsibility in this matter is purely a Provincial concern, Alderman O'Malley emphasized that, in her opinion, it is important for municipal councils to make their views known on the subject. She went on to point out that her motion reflects recommendations put forward by the City's Drug Awareness Coordinator and by the Mayor's Task Force on Drugs, both of whom oppose the privatization of the sale of alcoholic



beverages because of its impact on teenage drinking, alcoholism rates in general, and other social problems.

Alderman O'Malley suggested that a great many Haligonians appear to share her feelings in this matter, noting, in particular, a survey undertaken by Olands Brewery which seems to indicate that the majority of individuals have grave concerns about the loss of control that will result if beer and wine are sold in stores other than government outlets.

The Alderman concluded her remarks by indicating that, in her opinion, the Province was about to make a "political" decision in this matter, rather than a "people-oriented" one.

A discussion ensued during which various members of Council expressed their views (for and against) regarding the motion.

Concern was expressed by several Aldermen with regard to the possible loss of jobs at Nova Scotia Liquor Commission outlets owing to the proposed privatization.

It was moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Pottie that the matter be deferred until further information can be obtained on possible job losses.

The motion to defer was put and lost.

The original motion was put and passed.

**REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL,  
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**Proposed Amendments to Various City Ordinances -  
Licenses, Permits and Fees (SECOND READING)**

This matter had been given FIRST READING during a regular meeting of Halifax City Council held on Thursday, 16 January 1992 and was again considered during a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on Wednesday, 22 January.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that Halifax City Council give SECOND READING to the amendments proposed to various Ordinances (attached as Schedule "A" to the report from the City Solicitor dated 12 December 1991).

The motion was put and passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on Wednesday, 22 January 1992 as follows:

Planning Advisory Committee -  
Terms of Reference: Meeting Times

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the Terms of Reference of the Planning Advisory Committee be amended by adding a clause as follows:

- 13.4 If the Committee determines that a quorum will not be present at a regularly scheduled meeting, the Committee may, by resolution, name another day for holding of such regular Committee meeting or may cancel such regular meeting.

The motion was put and passed.

Case No. 6347: Development Agreement  
- 2037 Parker Street

This matter had been forwarded to Council without recommendation.

Mr. Paul Dunphy of the Development and Planning Department advised Council that the application in question has now been withdrawn, adding that staff anticipate receipt of a new application in the not too distant future.

It was therefore moved by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Pottie that the matter be deferred, pending receipt of a new application and a report from staff; and further, that no legal action with respect to the property in question be taken at this time.

The motion was put and passed.

Case No. 6023: Rockingham Professional Centre Planning  
Appeal (6, 6A and 9 Flamingo Drive and 3 Queen Street)  
- Proposed Rezoning From R-1 to R-3

A private and confidential supplementary report, dated 23 January 1992, was submitted from the City Solicitor.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Pottie that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee,

the properties located at 6, 6A and 8 Flamingo Drive and 3 Queen Street be rezoned from R-1 to R-3.

The motion was put and passed.

#### MOTIONS

**Motion Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Amendment to Ordinance 180, the Streets Ordinance (Increased License Fees for Newspaper Boxes) - FIRST READING**

Notice of Motion with regard to this matter had been given by Alderman Fitzgerald during a regular meeting of Halifax City Council held on Thursday, 16 January 1992.

A report, dated 13 December 1991, was submitted from the City Solicitor.

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Downey that City Council give FIRST READING to the amendment proposed for City Ordinance 180, the Streets Ordinance, attached as Appendix "A" to the City Solicitor's report of 13 December 1991; and further, that the proposed amendment be forwarded to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council for consideration and report.

The motion was put and passed.

11:40 p.m. - Her Worship Mayor Ducharme returns to the meeting, with Deputy Mayor Stone resuming his usual seat on Council.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

##### Appointments

A memorandum, dated 29 January 1992, was submitted from Her Worship Mayor Moira Ducharme.

With reference to her 29 January memorandum, Her Worship asked that appointments to the Point Pleasant Park Commission be postponed until the Special Meeting of Halifax City Council **scheduled for Wednesday, 5 February 1992.**

Alderman Fitzgerald expressed concern with reference to the appointments proposed for the Halifax Industrial Commission, and suggested that a formal decision on this matter be postponed until further information can be obtained.

The Alderman went on to suggest that, contrary to the findings of the Mayor's Office, one particular individual (excluded from the list of proposed appointments) is indeed eligible at this time for reappointment to the HIC. He subsequently submitted confidential documentation relating to the membership of the Industrial Commission in 1987 to the City Clerk.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Stone, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, with the exception of the Point Pleasant Park Commission, the appointments proposed in the memorandum dated 29 January 1992 from Her Worship Mayor Ducharme be approved as follows:

**Advisory Committee on Concerns of Aging**

Ward 4 - Arnold Grantham  
Ward 6 - Ray Coolen  
Ward 10 - Mona Guillemette  
Ward 11 - Betty Flemming  
Independent Chairman - Mary Elizabeth Wile

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Art Allocation Committee**

E. Nancy Stevens  
Jaroslaw Zurowsky

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Board of Health**

Deirdre McGinn  
Trudy Vik

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Board of Harbour City Homes**

John Bassett  
Charles Campbell  
Robert S. Wright

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax Court House Commission**

Shirley Lee  
Marcel Petrella  
Margaret Boak

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Downtown Halifax Business Improvement Commission**

Christopher Huck  
William Lydon  
Michele Lindthaler  
Bernard Riordon  
Bill Perkins  
William Hardman  
George McLellan  
Tim Margolian  
John Colwell  
Richard Stinson

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax Forum Commission**

George Findlay  
Robert Stoddard  
Christopher Sperdakes

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax-Hakodate Committee**

Connie J. Carruthers  
(Term to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax Water Commission**

Kenneth D. Crawford  
(Term to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Heritage Advisory Committee**

Graeme Duffus  
Paul Erickson  
T. Smith-Lamothe  
Mary Jane Walker  
W. Grant Chisholm  
James Leppard

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax Industrial Commission**

Murray McIsaac  
Stephen Murphy  
H. G. Rounsefell  
Bill Schiebel  
Bernie Miller, Jr.

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Lakes and Waterways Advisory Committee**

George Haliburton  
William Sutherland  
Judy James  
John Edmonds  
Fred Harrington

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax City Regional Library Board**

Mark Ludman  
Bob Valson

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Mainland South Community Centre**

Stephen Sutherland  
Raymond LeBlanc

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Municipal Round Table on the  
Environment and the Economy**

Dr. Earle Reid  
Dr. David Brickman  
James Dickson  
Karen Hollett  
Martin Janowitz  
John Walker  
Einar Christensen  
Captain N. J. Nethercott

(Terms to expire on completion of mandate)

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**Halifax Natal Day Committee**

George Hallett  
Janice Mrkonjic  
Harry Young  
Judy Perry  
Henry Moulton

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Planning Advisory Committee**

Philip Pacey  
Judy Wells  
Michael de la Ronde  
John K. MacDonald  
Kevin Conley

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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**Halifax Recreation Committee**

Marjorie Ferguson  
Michael Cadue  
George Athanasiou

(Terms to expire 31 January 1994)

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