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October 25, 1962.

RECOMMENDATIONS - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

The following recommendations were submitted from the Town Planning Board at a meeting held on October 22, 1962:

Modification of Lot Frontage - No. 45-47 Edinburgh Street

That approval be given to a modification of lot frontage, as shown on Drawing No. P200/806, to allow the construction of two four-unit apartment buildings at No. 45-47 Edinburgh Street, in accordance with Part XV, Paragraph 1(f), of the Zoning By-Law, and that no public hearing be held.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Extension to a Non-Conforming Building and Modification of Sideyard - No. 1069 (27) South Park Street

That approval be given

1. to an extension of a non-conforming building and modification of sideyard at No. 1069 (27) South Park Street, as shown on Drawing No. P200/810, in accordance with the provisions of Part XV, Paragraphs 1(d) and (f), of the Zoning By-Law; and
2. that a public hearing be waived if the applicant submits to City Council a letter from the abutting property owner expressing agreement to the proposal.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Rezoning - No. 5676 (148) Duffus Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone

That an application for rezoning No. 5676 (148) Duffus Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone be refused and that no public hearing be held.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Expression of Appreciation to Federal Government for Completion of Renovations to Town Clock

That a letter be forwarded to the appropriate Federal Government Department expressing the Council's appreciation for the completion of the renovations to the Town Clock.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the recommendation be approved and that His Worship the Mayor be directed to write the letter. Motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION - SAFETY COMMITTEE

The following recommendation was submitted from the Safety Committee at a meeting held on October 22, 1962:

Through Truck Traffic - Connaught Avenue  
between Quinpool and Chebucto Roads

That no restriction be imposed on Connaught Avenue, between Quinpool and Chebucto Roads, for particular classes of vehicles as trucks would be diverted onto the streets in adjacent residential neighborhoods rather than onto other major streets.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

AFRICVILLE

A report was submitted from the Committee of the Whole Council at a meeting held on October 24, 1962, making the following recommendation:

1. that the blighted housing and dilapidated structures in the Africville area should be removed;
2. that the full legal authority of the City should be used to accomplish this removal;
3. that the use of legal authority should be tempered with understanding and natural justice on matters of housing and matters of compensation for the apparent owners of land and buildings within the Africville Area; and
4. that this policy be implemented with the utmost dispatch after its implications are fully conveyed to the residents affected and/or their representatives in consultation with church and welfare organizations.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT - CITY MANAGER TO CANADIAN COUNCIL OF URBAN AND  
REGIONAL RESEARCH

A report was submitted from the Committee of the Whole Council at a meeting held on October 24, 1962, recommending approval of the City Manager's appointment to the Canadian Council of Urban and Regional Research and that he submit a report to Council on the details of his appointment after returning from Ottawa.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.



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QUESTIONS

QUESTION - ALDERMAN WYMAN RE: FOUR-WAY STOP SIGNS

Alderman Wyman stated that some time ago he asked a question as to whether or not the four-way stop signs were legal but that he had not received an answer to his question as yet.

The City Solicitor stated that an action in this respect was pending in the City Court and as the matter had not been finalized by the Court, he deemed it improper to give an opinion to Council until the decision had been reached. The decision was reached last week but the City is now appealing the decision of the Magistrate. It was pointed out that the words "four way" have been deleted from the sign itself but they are placed below the sign with black letters on a white background. This was taken from the American Manual.

QUESTION - ALDERMAN DEWOLF RE: FOUR-WAY STOP SIGNS - HOWE AVENUE & BAYERS RD.

Alderman DeWolf referred to the four-way stop signs at the above intersection and asked if the stop sign could be brought forward a bit so that cars travelling in an easterly direction would not be stopping on the railway tracks.

The Traffic Authority stated that even if the signs were put back, there would be a second stop on the physical entrance to the intersection itself. He also stated that a similar vehicle could stop just before the track or on the other side of it but he himself did not like either the four-way or two-way signs but such a condition would exist because of the physical lay-out of the intersection. He said he hoped to have traffic signals erected and tied in with the railroad signals but they are waiting for the terms of reference from the Board of Transport Commissioners since the Board has jurisdiction over the installation of signals within 500 feet of the railroad crossing.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would be in the railway office in Montreal on November 6th and 7th and he would be happy to present the matter to the Chief Counsel if the Traffic Authority had not received

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a reply before that date.

Alderman DeWolf wanted to know the legal position of a pedestrian at this intersection and was advised by the Traffic Authority that they have the right-of way in the crosswalk.

Alderman Lane stated that Toronto has an Ordinance in force where a pedestrian steps into the crosswalk, puts up his or her hand for traffic to stop and the motorists comply. She suggested that a copy of the Ordinance be supplied the Traffic Authority and if it could be worded to suit Halifax, she would be glad to move for its adoption.

The Traffic Authority was requested to obtain a copy of the Ordinance and circulate it to the members of Council for their information.

Alderman Healy referred to a traffic device in Buffalo where the pedestrian just pressed a button on the traffic light standard to change the lights so he or she could cross the intersection.

RESOLUTION - SYMPATHY, FAMILY LATE ALDERMAN MORIARTY

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen, that a resolution of sympathy on behalf of the Mayor and Members of Council be forwarded to the family of the late Alderman Moriarty and that one minute's silence be observed to honor his memory. Motion passed unanimously.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would write such a letter.

QUESTION - HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR RE: CRITICISM OF COMMISSIONAIRES, PARKING METERS

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received complaints from citizens about the over-zealousness of the Commissionaires placing parking tickets on cars.

He referred to the case where a Commissionaire stood by the meter and the car operator was coming out to get in his car but just as he did this, the flag came up and before he moved away it was a violation. The Commissionaire was writing out the ticket; the man said he was leaving but the Commissionaire gave him a ticket.

His Worship the Mayor also referred to the case where a man had a parcel to deliver from a car and he was told he did not have a truck license, therefore he could not deliver the article.

The Chief of Police stated that such was the law. A commercial



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vehicle has some exemption but a private car none.

The Traffic Authority cited the regulation under the definition of parking; "standing of a vehicle whether occupied or not except for the purpose of and while engaged in the loading or unloading of goods".

The Traffic Authority and Chief of Police were directed to clarify the matter with the City Solicitor.

The Chief of Police was also directed to look into the matter of these violations with His Worship the Mayor or City Manager to make certain that properly trained people are not innocently interpreting the strict intent of the law perhaps in a way that is not understood.

The Chief of Police stated that Police Officers are told that when the flag is flying, it is a violation. He did not think any police officer would stand by a meter waiting for the flag to come up. He also advised that in most of the meters there is a three-minute error built into them whereby the flag does not rise until three minutes after a violation has taken place.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS - PHASE NO.2 - WESTWOOD PARK HOUSING PROJECT

The Development Officer stated that the plans were at hand but the specifications had not been received as yet.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

The following accounts over \$500.00 were submitted:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Provincial Treasurer	City's share of cost of Metropolitan Housing Survey to September 30th, 1962	\$ 953.32
Morris Goldberg	Suits, hats and burburies for Plainclothes men	2,253.20
Foster Wheeler Ltd.	Boiler Parts - Halifax Mental Hospital	905.26
		<u>\$4,111.78</u>

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the accounts be approved for payment. Motion passed.

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DONATION OF \$2,000.00 TO THE CITY - SPRING GARDEN PARKING LOT COMMITTEE

Council was advised that the sum of \$2,000.00 had been deposited with the City Treasurer as an interim payment of the earnings of this parking lot and that a full financial statement would be submitted in the month of January following the close of operation as at December 31, 1962.

APPOINTMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

His Worship the Mayor nominated Mr. Austin E. Hayes to the Public Service Commission to fill the unexpired term of the late Mr. Fultz whose term ends April 30, 1965.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the nomination be approved. Motion passed.

APPEAL FROM REFUSAL OF BUILDING INSPECTOR TO ISSUE AN OCCUPANCY PERMIT -  
APARTMENT BUILDING - SPRING GARDEN REALTIES LIMITED

The following appeal was submitted and read:

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Mr. R. H. Stoddard,  
City Clerk,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

We represent Spring Garden Realities Ltd., the owners of Spring Garden Terrace Apartments located at No. 5883 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, N.S., who have recently been refused an occupancy permit for a chartered bank in this development. Our client wishes to appeal the decision of the Building Inspector to City Council on the ground that a chartered bank is permissible within the zoning laws of the City of Halifax and is desirable for its development and will render a service to the people and institutions in the area.

Mr. Thomas B. Davis of this office will be in attendance at the City Council meeting on Thursday, October 25, 1962, and would like to be heard before Council in this matter.

Yours very truly,

Gordon L. S. Hart.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman: (a) that a chronological report be submitted from staff of the events leading up to this appeal; (b) that the appeal be heard at the next regular meeting of Council.

Alderman Trainor suggested to the Building Inspector: (a) that the original plans be carefully checked to ascertain the degree of variation between the plans submitted and the actual building being erected and (b) that



an inspector be sent to the site because he understood, from information given to him, that other changes are taking place.

The motion was then put and passed.

APPLICATION TO REZONE LOT "A" - CORNER OF ROBIE STREET AND BASINVIEW DRIVE - R-2  
ZONE TO R-3 ZONE

Referred to Town Planning Board for a report.

BORROWING \$30,000.00 - BRANCH LIBRARY

In accordance with instructions at the last meeting of Council the Chairman of the Library Board had been requested to advise whether or not space which is available on the ground floor level in one of the Forum Commission Buildings would be suitable for a branch library. As yet a reply had not been received from the Chairman of the Library Board.

It was agreed to defer the matter until a reply has been received.

WINTER WORKS PROGRAM - 1962-1963

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 25, 1962, recommended the following Winter Works Program for 1962-1963:

City of Halifax  
WORKS DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED FEDERAL-MUNICIPAL WINTER WORKS PROGRAM

ESTIMATE OF PROPOSED WORK DURING PERIOD OCTOBER 15,  
1962 TO APRIL 30, 1963

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>ESTIMATED TOTAL COST</u>	<u>MATERIALS, MACHINES, ETC.</u>	<u>DIRECT LABOR</u>	<u>FEDERAL GOV'T CONTRIBUTION 50% OF LABOR COST</u>
1. Dutch Village Rd. (Melrose to Deal St.) Storm Sewer	\$45,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$4,500.00
2. Portland Place (Brunswick to Gottingen) Storm Sewer	13,000.00	10,400.00	2,600.00	1,300.00
3. Young St. (Monaghan Dr. to Kempt Rd.) Storm Sewer	10,000.00	8,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
4. Kempt Rd. (Young St. to Hood St.) Storm Sewer	90,000.00	72,000.00	18,000.00	9,000.00
5. Storm Sewer Retention Tank, Fairfield Rd.	100,000.00	80,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00
6. Chisholm Ave. Sanitary & Storm Sewers	10,000.00	8,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00

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Winter Works Program Cont

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>ESTIMATED TOTAL COST</u>	<u>MATERIALS MACHINES, ETC.</u>	<u>DIRECT LABOR</u>	<u>FEDERAL GOV'T CONTRIBUTION 50% OF LABOR COST</u>
7. North St. (Gottingen St. to Brunswick St.) Storm Sewer	27,000.00	21,600.00	5,400.00	2,700.00
8. Rebuilding Catch Basins	8,000.00	6,400.00	1,600.00	800.00
9. Point Pleasant Park - Construct Retaining Walls, Pillars, Barbecues in Picnic Areas, Clear Underbrush, Level Picnic Areas, Clear Beaches, Drains & Ditches	12,000.00	- - -	12,000.00	6,000.00
10. Fleming Park - Widen Roadways, Pruning Trees, Removing Dead Trees and Underbrush	6,500.00	500.00	6,000.00	3,000.00
	<u>\$321,500.00</u>	<u>\$242,900.00</u>	<u>\$78,600.00</u>	<u>\$39,300.00</u>

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation of the Committee on Works be approved. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 10:15 P. M.

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L. Mitchell, K. Munnich, L. N. Howley, W. A. Gray, R. E. Grant, J. E. LLOYD, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.  
 J. L. Leitch and A. R. Howard from the City Staff; Messrs. Currie and Kingston from  
 R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.  
 Drwick, Currie and Messrs. A. R. Harrington, L. C. Young, E. LeBlanc and  
 H. B. Rhoads from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited.

The meeting was called specially to consider the report and recommendations from Drwick, Currie Limited on the Transit System in the City of Halifax.

3:05 p.m. Council convened as a Committee of the Whole in session of Alderman Greenwood, presided by Alderman O'Brien.

The meeting then took the form of a question and answer period. The questions and answers are contained in the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Council which will be distributed to the members of Council and do not form part of these minutes.

5:10 p.m. Council reconvened.

A report was submitted from the Committee of the Whole Council recommending that a date be fixed by His Worship the Mayor for a public hearing in the month of November and that the advertisement published that Council will consider the following motion:

- (1) That Council approve, adopt and give effect to all recommendations contained in the report on the Transit Division of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited, prepared by Drwick, Currie Limited, Management Consultants, October, 1962, subject to the following reservations:
  - (a) That purchase of the assets of the Transit Division of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited be decided by negotiation between the City and the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited;
  - (b) That the organizational expense of \$200,000.00 allocated by Messrs. Drwick, Currie Limited be amortized over a three-year period.

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Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
October 30, 1962, 3:00 p.m.

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

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

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. Mitchell, K. Munnich, L. M. Romkey, W. A. Gray, R. B. Grant, G. F. West, J. L. Leitch and A. R. Howard from the City Staff; Messrs. Currie and Kingston from Urwick, Currie Limited and Messrs. A. R. Harrington, L. C. Young, E. LeBlanc and H. B. Rhude from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited.

The meeting was called specially to consider the report and recommendations from Urwick, Currie Limited on the Transit System in the City of Halifax.

3:05 p.m. Council convened as a Committee of the Whole on motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien.

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  - (b) That the organizational expense of \$200,000.00 estimated by Messrs. Urwick, Currie Limited be amortized over a five-year period.



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- (2) That Council retain Messrs. Urwick, Currie, Limited, Management Consultants, to supervise and oversee the acquisition by the City of Halifax of the Transit System of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited and to implement all of the recommendations contained in the consultants' report, subject to review of the purchase price and organization expense, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the recruitment and training of suitable executive and administrative staff, the provision of an efficient executive organization, institution of adequate financial and cost control data and market research procedures, and the establishment of a proficient organization administered by competent management able to provide a Halifax Transit System as an efficient agency of municipal government.
- (3) That Council reach a policy decision whether the transit system will be operated as a City department or under a City transit commission.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report of the Committee of the Whole Council be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 5:15 p.m.

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

J. E. LLOYD,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

APPOINTMENT - DEPUTY MAYOR

for the office of Deputy Mayor.

Alderman Lane nominated Alderman R. J. Butler.

MOVED by Alderman Seely, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that nominations stand. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman R. J. Butler duly elected to the office of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing civic year.

APPOINTMENT - COMMITTEES

A proposed slate of Committees, Sub-Committees, Commissions and other appointments for the civic year 1962 - 1963 was submitted from His Worship the Mayor. (A copy of the list is attached to the official copy of these minutes)

His Worship the Mayor referred to the fact that the terms of office of all members but one of the Halifax Housing Authority expire on

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City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
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5:00 P. M.

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

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

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, LeBlanc, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, L. Mitchell, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. M. Romkey, G. F. West, R. B. Grant, W. A. Gray, K. Munnich and Dr. E. M. Fogo.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following matters of business:

1. Appointment - Deputy Mayor.
2. Appointment - Committees.
3. Use of Grand Parade.

APPOINTMENT - DEPUTY MAYOR

His Worship the Mayor declared the meeting open for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor.

Alderman Lane nominated Alderman R. J. Butler.

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that nominations cease. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman R. J. Butler duly elected to the office of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing civic year.

APPOINTMENT - COMMITTEES

A proposed slate of Committees, Boards, Commissions and other appointees for the civic year 1962 - 1963 was submitted from His Worship the Mayor. (A copy of the list is attached to the official copy of these minutes)

His Worship the Mayor referred to the fact that the terms of office of all members but one of the Halifax Housing Authority expire on



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December 31, 1962, and most of the members had indicated a desire to terminate their service. He stated that he would confer with the representatives of the Federal and Provincial Governments after which a new slate of officers would be presented.

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Alderman O'Brien indicated disagreement with the principle of appointing to the Safety Committee members of Council, who are opposed to the need for a Safety Committee under the Council-Manager form of Government, and he asked that future consideration be given to appointing to the Safety Committee only those members of Council who approve of the present system.

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CITY CLERK  
Alderman LeBlanc stated that there are several members of the Natal Day Committee who would like to be replaced as, because of work load, they find it difficult to give the time required; and he asked that Mr. H. R. Nicholson and Mr. Ronald Slade be not appointed at this time.

It was agreed to delete the name of Mr. H. R. Nicholson only; and His Worship the Mayor asked Alderman LeBlanc to confer with him on the matter of replacements for Mr. Nicholson, and other appointees.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the proposed slate, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

#### USE OF GRAND PARADE

A letter was submitted from the Halifax Council of the Canadian Legion requesting permission to use the Grand Parade for the customary Remembrance Day Ceremonies on November 11, 1962.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the request be granted. Motion passed.

A letter was also submitted from the Halifax Council of the Canadian Legion requesting permission for Radio Station C. H. N. S. to use parking facilities within the Grand Parade while covering the ceremony at the Cenotaph on November 11, 1962.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the

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permission to use the parking facilities within the Grand Parade be extended to the representatives of all news media in the City. Motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

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Appointment - Committees	1
Use of Grand Parade	2

There were present the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Wilson, Callahan, Trainer, Sealy, Brown, Connolly and O'Brien.

J. E. LLOYD,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the minutes of the meeting of October 22, 1962, be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - REZONING OF LAND ON WESTWARD ROAD BETWEEN JAY STREET AND THE S. E. CORNER OF THE BLOCK FROM S-2 LANE TO S-2 LANE

A public hearing on the rezoning of land on the southwest side of Westward Road between Jay Street and the Southern Railway right-of-way from S-2 Lane to S-2 Lane was held at 1962.

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of City Council

From: Town Planning Board

Date: October 11, 1962

Subject: Re-zoning - (Residential Single Detached Property) - R-2 - C-2

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on October 3, 1962, considered a report from the City Engineer recommending in favor of the zoning and re-zoning of land on Westward Road, as shown on drawing no. P200/772, from R2 to C2, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Planning Act, and that a date be set for a public hearing.

On notice of Alderman Wilson, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board recommended in favor of the re-zoning of land on Westward Road from R2 to C2, as shown on drawing no. P200/772, and recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,  
K. C. [Name]  
CLERK OF COUNCIL



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S. J. West

Council,  
November 15, 1962.  
Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
November 15, 1962,  
8:00 P. M.

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

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

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Wyman, Connolly and O'Brien.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, R. H. Stoddard, H. K. Randall, L. Mitchell, L. M. Romkey, J. F. Thomson, R. B. Grant, A. R. Howard and Dr. E. Fogo.

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MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the minutes of the meeting of October 25, 1962, be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING SOUTHWEST SIDE OF MUMFORD ROAD BETWEEN LEPPERT STREET AND THE C. N. R. RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM R-2 ZONE TO C-2 ZONE

A public hearing into the matter of the re-zoning of the southwest side of Mumford Road between Leppert Street and the Canadian National Railway right-of-way from R-2 Zone to C-2 Zone was held at this time.

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of City Council.

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: October 11, 1962.

Subject: Re-zoning - Mumford Road (Simpsons Property) - R-2 - C-2

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on October 2, 1962, considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of the zoning and re-zoning of land on Mumford Road, as shown on drawing no. P200/772, from R2 to C2, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Planning Act, and that a date be set for a public hearing.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board recommended in favour of the re-zoning of land on Mumford Road from R2 to C2, as shown on drawing no. P200/772, and recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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The Director of Planning displayed a sketch and outlined the proposal for the information of Council.

No written objections were received by the City Clerk.

Mr. J. D. Kline, appeared and requested that the following be carried out by the applicant if the re-zoning were approved:

1. That sodding and shrubbery be provided on the west bank of Mumford Road;
2. That no billboards be erected in the area;
3. That no unnecessary entrances to the parking lot be constructed from Mumford Road.

Mr. W. H. Jost, Q. C., appeared on behalf of the applicant, and requested favourable consideration by Council and advised:

1. That sodding will be carried out;
2. The temporary sign already erected will be removed;
3. There will be only two entrances to the parking lot from Mumford Road.

A formal By-Law as prepared by the City Solicitor was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING SOUTHWEST SIDE OF MUMFORD ROAD BETWEEN LEPPERT STREET AND THE C. N. R. RIGHT-OF-WAY TO C-2 ZONE

A public hearing into the matter of the zoning of the southwest side of Mumford Road between Leppert Street and the C. N. R. right-of-way to C-2 Zone was held at this time.

The Director of Planning displayed a sketch and outlined the proposal for the information of Council.

No written objections were received by the City Clerk and no person appeared against the proposal.

Mr. W. H. Jost Q. C., appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested favourable consideration by Council.

A formal By-Law as prepared by the City Solicitor was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.



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PUBLIC HEARING - RE-ZONING EAST SIDE OF RIDGEWOOD DRIVE FROM PARK & INSTI-  
TUTIONAL ZONE TO R-1 ZONE

A public hearing into the matter of the re-zoning of the east side of Ridgewood Drive from park and institutional zone to R-1 zone was held at this time.

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of City Council.

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: October 11, 1962.

Subject: Re-zoning - Canadian National Railway Property - Ridgewood  
Drive (P & I - R1)

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on October 2, 1962, considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of the re-zoning of a parcel of Canadian National Railway property on Ridgewood Drive, as shown on drawing no. P200/787, from Park and Institutional to R1, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Planning Act, and that a date for a public hearing be set.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Board recommended in favour of the re-zoning of a parcel of Canadian National Railway property on Ridgewood Drive from Park and Institutional to R1, as shown on drawing no. P200/787, and recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

The Director of Planning displayed a sketch and outlined the proposal for the information of Council.

No written objections were received by the City Clerk and no person appeared against the proposal.

Mr. Michael Macdonald appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested favourable consideration by Council.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that in view of the fact that this is a repetition of what has already occurred along this area, and the fact that the garages which are already there have become a non-conforming use by re-zoning this area two years ago, that this matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board with the request that it either recommend a re-zoning of the whole area occupied by all garages or recommend against a re-zoning of any of them. Motion passed unanimously.

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PUBLIC HEARING - MODIFICATION OF FRONT & SIDE YARD REQUIREMENTS-1243-45 HENRY ST

A public hearing into the matter of the modification of front and side yard requirements - 1243-1245 Henry Street was held at this time.

A petition was received from property owners opposing the application.

Messrs. Stewart Anderson, Frank Reardon, Jr. and Steven Cook addressed Council pointing out certain conditions existing as follows:

1. Several Police calls.
2. Garbage cans not covered.
3. Paper bags lying around.
4. Operation of one-unit apartments.
5. Cars parked in driveways.
6. Taxis coming and going all hours during the night.
7. Building occupied by teenage girls and boys.
8. Rental of \$20.00 per week for one unit.
9. Congested street parking.

At this time Mr. John Dickey, Q. C., appeared and advised that the applicant was withdrawing the application.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Meagher; (1) that the withdrawal of the application be approved; (2) that the City Manager make inquiries of the Chief of Police and Building Inspector as to why no action was taken to correct existing conditions pertaining to 1243-1245 Henry Street in view of the statements made at this meeting; and (3) that the report be submitted to the next regular meeting of Council.

The City Manager read the following report:

July 11, 1962.

Joseph and Sadie Arab  
69 Allen Street  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir and Madam:

Re: Occupancy - 13-13 $\frac{1}{2}$  Henry Street

A recent inspection of the above building made by a member of our staff revealed that it is being used as a rooming house contrary to Halifax City Charter and Zoning By-Law provisions.



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The City Charter provides that before the use of any building is changed, an occupancy permit for this use must be applied for and obtained from the Building Inspector. Our records show that this building was used as a two family dwelling in 1950 and it would appear that since that time this use has changed. There is no record of an occupancy permit for this change on file.

Halifax Zoning By-Law further requires certain dimensional specifications with regard to rooming houses that are not met in this case, and, if the building is to be used as a rooming house, modification of these requirements would be required from City Council.

In the meantime, please be advised that the use of this building must revert to a two family dwelling as quickly as possible and that satisfactory measures be taken by you to change this use in the legal manner outlined above. We have referred this matter to the City Solicitor's office with a request that legal action be taken for the above noted violation.

If there are any questions on the above, kindly contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

A. R. ABRAHAM,  
BUILDING INSPECTION SUPERVISOR.

The motion was then put and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING - MODIFICATION OF FRONT & SIDE YARD REQUIREMENTS-268 FULLER TERR.

A public hearing into the matter of the modification of front and side yard requirements of the property No. 268 Fuller Terrace was held at this time.

No persons appeared against the application and no petition was received.

Mr. John Dickey, Q. C., appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested favourable consideration to the application.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the modification be approved.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that this matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration of a policy with respect to rooming houses in the City of Halifax.

The following report was submitted from the Building Inspection Department:

1. Traffic coming and going all hours during the night;
2. Bottles and trash from these places are thrown on the street;
3. District has become an undesirable place in which to live.

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The Following is a List of Repairs Required to Bring the Following Building  
up to Ordinance No. 50

June 12, 1962

ORDINANCE #50 - 268 Fuller Terr.

1. Repair foundation;
2. Repair shingles north side;
3. Check and repair chimney from base upwards;
4. Remove trash from cellar;
5. Renew rear steps;
6. Repair and replace plastered ceilings where necessary;
7. Replace windows: west wall - one window frame & sash  
one basement frame & sash  
five sets of sashes  
east wall - one double mullion frames & sash  
south wall - four frames & sashes
8. Replace one door and frame on west wall;
9. Use of cellar rooms as living quarters is to be discontinued  
forthwith as ceiling height does not meet Minimum Standards;
10. Discontinue use of second floor room measuring 5' x 14';
11. The occupancy of this building shall be limited to two families only.

Assessed Owner

Gladys and Beatrice Arab  
69 Allen Street  
Halifax, N. S.

The motion to refer was then put and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING - MODIFICATION OF FRONT & SIDE YARD REQUIREMENTS -  
87 CHARLES STREET

A public hearing into the matter of the modification of front and side yard requirements of the property No. 87 Charles Street was held at this time.

A petition was received from property owners opposing the application.

Mr. Douglas B. Publicover addressed Council and recited the following conditions existing:

1. Several Police calls;
2. Congested street parking;
3. No supervision of building;
4. Taxis coming and going all hours during the night;
5. Bottles and trash from these cars are thrown on the lawns;
6. District has become an unfit place in which to live.



Mr. John Dickey, Q. C., appeared on behalf of the applicant and requested favourable consideration by Council.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the modification be refused and that the same information requested pertaining to Henry Street be furnished with respect to the property at the next regular meeting of Council. Motion passed unanimously.

HEARING - APPEAL FROM REFUSAL OF BUILDING INSPECTOR TO ISSUE AN OCCUPANCY PERMIT - SPRING GARDEN REALTIES LIMITED

Mr. Gordon Hart appeared on behalf of Spring Garden Realities Limited giving his reasons why the occupancy permit should be granted to permit the operation of a bank in the Spring Garden Terrace Apartment Building on Spring Garden Road.

In answer to questions from Alderman Trainor, Mr. Hart advised that there are no future plans for commercial development other than the bank and there is no provision for professional offices.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the appeal be upheld and that an occupancy permit be issued for the operation of a bank in the apartment building at the corner of Spring Garden Road and Carleton Street. Motion passed unanimously.

10:15 P. M. Council adjourned for a short recess.

10:35 P. M. Council reconvened: the same members being present.

RECOMMENDATIONS - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on November 8, 1962, considered various items of civic business and makes the following recommendations to Council:

Door-to-Door Canvass, Kinsmen Club

That approval be given to an application from the Kinsmen Club to hold a door-to-door canvass, beginning November 26th for a period of two weeks for the purpose of selling candy and that the Club be permitted to carry out this canvass using persons under the age of 18 years as required by Ordinance No. 55.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Presentation - Four Flags to Foundation Maritime Limited Tugs

That permission be granted the Port of Halifax Commission to present four City of Halifax flags to the Foundation Maritime Limited to be flown by four new tugs on special occasions and that the costs involved be charged to the Commission's budget.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Grant Children's Aid Society - No. 5236 South Street

That approval be given for an offsetting grant for the civic year 1963 to cover real property taxes assessed against the Children's Aid Society on its premises No. 5236 South Street under the authority of Section 310 "D" of the City Charter.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Supplementary Appropriation 316 "C"

That approval be given to the following supplementary appropriations under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter:

1. \$310.23 - - - Account, Urwick, Currie Limited.
2. \$6,000.00 - - - Street Lighting Account.
3. \$298.06 - - - Retirement Grant - Mr. A. C. Harris.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Surety Bond - Appeal - Four-Way Stop Signs

That a Surety Bond in the amount of \$350.00 be approved in connection with the City of Halifax appealing a court case R. vs. Facey to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia pertaining to four-way stop signs and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Halifax.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Healy, that in any case in which the City, on appeal to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, must post a bond as security for costs, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby empowered to execute such bond on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

Increase in Price for Flower Bulbs

That the tender of Halifax Seed Company Limited for the supply of flower bulbs be increased by the sum of \$87.34 due to tariff changes as a result of the Federal Government austerity program.

It was pointed out that perhaps the next lowest tenderer may be able to supply the bulbs from sources other than overseas which would result in a lower price than the lowest tenderer plus the addition of the tariff



of \$87.34.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

Property Acquisitions

That the following property acquisitions be approved:

- 1. 3297 Dutch Village Road - Mr. Spencer Guy....\$468.75
- 2. 236 Bayers Road - Mr. D. C. Valentine.....\$255.00
- 3. 332 Bayers Road - Dr. F. H. Bachmann.....\$100.00
- 4. 1452 Dresden Row - Mr. T. J. Dacey.....\$5,200.00

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Extras - Mulgrave Park Housing Project

That approval be given to an extra to the Mulgrave Park Contract in the amount of \$3,150.00 to provide for a re-design of the main entrance doors to building "A" as quoted by W. & A. Moir Limited.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Contract Changes - Mulgrave Park Project

That approval be given to the following changes to the Mulgrave Park Contract:

- 1. (a) Increase the contract by an additional  
472 lin. feet of T-Rail protecting fence  
at \$0.80 per lin. ft.....\$377.60
- (b) Decrease the amount of renovation to  
sodded areas by an amount of 1,300  
square yards @ \$0.60 per sq. yard.....\$780.00
- Value of Change Order.....Credit...\$402.40
- 2. Increase the contract with Whitman  
Benn & Associates viz. (a) Design fee.....\$1,622.17  
(b) Field supervision.....\$1,081.45
- \$2,703.62

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Mulgrave Park Housing Project and Building Signs

That approval be given to an expenditure of \$2,298.00 to cover project and building signs in connection with the Mulgrave Park Contract.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

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Contract Change - Westwood Park Project - Phase No. 1

That approval be given to a credit change order to the contract of Community Enterprises Limited in the amount of \$4,720.72 in connection with the Westwood Park Housing Project Phase No. 1 made up as follows:

(1) Plumbing fixtures for 116 units.....	\$3,586.51
(2) Electrical fixtures for 116 units.....	<u>\$1,396.06</u>
Total.....	\$4,982.57
Less extra for repairing damaged sewer trenches.....	\$ 261.85
Credit Value of Change Order.....	<u>\$4,720.72</u>

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

BID DEPOSITORY - WESTWOOD PARK HOUSING PROJECT

November 15, 1962.

We, the Halifax Dartmouth Construction Association strongly recommend the use of the Bid Depository system of sub trade tendering on Stage 11 of the Westwood Park Housing Project, and on all subsequent construction works to be undertaken by the City of Halifax, or in which the City of Halifax is participating, through the provision of financing.

The Halifax Dartmouth Bid Depository operated by this Association is established as a means of receiving sealed bids from sub trade contractors and transmitting them unopened to the General Contractors.

Sub trade bids are received at the Depository two working days before the General Contract closes and once they are deposited no changes in price can be made, no additions or reductions, sub contractors can only withdraw their quotation.

The General Contractor receives his sub trade prices two working days before his own quotation is due, and this time allows him to carefully check on the completeness of sub trade bids, credit, and general capability.

Attached to this letter is a copy of the General Conditions of the Halifax Dartmouth Bid Depository, there are no geographical or other limitations on the use of this service, and it places all bidders, both sub trade and general on a fair and equal footing, eliminating the practice of shopping and peddling.

The writer is present at this meeting of City Council, and will be prepared to answer questions which may arise.

Yours respectfully,

A. Beresford Thompson  
General Manager.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the matter be placed before the appropriate committee for consideration and that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation be requested to give favourable consideration to the proposal. Motion passed.



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Recommendations of the Finance and Executive Committee Cont'd.

Cossor Land - Young and Windsor Streets

That the City Manager be authorized to negotiate for the acquisition of the Cossor Property at the corner of Young and Windsor Streets.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Development Plan - Commons

That approval be given to the appointment of Project Planning Associates Limited as consultants for the preparation of the Development Plan of the Commons at a fee of \$3,000.00 to carry out the work as contained under Schedule "B".

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Hospital Report

That the City Manager's report containing recommendations for the implementation of the "Report of the Committee to Recommend Usage of Certain City Lands in the Hospital Area" be approved in principle and that the City Manager be authorized to enter into preliminary negotiations for the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

December Salary

That the City Treasurer be authorized to pay City Officials and employees their full salary for the month of December on or about the 15th.

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Fees - Property Acquisitions

That approval be given to the payment of sums between \$10.00 and \$25.00 to nine property owners from whom strips of land were purchased for street widening purposes in connection with the Bicentennial Drive Entrance and who have to obtain Partial Releases of Mortgages and record the same. These figures were not included when the property settlements were approved by Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Appeal - South End Development Limited - Young Avenue

An Appeal from an assessment of \$127,650.00 against property on Young Avenue owned by the South End Development Company Limited was considered.

The Committee recommends as follows:

REPORTS - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Encroachment - No. 1545 Birmingham Street

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A report was submitted from the Committee on Works, at a meeting held on November 15, 1962, at which time consideration was given to a report from the City Manager suggesting certain improvements to the bridge approaches at an estimated cost of \$130,000.00.

The Committee recommends as follows:

- (1) the appeal be heard at the next regular sitting of the Court of Tax Appeals;
- (2) an agreement be entered into that the taxes be now paid; and
- (3) if a reduction in the assessment is awarded, an adjustment of taxes will be made.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Leave of Absence - Dr. A. R. Morton

That the Commissioner of Health be granted leave of absence from October 1st to December 7th due to illness and that the City Manager be authorized to obtain suitable help for Dr. Fogo while Dr. Morton is on leave.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Expropriation Settlement - Halifax Relief Commission - Industrial Mile Area - \$4,496.17

That the sum of \$3,541.82 plus interest in the amount of \$954.35 be paid to the Halifax Relief Commission in connection with the expropriation settlement for land in the Industrial Mile Area.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Trainor retires at 11:00 P. M.



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REPORTS - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Encroachment - No. 1545 Birmingham Street

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works, at a meeting held on November 8, 1962, recommending in favour of an encroachment at No. 1545 Birmingham Street, in accordance with Section 538 of the City Charter, provided:

- (1) that the applicant will remove the encroachment when the City so directs, at no cost to the City; and
- (2) an annual fee of \$10.00 be paid for as long as the encroachment exists.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Rental of Salt Spreaders to Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Limited

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works, at a meeting held on November 8, 1962, recommending that five salt spreaders be made available to the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited on a rental basis, as follows:

- (1) the City to rent five Scotchman Salt Spreaders from November 15, 1962, to April 30, 1963, @ \$25.00 per machine, for a total of \$125.00;
- (2) the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited will maintain the machines while in their care and supply any replacement parts necessary; and
- (3) the machines to be returned to the City in the same condition as they were when rented.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Report - Bridge Approaches

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works, at a meeting held on November 8, 1962, at which time consideration was given to a report from the City Manager suggesting certain improvements to the bridge approaches at an estimated cost of \$130,000.00.

The report was referred to Council without recommendation.

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To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works  
From: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager  
Date: November 6, 1962  
Subject: Proposed Improvements to Halifax Approach - Angus L. Macdonald Bridge

The long range plans for improving the Halifax Approach to the Angus L. Macdonald Bridge must of necessity include a direct access loop from an improved Barrington Street ("Shore Drive"), the widening of North Street, from Brunswick Street to the Armdale Rotary, and associated intersection work. Preliminary study has already been given to these projects, but further research is necessary. The forthcoming report on the feasibility study relating to a possible second bridge could possibly influence present thinking on this problem.

Land has recently been deeded to the City by the Bridge Commission for approach improvement purposes. This land is comprised of the corner property at the southeast corner of Gottingen and North Streets, and an area of land on the north side of North Street between Brunswick and Gottingen Streets. In addition to the land provided by the Commission, it would be necessary for the City to acquire civic no. 613 Gottingen Street to facilitate a right turn from the Gottingen Street towards the bridge and a twelve-foot strip of land on the northwest corner of Gottingen and North Streets for the convenience of traffic wishing to travel west on North Street beyond Gottingen Street. With the land referred to, interim improvements can be carried out; but it must be kept in mind that the major cause of traffic delays on both the Halifax and Dartmouth approaches during peak periods is the limited capacity of one lane in each direction on the bridge.

Drawing No. SS-9-15516 shows the proposed improvements. Basically the proposal provides for a second North Street roadway between Brunswick and Gottingen Streets to take westbound traffic from the bridge, with the existing North Street roadway in this block being reserved for eastbound traffic only. Also, turning roadways are provided for northbound Gottingen Street traffic turning right towards the bridge and for westbound North Street traffic turning right onto Gottingen Street.

These improvements will allow for the convenient overtaking of slow, stalled or stopped vehicles in the section of North Street between the bridge and Gottingen Street. Separate lanes on the North Street east approach will allow simultaneous movement of straight-through and right-turning vehicles which are at present not possible. Right turns from North Street north onto Gottingen Street average about one vehicle in five daily, but during certain periods may be about one in three. At present all straight through vehicles can be delayed by a right turning vehicle which is slowed or blocked by pedestrians.

Although the interim proposal will allow more convenient driving conditions and will bring about certain intersectional efficiencies, the main cause of delay -- that is, the limitations on the bridge of one lane in each direction -- will not be significantly altered. The scheme will not to any visible extent increase the capacity of the bridge proper. It must also be stressed that these improvements will be subject to alteration when long range proposals are brought into effect. Nevertheless, service to the public for some time is expected to be realized from the present proposal.

The improvements suggested in this report, including drainage, curb, gutter and sidewalk, paving, utility relocation and traffic signal installation relocations and property acquisitions, are estimated to cost \$130,000.00.



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The interim improvement project must be approved by the Bridge Commission before implementation. After necessary Council and Commission approvals, work on necessary storm drains will be undertaken under the Winter Works Program with the other work being carried out as early as possible in 1963.

It is felt that the responsibility for future more costly improvements to the Bridge Approach should not rest with the City alone. Cost sharing agreements with the Province and the Bridge Commission should be sought before further plans are implemented.

P. F. C. BYARS,  
CITY MANAGER.

Mr. A. R. Howard, Traffic Authority, displayed a sketch of the proposed traffic improvement on the Halifax side of the Angus L. Macdonald Bridge and outlined the details thereof for the information of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the improvements, estimated to cost \$130,000.00, be approved and referred to the Bridge Commission for its consideration and concurrence. Motion passed unanimously.

Expropriation - Land for Bayers Road Street Widening

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works, at a meeting held on November 8, 1962, recommending:

- (1) that the City expropriate land on Bayers Road between Romans Avenue and Desmond Avenue, north side, for street widening purposes, in accordance with Section 626 of the City Charter;
- (2) that the amount as outlined in the Commissioner of Works report be paid into Court; and
- (3) that the Resolution as submitted by the City Solicitor be approved.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works

From: G. F. West, Commissioner of Works

Date: November 8, 1962

Subject: Expropriation - Bayers Road, between Romans Avenue and Desmond Avenue - North Side - Street Widening

At the November 8, 1962, meeting of this Committee, the Commissioner of Works was directed to prepare a plan and description for the expropriation of certain property on Bayers Road for street widening purposes in accordance with Section 626 of the City Charter.

Expropriation Plan No. SS-9-15553, showing the property involved outlined in red, and description of same are attached.

In keeping with the wish of Council to improve and widen Bayers Road, it is desirable that the City acquire all of the land referred to in