Dartmouth, N. S.

May 6/86.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 7:30 p.m. Present - Mayor Savage

> Ald. Billard Thompson Connors Levandier Withers McCluskey Pye Woods Hawley Greenough Bregante City Solicitor, S. Hood City Administrator, C. A. Moir Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.

Mayor Savage welcomed to the meeting, a group of young people from Sanich, British Columbia, here in Dartmouth to play soccer. Their visit is part of an exchange with Dartmouth students from Dartmouth Highschool.

MINUTES

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Bregante, Council approved minutes of the meetings held on March 25, April 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 17, 22, and 29. Two corrections were noted: Ald. Thompson should have been recorded as present for the April 1st meeting, and Ald. MacFarlane, at the April 3rd meeting (in place of Ald. Connors, who is recorded twice in the list of members present).

LETTER OF RESIGNATION: C. A. MOIR Mayor Savage read into the record, a letter of resignation received from the City Administrator, Mr. C. A. Moir. Mr. Moir intends to retire from his position effective as of May 1, 1987, but has indicated that if a replacement is found prior to that date, he would be willing to relinquish the title and responsibilities of City Administrator, while continuing in the employment of the City to assist that replacement person in any way possible.

Ald. Levandier moved that Mr. Moir's letter of resignation be accepted with deep regret; the motion was seconded by Ald. Greenough. Ald. Levandier and McCluskey asked what procedures will be followed to fill the position of City Administrator. The Mayor paid tribute to Mr. Moir's years of service with the Town and City of Dartmouth. He proposed that Mr. Moir & Deputy Mayor Withers discuss with him the approach to be taken in

seeking a replacement for the position of City Administrator; a recommendation will then be made to Council within two or three weeks time. Members were willing to go along with this suggestion, and to approve the motion on the floor at this time. The motion carried.

> <u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Ald. Levandier & Greenough that Mr. Moir's letter of resignation be accepted with deep regret.

MONTHLY REPORTS

The regular monthly reports, presented directly

to Council without recommendation, were adopted as

follows:

- Social Services (March): adopted on motion of Ald. Greenough and Bregante.
- 2) <u>Development Officer</u> (March): adopted on motion of Ald. Hawley and Withers.
- 3) <u>Building Inspection</u> (March): adopted on motion of Ald. McCluskey and Thompson.

Ald. Levandier noted that building permits are down for this year to date, and he asked if projections for 1986 will be down accordingly. Mr. Turner said there are some major projects still to get underway in 1986, and these will probably bring the figures up considerably.

4) Minimum Standards (March): adopted on motion of Ald. Thompson and Greenough.

Ald. Connors inquired about two properties, 14 Myrtle Street and 15 Victoria Road; he asked why it has taken so long to have the problems at these locations corrected, and suggested that perhaps the Solicitor could help to expedite action on such properties. Mr. Turner was available to discuss Ald. Connors' questions with him.

Ald. Withers requested an inspection of the property at 28A/Albro Lake Road.

Ald. McCluskey had a question about 240A Crichton Ave., which she discussed with Mr. Turner.

- 5) <u>Fire Chief</u> (March): adopted on motion of Ald. Hawley and Pye.
- 6) Dog Control (March): adopted on motion of Ald. McCluskey and Pye.

Ald. Connors said he would like to continue receiving the monthly reports from the Tourism Director, and the financial summary circulated in previous months. Mr. Moir said the financial summary will be included, now that the budget discussions have been completed.

MOTIONS: To adopt the regular monthly reports, as detailed above.

VOTING DELEGATES: FCM CONFERENCE

Council was asked to name two voting delegates to the FCM Conference. Mayor Savage and Ald. Hawley were chosen as the two delegates, on a nomination presented by Ald. Bregante and Thompson.

LAND EXCHANGE: BECKFOOT DRIVE

SOLUTION 86-12

Mr. Moir has submitted a report on a proposed land exchange between the City and Lawrence & Marie Webber, at the end of Beckfoot Drive. The two parcels of land concerned are equal in square footage, and the reasons for recommending the exchange are explained in Mr. Moir's report. Resolution 86-12 has been prepared for Council's approval in this connection, and Mr. Moir has recommended its adoption.

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Council proceeded to adopt Resolution 86-12, to accomplish the land exchange, on motion of Ald. Withers and Levandier.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & Levandier that Council adopt Resolution 86-12, to provide for a land exchange at the end of Beckfoot Drive, between the City and Lawrence & Marie Webber.

14 LOCKS ROAD Council considered a report from Mr. Moir on the property at 14 Locks Road, required for the widening of this street. An agreement has now been reached to acquire this property by proceeding with expropriation, the settlement arrangement being that the person who resides at 14 Locks Road (Elsie Glenn) will move to 3 Garshen Court (a City-owned property), where she will reside for the rest of her life. The City will continue to be responsible for any capital improvements to the property, and will pay Mrs. Glenn's reasonable moving costs. Mr. Moir has recommended approval of this settlement, as outlined, so that expropriation can proceed without having to be concerned further about the family living at 14 Locks Road.

Council approved the recommendation, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Hawley.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Hawley that Council approve the settlement reached with respect to 14 Locks Road, and the relocation of the person living there, as outlined above.

WSE OF ST. PETER'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Reports have been circulated on proposed renovations to St. Peter's Grammar School, this building having been under study and consideration for some time, since it was declared surplus to the requirements of the Dartmouth school system.

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As agreed to by Council, the services of Mr. Vincent Marsh, Architect, have been retained to carry out a preliminary study for the City of the renovations required to put the building in condition where it could be used for the various purposes recommended by the special committee that studied the building over a period of time in 1985. The report prepared by Mr. Marsh suggests three alternatives for proceeding with renovations, and in his accompanying report, Mr. Moir has recommended in favour of Alternative A, at a cost of \$256,000. The funds required to be provided from the Special Reserve Funds available for future Capital Expenditures. When the renovations are completed, the building will be administered by the Parks & Recreation Dept. Alternative A provides for renovations required to ensure a long-term committment to the building (5 to 10 years), and to bring the building to full service, as detailed in Mr. Marsh's report.

Ald. Withers and Levandier moved the adoption of Mr. Moir's recommendation. Most members of Council were in favour of the motion and considered that the uses planned for the building are worthwhile and beneficial to the community, particularly the additional day care facilities that will be provided. There were some concerns, however, about the adequacy of parking in conjunction with the uses of the building, and about the lack of information on the operating costs that can be expected after the building is in full use. Mr. Moir agreed to have an operating budget prepared and ready for Council to look at within a week or two. Mr. Fougere and Mr. Atkinson commented on the existing parking in the area of the building.

Ald. Woods was not satisfied with the report that Mr. Marsh has submitted. He felt it lacks the necessary information about the electrical and mechanical requirements of the building, including the question of any asbestos that has been used for insulating purposes,

and such items as zone controls for heating, a fire alarm system, etc. He was not willing to support the motion without first having the additional information he considered to be necessary, including some idea of annual operating costs.

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Ald. Billard had questions about the fee being received by the Architect for the report he has prepared, and the fee the Architect will receive, based on the projected cost of the renovations. He noted that the expected revenue figure if far below the operating/ maintenance cost noted in Mr. Moir's report of Sept. 25/85, this projection being in the range of \$55,000. per year. He expressed reservations about the cost of renovating and operating the building, in comparison to the revenue expectations. Mr. Marsh was present for this item and responded to the questions from Ald. Billard, Ald. Woods and other members with points to be clarified.

Ald. Woods asked if the figure of \$256,000. would put the building into comfortable working order, or could the figure be higher than the projection. Mr. Marsh said it could be higher, but when he sought prices from sub-contractors, he asked them to give quotations on the high side to provide for unforseen additional costs. He pointed out that it is more difficult to give exact figures for renovations to a building than it is to be exact in projections for a new building.

Ald. Connors and Hawley both commented on the need for the day care facilities that will take up part of the building. The Mayor advised Council of a letter he has received as of this date from the Minister of Social Services, confirming that as of October 1st, Dartmouth will be receiving fifteen more day care seats. Ald. Connors explained that with these additional seats for Dartmouth, it will be possible to have twenty-five subsidized day care seats at both locations to be operated by Dartmouth Day Care.

Having been advised by Mr. Moir that information is to be provided on operating costs, most members were

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willing to have the renovations go ahead, as recommended. Ald. Greenough pointed out that any additional costs not projected at this time, will be evident to Council when tenders come in for the renovations. If there are major cost increases, Council will have the opportunity to approve or reject them at that time.

When the vote was taken on the motion, it carried with Ald. Woods voting against.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & Levandier that Council adopt Mr. Moir's recommendation on renovations to the St. Peter's Grammar School building, based on Alternative A of the Architect's report, estimated to cost \$256,500.

Tenders have been received, as per the Police Chief's report of April 22/86, for the lake safety patrol services for a two-year period. It has been recommended by Chief Trider, with the concurrence of Mr. Moir, that the tender be awarded to Mr. Mark Ring, for the tender price of \$47,499., for a two-year period. This price is within the budget projection for the item. Council awarded the tender, as recommended, on motion of Ald. McCluskey and Levandier.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. McCluskey & Levandier that the tender for lake safety patrol services be awarded to Mr. Mark Ring, as recommended, for the tender price of \$47,499., for a two-year period.

Mr. Smith has prepared a report to Council on the subject of small balance write-offs for tax and water accounts, pointing out that it is actually costing the City more to send out these cheques than the cheque itself is worth. He has therefore recommended that the City neither charge nor refund account balances of less than \$2.00.

Council approved this recommendation, on motion of Ald. Greenough and McCluskey.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & McCluskey that Council approve Mr. Smith's recommendation on account balances of \$2.00, as noted above.

Borrowing Resolution 86-20 has been presented in accordance with Section 265 (1) of the City Charter, for Council's approval. The resolution was approved,

AWARD TENDER: LAKE SAFETY PATROL

SMALL BALANCE WRITE-OFFS

BORROWING RESOLUTION #86-20

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on motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson.

TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTIONS MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that Council approve Borrowing Resolution 86-20, as requested.

In a report prepared by Mr. Corrigan and submitted by Mr. Smith, it has been recommended that Council approve the renewal of temporary borrowing resolutions numbered DMA 84-01 through DMA 84-13.

Mr. Corrigan made a presentation to Council, explaining the purpose of temporary borrowing resolutions and why they have to be renewed, until permanent funding is in place. The Mayor said this presentation was informative to Council and answered questions that members have raised in the past about temporary borrowing procedures.

On motion of Ald. Thompson and Hawley, Council approved the renewal of temporary borrowing resolutions DMA 84-01 through DMA 84-13, copies of which have been circulated with the agenda.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Thompson & Hawley that Council approve the renewal of temporary borrowing resolutions DMA 84-01 through DMA 84-13, as recommended by Mr. Smith and Mr. Corrigan.

SURPLUS CITY LANDS: WINDMILL RD.

The City Solicitor has reported to Council on three City properties that are surplus to the needs of the City, on Windmill Road. It is proposed that the properties in question be conveyed to adjacent property owners who are interested in them, as follows:

> Civic 334 Windmill Road to Jamil Karam 326 & 328 Windmill Rd. to Dawen Muffler 338 Windmill Road to Ken Asprey.

RESOLUTIONS 86-13 86-14 86-15 Resolutions 86-13, 86-14, and 86-15 have been presented to accomplish the sale of land to the above-noted property owners.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ald. Bregante declared a conflict of interest, based on the fact that his company does business with one of the property owners involved. He withdrew from his place on Council to sit in the gallery for this item.

Ald. Greenough and Levandier moved the adoption of Resolutions 86-13, 86-14, and 86-15, but Ald. Pye

and Woods were opposed to the sale of these properties to private interests, in view of the location of the properties at points on Windmill Road where the view of traffic will be obscured by any encroachment of vehicles, signs, buildings, etc. Ald. Hawley questioned whether these intersections are any different from those in other parts of the City which are subject to the same concerns.

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In view of the strong opposition indicated by the Aldermen for Ward 5, Ald. Greenough moved referral back to staff to determine if special consideration should be given to the Windmill Road intersections and the blocks of land adjacent to them, now being proposed for sale to private interests. The motion to refer was seconded by Ald. Withers and it carried with Ald. Levandier voting against. Ald. Woods asked if a public meeting with residents could be held, but was willing to go along with Mr. Moir's suggestion that the meeting be with the ward Aldermen instead.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Withers that the item on surplus City lands, Windmill Road, be referred back to staff, to determine if special consideration should be given to the Windmill Rd. intersections and the blocks of land adjacent to them, now being proposed for sale to private interests.

Council was asked to consider proposed By-law C-588, which would amend By-law C-451 (passed during budget discussions) by establishing a \$50 fee each for taxi drivers' and taxi owners' licences. The figures for these fees were changed in error at the Council meeting of April 22nd.

It was moved by Ald. Withers and Pye and carried that leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-588 and that it now be read a first time.

It was moved by Ald. Pye and McCluskey and carried that By-law C-588 be read a second time. Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

BY-LAW C-588

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It was moved by Ald. Greenough and Withers and carried that By-law C-588 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

> Three readings given by By-law C-588: MOTIONS: to amend By-law C-451, with respect to taxi driver and owner licenses.

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

Council was also requested to set a date for SUBDIVISION BY-LAW public hearing in order to be able to proceed with enactment of Subdivision By-law C-581. Through an error, this procedure was not followed at the time of the budget debate, when setting the \$25. fee for processing subdivision applications.

> On motion of Ald. Withers and Greenough, Council set June 17th as the date for this hearing.

> > MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & Greenough that Council set June 17th as the date for public hearing in connection with the enactment of Subdivision By-law C-581.

Council was asked to approve Resolution 86-22,

UG PIPE CROSSING: WOODSIDE FERRY TERMINAL

RESOLUTION 86-22

authorizing the entering into of a pipeline license agreement for a storm sewer pipe crossing at Mile 14.57 of CN Dartmouth Subdivision (required for the development of the parking lot for the Woodside Ferry Terminal). Resolution 86-22 was approved, on motion of

Ald. Levandier and Bregante.

Moved by Ald. Levandier & Bregante MOTION: that Council approve Resolution 86-22: pipeline license agreement for storm sewer, Woodside Ferry Terminal parking lot.

The next item on the agenda, application to amend Development Agreement (Nantucket Subdivision) has been postponed for one week, at the request of the developer.

1986 MAINSTREET PROGRAM

The Business Improvement District Committee has recommended the following projects to Council for application to the Mainstreet Program:

> 1) Downtown Development Strategy Study \$55,000. 2) Demolition & Landscaping: 65 Alderney Dr. 18,500.

- 3) Downtown Signs 5,500.
- 4) Wentworth St. Parking lot improvements 9,380.

17,300. 5) Walkway: Maitland St. Parking Lot

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The City's share in these projects will amount to \$52,840.; these funds are available from the 1983 capital budget (Downtown Program).

It has been recommended that Council approve these projects in order of priority (as numbered) for application in the 1986 Mainstreet Program, and authorize staff to make the appropriate application.

Ald. McCluskey and Bregante moved the adoption of the recommendation. Questions from Ald. Levandier about item #1 were answered to his satisfaction, and Ald. Billard had questions about item #5 that were also answered by Mr. Lukan, who was present for this item. The vote was taken on the motion and it carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. McCluskey & Bregante that Council approve the recommendation of the Business Improvement District Committee with respect to the five projects proposed for application in the 1986 Mainstreet Program, thereby authorizing staff to make the appropriate application.

A report from Mr. Rath has been circulated on the subject of the City's Industrial Promotion Program, with specific reference to a proposed survey of measures of locational advantage. The Industrial Commission has invited five economic consulting companies to submit proposals to measure/iocational advantage of Dartmouth, and the Commission has recommended to Council, the engagement of Canmac Economics Ltd. to carry out this survey, at a contract price of \$9,750.; the final report to be prepared by no later than July 15/86.

Council approved the recommendation of the Industrial Commission, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson.

MOTION:

Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that Council approve the recommendation of the Industrial Commission to engage Canmac Economics Ltd., to carry out a survey of locational advantages, as outlined in Mr. Rath's report of Apr. 4/86, at a contract price of \$9,750.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY DIRECTORY 1986

A second report from Mr. Rath was before Council, dealing with the Business & Industry Directory for 1986, in which the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce is

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participating, with the Industrial Commission.

The Commission has recommended to Council that Canmac Economics Ltd. be engaged to carry out a survey of Dartmouth's industrial parks, according to the criteria and requirements established for the proposal call (ie. to carry out a survey of the Burnside Industrial Park and the Woodside Ocean Industries Park). The contract price is \$8,950.

Council approved this recommendation, on motion of Ald. Withers and Thompson.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Withers & Thompson that Council approve the recommendation of the Industrial Commission to engage Canmac Economics Ltd., to carry out a survey of Dartmouth's industrial parks, as required for the 1986 Business and Industry Directory, at a contract price of \$8,950.

TAX EXEMPTION: FARRELL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

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The Finance & Program Review Committee has reviewed the application of the Farrell Benevolent Society, for exemption from property taxation, and has recommended to Council that the tax exempt status of the Society be continued for the year 1986. Further, that the status of the Society be again reviewed in the fall of 1986.

As Chairman of the Committee, Ald. Connors outlined the procedures that were followed in dealing with this application from the Farrell Benevolent Society, including discussions with representatives of the organization and with the Solicitor who represents them. He noted that the Society presently retains the charitable designation they received from Revenue Canada, and therefore, at present, the Society qualifies for tax exemption. The item will come before the Finance & Program Review Committee again in the fall for further consideration, in the light of whatever decision Revenue Canada may have reached in the meantime.

Ald. Connors and Greenough moved the adoption of the Committee's recommendation. Ald. Pye agreed with the recommendation of the Committee, but Ald. Levandier said he could not support it because of the dissension

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there is in the community over this matter. He felt that more information needs to be provided to Council on the issue before a decision is made one way or the other.

Ald. McCluskey also had reservations about the exemption, based on a call she has received from an area resident. The Mayor stated that the Committee did exactly what they had to do under the circumstances (ie. that there has been no change to date in the Revenue Canada designation as a charitable organization).

It was noted that an amendment to By-law C-341 will be coming to Council subsequently in this connection. The vote was taken on the motion and it carried with Ald. Levandier voting against.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Connors & Greenough that Council approve the recommendation of the Finance & Program Review Committee, that the tax exempt status of the Farrell Benevolent Society be continued for the year 1986, to be reviewed in the fall of 1986.

A design for a City flag has been recommended by the 25th Anniversary Committee, from the entries received in a competition, based on the decision of the three judges chosen to make a selection. Proposed By-law C-589, with respect to the City flag and its use, was before Council in conjunction with the design recommended.

It was moved by Ald. Hawkey and Withers and carried that leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-589 and that it now be read a first time.

It was moved by Ald. Withers and McCluskey and carried that By-law C-589 be read a second time.

Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

It was moved by Ald. Thompson and McCluskey and carried that By-law C-589 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

> MOTIONS: Three readings given to By-law C-589: City flag and its use.

CITY FLAG: BY-LAW C-589

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APPOINTMENT: TOURIST COMMISSION

On motion of Ald. McCluskey and Bregante, Council approved the appointment of Maj. K. A. Eliason to the Tourist Commission, representing CFB Shearwater. The term of this appointment expires in November of 1986.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. McCluskey & Bregante that Council approve the appointment of Maj. K. A. Eliason to the Tourist Commission, representing CFB Shearwater.

RESIGNATIONS: M.P.S. REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEES

On motion of Ald. Bregante and Pye, Council accepted the resignations of the two following Sub-Committee members, M.P.S. Review:

1) Ms. C. Lande - Commercial Sub-committee.

2) Ms. J. Merrick - Residential Sub-committee.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Bregante and Pye that Council accept the resignations of the two M.P.S. Review Sub-Committee members, noted above.

Ald. Levandier requested and received permission MOTION: ALD. LEVANDIER (DEFERRED) to defer his motion dealing with on-street parking in the downtown residential district, until next week's Council meeting.

The following notices of motion were given for ALD. BILLARD the next regular meeting of Council.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1) Ald. Billard

Emergency Aid;

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(a) WHEREAS the City of Dartmouth has only been able to provide welfare recipients with the minimum level of assistance for food, that level being \$326.54 per month for a family of two adults and two children under 12;

AND WHEREAS, the City of Dartmouth has an estimated surplus in its operating account of just under three million dollars, the annual interest on which approximates onethird of a million dollars;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Council approve the Level 3 of funding for food assistance, as requested by the Director of Social Services for the City, that amount being \$168,000. and just half the annual interest earned on our operating surplus.

(b) WHEREAS the foundation of better health must be the provision of clean water, and without it, other forms of help will largely be in vain; AND WHEREAS Canada is as well qualified as any country to provide such assistance, in the hope

of striking at the basic cause of destitution; AND WHEREAS a new Canadian project, WATERCAN, is being proposed for a trial period of 12 months, to be the authorized recipient of contributions from a vew of the larger Canadian municipalities, and to allocate those funds in a similar manner as was done for African

ALD. MCCLUSKEY

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that staff contact Mr. Michael Lubback of WATERCAN, to investigate the idea of having householders add a small amount to their water bill payments, or 'round-up' their bill to the next dollar, and having that extra money sent to WATERCAN.

2) Ald. McCluskey

 (a) WHEREAS Affirmative action is a planning process which helps employers to make the best possible use of their company's human resources;

AND WHEREAS Affirmative Action gives the same chance to everyone in the workplace;

AND WHEREAS Affirmative Action does not benefit target group members by setting up barriers for other workers, but helps to correct the under-employment of this group;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Nova Scotia is an Equal-Opportunity employer, and the Federal Government is in the process of passing such legislation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dartmouth become an Equal-Opportunity employer and part of Affirmative Action.

(b) WHEREAS the Fraser Commission Report is recommending liberalization of the laws on pornography;

AND WHEREAS pornography creates a climate for social and sexual desensitization, so that cruelty and violence become the norm;

AND WHEREAS pornography is degrading to human beings;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council inform the Prime Minister of Canada, as well as local Members of Parliament, and the Premier of Nova Scotia and his Cabinet, that we are not in favour of the Government adopting this recommendation of the Fraser Commission.

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3) Ald. Connors

WHEREAS revenues, expenditures, and levels of service were reviewed by City Council under some time constraints in 1986;

AND WHEREAS the City Administrator, in his report of Apr. 14/86 has made certain recommendations concerning when and how Council should review revenues, expenditures and levels of service;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Finance & Program Review Committee review, examine and report back to Council on methods Council may adopt, by which expenditures, revenues and levels of service may be reviewed in a timely and efficient manner by Council.

On motion of Ald. Thompson and Greenough, Council

went in camera to deal with an additional item. Having reconvened in open Council, the action taken in camera was ratified, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson. Meeting adjourned.

G. D. Brady, Deputy City Clerk.



Dartmouth, N. S.

May 12/86.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 5:00 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto Thompson Levandier Connors Withers McCluskey Pye Woods Hawley Greenough Bregante Hetherington Billard City Administrator, C. A. Moir Asst. to City Administrator, T. Rath City Clerk-Treasurer, B. Smith.

1986 CAPITAL BUDGET

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Council met to continue their consideration of the 1986 capital budget, adjourned from the March 10th meeting in Committee.

Ald. Greenough proposed that Council deal first with the matter of a new library, and proceeded to move that one million dollars be allocated in 1986 from the Burnside Park sale-of-land account, and one million dollars from the same source in 1987, in order to provide funding for a new library building for the City. The motion was seconded by Ald. Withers.

Ald. Levandier felt that Council should first review what capital commitments have already been approved, and determine exactly the total that has been reached at this point before any decisions are made on other capital projects. Ald. Hawley preferred to have the 1987 capital allocation for a library come from the 1987 capital budget instead of the Burnside land account, and he moved this in amendment, seconded by Ald. Hetherington. Debate followed, during which there appeared to be general support for a library building and for the approval of a two-million-dollar commitment on the part of the City toward it, but at the same time, some members did not want to take an additional one million dollars from the Burnside account, or to specifically earmark that amount for next year's capital budget either. After considerable discussion, the motion was therefore revised to reflect the general mood of the debate, and was presented as follows for the vote:



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Council approves the commitment of two million dollars toward the cost of a new library as a 25th Anniversary project of the City, one million dollars of which will be allocated in 1986 from the Burnside Park sale-of-land account; the second one million dollars for 1987 to remain unspecified at this time. This commitment on the part of the City to be contingent upon funding assistance from the Province.

The motion was acceptable in this revised form and when the vote was taken, it carried unanimously. (Ald. Pye and Woods did not vote on the motion, having just arrived for the meeting at this point.)

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Withers: text of the motion as above.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and Hetherington, Council went into Committee to deal with the capital budget items separately.

Having reconvened later in the evening as Council, the action taken in Committee on this date and at the meeting of March 10 was ratified, on motion of Ald. Greenough and Sarto.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Sarto that Council ratify the action taken in Committee on this date and on March 10th, in dealing with the 1986 capital budget.

NOTICE OF MOTION: ALD. HAWLEY

Ald. Hawley was then permitted to give the following notice of motion for the first regular meeting of Council in June:

Ald. Hawley

That City Council ask the Engineering Dept. to provide a cost estimate for placing a walkway from the newly-opened interpretive centre on Alderney Drive, along the waterway, up Mill Lane and along Mill Lane to the sidewalk on Canal Street; this estimate to be included in the 1987 capital budget.

Meeting adjourned.

Bruce Smith, City Clerk-Treasurer.

City Council, May 12/86

ITEMS:

1) 1986 Capital Budget, page 1 & 2.

2) Notice of Motion: Ald. Hawley, page 2.

Dartmouth, N.S. May 13, 1986 Regularly called meeting of City Council held this 1 date at 7:30 p.m. Present - Mayor Savage Ald. Sarto Woods Thompson Pye Billard Hawley Levandier Greenough Connors Hetherington Withers Bregante McCluskey City Solicitor, M. Moreash City Administrator, C.A. Moir City Clerk, B. Smith Council met to complete the May 6th agenda. Two items were added to the agenda which dealt with the 1986 Debt Issue and a Building Permit Application from Can-Euro Investments Ltd. Mayor Savage advised that the developer has requested CATION FOR ENDMENT OF that this item be deferred to a later date in May. VELOPMENT AGREE-NT - NANTUCKET BDIVISION -STREET PARKING -Ald. Levandier proceeded to introduce his Notion for WNTOWN RESIDENTIAL which notice was previously given and he moved the following ISTRICT motion which was seconded by Ald. Hetherington. WHEREAS on-street parking is a major problem in the downtown residential district, particularly on the streets bounded by Victoria Road, Ochterloney Street and Alderney Drive, and to the centre of Park Avenue; AND WHEREAS people working elsewhere (and parking on-street) are causing problems for the residents; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff investigate and report about the possibility of permit-only parking for the residents of the streets described. Ald. Levandier noted that the City of Halifax handles a similar situation by issuing permits to residents. He noted that rental parking is available and people working elsewhere should be encouraged to use parking facilities which are available. He requested that the Traffic Management Group have this report back in six weeks. Ald. Hawley requested that when this report is being prepared information on the number of private homes that may require parking on the streets because they don't have driveways or require extra room, be included. The motion on the floor carried. VQUIRIES & Ald. Hetherington referred to the May 8th issue of Dartmouth NSWERS:

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Ald. McCluskey indicated that she was of the understanding that the date for neighbourhood meetings on the Albro Lake Lands would be set this evening. Mr. L'Esperance noted that the rezoning report is not yet ready, but should be before Council in two weeks.

Ald. Greenough wondered if the timing of the water extension from Waverley Road to Spider Lake Road is known. Mr. Fougere noted that the tender has been prepared and it will be three months before the extension is completed. Ald. Greenough expressed concern about the summer water supply and requested that this project be given priority.

Referring to the spring clean up, Ald. Greenough felt the City should stick with the decision it has made. He felt that when residents understood that this service was eliminated to save \$55,000, they accepted the decision.

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Ald. Thompson referred to the elimination of the Annual Police Week display at shopping centres. Mr. Moir confirmed that this cut will result in a cost savings of \$10,000.

When Mr. Fougere prepares his report on the spring clean up, Ald. Levandier requested that the costs involved in commencing the continuous clean up July 1st rather than September 1st be given.

Ald. Pye felt that the decision on the garbage pick up has been made and should be left that way. He suggested that it be advertised that there will be no spring clean up this year, but continuous garbage collection will commence in September.

Ald. Hetherington agreed with Ald. Pye's suggestion and noted that a lot of residents are not aware that the Transfer Station is now open and serves residents both Saturday and Sunday. He felt this matter should be brought to the attention of the citizens, perhaps with a note in the water bill.

Ald. Hetherington requested that the City Engineer send the street sweeper to South Woodside.

Ald. Sarto referred to work started last year on Glenn and

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Patterson and the fact that landscaping and driveways have not been completed. He requested that Mr. Fougere request that the contractors return to finish the job.

The Mayor noted that this matter was deferred from the April 29th meeting. Permission was given by Council at that time for a presentation by the Downtown Dartmouth Corporation and Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce. A written report dated May 12th from these groups was distributed to the members. Mr. Reg Horner addressed Council and referred to the report. He referred to the general negative reaction of the public to the proposed increase and the effect this will have on the downtown. The report suggests the increase be limited to 50¢ an hour and attaches several recommendations on how the City might generate additional monies from parking. Mr. Horner expressed appreciation to Council for attempting to keep taxes down.

It was moved by Ald. McCluskey and seconded by Ald. Sarto that Council change the parking fee to 50¢ an hour and Council also look at changing the ticket fine to \$7.50 and \$15.00 for late payment.

Ald. Connors also suggested that the specific recommendations contained in the report should be reviewed, and the 1982 study reevaluated.

Mayor Savage noted that the Chief of Police has some concerns which have to be addressed re the pyramid ticketing by-law. It was his intention to have a meeting with representatives of the Downtown Dartmouth Corporation and Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce and Chief of Police. He thought a report should be available within two weeks on these matters.

Ald. Levandier suggested that there is a need for an additional commissionaire in the Downtown, perhaps even on a part-time basis. He anticipated additional revenues might be generated.

Concern was expressed that due to the proposed changes in parking fees, it might look to the Province as if the City is deficit budgeting. Mr. Moir assured the alderman that criticism is unlikely.

In reply to a question about the cost of converting meters, Mr. Smith indicated that \$50,000 to \$60,000 had been estimated for the changeover. It costs \$167.00 per meter for the change. The

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company involved has offered to finance this charge over 36 months at a reasonable interest rate.

Ald. Greenough had no difficulty supporting the motion on the floor but was concerned about the fine increase from \$5.00 to \$7.50. He suggested that there was no need for a report to be given in two weeks and the Finance and Program Review Committee, together with the Police Chief, a member of Planning, representatives from the D.D.C. and Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce, together with aldermen from the Ward might prepare a report. He felt an in-depth study was required.

Ald. Thompson suggested that this Committee might also look into the costs associated with changing the meters to accept other change, rather than just quarters.

In conclusion, when the vote on the motion on the floor was taken it passed. It was then moved by Ald. Greenough and seconded by Ald. Connors that the recommendations contained in the May 12th report from the D.D.C. and Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce be sent to the Finance and Review Committee for a study with a report as soon as possible. The motion carried.

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A report was before Council from the City Administrator re the sale of lots on Lyngby Avenue. It was moved by Ald. McCluskey and seconded by Ald. Greenough that City Council approve the sale of Lot D 14 to Frank Mason for a price of \$39,150 and Lot D 13 to Barbara Charles for the price of \$37,000. This motion carried.

It was moved by Ald. Withers and Ald. Sarto that the

three remaining lots, i.e. Lots D 10, D 11 and D 15 be disposed of as follows:-

Lot D 10 and D 11 be sold on a "first come, first served" basis for a price of \$36,930 each; and that

Lot D 15 be sold on a "first come, first served" basis for the price of \$38,500.

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Concern was expressed that since Mr. Dignan placed a bid on the lots, he be given an opportunity to purchase one of the remaining lots at the stated price. Mr. Moir indicated to Ald. Withers that he has been in contact with Mr. Dignan. An amendment to the motion was moved by Ald. McCluskey and seconded by Ald. Withers that Mr. Dignan be given first offer to buy lot D 10, D 11 for a price of \$36,930 each or Lot D 15 for a price of \$38,500. The remaining two lots would be sold on a "first come, first served" basis at the prices noted in the May 12th report. The motion on the amendment carried.

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AMENDMENT:

1: Moved by Ald. McCluskey and seconded by Ald. Withers that Mr. Dignan be given first offer (right of first refusal) on the remaining lots D 10, D 11 for a price of \$36,930 each or Lot D 15, for a price of \$38,500. The remaining two lots would be sold on a "first come, first served" basis, at the prices noted in the May 12th report.

A report dated May 12th from the Deputy City Treasurer re 1986 Debt Issue was before Council. Several members of Council did not have their reports with them and it was noted that it had be distributed yesterday evening at the time of the Capital Budget deliberations. Ald. Billard expressed concern that several items have been sent to the alderman at a very late date. He felt that a note attached to such reports, requesting that they be studied at your earliest convenience, would stand out better, than notations typed on the top of reports. He requested that staff be instructed that if they desire something on the agenda, 24 hours notice is required, preferably that it be circulated with supporting documentation the Thursday prior to Council.

Mr. Smith reviewed the memorandum with the members and it was moved by Ald. Thompson and seconded by Ald. Sarto that Council approve that funding arrangements be made with the Municipal Finance Corporation, as soon as possible.

The formal "Issuing Resolution" would be approved by Council

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at a later date.

Ald. Connors referred to a report presently being prepared by the Finance and Review Committee. He noted that the City of Dartmouth and other municipalities should be looking at ways of financing, which are more flexible, so advantage can be made of decreasing rates.

Mr. Smith discussed this matter and noted how the trend of the money markets have changed. It was the previous practice to use 15 to 20 year terms, now 10 year terms are the maximum.

Mayor Savage wondered if the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalites have ever discussed these matters, although it is recognized that the rules are imposed by the Province. The Finance and Review Committee will discuss this further.

After answers were given to Ald. Hawley about various amounts in the appendices, the vote was taken on the motion on the floor. The motion carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Thompson and Ald. Sarto that Council approve that funding arrangements be made with the Minicipal Finance Corporation, as soon as possible.

UILDING PERMIT PPLICATION -AN-EURO INVEST-TTS LTD.

A report was submitted by the Development Officer, dated May 13th re Building Permit Application - Can-Euro Investments Ltd. Ald. Connors declared a conflict of interest and withdrew to the gallery. After briefly viewing plans for the development, it was moved by Ald. Sarto and seconded by Ald. Greenough that the building permit application be granted subject to comments made in the report and a landscaping bond in the amount of \$25,000. The motion carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Ald. Greenough that the building permit application be granted subject to comments made in the May 12th report and a landscaping bond in the amount of \$25,000.

On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Ald. Hawley, it was moved that Council adjourn to reconvene in Committee of the Whole to deal with the balance of the agenda.

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City Clerk-Treasurer

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ITEMS:

- Application for Amendment of Development Agreement, Nantucket Subdivision, page 1.
 On-Street Parking Downtown Residential District, page 1.
 Enquiries and Answers, pages 1 to 4.
 Parking Meter Increase, pages 4 & 5.
 Sale of Lots, Lyngby Avenue, pages 5 & 6.
 Debt Issue, pages 6 & 7.
 Building Permit Application, Can-Euro Investments Ltd., page 7.



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Dartmouth, N. S.

May 15/86.

Special meeting of City Council held this date at 5:00 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto Thompson Connors Levandier Withers McCluskey Pye Woods Hawley Greenough Bregante Hetherington City Administrator, C. A. Moir City Solicitor, M. Moreash Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Thompson, notice of meeting was waived, in order for Council to be able to deal with the Commons item at this time.

The Mayor informed Council of the purpose of the meeting, which was to consider proposed amendments to Bill 104, for presentation to the Law Amendments Committee on May 16th. He advised that a meeting has taken place earlier in the day (May 15) with citizens concerned about the Commons issue, the two Ward 3 Aldermen, and the City Solicitor, in an attempt to reach a concensus on amendments that could be presented by the City, to modify certain provisions of Bill 104. The amendments were subsequently drafted for consideration by the citizens at 4:30 p.m., at which time, only Mr. Chard reappeared to discuss them. The Mayor expressed disappointment that the other citizens did not see fit to return at 4:30 to review the amendments being proposed. Mrs. Smith did, however, attend the Council meeting, being present from about 5:15 p.m. onward.

Mr. Moreash distributed copies of the amendments drafted during the afternoon and went through them with Council. Mr. MacInnis, Chief Surveyor for the City, was also present with a map of the Commons land, and indicated during Mr. Moreash's presentation, the lands being described. Members then had the opportunity to ask any questions they wanted to and to comment on the amendments. Ald. Greenough was concerned about the fact that the City spent over one million dollars to

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

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purchase land from the Trizec interests, only to find that it is now included in Bill 104 as land that cannot be used for the purposes the City and the School Board originally intended when the land was acquired. Ald. Hawley was also concerned about the impact of Bill 104 in relation to the Dartmouth High playing field, which does not meet the regulation size for soccer already and was to have been expanded as part of the plan for lands between Dartmouth High and the Sportsplex.

The other areas of concern pertained to the triangular pieceof land at the intersection of Nantucket Ave., where a T-intersection has been recommended in the Transportation Study; secondly, the former Park School site, proposed as the location for the new library building; and thirdly, the restriction that will be placed on the Sportsplex and any further plans for its expansion - all of these sites being affected by the legislation proposed in Bill 104.

Ald. Hetherington and Sarto moved that Council approve the proposed amendments that have been drafted and presented, for presentation to the Law Amendments Committee. The general response of Council to the motion was in support of it, the opinion being that some flexibility is needed with regard to the public uses of the lands in question for the good of the community. It was felt that facilities such as the library, the Sportsplex, playing fields for the high school, are in fact, public uses that are as valuable as keeping the land vacent with no use being made of it. Ald. Hetherington said he was disappointed that citizens did not even bother to come back to the 4:30 meeting to look at the amendments drafted, and he referred to complaints made by Mr. Trider to the effect that he has not had the opportunity of being heard in the past. Ald. Hetherington said he has now been given the opportunity and did not bother even showing up.

Ald. Pye felt this is too important an issue

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to rush through this sitting of the legislature; he would have preferred to see it delayed for the fall sitting to permit more time for discussion.

When the vote was taken on the motion, it carried unanimously.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington and Sarto that Council approve the proposed amendments that have been drafted and presented, for presentation to the Law Amendments Committee.

Meeting adjourned.

G. D. Brady, Deputy City Clerk.

City Council, May 15/86

ITEM:

1) Proposed amendments: Bill 104, page 1 to 3 incl.

Dartmouth, N. S.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Thompson

Levandier

McCluskey

Greenough

Hetherington

Woods

Acting City Administrator, R. Fougere

Deputy City Clerk, G. D. Brady.

Present - Mayor Savage

Ald. Sarto

Pye

Connors

Withers

Hawley

Billard

Bregante

City Solicitor, S. Hood

VIDEO PRESENTATION: MEDICAL RESEARCH

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MONTHLY REPORTS

The meeting opened with a video presentation on Medical Research in Nova Scotia. This video won first prize from among those of the sixteen medical schools across Canada. The presentation was introduced by Barbara Hinds, and Dr. Murray, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine for Dalhousie, was also present for the item. He addressed Council briefly after the video was shown, commenting on the importance of medical research to the local metropolitan community and the significance of contributions that have made by local researchers.

The Mayor expressed thanks on behalf of Council for the presentation.

Council agreed to add a number of items to the agenda for this meeting:

1) a report on the Commons Bill

- 2) Resolution 86-25
- 3) Resolution 86-26
- 4) communication, 1987 Can. Winter Games.
- 5) ", Railway Relocation & Crossing Act.

Monthly reports, recommended from Committee,

were approved as follows:

- Social Services (April): approved on motion of Ald. Sarto and Levandier.
- 2) <u>Development Officer</u> (April): approved on motion of Ald. Levandier and McCluskey.
- 3) <u>Building Inspection</u> (April): approved on motion of Ald. Greenough and Sarto.
- 4) <u>Minimum Standards</u> (April): approved on motion of Ald. Withers and Bregante.
- 5) Fire Chief (April) : approved on motion of Ald. McCluskey and Hetherington.
- 6) Dog Control (April): approved on motion of Ald. Sarto and Pye.

MOTIONS: To approve monthly reports, as above.

ORIENTATION: NOVA SCOTIA HSP.

Mayor Savage and Council have been invited to attend an orientation session at the Nova Scotia Hospital as part of their community education program. and members agreed to have the Mayor arrange a two-hour session for members to attend, on a Friday afternoon in the month of July.

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LETTER: 1987 CANADA GAMES A letter was before Council from a representative of the 1987 Canada Games, asking the City of Dartmouth to become a Friend of the Games and participate in this way in the Games, to be held in Cape Breton.

Mayor Savage was willing to make contact with representatives of the Games when he is in Cape Breton in July, and he will make a report back to Council on any appropriate way the City can acknowledge the Games and Dartmouth's support for them.

LETTER: CITY OF REGINA

The City of Regina has circulated a letter, seeking support and endorsation for a resolution that their Council has adopted with respect to railway relocation and their application made under the Railway Relocation and Crossing Act.

Ald. Connors and Pye moved that Council endorse the resultion of the City of Regina, beginning with the BE IT RESOLVED section. Ald. Connors pointed out that Dartmouth may be looking for this same kind of support at some point in the future, if application is made for railway relocation here. Mayor Savage referred to a similar reolution Council received not too long ago from Vaughan, Ontario, and Ald. Hetherington suggested that members of Council going to this year's FCM conference, try to make contact with representatives from these municipalities to discuss the subject with them.

Ald. Levandier asked about the status of the Dartmouth application at this point, asking to have the item reactivated. The Mayor agreed to check on the committee appointed in this connection, with the idea of arranging for a meeting to take place. He also put forward the idea of this topic for consideration at the next downtown development symposium.

COMMONS BILL

The vote was taken on the motion and it carried.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Connors and Pye that Council endorse the resolution of the City of Regina (railway relocation), beginning with the BE IT RESOLVED section of the resolution.

Mayor Savage made a report to Council on Bill 104, the Commons Bill, and the outcome of the City's presentation to the Law Amendments Committee on May 16th. He indicated who was present at the Committee hearing, and advised that the amended bill proposed by the City was not accepted. Instead, the Committee voted unanimously to proceed with the Bill in its original form. Mayor Savage commented on the impact of Bill 104 in relation to the Park School site (proposed for the library), the Sportsplex site, and the highschool playing fields, all of which are affected.

Ald. Hetherington asked if the Lyle Street property, recently purchased by the City, falls within the Commons designation. The Mayor said that³small portion of it does. Ald. Hetherington went on to refer to a news clipping of April 10th, in which the Hon. Roland Thornhill, author of Bill 104, indicated that he would have no objection to the Park School site as the location for a new library in Dartmouth. Ald. Hetherington questioned the rationalization of these statements with Bill 104, which would prohibit the use of this same site for the new library. He also referred to the restrictions placed on the Sportsplex and any further expansion of that facility or its parking area.

Ald. Withers said he was disappointed, as chairman of the 25th Anniversary Committee, that the site favoured for a library has been affected by the introduction of Bill 104. He noted that a library is of benefit to the entire community and not just to a small segment of the population.

Ald. McCluskey spoke about the need for parking facilities in conjunction with the Sportsplex; otherwise, when a major event is taking place there, people park

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their cars on local business properties, on the streets and anywhere they find a place for them. She said it does not make any sense to provide a facility like the Sportsplex and no parking to accommodate it. Like most other members of Council who spoke on the issue, she felt that an injustice has been done to the citizens of Dartmouth, by restricting the use of the Commons in this way.

Ald. Hawley made the point that the Commons were always intended to be for the common good of the people, and the facilities Council has provided over the years and proposes now, are for the common good of Dartmouth citizens. He noted that there are hundreds of acres of park land set aside throughout the City, besides the land designated as the 'Commons'. He was concerned that Dartmouth City Council has again been over-ruled in a decision made by local elected representatives, and he felt that some means of publicizing the truth of the situation should be found, in order to make citizens aware of what is really happening.

Ald. Levandier said he was outraged by Bill 104 and its intent. He said Council has been elected to represent the people, and the action behind Bill 104 has been initiated by political opportunism, to the detriment of the Dartmouth people. He felt that when citizens become aware of what is really happening and the motivation in trying to appease a small minority of the population, there will be a general opposition to the bill.

Ald. Greenough said he agreed that the people of Dartmouth have had the wool pulled over their eyes in this situation. He was in agreement with other members that the Dartmouth Scenic Gardens should be retained as park land, but the other sites should not be encumbered with restrictions that prevent their use for public facilties the people want in their community. He questioned whether, in fact, the Park School site

and the lands purchased by the City from Trizec, can legally be designated as Commons land, having been out of public ownership for a considerable period of time. He moved referral of this question to the City Solicitor for clarification and for an opinion on those lands that have been transferred out of public ownership, and their status. This question to be researched and reported on as quickly as possible. The motion was seconded by Ald. Hetherington.

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Ald. Pye was concerned that the Province has seen fit to supercede the government of a municipality in this instance, with⁹any consultation with its local representatives, and he questioned this kind of action. Ald. Billard said he agreed with the spirit of Bill 104, but acknowledged that perhaps representatives of the City could have been consulted on it. He maintained that park lands comprising the Commons were never intended to be paved, and he made the point that the legislation being introduced can always be amended at future sittings of the legislature, if necessary. His position on the Park School site was that a downtown location may be a better choice for the library.

Ald. Sarto was disappointed that the amendments proposed by Council did not receive a satisfactory hearing and the Committee showed outright contempt through their action in not even accepting any of the amendments. Ald. Thompson suggested it might not be too late for a meeting with the Minister to find out just what his feelings are and to explain to him what we have in mind. He felt that letters of thanks should go to John Kavanaugh and Charlie Dolan for their attendance at the Committee hearing when the City's presentation was made. The Mayor said this suggestion was duly noted.

Ald. Connors said the basic principle of the bill is sound and he was not fundamentally opposed to it. He spoke about the importance of preserving green spaces in a City, and commented on the distrust that has arisen in the planning process, with respect to the

Commons lands, leading up to the course of action that has now ensued. Ald. Woods expressed his displeasure with the attitude of the Committee and the approach they took to the suggestions and ideas the City put forward in our presentation. He felt they acted like puppets and the decision taken by them was influenced by a minority group.

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Ald. Bregante stated that with the present lack of definition in Bill 104 for just what the Commons are, the end result is almost certain to be a court battle between the City and the Province, caused by this vague reference to the Commons lands.

When the vote was taken on the motion on the floor, it carried with Ald. Billard voting against.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Hetherington that the question of Commons lands that have been transferred out of public ownership, and their availability as other than Commons lands (specifically, the Park School site and the lands purchased from Trizec) be referred to the Solicitor for an opinion, to be given to Council as quickly as possible.

Mr. Moir has submitted a report to Council on the proposed land swap involved in the Settle Park Subdivision development, whereby the City will transfer Block C (across from Eric Graves Jr. High) to the developer, in exchange for the portion of land in Bel Ayr Park between Portland Street and Dorothea Dr., and the brook running through the marsh area. This strip of land the City will receive will help to protect the Cole Harbour Heritage Farm Marsh and the brook leading to it. The Provincial Assessment Dept. has valued the portion of land the City is receiving at \$71,400., and the portion the City is exchanging, at \$34,500.

Resolution 86-24 has been prepared to accomplish this land exchange, which is part of the overall proposal negotiated between the developer and the City in 1985.

Mr. Lukan presented a plan showing the two parcels of land concerned, and reviewed the land swap arrangements for the information of Council.

PROPOSED LAND SWAP: SETTLE PARK DEVELOPMENT

RESOLUTION 86-24

Ald. Sarto and Thompson moved the adoption of Resolution 86-24, but Ald. McCluskey and Hawley had a number of questions about (a) the value of the land involved in the transfer and whether the figures quoted are a true reflection of the actual land value, and (b) the servicing costs to the City and the degree of costsharing being assumed by the developer.

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During the debate, it was noted by Ald. Greenough that the completion of Dorothea Drive was one of the promises made to Bel Ayr residents when the barricade was removed that permitted through-traffic on Swanton Drive. He pointed out that the completion of Dorothea Drive will provide the alternate access route for traffic that residents were assured of when the barricade was removed. Members who supported the motion also recognized the importance of protecting the Cole Harbour marsh and the natural habitat it provides for water fowl. After Ald. Hawley had received the information he requested on cost-sharing for services, he concluded that it is a fair deal for the City, based on the figures provided by Mr. Fougere. Ald. McCluskey's conclusion was that the developer is getting the good deal and not the City.. When the vote was taken on the motion, it carried

with Ald. McCluskey voting against.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Thompson that that Council adopt Resolution 86-24: land exchange, Settle Park Subdivision.

SHUBENACADIE CANAL COMMISSION

Council has received a report from Mr. Moir, accompanied by copies of correspondence and other related material, on the status of the Shubenacadie Canal Commission. A new Shubenacadie Canal Act has been passed at this sitting of the Legislature, and Mr. Moir has recommended that Council repeal By-law C-401 when the new Act has been proclaimed. By-law C-401 established the existing Canal Commission in 1980.

Ald. Greenough and Thompson moved the adoption of Mr. Moir's recommendation, but several members had questions about the areas of responsibility that still have to be clarified with respect to ownership and funding

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provisions. They were reluctant to take any specific action, therefore, until some of these details have been resolved with the Provincial and Federal government levels.

Ald. Greenough and Hetherington moved that Mr. Hart and Mr. Moir arrange a meeting with Provincial representatives to seek clarification of the funding and ownership questions raised, so that a report can be given on the outcome of these discussions within three weeks time. Any decision on the part of Council would be deferred until after the report is received. The motion to defer carried. Mr. Hart said he would be meeting with the Canal Commission (the present Commission) in the meantime.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Hetherington that Council defer a decision on the Canal Commission item, until Mr. Hart and Mr. Moir can arrange a meeting with Provincial representatives to seek clarification of the funding and ownership questions raised; a report to be given to Council on the outcome of the discussions, within three weeks time.

The City Solicitor has prepared By-law C-575, adopting the 1985 Building Code and Plumbing Code for the City of Dartmouth. In her accompanying report, the Solicitor has outlined the various changes, insofar as the City's provisions to the by-law are concerned. She made particular note of the new requirement in both the 1985 Building and Fire Codes, with respect to smoke detectors in private residences.

It was moved by Ald. Hetherington and Sarto and carried that leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-575 and that it now be read a first time.

It was moved by Ald. Withers and Thompson that By-law C-575 be read a second time.

Points raised in second reading for discussion with the Solicitor and with Mr. Turner, pertained to the input and consultation with the Master Plumbers Assn., and with the fencing of above-ground swimming pools. The vote was then taken on the motion for second reading and it carried.

BY-LAW C-575: BUILDING CODE BY-LAW

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Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

It was moved by Ald. Hawley and Hetherington and carried that By-law C575 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

> MOTIONS: Three readings given to By-law C-575: 1985 Building Code & Plumbing Code.

1985 FIRE CODE BY-LAW C-591 Proposed By-law C-591, adopting the 1985 Fire Code, has been prepared for Council's approval. It was accompanied by a report from the Solicitor, explaining changes that have been made in the administrative provisions included in the typewritten text of the by-law. She has recommended approval of the by-law to Council.

It was moved by Ald. Hetherington and Pye and carried that leave be given to introduce the said By-law C-591 and that it now be read a first time.

It was moved by Ald. Hawley and Connors and carried that By-law C-591 be read a second time.

Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

It was moved by Ald. Hetherington and Thompson and carried that By-law C-591 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

MOTIONS: Three readings given to By-law C-591: 1985 Fire Code.

Council has received a revised version of W By-law C-570 (amendments to Solid Waster By-law), which has addressed concerns raised when this by-law was presented at the Council meeting of Feb. 11/86. The by-law was referred to the Solicitor at that time, in second reading for redrafting.

It was moved by Ald. Thompson and Greenough and carried that By-law C-570 be read a second time. Unanimous consent was given by Council for third reading of the by-law.

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AMENDMENTS TO SOLID WASTE BY-LAW

BY-LAW C-570:

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It was moved by Ald. Withers and Thompson and carried that By-law C-570 be read a third time and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the said by-law on behalf of the City.

> MOTIONS: Second & third reading given to By-law C-570: Amendments to Solid Waste By-law. (First reading given at Feb. 11/86 meeting.)

RESOLUTION 86-26

On motion of Ald. Greenough and Hetherington, Council adopted Resolution 86-26, rescheduling the first Council meeting in June from the first Tuesday in the month to the second Tuesday, June 10th.

RESOLUTION 86-25 Resolution 86-25 has been circulated, being a resolution to provide for a 4% increase in the remuneration paid to members of Council, the Deputy Mayor and the Mayor. Ald. Hetherington and Sarto moved the adoption of the resolution, but the motion was opposed by Ald. Billard, Bregante and McCluskey.

> When the vote was taken, the motion carried with Ald. Billard, Woods, Pye, McCluskey, and Bregante voting against. Ald. Billard gave notice of his intention to have the additional 4% of his remuneration, go to the Social Services Dept.

> > MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington and Sarto that Resolution 86-25 be approved, providing for a 4% increase in the remuneration paid to members of Council, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

In response to a petition, requesting the construction of sidewalk on Regal Road, Mr. Purdy has prepared a cost estimate report, which details three sidewalk sections and gives a separate estimate for each.

Ald. Sarto commented on the existing situation on Regal Road, describing it as being dangerous for pedestrians, particularly in the case of children who have to travel this route to and from school. He moved that first approval be given for an expenditure in the amount of \$95,000. for sidewalk on Regal Road from Dorothea Drive to Bayswater Road, on the east side. The motion was seconded by Ald. Thompson.

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SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION: REGAL ROAD

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Ald. McCluskey asked why the developer would not have been required to assume responsibility for the retaining walls and street construction that will be required to proceed with a sidewalk on Regal Road. Ald. Levandier said he could not support an overexpenditure in this amount when the capital budget for 1986 has just recently been approved. He moved deferral of the item to the 1987 capital budget debate (ie. to include funding in the 1987 capital budget), seconded by Ald. Hawley. Ald. Greenough suggested that it might still be possible to do the project this year and pay for it from the 1987 budget. This would depend on how much street construction is able to be completed in the remainder of 1986.

The vote was taken on the motion to defer and it carried.

On motion of Ald. Pye and Bregante, Council

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Levandier and Hawley that the Regal Road sidewalk item be deferred to the 1987 capital budget debate (ie. to include funding in the 1987 capital budget).

MPS SUB-COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER

approved the appointment of Ms. Cathy Rossi to the M.P.S. Commercial Development Sub-Committee, as recommended by the M.P.S. Review Committee.

MOTION: Moved by Ald. Pye & Bregante that Council approve the appointment of Ms. Cathy Rossi to the M.P.S. Commercial Development Sub-Committee.

FERRY SUPT. REPORT: FEB & MARCH On motion of Ald. Hetherington and Bregante, Council adopted the Ferry Supt. reports for the months of Feb. and March, as recommended by the Transit Advisory Board.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hetherington & Bregante that Council adopt the Ferry Supt. reports for the months of Feb. and March.

HOUSING DEMONSTRATION PROJECT The Housing Coordinator for the City, Sharon Chisholm, has forwarded a report to Council on a proposed housing demonstration project for the metropolitan area, which includes 80 units for Dartmouth, toward which the City would be requested to contribute one million dollars, in the form of a direct grant or

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in the form of land appraised at its market value, or a combination of both.

Ms. Chisholm presented her report to Council and showed a series of slides in connection with it.

During the course of the presentation, a motion was adopted to continue meeting beyond the hour of 11:00 p.m. (Ald. Hetherington and Thompson), but it was felt that an item of such importance could not adequately be debated by Council at this time of the evening. At the conclusion of the slide presentation, it was therefore moved by Ald. Pye and Levandier that the housing item be deferred to the May 27th Council meeting, with the request that it be scheduled as the first item on the agenda. The motion to defer carried.

> Moved by Ald. Pye and Levandier that MOTION: the housing item be deferred to the May 27th Council meeting, due to the lateness of the hour.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and McCluskey, Council agreed to meet in camera for one additional item of business. After reconvening in open Council, the action taken in camera was ratified, on motion of Ald. Hetherington and Connors.

Meeting adjourned.

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Dartmouth, N. S.

Regularly called meeting of City Council held this date at 7:30 p.m.

Present - Mayor Savage

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Ald. Sarto Thompson Billard MacFarlane Connors Levandier Withers McCluskey Woods Hawley Greenough Bregante City Solicitor, S. Hood

Acting City Administrator, Bruce S. Smith.

At the request of the developer, Council agreed to delete from the agenda, the application for amendment to a Development Agreement, Nantucket Subdivision. This item has now been deferred to the June 24th Council meeting.

Council also agreed to add an item, dealing with a proposal from the Downtown Dartmouth Corp. for producing and marketing the City flag.

Since both Mayor Savage and Deputy Mayor Withers will be away from the City during the first week of June, Ald. Greenough was requested to carry out any duties required in the interim.

Ald. Levandier rose to express concern about a recent article in the Dartmouth Express tabloid on the rate of crime in the City's north end. He said that a number of senior citizens are upset as a result of the article, and he asked if Council would be willing to hear from the Police Chief on the subject. Council agreed to hear Chief Trider at this point.

Chief Trider acknowledged that the newspaper item tended to dramatize the situation in the north end of the City, but he advised Council that the demand for the services of his department are higher in Ward 5 than anywhere else in the City. He said it is not that the crime rate is actually higher there in terms of crimes committed, but the people responsible for breakand-enters in other parts of the City, tend to live in this area. He attributed this fact to some of the living

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conditions that exist in the heavily-concentrated apartment buildings within the area, some of the buildings being in run-down states and generally, not desirable living accommodations.

Ald. Pye felt that the article referred to by Ald. Levandier, substantiates the points he has already made during the budget debates about the need for extra police services in Ward 5, and it has served to bring to light the concerns that many area residents have. He was also pleased to hear Chief Trider state the conditions as they actually exist in Ward 5.

The Housing Coordinator, Sharon Chisholm, continued with her presentation on the housing demonstration project, where she left off at the May 20th meeting, concluding with the recommendation that Council approve in principle the Demonstration Project, as it has been outlined, and the funding for the Project, so that the job of locating land and defining individual projects can begin.

Ald. Greenough and Bregante moved the adoption of the recommendation. Ald. Levandier was opposed to the motion on the basis that too many unanswered questions still need to be addressed about the project, and based on his arguement that a better approach would be to work with an existing body such as the Dartmouth Housing Authority rather than having the City become involved in housing projects. He favoured referral to the Finance & Program Review Committee to assess all of the cost factors involved, including long-term costs for the City that can be expected.

The Mayor asked for a comment from Mr. Smith on the financing question, and Mr. Smith advised that it has been Mr. Moir's suggestion that any direct financial contribution made by the City, come from the existing Special Reserve Fund, which has a balance of 2.2 million dollars and which funds are unrestricted in their use. It was noted several times throughout the debate

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that the City's contribution can be a combination of land and money, totalling one million dollars. In other words, the contribution does not have to be entirely comprised of funds totalling one million dollars.

Another point raised by several members had to do with the subsidization of existing rental units that are on the market and available for rent, instead of creating new housing units. It was pointed out by the Mayor that the Provincial and Federal governments do not support this idea, and are not willing to participate in this kind of subsidization program. It was also noted that subsidization programs do not increase the stock of affordable housing in a municipality.

Questions were raised as to whether or not a housing crisis still exists in Dartmouth, given the present 4% vacency rate. In responding to these questions, Ms. Chisholm explained that the need is for affordable housing, and taking into account the waiting lists of the Dartmouth Housing Authority and the Non-Profit Housing Society, about 400 families are seeking accommodation.

Ald. Billard asked if it would not be possible for the Non-Profit Housing Society to take on this project, this possibility having been suggested in the report of Nov. 20/85 that came to Council on the housing crisis as it existed at that time. He also referred to other innovative housing programs that have been implemented in other cities, suggesting that they should be looked at for Dartmouth. He would like to have received information on financial projections for the operation of the proposed housing units for Dartmouth on a break-even basis, as referred to by Ms. Chisholm. There were other questions about rental rates and how these will be established in order to achieve a breakeven position for the new housing units. Ms. Chisholm explained basically how this position can be achieved, but at present, it is not possible to give exact

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projections with so many unknown factors. All of the details that would produce these figures have still to be worked out, once approval is given to go ahead with the project.

Responding to concerns that came up in the debate about upkeep and maintenance costs for the City, after the new housing units are occupied, Ald. Bregante commented on the Non-Profit Housing experience and the fact that tenants in the Society's units have acted responsibly in their care of them, and in five years, it has only been necessary to ask one person to vacate a unit, due to problems with that individual. He said the Society has a waiting list of about 200 names and although application is made for specific numbers of units yearly, the allocation granted by CMHC for Dartmouth usually falls far short of the number requested.

Ald. Pye said he liked the idea of small projects, referred to on page 3 of the report from Ms. Chisholm. He preferred this approach to the large ghetto developments that have taken place under other housing programs. Ald. Hawley pointed out that emphasis has been directed away from this latter type of development by Council in recent years, recognizing the unsatisfactory living environment that people face in these developments.

Ald. Pye and McCluskey preferred to have it possible for tenants to eventually own the units which they are renting, but Ms. Chisholm explained that ownership provisions are not part of this particular project. The point was also made that once a tenant can afford to own a unit, it would indicate the tenant could either pay a higher rental rate or the tenant might not even qualify to remain in the unit. The basic idea is that the housing concerned remains affordable always and the housing stock is maintained. These two aims are not compatible with ownership provisions. In general, Council considered that the need

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for affordable housing still exists in Dartmouth and that it can be met through the Demonstration Project outlined, in which all three levels of government will participate. It was felt that the City has a role to play in providing affordable housing and that enough time has passed for Council to have given this role careful consideration. Ald. Billard said he would reserve judgment on the matter until he could see projections giving some assurance that any new housing stock in which the City is involved, will be managed in a business-like manner. Ald. Levandier remained opposed to the project for the reasons stated by him in debate.

When the vote was taken on the motion, it carried with Ald. Levandier voting against. Ald. Billard was not present in the Chamber when the vote was taken and therefore his vote was not recorded.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Bregante that Council adopt the recommendation of the Housing Coordinator on the proposed Housing Demonstration Project and the City's participation in it (ie. approval in principle).

Members of Council have received copies of the report from DMR & Associates, based on their study of the City's present computer system and its capacity, in order to make recommendations on where the City should go from this point^{With} computer services.

The presentation on behalf of DMR & Associates was made by Mr. John Snow, and was broken down into the following segments: Background

Terms of reference Current situation Key recommendations Financial summary

Mr. Snow outlined the increasing requirements for computer services in all City departments, advising Council that current computer capacity is being fully used. He also referred to changes in technology and the advantages that can be taken of these with a new system. He described the present computer as being well-used and for applications that are mainly of a

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financial and administrative nature. He said that even with efficient in-house development, there is still a backlog of requests for computer use.

His comments on the organization and functions of Data Processing staff were favourable, and in this regard, he gave the general assessment that the City is getting excellent value for its Data Processing expenditure. He went on to indicate to Council some of the requests for new applications and the City departments concerned.

In the concluding sections of the presentation, Mr. Snow reviewed the main recommendations of the submission, and gave a financial summary of the costs involved to upgrade computer facilities in the way his firm has recommended.

The main recommendation deals with the acquisition of a DEC VAX 8500, at an approx. cost of \$650,000., providing capacity for up to 200 concurrent users. Total projected cost figures (\$747,000.) would include training and associated costs, as detailed by Mr. Snow. Included with this recommendation is the retention of the present computer for word processing purposes. Other recommendations in the report have to do with the setting up of a Steering Committee and a proposed Information Centre. The Steering Committee would examine new applications to determine a priority for their authorization, along with other functions as detailed in the DMR report.

Ald. Woods maintained that the \$747,000. figure does not really give Council a true picture of the total cost, since it does not include costs associated with program packages and the related software requirements. The cost of terminals (estimated at \$1,700. each) is not included either.

There were questions about the present computer and possible ways that it could be retained with additional staffing. Mr. Keith was present to respond

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to the staffing inquiries, a number of these coming from Ald. Connors, who would like to have seen some comparison figures for additional staffing vs. the cost of acquiring a new computer. Mr. Smith pointed out that the present computer is being used on a twenty-fourhour basis, 365 days of the year. Mr. Keith explained the difficulties involved if additional staff were to be brought in on shifts later into the day than they are at present, and the resulting backlog there would eventually be if attempts were made to further expand the capacity of the existing computer.

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Ald. Connors also had questions about contracting out the City's computer services altogether. Mr. Snow said that these options are just starting to be available in Canada, and at present, the City would probably end up paying a significant premium to do this, if in fact, arrangements for contracting could be made. He was also asked about the uniformity in local municipal computer systems, and associated econômies. He agreed there could economic be/benefits in such a coordination, but at present, it does not exist.

Ald. Hawley asked about possible economies in changing to another type of computer, instead of the model being recommended. Mr. Snow explained the cost factors that would be involved in making such a change, although it could be done. He considered the VAX model to rank in the top three standards for computers and pointed out that conversion costs from the existing unit to a new VAX model are minimized, as compared with a conversaion to a different computer model.

Ald. Connors maintained that the Steering Committee being recommended should be in place and assess applications for computer service before Council makes any decision on a new computer. There was also a concern among some of the other members, that as soon as 200 terminals can be accommodated, there will^b requests to meet that amount, resulting in the same situation the City is presently in. Mr. Snow stated that the new system is expected to meet the City's EDP needs for the next 3 to 5 years, as noted in their report (item 2.3.1).

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At the end of a general question and discussion period, Ald. Greenough and Sarto moved the adoption of the recommendation to acquire a DEC VAX 8500, and to authorize staff to prepare specifications for the tender. Further, that the present computer be retained for word processing purposes. (It was noted several times during the general discussion period that budget allocations of \$500,000. in 1986 and in 1987 have been included for the computer; the 1986 item has already been approved with this year's capital budget.)

Mr. Smith noted that staff would like to have an opportunity to review the other recommendations in the DMR & Associates report, and they were not included in the motion on the floor at this time.

Ald. Connors did not agree that Council should be approving a new computer without first having information on staffing requirements to make further use of the existing one, and without determining, as well, whether we can expect a significant improvement in the delivery of services with a new computer, or conversely, are services going to adversely affected if we don't proceed with a new computer. He proceeded to move referral back to staff for information on the points he has raised, based on which, Council could make a final decision. The motion to refer was seconded by Ald. Pye.

Members recognized that there has to be some assessment of the continuing applications from the various City departments, as time goes on, but it was felt that the proposed Steering Committee will fulfill this function once it is in place. During the debate on referral, there were concerns indicated about software and additional terminal costs. Mr. Smith pointed out that such costs are projected in the estimates of the individual City departments annually, at which time they can be justified or deleted; in other words, they form a part of the budget for the department concerned and are not included in the capital projection now under

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consideration for a new computer.

When the vote was taken on the motion to refer, it was defeated. Ald. Hawley and Withers then moved in amendment that the number of terminals for use on the new computer be limited to 180, and any uses over that number must come back to Council for decision and approval. Ald. Greenough made the point that the Steering Committee will be assessing applications from the departments regularly, and could report to Council quarterly, thereby addressing the concern identified by Ald. Hawley in the amendment. Members agreed this would be a good channel for receiving information on a regular basis. The amendment carried and the amended motion carried with Ald. Connors and Billard voting against. Ald. Levandier was not present when the vote was taken, having left the meeting at a point during the computer presentation. He was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough and Sarto that Council adopt the recommendation to acquire a DEC VAX 8500, and to authorize staff to prepare specifications for the tender. Further, that the present City computer be retained for word processing purposes.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>: Moved in amendment by Ald. Hawley and Withers that the number of terminals for use on the new computer be limited to 180, and any uses over that number must come back to Council for decision and approval.

In view of the particular concerns Ald. Connors expressed about this item, he was nominated by Council to serve on the Steering Committee that has been proposed as one of the recommendations in the DMR & Associates report. Although he may be unable to attend all of the meetings of that committee, he said he would attend some of them to serve in this capacity as Council's representative. Members of Council concurred with this arrangement.

Mayor Savage thanked Mr. Snow and Mr. Chuck Keith for their attendance and participation in the computer presentation.

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On motion of Ald. Bregante and Thompson, Council agreed to continue meeting beyond the hour of l1:00 p.m. to complete the agenda.

DARTMOUTH HIGHLANDS CAR RALLY

FIRST APPROVAL

Council considered a request from the organizers of the Dartmouth Highlands Car Rally to have the City cover costs associated with Rally events, as outlined in their letter dated May 23/86. The Mayor advised Council that the projected cost for bleacher placement (\$1,400.) can be deleted from the list of expenditures, since the Casavechia company has agreed to do this work at no cost to the organizers. The total cost figure, therefore, would be \$7,100., involving an overexpenditure and two approvals by Council.

Ald. Withers and Sarto moved that Council give first approval for the over-expenditure of \$7,100., as requested by the Board of Directors for the Dartmouth Highlands Car Rally.

Ald. Billard questioned the \$100,000. figure indicated in the letter for money that was brought into the City in 1985, as a result of the car rally being held here. Mr. Terry Waterfield, representing the organizers, explained how this figure was arrived at, taking into account the number of drivers, crews, and spectators who stayed in the City and required meals and accommodation, plus the indirect spin-off from the Rally. He commented further on the publicity the City will receive, as the Rally grows in prominence. and the tourism potential the Rally represents for Dartmouth. Ald. Billard would have preferred to see a cost benefit analysis presented to Council before deciding to approve expenditures for the items that have been requested. Ald. Withers spoke in favour of the Rally and considered it to be a worthwhile project for the City. The vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously. Second approval for the over-expenditure will be given at the next regular Council meeting.

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MOTION:

AWARD TENDER: POLICE MOTORCYCLES Moved by Ald. Withers and Sarto that first approval be given for an overexpenditure in the amount of \$7,100., as requested by organizers of the Dart. Highlands Car Rally, for costs they have outlined in their letter of May 23/86.

Two quotations have been received for two Police Dept. motorcycles, one from Toad's Cycle Works of Dartmouth, in the amount of \$19,000., and the other from Calvin Snyder Ltd., Bridgewater, in the amount of \$16,049.90.

In his report to Council on this item, Mr. Moir has recommended acceptance of the tender submitted by Toad's Cycle Works, in concurrence with the City's Fleet Manager and Ins. Fraser of the Police Dept. The reasons for making this recommendation are outlined in the report. Ald. Sarto and Greenough moved that the tender be awarded, as recommended to Council.

Ins. Fraser was present to answer questions from members about the motorcycles and about the recommendation in favour of the Dartmouth company. The motion carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Sarto and Greenough that the tender from Toad's Cycle Works for two Police motorcycles, in the amount of \$19,000., be accepted, as recommended by Mr. Moir.

As requested by Council, Mr. Fougere has submitted a follow-up report on the subject of the Continuous Refuse Removal Program, approved at budget time to begin as of Sept. 1/86. The item for the Spring Cleanup was deleted this year from the budget, and Mr. Fougere has advised in his report, that if Council were to decide to introduce the Continuous Clean-up Program effective as of July 1st (as discussed), the additional cost involved would be \$15,000. An advertisement, advising the public of the deletion of the Spring Clean-up and introduction of the Continuous Clean-up Program in September, has been inserted in the daily paper.

Ald. Greenough and Thompson moved that the report from Mr. Fougere be received and filed, but Ald. Sarto, McCluskey, Withers and MacFarlane would have preferred to authorize the additional \$15,000., to have the new

CONTINUOUS REFUSE REMOVAL PROGRAM

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program start in July rather than in September. Members in favour of the motion felt that the decision of Council should stand and that people should use the new transfer station in Dartmouth in the meantime, as intended.

The vote was taken on the motion and it carried with Ald. MacFarlane, Withers, McCluskey and Sarto voting against.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Greenough & Thompson that the report of May 21/86 from Mr. Fougere, on the subject of the Continuous Refuse Removal Program, be received and filed.

PERMIT TO BUILD: /S.JACHIMOWICZ LTD.

On motion of Ald. Sarto and MacFarlane, Council approved an application for permit to build a ten-storey office tower and convention centre addition to the Dartmouth Holiday Inn complex at 99 Wyse Road, submitted by S. Jachimowicz Ltd. Estimated value of construction for this project is six million dollars. Approval would be subject to compliance with City requirements, as set out in the staff report of May 21/86.

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Ald. Connors declared a conflict of interest on this item, in view of the fact that one of his law partners represents the firm making application. He withdrew from his place on Council while the item was being considered.

MOTION:

I: Moved by Ald. Sarto and MacFarlane that Council approve an application for permit to build an addition to the Holiday Inn complex, submitted by S. Jachimowicz Ltd., subject to compliance with the City requirements, as set out in the staff report of May 21/86.

AMENDMENT TO LAND USE BY-LAW: LOT K-5A, WOODSIDE have Lot K-5A in the Woodside Ocean Industries Park, OCEAN INDUSTRIES PARK rezoned from I-3 Zone to I-1 Zone. The Planning Dept. has recommended that Council instruct staff to proceed with a neighbourhood information meeting, in conjunction with this application.

> The Deputy Mayor took the chair for this item. Due to a question of bias, arising from the Industrial Commission meeting when this item was considered, all

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those members present and receiving copies of the report circulated at that time, including Mayor Savage, withdrew from the Council Chamber. In addition to the Mayor, the question of bias was applicable to Ald. Greenough, Connors, and Sarto who are all members of the Industrial Commission and were present at the May 14th meeting of the Commission in question.

On motion of Ald. Hawley and Bregante, Council adopted the Planning Dept. recommendation to proceed with the neighbourhood information meeting.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hawley and Bregante that Council approve the Planning Dept. recommendation to proceed with the neighbourhood information meeting, in connection with the rezoning application for Lot K-5A, in the Woodside Ocean Industries Park.

After the item was completed, Mayor Savage returned to the chair and Deputy Mayor Withers resumed his place on Council.

On motion of Ald. Bregante and Greenough, Council approved a recommendation from the Industrial Commission on Lot L-27 in the Burnside Park, on which an option was taken by Helly Hansen Canada Ltd. The recommendation is that in light of a recent decision by Helly Hansen to relocate to another size within the Park, Council confirm the decision of April 2/85 with regard to the terms and conditions for return of the option fee for Lot L-27 to Helly Hansen Canada Ltd.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Bregante & Greenough that Council approve a recommendation from the Industrial Commission on Lot L-27 and the return of an option fee for this site to Helly Hansen Canada Ltd., as noted above.

The Downtown Dartmouth Corp. has requested permission to produue and market the new City flag, the design for which will be unveiled on May 28th. Mr. Reg Horner was in attendance to represent the Corporation, and was heard by Council. He noted that the request of the Corporation is in compliance with the wishes of the 25th Anniversary Committee of the City, which initiated the flag project.

LOT L-27: HELLY HANSEN

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CITY FLAG: DOWNTOWN DART. CORP.

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Ald. Hawley felt it would be a good idea to have the Corporation take on this project, but he wanted to have some conditions attached to Council's agreement, whereby one organization will not have the sole monopoly for all uses of the City flag design. He referred to the particular care that is given to any use of the City crest at present, requiring Council approval.

Ald. Hawley moved, seconded by Ald. Sarto, that the Downtown Dartmouth Corp. have the right to reproduce and sell the new City flag only, for a one-year period, to be reviewed on an annual basis. Mr. Horner did not object to the conditions proposed in the motion. He noted that a standard wholesale price will apply on a City-wide basis for any retailer or any organization wishing to sell the flags, once they are produced. The Corporation would hope to realize some revenue from this project and would give all interested retailers and groups the same opportunity, without reference to their location in the downtown are or not.

Council was willing to have the Corporation take on this project, in accordance with the conditions set by the motion, and the motion carried.

> MOTION: Moved by Ald. Hawley and Sarto that the Downtown Dartmouth Corp. have the right to reproduce and sell the new City flag only, for a one-year period, to be reviewed on an annual basis.

On motion of Ald. Thompson and Bregante, Council agreed to meet in camera for one additional item of business. After having reconvened in open meeting, the action taken in camera was ratified, on motion of Ald. Hawley and Sarto.

Meeting adjourned.

Bruce S. Smith,

Acting City Administrator.

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