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CITY CHARTER REVISIONS

The Committee resumed its considerations of Parts I, II and III of the draft of the proposed City Act with Messrs. Cowan and Plunkett in attendance.

The following sections were considered and recommendations made thereon to Council:-

1) MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the franchise for Civic Elections be granted on the basis of the recommendation of the Charter Revision Committee as contained in Section 3-15 of the draft of the proposed City Act. Motion passed with Aldermen DeWolf, Macdonald and Healy wishing to be recorded against.

2) MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that in addition to the qualifications as set forth in Section 3-4 (1) of the draft of the proposed City Act for the office of Mayor or Alderman, a further qualification to the effect that the candidates for either office be assessed for Real Property Tax or Business Tax. Motion passed with Aldermen Butler and O'Brien wishing to be recorded against.

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that Section
 3-1 (3) of the draft of the proposed City Act respecting the term of office of Alderman, be approved. Motion passed.

4) MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that Section 3-4 (2), as contained in the draft of the proposed City Act, be amended by inserting after the word "City" in the first line thereof, the following words: "of any Board or Commission of the City". Motion passed with Alderman O'Brien wishing to be recorded against.

5) MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, that Section 3-4 (3), as contained in the draft of the proposed City Act, and respecting disqualification of Mayor or Aldermen because of a contract with the City, any Board, Commission, Committee or official, be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen Healy and Macdonald wishing to be recorded against.

6) MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that Sections 3-77 and 3-78, as contained in the draft of the proposed City Act, respecting the holding of an Advance and Hospital Polls, be approved. Motion passed.

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7) MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that Section
3-15 (5) of the draft of the proposed City Act respecting the preparation of the Voters' List, be approved. Motion passed.

8) MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the draft of the proposed City Act as amended be approved. Motion passed.

3:55 P. M. Council reconvened, the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Macdonald, Butler, LeBlanc, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

The Committee of the Whole Council reported progress to Council respecting City Charter Revisions.

Meeting adjourned:

4:00 P. M.

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HEADLINES

Appointment of Deputy Mayor Appointment of Committees City Charter Revisions 651 651 652

J. E. LLOYD, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., November 16, 1961, 8:00 P. M.

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

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

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, L. Mitchell, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. M. Romkey, C. F. West, R. B. Grant, V. W. Mitchell, J. F. Thomson, K. M. Munnich, H. K. Randall and Dr. A. R. Morton.

PRESENTATION OF CHAIN OF OFFICE AND MEDALLION DEPUTY MAYOR CONNOLLY AND ALDERMAN LEBLANC

At this time His Worship the Mayor presented the Chain of Office of Deputy Mayor to Deputy Mayor Connolly and Alderman's Medallion to Alderman LeBlanc.

PRESENTATION TO MRS . MARGARET L. PERRY

His Worship the Mayor then made a presentation on behalf of the City of Halifax to Mrs. Margaret L. Perry, Superintendent of the Motion Pictures Division of the Department Trade and Industry for the Province of Nown Scotia, in recognition of her outstanding achievement in winning the Polytechnic Trophy at the Brussels Film Festival in competition with entries from 80 other countries.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of City Council held on October 13 and 26, 1961, and November 2, 1961, were approved on motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: ALTERING OFFICIAL STREET LINE OF DUFFUS STREET, SOUTH SIDE, FROM ISLEVILLE STREET TO AGRICOLA STREET AS SHOWN ON SECTION 5-E OF THE OFFICIAL CITY PLAN.

The Public Hearing to consider altering the official street line of Duffus Street, wouth side from Isleville Street to Agricola Street as shown

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on Section 5-E of the official city plan was held at this time.

The City Clerk advised that the matter had been duly advertised and that no written objections had been received.

The following reports were submitted.

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

From: Committee on Works.

October 3, 1961. Date:

Subject: Street Line - Duffus Street.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Traffic Engineer recommending the City lay down a new street line of 75' on a portion of Duffus Street.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wyman, the Committee recommended to City Council that November 16, 1961, be set as the date for a public hearing on the laying down of a new street line on Duffus Street, and that in the meantime the matter be referred to the City Manager and staff to meet with the property owners in the area.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN. Clerk of Works.

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

Alfred R. Howard, Traffic Engineer From:

Date: October 3, 1961

Subject: Duffus Street Right-of-Way - Isleville Street to Agricola Street

A letter to the Committee on Works dated September 19, 1961, outlined the desirability of widening the existing 60 ft. right-of-way of Duffus Street between Isleville Street and Agricola Street to at least 75 feet. This is to bring this small section up to the standards of 75 to 80 feet rights-of-way existing on the remaining sections of the Lady Hammond - Duffus - Devonshire axis with the exception mentioned in the final paragraph.

Official City Plan 5-E shows the area affected. In the block recommended for street line widening are 10 properties. The new line providing a 75 foot right-of-way would go through nine buildings and shorten the depth of the lots by 15 ft. The lots in this block are quite small, having an average depth of around 100 ft. (varying from 91 ft. to 107 ft.) and a frontage of mostly around 33 ft.

There is only one small remaining section of 60 ft, right-of-way in the course of the axis referred to. This is the block of Lady Hammond Road between Agricola Street and Robie Street. The land on the southern boundary of this block is a City owned "island" most likely to be retained for street purposes. It might be wise, however, to lay down a new line in this block to officially provide a 75 ft. right-of-way.

> Alfred R. Howard, Traffic Engineer.

Mr. R. L. Rooney, Q. C., representing seven property owners in the

block affected, spoke in opposition to the proposal to lay down a new street line - 655 -

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contending that the properties of his clients would be adversely and injuriously affected by such an action.

He asked for an opportunity to present an alternative proposal to the City Manager, Commissioner of Works and Traffic Engineer for study and presentation to the Committee on Works before a decision is reached by Council.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration. Motion passed.

PETITION RE: STREET LIGHTING - NORTH-WEST END RESIDENTS

A petition was presented from a number of residents in the area bounded by Almon, Windsor, Young and Oxford Streets requesting improved street lighting within the area.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the petition be referred to the Committee on Works for consideration and report. Motion passed.

GRANTS TO OFFSET TAXES: NATIONAL HEART FOUNDATION OF CANADA INTERNATIONAL GRENFELL ASSOCIATION

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, letters were submitted from the National Heart Foundation of Canada and the International Grenfell Association requesting grants to offset taxes amounting to \$74.36 and \$21.01 respectively.

Your Committee recommends that the requests be granted and the necessary amounts, plus accrued interest, be provided for in the 1962 Current Budget.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF HALIFAX AND LOCAL UNION #108

November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a letter was submitted from the Deputy City Solicitor advising that two classifications of employees had been inadvertently left out of the Agreement between the City of Halifax and Local Union No. 108.

He suggested that a supplementary agreement be prepared including the classification of "Bricklayer" at the rate of 2.00 - 2.12 - 2.29 per hour, and that of the Comfort Station Attendant at a salary increase of \$145.60.

Your Committee recommends that the supplementary agreement be approved and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS - 316 "C"

November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, reports were submitted from the Commissioner of Finance requesting supplementary appropriations under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter to provide for the following:

1) \$2,500.00 - City Manager's moving expenses and other equipment;

2) \$1,350.00, plus taxes - Carving of Dartmouth City Crest.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Because of the moving operations within City Hall, it is also necessary to provide a further supplementary appropriation of \$500,00 under the above authority for the City Clerk's Department, as follows:

 3 drawer, one-hour fire resistant file cabinet for Council and Committee binders = \$345.80;

2) 4-sectional oak bookcase - \$125.20;

3) 2 hall trees - \$27.00.

This additional appropriation is concurred in by the City Manager and Commissioner of Finance.

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Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd and Members of City Council

From: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager

Date: November 14, 1961

Subject: Accounts Over \$500.00

In accordance with Section 119-F of the City Charter, the following accounts are submitted for Council's approval. These accounts have been certified and audited.

Department	Vendor	Purpose	Amount
Finance	Dartmouth Iron Foundry L. E. Shaw Ltd. N. S. Housing Commission	Manhole frames & Covers Catchpit Sections $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ share of expenditures on Federal Provincial pro- jects for quarter ending Sept. 30, 1961	\$1,056.00 1,668.60
report be aj	proved . It is on passed .	H.2 Mulgrave Park H.4 Mulgrave Park	53,376.97 42.97
Police	Chappell & Son Ltd.	Tires	631.38
Works	C. N. Railway	Protecting right of way and relocating signal wires (Howe Avenue)	753 .18
	McConnell Nursery Co.	250 Norway maples	592.00
	Public Service Comm.	Relocation of water main (Mumford Rd. & Romans Ave.)	3,043.23
	G. A. Redmond	Demolitions	1,093.00
which would	Up-right Scaffolds Ltd.	Scaffold	564.99
Tourist	Stevenson & Scott Ltd.	Advertising	790,00 \$63,612,32

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. C. Byars, City Manager.

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

TENDERS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS - SACKVILLE AND BRUNSWICK STREETS

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: November 9, 196].

Subject: Tenders - Traffic Lights - Sackville and Brunswick Streets.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a tabulation of tenders for traffic lights - Sackville and Brunswick Streets.

Acceptance of the following tender was recommended:

Northern Electric Co. Ltd. - \$1,946.00 (Lowest tender)

On motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the Committee recommended to City Council acceptance of the tender of Northern Electric Co. Ltd. for traffic lights at the corner of Sackville and Brunswick Streets, in the amount of \$1,946.00 (Lowest tender).

Respectfully submitted,

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K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

RETIREMENT - MR. EDGAR KINGHORN

November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that Mr. Edgar Kinghorn is a member of the Old Firemen's Superannuation Fund, is 60 years of age and has served the City for 41 years, four months and 22 days, and in accordance with Section 866 of the City Charter, is entitled to receive an annual allowance of 30-50ths of his average salary for the last three years which would give him a pension of \$2,397.75 effective as of December 1, 1961.

Your Committee recommends that Mr. Kinghorn be retired at an annual allowance of \$2,397.75 effective as of December 1, 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR STREET LIGHTING

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: November 9, 1961.

Subject: Tenders - Street Lighting.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a tabulation of tenders for street lighting equipment.

Acceptance of the following tenders were recommended:

Items #1 & 2 - Northern Electric Co. Ltd. - \$5,328.61 (Lowest tender)

Item #3 - Canadian Line Material - \$5,815,15 (Lowest tender)

A letter was received from D. C. Keddy Ltd. after the tenders were opened and the Committee unanimously agreed not to open the letter.

On motion of Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, the Committee recommended to City Council acceptance of the tender of Northern Electric Co. Ltd. for Items #1 and 2, in the amount of \$5,328.61 (lowest tender), and acceptance of the tender of Canadian Line Material for Item #3, in the amount of \$5,815.15 (lowest tender), for street lighting equipment.

Since the Committee on Works meeting of November 9, 1961, a further letter has been received from Canadian Line Material requesting that their tender be withdrawn. The letter is attached for your action.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN, Clerk of Works.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the tenders of Northern Electric Company Limited on Items #1 and 2 be accepted

as follows:

1) \$4,520.61 - to supply 27 post top luminaires;

 \$ -808.00 - to supply 4, 26-foot davit standards with luminaires and lamps.

Motion passed.

The following letter was submitted.

November 10, 1961.

City of Halifax, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Mr. P. F. C. Byars, City Manager.

Gentlemen:-

Our quotation November 3, 1961, Street Lighting Equipment.

On item three of the above tender we quoted \$290.78 each and a total of \$5,815.60. A drastic error was made in our calculation's and our quotation should have read \$389.28 each, and a total of \$7,785.60 for this item.

In view of this large error, we ask that our complete tender be withdrawn.

Yours very truly, CLM INDUSTRIES MCGRAW EDISON (CANADA) LTD.

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Per: Donald C. Keddy Limited, Sales Representatives.

The City Manager recommended that the request of CLM Industries be granted and that the next lowest tender of Northern Electric Company Limited be accepted.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the tender of Northern Electric Company Limited at \$6,806.20 to supply 20, 26 foot double span davit standards with luminaires and lamps, be accepted. Motion passed.

ALTERATION TO A SUBDIVISION - CITY PROPERTY - EDWARD ARAB AVENUE

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

From: Town Planning Board,

Date: November 7, 1961.

Subject: Alteration to a Subdivision - City Property -Edward Arab Avenue.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered the matter of an alteration to a subdivision - City Property -Edward Arab Avenue.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved an alteration to a subdivision - City Property - Edward Arab Avenue and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN, Clerk of Works.

Alderman O'Brien asked if a request had been received from the Halifax Regional Library Board for this property and the City Manager said that he has received no such request.

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Alderman Lane stated that she had been requested by the Chairman of the Halifax Regional Library Board to advise the Council that the matter of acquisition of this property had never been considered by the Library Board.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

APPLICATION TO ERECT SERVICE STATION - CORNER MORRIS & BARRINGTON STREETS

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: November 7, 1961.

Subject: Service Station - Corner of Morris and Barrington Streets.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against an application to erect a gasoline service station at the corner of Morris and Barrington Streets.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN, Clerk of Works.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town Planning Board

From: K. M. Munnich, Director of Planning

Date: November 7, 1961

Subject: Service Station - 33 Morris Street

Further to my report of August 8 last on this application, the Canadian Oil Companies Ltd. have submitted a fresh application, incorporating an additional area of 2,092 sq. ft. The new area to be covered by the proposed filling station is shown on the drawing P200/411.

This additional area brings the total area to 10,822 sq. ft. which exceeds the 10,000 sq. ft. recommended in my previous report. Unfortunately, the extra piece of land is behind the rear corner of the original site, and its shape and location are such as to make it of very little use for service station purposes. The additional area does not, therefore, materially affect the reasons on which refusal was originally recommended.

Furthermore, since the original application was considered, sketch redevelopment plans for downtown have been made public. The site in question will be affected by comprehensive redevelopment, and it is not prudent, therefore, to permit 'spot' development which cannot at this stage be related to

any comprehensive plan. The City Traffic Engineer has been consulted. In his opinion, the circulating area of this service station would not be adequate, nor are the curb cuts satisfactory in relation to the crossroads.

IT IS RECOMMENDED, therefore, that the application to erect a gasoline service station at 33 Morris Street be recommended for refusal to the City Council, under the provisions of Section 797 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted.

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K. M. MUNNICH, Director of Planning.

Mr. H. B. Rhude, solicitor for the applicants, addressed Council in support of the application and he stated that he had been authorized by his clients to advise that if the permit is granted they will undertake:

- (a) To make available fifteen feet (15!) on either side of the pump islands in accordance with the specifications set by the Traffic Engineer; and
- (b) not to erect a revolving sign at the point originally planned as, in the view of the Traffic Engineer, it would add a measure of undesirable distraction to traffic.

After a lengthy discussion it was moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Fox, that the application be approved.

The motion was put and passed, seven voting for the same and five against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION:	Alderman	DeWolf
	Alderman	Lane
	Alderman	Butler
	Alderman	Fox
	Alderman	Trainor
		Connelly
		Greenwood
AGAINST IT:	Alderman	Abbott
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To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: November 7, 1961.

Subject: Request to Build on Undersized Lot - #6 Quinn Street.

Council,

November 16, 1961.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of an application to build on an undersized lot at #6 Quinn Street, subject to the inclusion in the proposal of a garage or parking space for a car, and the observances of the necessary sideyards required by the Zoning By-Law in accordance with Part XV, Para. (f), of that By-Law.

On motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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K. C. MANTIN, CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD, SET-BACKS, AND ALTERATION TO A SUBDIVISION #319-331 SPRING GARDEN ROAD AND #25-45 CARLTON STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: November 7, 1961.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard, Set-Backs, and Alteration to a Subdivision #319-331 Spring Garden Road, and #25-45 Carlton Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending:

- that the sideyard modification to permit the erection of an apartment house at 319-331 Spring Garden Road and 25-45 Carlton Street, shown on drawing No. P700/41, and illustrated on drawings P200/33-40, inclusive, be granted, these modifications to apply only to the building containing 217 apartments and not any future extension shown on the drawing;
- (2) the present Zoning By-Law be altered to give the Council the power to modify set-back requirements and that on the approval of the alteration of the By-Law by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the modifications of set-backs for this scheme be granted;
- (3) the Board accept in principle the proposed alteration to a subdivision, as shown on drawing number P700/43, 00-9-15252, subject to the clearance of the existing buildings, that this acceptance be recommended to City Council in accordance with Section 727C of the City Charter, and that no public hearing be held.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN, CLERK OF WORKS.

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MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

9:17 P. M. Council adjourned for a recess.

10:10 P. M. Council reconvened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Ma@donald, Butler, Fox, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

AMENDMENT - ZONING BY-LAW RE: MODIFICATION OF SET-BACKS

November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on the above date, a proposed amendment to Section 1 of Part XV of the Halifax Zoning By-Law as prepared by the Deputy City Solicitor was submitted as follows:

"BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax, under the Authority of the Town Planning Act, being Chapter 292 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1954, as follows:

 Section 1 of Part XV of the Zoning By-Law of the City of Halifax is amended by adding thereto the following clause:

(k) Permit such modification of the set-back requirements herein as may be necessary to secure an appropriate development of the lot where such lot cannot be appropriately developed without such modification."

The Board approved the proposed amendment and recommended that a date be fixed by Council for a Public Hearing into this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved, and that Council fix December 14, 1961, at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber as the time and place for a public hearing in connection with this matter. Motion passed.

RESIGNATION - CITY SOLICITOR, T. C. DOYLE

His Worship the Mayor reported that Mr. T. C. Doyle had tendered to him his resignation from the position of City Solicitor for reasons of health, to be effective May 31, 1962, and had requested that he be given six months' leave of absence.

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MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that:

- (a) The request of the City Solicitor for six months leave of absence be granted;
 - (b) that the resignation be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee and Retirement Committee for processing in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

Motion passed.

OFFER - RAYTHEON CANADA LIMITED - COSSOR LAND

An offer from the above Company to settle the matter of the Cossor Land at Young and Windsor Streets for \$20,000.00 (Canadian) subject to the following stipulations:

1. That the land is not rezoned;

 That the City grants whatever permits a purchaser of the land may need so that a sale of the land may be finalized by November 30th, at a price no less than \$125,000.00;

was submitted for Council's consideration.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager and the Deputy City Solicitor discuss this matter with the Company Solicitor and report their findings to Council. Motion passed.

> REZONING NO. 2481 JOHN STREET FROM R-3 ZONE TO C-2 ZONE -SETTING DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: November 7, 1961.

Subject: Rezoning - #2481 John Street - R3 to C2.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of the rezoning of #2481 John Street from R3 to C2 and that a date for a public hearing be set. He also recommended that the applicant be requested to design the future building to harmonize with the residential development in the area.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board approved the report and recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C.MANTIN, Clerk of Works,

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that Council fix December 14, 1961, at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, as the cime and place for a Public Hearing in connection with this matter. Motion passed.

EXPROPRIATION SETTLEMENT - NOS. 69-71 DUKE STREET & LOT, MARKET STREET

November 14, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on November 7, 1961, a report was submitted from the Compensation Officer advising that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation approval had been received to settle the claim of the owners of the property #69-71 Duke Street and adjacent lot on Market Street on the following basis:

- (a) Payment of the sum of \$34,400.00;
- (b) Interest at 5% on \$26,400.00 from the date of expropriation;
- (c) Less \$1,000.00 rental charge per year calculated from the date of expropriation.

Your Committee recommends that this transaction be now completed accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES

November 16, 1961.

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

by Mr. Houston,

The Redevelopment Committee at a meeting held on November 7, 1961, approved of the following property acquisitions:

- Pascal Properties 29-39 Jacob Street and 4-6 Poplar Grove, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation approval having been received for the payment of \$30,975.00 in full settlement.
- Gosine Property 153 Gottingen Street, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation approval having been obtained to settle the claim as follows:
- (a) that the sum of \$21,000.00 be paid to Mrs. Martha Gosine and Joseph Gosine in full settlement of all claims arising from the expropriation of the property at 153 Gottingen Street;

(b) that the sum of \$840.00, being the amount of rent collected while the City purported to own the property, be refunded to Mrs. Martha Gosine;

(c) that the sum of \$450.00 being the rent charged but not collected, be written off.

Respectfully submitted,

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R.H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

POLICY - NEGOTIATING PROPERTY SETTLEMENTS

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November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on November 7, 1961, a letter was submitted from Mr. J. A. Houston, Regional Supervisor of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, advising that as requested by the Committee, he had reviewed the policy respecting the acquisition of properties in the Jacob Street and Maitland Street Redevelopment Areas, and he stated:

"With regard to the existing policy of negotiating settlement with owners in the Jacob Street and Maitland Street Redevelopment projects, it is my opinion that no change should be made in negotiating settlement with the remaining owners. However, in those instances where the owner is seeking a settlement in excess of current market values, I think the City Manager's suggestion, to process the properties first on the basis of Section 757 and Ordinance 50 and then proceed with the negotiations to acquire them, is a good one. It seems to me that this suggested procedure should be applied to all future redevelopment projects undertaken by the City."

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the policy an enunciated by Mr. Houston.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS - DEMOLITIONS - JACOB STREET AREA

November 14, 1961,

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on November 7, 1961, a tabulation of tenders was submitted from the Acting City Manager and Commissioner of Works covering the demolition of six groups totalling nine buildings in the Jacob Street Redevelopment Area.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Acting City Manager that the lowest tenders be approved as follows:

G	roup	Tenderer	Amt, of Tender
One	(3 bldgs.)	G. A. Redmond	\$1,984.00
Three	(l bldg.)	G. A. Redmond	560.00
Four	(2 bldgs.)	G. A. Redmond	1,347.00
Five	(l bldg.)	Paul LaRouche	399.00
Six	(l bldg.)	G. A. Redmond	325,00
Seven	(l bldg.)	Twin City Bldg. & Wrecking Co.	1,200.00

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation have given their approval to the recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the

report be approved. Motion passed.

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PROPOSED ACQUISITION - 11-13 UPPER WATER STREET

November 14, 1961,

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on November 7, 1961, a confidential report was submitted from the Compensation Officer recommending purchase of the property at 11-13 Upper Water Street from the owner, Mrs. Rebecca Aaron, for the sum of \$23,500.00.

Your Committee approved the recommendation of the Compensation Officer subject to the submission of a report from the City Manager as to the need for acquiring the property and to indicate the source of the necessary funds.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

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

matter be referred back to the Redevelopment Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

LETTER - BOARD OF TRADE RE: ENDORSING DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT

October 30, 1961

Mayor of Halifax Members of City Council HALIFAX, N.S.

Gentlemen:

REDEVELOPMENT

At a special meeting of the Council of the Halifax Board of Trade the following resolution was unanimously approved --

"The Council of the Halifax Board of Trade, after a discussion of the information that has been made public with respect to Downtown Redevelopment:

1. Endorses the principle of Downtown Redevelopment.

2. Endorses the examination of Downtown Redevelopment on a truly major scale.

3. Commends the City of Halifax for its efforts to obtain modern and dramatic plans and proposals for Redevelopment, so that when a final staged program is formulated, it be done with full and complete plans for a modern downtown area, tempered with the City's history, tradition, and within the financial ability of the corporation and the taxpayers of the City of Halifax."

Yours very sincerely,

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The City Clerk was instructed to write to the Board thanking them for their continued interest and support in this matter.

LETTER - BOARD OF TRADE RE: GASOLINE SERVICE STATIONS

November 15, 1961.

Mayor J. E. Lloyd, City of Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mayor Lloyd:

Receipt of the report on 'Gasoline Service Stations' is acknowledged.

A preliminary review of it suggests that it is discriminatory and restrictive and in direct violation of our democratic free enterprise system.

The Report will be discussed in detail at our forthcoming Council meeting on November 21, following which we will present a brief to you, members of the Town Planning Board, and City Council. We request that no further action be taken on this Report until you have received the views of this Board which, as indicated above, will be quickly available to you and your fellow civic officials.

Yours very sincerely,

MANUEL I. ZIVE, Vice-President

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PASSING - EX-ALDERMAN RUSSELL MCINNES,

His Worship the Mayor referred to the passing of Ex-Alderman

Russell McInnes who served in that office from 1929-1932.

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Lane, that His Worship the Mayor be requested to forward a letter to the family expressing the sympathy of the Council. Motion passed.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT - MR. ROY S. WALKER

November, 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that Mr. Roy S. Walker, who was retired by the Retirement Committee on November 9, 1961, is entitled to a supplementary grant of \$676.12.

He requested an appropriation under Section 316 "C" of the City Charter amounting to \$256.15 to pay this grant until December 31, 1961.

Your Committee recommends that the appropriation requested be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. H. Stoddard, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Fox, that the report be

approved. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION - INCREASED GRANT - CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TO OPERATION OF JUNVENILE COURT

November 16, 1961.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a letter was submitted from His Worship the Mayor advising that he had had a meeting with the Honourable W. S. K. Jones, Q. C., Minister of Public Welfare of the Province of Nova Scotia, informing him that under a recent re-organization of Juvenile Court services, all parts of the Province receive these services and each municipality is expected to pay 50% of administrative costs and probation services.

In the case of the City of Halifax, the estimated cost for these services is \$10,000.00 which would make the City's contribution \$5,000.00 instead of the present \$2,500.00. Section 310-B of the City Charter provides for this grant and it will be necessary to amend the Section so that the same may be increased to \$5,000.00 and included in the annual budget.

Your Committee recommends that the necessary legislation be secured at the next Session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, CITY CLERK.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 56 - AUTOMATIC MACHINES - FIRST READING

November 16, 1961

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a new Ordinance respecting "The Regulating and Licensing of Automatic Machines", as prepared by the Legal Department, was submitted.

Your Committee recommends that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

Alderman Trainor felt that the Ordinance did not provide necessary control from a health and sanitary point of view.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee to rewiew any objections by persons who may be affected. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION - TAX EXEMPTION - RED CROSS SOCIETY - RAINNIE DRIVE

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a request was considered from the Canadian Red Cross Society for tax exemption on premises leased to it by the Department of National Defence on Rainnie Drive.

Mr. Kerr, Solicitor for the Society, addressed the Committee and requested relief from the 1960 and 1961 taxes presently assessed against it.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and that the necessary amounts plus interest for the years 1960 and 1961 be included in the 1962 Current Budget.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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LEGISLATION - INDEMNITY TO CONSTABLE LEVY

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, reports were submitted from the City Manager and Acting City Manager relative to a request from Constable Clifford J. Levy that the City pay the costs involved as a result of a Court action between himself and Mr. Lee Charlton wherein the Constable shot and killed a dog owned by Mr. Charlton.

The total costs amounted to \$1,043.10 of which \$278.35 was paid for by the Halifax Police Athletic and Social Club, leaving a balance of \$764.75 which was paid by the Constable himself.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be secured at the next Session of the Legislature enabling the City to reimburse Constable Levy in the amount of \$764.75 in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved.

Council was informed that the Police Amateur and Athletic Club had requested that it be reimbursed by the City of Halifax in the amount of \$278.35 which was paid to Mr. Gordon Graham, Solicitor for Constable Levy.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the whole matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further study.

MOVED in amendment to the amendment by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report as recommended be approved but that the request of the Police Club be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

After consulting the Rules of Order of Council, His Worship the Mayor ruled that the amendment to the amendment was not in order and directed the City Clerk to call for a vote on the amendment which was put and passed, seven voting for the same and five against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Macdonald, Butler, Fox, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy and O'Brien - 7 -

AGAINST IT: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Connolly and Greenwood - 5 -

BORROWING RESOLUTION - SEWER INSTALLATION - EXHIBITION GROUNDS

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on November 9, 1961, a report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that a Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$40,000.00 be approved to provide for the installation of a storm and sanitary sewer system for the proposed new street in the Exhibition Grounds.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the following Alderman being present and voting therefor: Alderman DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Fox, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood. Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$40,000.00 as prepared by the Deputy City Solicitor was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Fox, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood. Motion passed.

ATTENDANCE - COURSE - CANADIAN POLICE COLLEGE

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on November 7, 1961, the Chief of Police requested permission to send a member of his Department to attend the Canadian Police College, commencing early in the new year and to commit his 1962 Department Budget for a sum not exceeding \$575.00 for this purpose.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on November 9, 1961, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that a bonus of \$50.00 per month be paid to Misses Lettie Turner and Helen Watson, Senior Nurses in his Department, who are attending McGill University on a course leading to a B. N. Administration Degree.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation; same to be effective as of September 15, 1961 and paid for the duration of the course. Funds have been provided for this purpose in the current budget.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, City Clerk.

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS - BED SHEETS - BASINVIEW HOME

November 16, 1961

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on November 9, 1961, a tabulation of tenders for the supply of approximately thirty-five dozen bed sheets for Basinview Home was submitted from the Acting City Manager, recommending the lowest tender of George Courey and Sons Limited, at \$30.75 per dozen.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

APPLICATION TO REZONE CORNER LOT AT CORK AND DUBLIN STREETS

Referred to Town Planning Board.

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APPLICATION TO REZONE LOTS 4, 5 AND 6 KANE STREET

Referred to Town Planning Board.

REPORT OF CONCILIATION PROCEEDINGS - CITY OF HALIFAX AND INTERNATIONAL FIRE-FIGHTERS - LOCAL NO. 268

To:	His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd and Members of City Council	
From:	P. F. C. Byars, City Manager	
Date:	November 15, 1961	
Subject:	Report of Conciliation Proceedings re Salary Negotiations International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 268, Halifax Fire Department.	

At a meeting of Council held September 28th, 1961, City Council received a report from the City Manager dated September 22nd, in respect to salary negotiations with the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 268, in which it was advised that the Union had requested that if Council does not agree to accept the Union salary proposals, steps be taken to submit the same to arbitration, in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act of Nova Scotia. The Council accepted the report of the City Manager.

Following that Council meeting, discussions were held with Mr. G. B. Robertson, Q. C., solicitor for the Union, and it was agreed that before proceeding to arbitration, the dispute be referred initially to a Conciliation Officer of the Provincial Department of Labour, under Section 16 of the Trade Union Act. Consequently, application was made by the Union and the City Manager to the Minister of Labour, asking that conciliation services be made available to him. This was agreed to, and Mr. B. D. Anthony, Director of Industrial Relations, was named Conciliation Officer.

On Monday, November 13th, the City Manager and representatives of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 268 met with Mr. Anthony in Province House, with a view to reaching a conciliated settlement of the salary negotiations. After some three hours of discussion, agreement was reached on the salary rates shown appended hereto, to be effective from January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1962.

The Union has submitted the proposed rates to its membership and at 2:30 p.m. this afternoon (November 15th), the City Manager was informed by Mr. Ernest T. Robichaud that the Union had voted in favour of acceptance of the proposed rates of pay.

It is recommended that Council concur in the rates as listed, and authorize that an agreement between the City and Local 268 of the Union be drawn to give effect thereto.

It is further recommended that Council authorize an appropriation under Section 316C of the City Charter, in the amount of \$26,000.00 for Fire Department Salary Adjustments, and Fire Alarm personnel Salary Adjustments.

Respectfully submitted,

P.F.C.BYARS, City Manager

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that

the recommendation be approved and that an agreement be entered into with

Local 268, International Association of Firefighters, Halifax Fire Department,

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and the City of Halifax in accordance with the salary scales attached and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

REPORT - SALARY SCALE FOR POLICE PERSONNEL - RANK OF SERGEANT AND ABOVE

To: His Worship Mayor J. E. Lloyd, and Members of City Council.

From: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager.

Date: November 16, 1961.

Subject: Salary Rates Police Personnel of the Rank of Sergeant and above.

The Halifax Police Athletic and Social Club acts as Bargaining Agent for Police personnel below the rank of sergeant. On the other hand, the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 268 bargains for all Fire Department personnel up to and including Captain Inspector and Mechanical Superintendent.

When agreement was reached between the City and the Halifax Police Athletic and Social Club in July, no change was recommended in salaries for Police personnel of the rank of Sergeant and above. This recommendation was withheld in view of the negotiations which were under way with the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 268 for firemen.

Now that an agreement has been reached between the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 268 and the City in respect to rates of pay for all Fire Department personnel up to and including Captain Inspector and Mechanical Superintendent, for 1961 and 1962, it is considered necessary to adjust the salary scales for Police personnel of the rank of Sergeant and above for the years 1961 and 1962, being the same period covered by the agreement reached with the Halifax Police Athletic and Social Club and the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 268.

Salary scales for Police personnel of the rank of Sergeant and above as appended hereto have been computed having regard to the rates of pay established for other ranks in both the Police and Fire Departments.

It is recommended that Council concur in the rates listed, effective for the period January 1st, 1961 to December 31st, 1962.

It is further recommended that Council authorize an appropriation under Section 316C of the City Charter, in the amount of \$7,000.00 for Police salary adjustments.

Respectfully submitted.

P. F. C. Byars, CITY MANAGER.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the recommendations be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR LAND - BLOCKS "P" AND "Q" - EXHIBITION GROUNDS

A report was submitted from the Industrial Commission submitting

a sub-committee report and recommendations pertaining to tenders received for

the sale of lots in Blocks "P" and "Q", Exhibition Grounds.

Copies of the report were distributed to members of Council prior to the meeting.

Alderman DeWolf suggested that the tenders should have been considered by the Finance and Executive Committee rather than the Industrial Commission.

MOVED by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration and that a definition of "Industrial" be clarified. Motion passed.

GRANT FROM NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD

His Worship the Mayor reported that he and the City Manager met with officials of the National Port Cities , in which National Harbours Board installations are operated, to organize themselves for discussions pertaining to tax agreements with the Board. Such Cities included Vancouver, Montreal, St. John, Halifax and two or three others. His Worship was appointed Chairman of the Committee. A four-hour meeting was held with the members of the Harbours Board at which time it was argued that the tax basis should be that as paid in the form of grants in lieu of taxes for other Crown properties on which full realty taxes are paid. The sum of \$129,000.00 was paid to the City last year according to the Board's values of property — land and buildings as against total assessments of police and fire services. Several questions were considered pertaining to accounting procedures in arriving at deficit figures. The help of the Federal Members would be solicited to assist the City in obtaining a fair and equitable grant.

At this time Council approved of the Mayor's acting as Chairman of the Committee. He advised he could be involved in one or two visits to Ottawa and Montreal in this connection.

BRIEF - MAYORS ! FEDERATION

His Worship the Mayor reported that a brief as prepared by the Mayors' Federation pertaining to the Federal Government's involvement

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to a greater degree in urban renewal projects and undertakings was presented to the Federal Cabinet. At the moment in the United States, the Federal Government will assist in the acquisition of properties in commercial districts which need redevelopment whereas there is some restriction under the Canadian practise in that there must be a housing scheme involved in the clearance areas. Another matter contained in the Brief was that of some form of financing which would produce some kind of preferred rating to municipal borrowings.

GRANT - CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

His Worship the Mayor reported that he and the City Manager had met with Mr. Henry Friel, Solicitor for the Canadian National Railways and the Tax Commissioner, Mr. Kelsie. After the conference with these two gentlemen, it was recommended to the Mayors of the Atlantic cities that they join in making a presentation respecting tax grants to their respective Cities. His Worship was appointed convenor of the meetings. He requested authority to pursue further discussions with the Canadian National Railways and to acc in this capacity to which Council agreed.

LETTER - HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH AND DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL RE POLL TAX PENALTY AND VOTING RESTRICTIONS, HALIFAX SHIPYARDS EMPLOYEES

A letter was submitted from the Halifax-Dartmouth and District Labour Council requesting that no penalties or voting restrictions be placed upon those who have so far been unable to pay their poll or property taxes due to their being on strike for a real living wage.

A report was submitted from the City Solicitor advising that as matters of penalties and interest are contained in the City Charter, to accede to this request would mean special legislation in respect of these people. He said he had considerable doubt that such proposed legislation would be approved and passed by the House.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration.

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BICENTENNIAL DRIVE

The following questions pertaining to the Bicentennial Drive

entrance to the City were submitted by Alderman O'Brien:

- What indication has the Province given the City as to when Bicentennial Drive traffic will start flowing onto Dutch Village Road?
- 2. What plans has the City made to control circulation of traffic prior to the completion of the overpass, so that residential streets in the area will not be used as part of the provincial highway system?
- 3. Will a clear-cut routing plan for through traffic be in effect the day the new highway is opened?
- 4. What is the total estimated cost caused by the Bicentennial entry for which the City is expected to pay 100 per cent under its agreement with the Province?
- 5. What is the total estimated cost to the City of the entry of Bicentennial Drive including those parts towards which the Province is committed to pay 50 per cent and those parts towards which the Province is committed to pay nothing?
- 6. What amount did the City commit itself to by its decision to sign the agreement with the Province and how much of it will be required in the 1962 capital budget?
- 7. How does the City's Bicentennial estimated expenditure compare with its average total capital budget over the last 5 years?
- 8. What is the final plan for truck, other vehicular, and pedestrian routing which will take effect when the overpass is completed?
- 9. What protection will residents of the area affected have against alteration of traffic patterns without notice or appeal?
- 10. In what way has each of the special conditions attached to the City's approval of the site been met?

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had requested the City Manager to confer with the Traffic Engineer and the Traffic Authority with respect to the problem of the entry of traffic from the Bicentennial Drive at Dutch Village Road and if necessary that they meet with the Minister of Highways for the Province to reach a solution on the proper dispersal of traffic pending completion of the overhead structure.

> REQUEST TO ERECT CHRISTMAS TREE IN GRAND PARADE-DOWNTOWN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN'S ASSOCIATION

A letter was submitted from the Downtown Business and Professional Men's Association requesting permission to erect a Christmas Tree in the Grand Parade.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the

request be approved and that City staff be directed to assist in the erection

and lighting of the tree as in former years. Motion passed.

LETTER - BOARD OF TRADE SUPPORTING COST SHARING OF THE BICENTENNIAL DRIVE ENTRANCE

November 16, 1961.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council, City of Halifax, Halifax, N. S.

Your Worship and Aldermen:

At a recent meeting of the Public Relations Committee of the Halifax Board of Trade support of your October 26th decision regarding cost sharing of the Bicentennial Drive entrance to Halifax was voiced in the following resolution:

"Upon motion it was agreed the Chairman advise City Council that the Public Relations Committee concur with their decisions regarding cost sharing of proposed entrance to Halifax of the Bicentennial Highway".

We shall follow with interest all developments which will lead to a satisfactory and fair solution.

Yours respectfully,

Angus C. Ferrier, CHAIRMAN.

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PRESS REPORT RE EMERGENCY SHELTERS IN WELLINGTON COURT

Alderman Butler drew attention to a recent newspaper article published in the Mail-Star on November 15th and entitled "Turn for Worse in the Last Two Weeks" which stated that a number of families had been or would be displaced at Wellington Court and that the Family Service Bureau had received information that instructions had been issued from City Hall that there would be no further families accommodated in these shelters; and he asked that a report be made by the City Manager to clarify the situation for the next meeting of the Redevelopment Committee.

The City Clerk was directed to write the Family Service Bureau to ascertain their source of information and to inquire if the Bureau makes any attempt to assist in finding accommodation for families requiring emergency housing.

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LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES - DANGEROUS AND FALLING TREES

Alderman Macdonald raised the question of responsibility for trees which are in a dangerous state because of age and which are close to property lines and he asked if the City had any liability with respect to any damage which might result should such trees or any portion thereof, fall.

The Deputy City Solicitor advised that it would be the responsibility of the owner of the land on which the tree is located.

Alderman Macdonald referred to trees which are partly on private property and City property and he asked that the matter be referred to the City Charter Revision Committee.

It was agreed that Alderman Butler be requested to bring this matter to the attention of such Committee.

Meeting adjourned. 11:50 P. M.

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