free to them.

Mrs. Mary Abraham spoke on behalf of Mrs. McNamara, 115 Maitland Street, and stated that Mrs. McNamara has no objection to the proposed redevelopment but feels that a person should be given the equivalent of what they now have without any extra debt.

Mr. Warrington, 121 Maitland Street, appeared and asked that a definite decision be made so that the property owners will know whether or not to proceed with repairs to their property, because, as it stands at the present time a person doesn't know whether to spend money on his property or leave it alone and if it is left alone, the property will deteriorate to the point where it will be condemned. He contended that no one is opposed to the plan providing that they get back what they now have. He said that he now has six rooms and bath and if the City wants his property, he should be given six rooms and bath 'somewhere else in the City at no greater expense to him. He referred to the plight of older residents who are already on pension and are unable to obtain mortgages on new properties. "They would be forced to live in apartments and their small savings would soon be dissipated", he concluded.

Mr. Edward Roach, President of the Homeowners Association, submitted and read a seven page brief on behalf of the executive of his Association, which in essence urged Council to get on with their positive programme of action for the gradual transition of the whole area, calling for the clearance, planning, modernization and rehabilitation of all its parts that will guarantee better housing and adequate compensation to those affected having regard for and a sensible appreciation of the rights of the individual.

Mr. James Foran, appeared on behalf of his mother who owns the property 817 Barrington Street and stated that if the property is taken it will be a serious blow to his mother who is 80 years of age. He stated that if the property could be replaced at their value, debt free to them, they would be in favour of redevelopment but he felt that the actual value of their property would not be sufficient.

No further person wished to be heard.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman O<sup>o</sup>Brien, that the question be put. - 260 -

Alderman Healy stated that he would like to amend the motion by adding the clause "that special consideration be given to the owners of owner-occupied single family dwellings in the matter of compensation"; and he felt that the City should go to the extent of paying a bonus to the homeowners living in the area even though the Federal or Provincial Governments would not share in the cost of such bonus. He said that such a plan would not place too heavy a burden on the City since the project is going to be phased over a number of years and there would be only about five or six of this type to be considered each year.

The Chairman stated that he could not accept the amendment in view of Alderman LeBlanc's motion to put the question; but he ruled that any member could speak on the original motion.

Alderman Meagher stated that many people in the area want to remain in the area because they were born and grew up there and worked near the area and these people do not wish to live in apartment units but want to have their own homes; and he asked if it is possible under the National Housing Act to build row-type housing along Maitland Street and give the people an opportunity to purchase these units..

The Development Officer said that this is a possibility but to his knowledge there has been no precedent for it and the report attempted to show that the economics of this type of housing from an investment point of view might not be as attractive to the people because they would have to pay the full price.

Alderman Breen stated that the people in the area would like to know if they are going to get replacement value for equal accommodation, and they will be told "you can't expect to get new for old" and he said the question is -- how old is old?

He contended that if a property meets the minimum standards and the people have been living there for a lifetime and they are forcibly moved they should be fully compensated and they should be permitted to go

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into new homes without any further costs or financial burden.

Alderman O'Brien said that Council would be well advised to pass the motion in order to clear up the uncertainty as to whether or not the project is going to proceed and that consideration should be given to the provision of row-type housing for the owners of owner-occupied homes in the area at one of the latter stages of the development, as an experiment; and he said that consideration should be given in the Town Planning Board to such a proposal and in this way perhaps a contribution could be made to the future housing policy in Canada.

Alderman DeWolf asked that inquiry be made to see if the project could be included in the Winter Works Program to effect an economy in the cost of construction.

In answer to a question by the Chairman, the Development Officer stated that if Council approves the motion, the City is committing itself in principle to:

- (1) The acquisition and clearance of properties in the area to an estimated value of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  million dollars on a phased basis to be determined, exactly, later but probably over a period of ten years, subject to detailed negotiations and agreement with the other members of the partnership;
- (2) To discuss with the Department of National Defence (Navy) the use of the properties east of Barrington Street by the Navy on the basis that it would compensate the City in full for all the properties, if acquired by the City, and that any homeowners or residents of that area would be offered alternate housing accommodation;
- (3) To the planning of up to 400 units of public housing to be phased on the basis of not more than 150 units a year;

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(4) That if an owner in an area (which is subsequently phase 5) wishes to sell his property at this time, the partnership will buy same in advance of that need but that the property when acquired will be kept in operation by the City as rental accommodation until such time as the City's plans have been completed for the construction on that site.

In conclusion he stated that in all probability, during the course of this project, there will be great changes in Federal legislation which the City might want to take advantage of.

The Chairman: "So, it is flexible and it is rigid in principle only".

The motion was passed unanimously.

# ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

The following accounts over \$500.00 were submitted:

Vendor	Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Dept. Municipal Affairs, Province of Nova Scotia	Overprinting and Completing Debentures	\$ 1,411. <b>00</b>
R. K. Kelley & Co. Ltd <sup>*</sup> .	PremiumAuto Fleet, Works Department	9, <b>0</b> 18.75
Public Service Comm.	Fire Protection 1963	248,327,92
Mussens Ltd. N. S. Tractors & Equipment	Cab for Mechanical Sweeper Cab for Mechanical Sweepers (3)	6 <b>90.65</b> 1,7 <b>0</b> 3.99
G. A. Redmond Trucking & Demolition Ltd.	Demolition 46-48 Market, 871 Barrington Streets	1,595. <b>00</b>
Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada	Premium Group Life Insurance Halifax Fire Dept.	<u>3,482,51</u> \$ <u>266,229,82</u>

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the accounts be approved for payment. Motion passed.

# LETTER - WAEGWOLTIC CLUB RE: CLOSURE - PORTION OF COBURG ROAD AND SALE OF LAND

A letter was submitted from the President of the Waegwoltic Club requesting that the City close the lower portion of Coburg Road from the Club gates to the North West Arm and sell the resulting lot of land to them at a reasonable price.

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

LETTER - UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES RE: BRIEF ON MUNICIPAL TAXATION

A letter was submitted from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities advising that the Committee of the Union, charged with the responsibility of preparing a brief to Touche, Ross, Bailey and Smart, the Consultants engaged to conduct the study of Municipal Taxation, will be ready to report to the Union on Monday, June 24, 1963, at 2:00 p.m. at the Municipal Administration Building, Armdale. The City representatives were requested to lattend this meeting.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the Deputy Mayor and City Manager be authorized to attend the meeting on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

LETTER - HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION RE: HALIFAX AREA BRIDGE STUDY, 1963

Office of the Mayor, Halifax, Nova Scotia,

To the Members of City Council.

Dear Aldermen:

As you have been previously informed, the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission undertook to investigate -

- the sufficiency of the means of access to the City provided by the present bridge operated by the Commission;
- (2) the need or advisability of an additional bridge or bridges across Halifax Harbour or the North West Arm.

You were also informed that the Bridge Commission had engaged as their consulting engineer for their investigations Mr. H. H. L. Pratley, B.Eng., M.E.I.C. The consulting engineer retained the services of a specialist firm in traffic engineering, namely A. D. Margison & Associates Limited, of Toronto, to assist in the field work entailed in the necessary origin and destination surveys.

The consultants completed their report several weeks ago and presented it to the Commission for its study and consideration. The final recommendations of the Bridge Commission must be submitted to the Provincial Government and the three municipalities of the port region.

At a meeting of the Commission held this date it was decided to invite each of the governments concerned to have their technical staff members undertake in camera studies of the report and convey their conclusions, through each respective governments's representatives on the Commission, to a meeting of the Commission to be held on June 24th.

It is also agreed that the government representatives could invite members of their respective technical staffs to attend the aforementioned meeting.

Under the foregoing procedure the report would not be made public until the Bridge Commission had reached its conclusions, to be set forth in recommendations to the respective governments.

We, the undersigned, recommend that City Council agree to the foregoing procedure requested by the Bridge Commission.

JOHN E. LLOYD, Mayor

H. R. WYMAN, Alderman

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - CITY OF DARTMOUTH RE: NATAL DAYS

A letter was submitted from the City Clerk Administrator of the

City of Dartmouth advising that the Dartmouth City Council had adopted the

following resolution at its June 4 meeting:

No. 32 RESOLVED that Wednesday, August 7, 1963, be proclaimed a civic holiday in the City of Dartmouth for the celebration of Dartmouth Natal Day;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Halifax be requested to declare a half-holiday on that date;

FURTHER RESOLVED that a civic half-holiday be declared on July 31 for the celebration of Halifax Natal Day.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that

Wednesday, August 7, 1963, be proclaimed a civic half-holiday for the celebration of the City of Dartmouth Natal Day. Motion passed.

LETTER - STEWART, MACKEEN & COVERT RE: USE OF WEEKLY PASS - TRANSIT SYSTEM -NOVA SCOTIA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED

A letter was submitted from Stewart, MacKeen and Covert, Solicitors for the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited, advising that the Company will make application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities for

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an amendment to its Petition before the Board by adding a request for approval to an amendment in the transit fare structure respecting the Weekly Pass.

MOVED by Alderman O<sup>®</sup>Brien, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited be requested not to present the application for an amendment to their Petition to the Public Utilities Board at the hearing scheduled for June 18, 1963, respecting restrictions on the use of the Weekly Pass, in order to give the City an opportunity to further study the matter; and that, if the Company refuses to withhold presentation of the amendment, the City Solicitor be instructed to oppose the application of the Company. Motion passed.

#### PASSING - FORMER ALDERMAN J. W. MCCARTHY

Tribute was paid by the members of Council to the memory of the late James W. McCarthy who served as a member of Council for many years and had passed away recently.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the City Clerk be directed to forward to the family of the late Mr. McCarthy a suitable expression of sympathy on behalf of the Council. Motion passed. <u>APPOINTMENT - MR. J.G. SIMPSON AS A MEMBER OF THE HALIFAX INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION</u>

The Chairman nominated Mr. W. G. Simpson for appointment as a member of the Halifax Industrial Development Commission for the period ending April 30, 1964.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the nomination be approved.

Alderman LeBlanc suggested that the appointment be made for a term of three years.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the appointment be deferred until the meeting of Council.

The motion to defer was passed with Alderman Wyman voting "against". <u>APPLICATION TO REZONE LAND - LIVINGSTONE STREET AND KEMPT ROAD</u>

Referred to the Town Planning Board for consideration.

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# GUARD RAILS - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

A report was submitted from the City Manager advising that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation disagree with the City staff on the necessity of providing more than 1000 to 1200 lineal feet of guard rail at hazardous locations at the Mulgrave Park Housing Project as in their judgment this amount of guard rail is sufficient, and they contend that if the City feels that guard rails should be provided for the full length of Albert Street, the City should assume any cost over and above \$8,000.00.

The City Manager recommended that the City agree to proceed with the installation of 1000 to 1200 lineal feet of guard rail at hazardous locations at the Mulgrave Park Housing Project involving a total expenditure not to exceed \$8,000.00.

MOVED by Alderman O Brien, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved, and that the matter of additional protection be referred to the Safety Committee for consideration and report. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

12:00 Midnight.

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ROBERT J. BUTLER, DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

# CITY COUNCIL M I N U T E S

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., June 27, 1963, 8:05 p.m.

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

There were present Deputy Mayor Butler, Chairman, and Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Macdonald, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

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

# MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on June 6, 1963, were approved on motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood.

#### JOLLY TAR & PRESS GANG SOCIETY

At the request of Alderman LeBlanc, Council suspended consideration of business to permit the introduction of the members of the Jolly Tar and Press Gang Society, an organization formed by the Junior Board of Trade to assist in the promotion of tourism in the Halifax Area.

> PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING NO.415-17 NORTH STREET FROM R-2 ZONE TO PARK AND INSTITUTIONAL ZONE

A public hearing was held at this time in connection with the application of the Full Gospel Church to rezone the property No.415-17 North Street from R-2 Zone to Park and Institutional Zone.

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

No person appeared either for or against the application.

To: His Worship the Mayor and

Members of City Council

From: Town Planning Board

Date: May 16, 1963

Subject: Rezoning - No.415-17 North Street (R2-P&I)

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on May 7, 1963, considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of the rezoning

of No.415-17 North Street from R=2 to  $P\partial I$ , as shown on drawing No.P200/974, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Planning Act, and that a date be set for a public hearing.

On motion of Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, 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 Greeenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that

the application of the Full Gospel Church be approved. Motion passed.

A formal Resolution as prepared by the City Solicitor to give

effect to the foregoing Resolution of Council was submitted.

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

> PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING NO.6533(207) COBURG ROAD FROM R-2 ZONE TO R-3 ZONE

A public hearing was held at this time in connection with the

application of Dr. Carl Stoddard to rezone the property No.6533 Coburg Road from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone.

The City Clerk stated that the matter had been duly advertised and the following communications received:

- Petition against the proposed rezoning signed by 28 property owners in the area affected;
- 2. Petition against the proposed rezoning signed by 10 property owners in the area affected.
- 3. Lettersfrom Dr. N. H. Gosse, L. L. Fairn and R. J. Sollows opposing the proposed rezoning.

The report of the Town Planning Board was read, as follows:

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

From: Town Planning Board

Date: May 16, 1963

Subject: Rezoning - No.6533(207) Coburg Road (R2 - R3)

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on May 7, 1963, comsidered a report from the City Manager recommending that the application to rezone No.6533 (207) Coburg Road from R2 to R3 be recommended for approval in principle to City Council, subject to (a) the applicants submitting a detailed scheme for the development of the area to be prepared in consultation with the City Staff, and (b) the applicants formally agreeing to carry out the scheme agreed with the City and submitted at a public hearing, and also agreeing to

the rezoning of their land back to R2 density if the approved scheme is not implemented.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Board agreed to send the matter to City Council without a recommendation and ask Council to set a date for a public hearing, and that the matter be sent back to the Town Planning Board after the public hearing for recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, Clerk of Works.

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

The following persons appeared and addressed Council in opposition to the proposed rezoning:

Mr. John Dickey, Q.G., on behalf of the Wasgwoltic Club;

Mr. Ronald N. Pagsley on behalf of six (6) residents on Birchdale Avenue and Coburg Road;

Mr. Arthur Speed on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. G.C.Sollows of 6517 Coburg Road.

Mr. George C. Piercey appeared on behalf of the applicant, addressed Council at length and concluded by stating that his client would be willing to consider modifying the proposal if same is not acceptable in its present form.

After a full discussion, it was moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for a recommendation. Motion passed.

9:10 p.m. Council adjourned for a short recess.

9:15 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members being present.

PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING CORNER OF FRANCKLYN STREET AND PINE HILL DRIVE FROM R-1 ZONE TO PARK & INSTITUTIONAL ZONE

A public hearing was held at this time in connection with the application of Pine Hill Divinity College to rezone the land at the southeast corner of Pine Hill Drive and Francklyn Street from R-1 Zone to Park and Institutional Zone.

The City Clerk stated that the matter had been duly advertised and that a petition, signed by twelve (12) property owners in the area affected, had been received expressing opposition to the proposed rezoning. Also, that letters objecting to the proposal had been received from the following property owners:

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Russell G. Stephens, D. D. S. - 5896 Pine Hill Drive Susan E. Stairs - 5900 Pine Hill Drive

Estelle H. Thompson

The report of the Town Planning Board was read as follows:

- 5890 Pine Hill Drive

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: May 16, 1963.

Subject: Rezoning - Francklyn Street and Pine Hill Drive.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on May 7, 1963, considered a report from the City Manager recommending that the land at the junction of Francklyn Street and Pine Hill Drive, as shown on Drawing No. P200/968, be rezoned from R-1 to Park and Institutional, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Planning Act, and that a date for a public hearing be set.

On motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, 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.

The Director of Planning displayed a drawing of the area and briefly explained the application.

The following persons appeared and addressed Council in opposition to the proposed rezoning:

Mr. R. L. Rooney, Q. C., on behalf of seven property owners in the area;

Mr. Doane Hallett on behalf of several property owners on Francklyn Street;

Mr. Hector McInnes on behalf of Mr. James H. McLaren.

Mr. Raymond Smith, Chairman of the Board of Governors of Pine Hill Divinity College, addressed Council and explained the need for married quarters and that the site had been chosen on the recommendation of the architect who had been engaged to draw up the plans for the buildings. He stated that his purpose was not to press the application but that it be considered on its merits.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the recommendation of the Town Planning Board be approved.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration.

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The motion to refer was put and lost, as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen DeWolf, Meagher, Connolly and Greenwood -4 -

Against it: Aldermen Abbott, Breen Lane, Macdonald, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy and O'Brien - 8 -

The original motion was then put and lost, as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen Macdonald, LeBlanc and O'Brien - 3 -

Against it: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Meagher, Trainor, Healy, Connolly and Greenwood - 9 -

DISPOSITION OF ANDERSON SQUARE PROPERTY

June 27, 1963.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on June 20, 1963, a report was submitted from the Town Planning Board approving of the following recommendations:

- That City Council agree that the land be valued at \$1.50 per square foot and that the annual rental for this land be established at 6.25% of this value;
- 2. That this rental value be applicable to all short term or long term rental transactions concerning all or a part of the Anderson Square property entered into during the period to June 30, 1965;
- 3. That the agreement between the City and Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council be concluded subject to a hearing before a Committee of the Whole Council of the request of Dalhousie University to acquire the land for medical school building.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations and also recommends that the representatives of the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council be permitted to make representations to City Council when the matter is considered.

The City Manager was directed to make available at the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council the following information:

- The total assessment of Dalhousie University Properties in the City;
- 2. The potential tax yield from such assessment;
- The total amount of grants now being paid to Dalhousie University.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

The Chairman stated that Doctor Henry Hicks, President-Elect of Dalhousie University, had indicated that he would be willing to discuss with the representatives of the Rehabilitation Council, a possible compromise on the use of the Anderson Square Property, and he asked Mr. Manuel I. Zive, President of the Rehabilitation Council, who was present, for his reaction to the proposal.

Mr. Zive stated that his Council is not prepared to discuss the matter with the representatives of Balhousie University as the land had been granted to his Group by resolution of Council at the December 13, 1962, meeting, and they were only awaiting Council's action in setting the rental before proceeding with their plans.

The Chairman stated that subsequent to Council's action re: disposal of the land, Dalhousie University had applied to the City to acquire the land for the purpose of creating a medical building thereon.

Mr. Zive explained that the Rehabilitation Centre will be for Dalhousie's use as it includes a 90-bed hospital and thus becomes a teaching unit for the medical students.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the decision on the disposal of the Anderson Square property be deferred until such time as the representatives of Dalhousie University and the Rehabilitation Council meet and resolve their common problem and advise City Council of their decision.

Alderman O'Brien contended that, in view of Council's action of December 13, 1962, the Rehabilitation Council should be permitted to proceed with its plans, unless Dalhousie convinces Council that it has given a lot of thought to the matter and can present a more specific compromise.

Mr. Donald McInnes, Q.C., Chairman of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University, was permitted to address the Council, and he asked that Council not make a hasty decision on the matter until discussions have been held by Dalhousie with officers of the Rehabilitation Council. He pointed out that Dalhousie is thinking in terms of establishing a medical complex, which could include the Rehabilitation Centre, in the area of the Victoria General

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Hospital and Dalhousie University, involving millions of dollars over a long period of years.

He contended that Anderson Square is a necessary part of the medical complex, the Forrest Campus having been objected to as the site for the building.

Mr. H. B. Rhude, Vice-President of the Rehabilitation Council, was also permitted to address Council, and he stated that his organization has made plansand committeed \$35,000.00 on the basis of City Council's commitment of December 13, 1962; and he asked that Council now honor its commitment by setting the rental rates so that his Council's plans could be finalized.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that Mr. G. R. Matheson be permitted to address Council. Motion passed with 1. Alderman Lane voting "against".

Mr. Matheson said he was appearing in the role of solicitor for the Canadian Red Cross Society, who are tenants of the R.C.A.F. Officers' Mess; and he asked that City Council honor its commitment to the Rehabilitation Council as otherwise the Red Cross would be faced with the immediate necessity of moving to other quarters which are not yet available.

The motion was then put and lost, as follows:

For the Motion: Alderman Abbott, Breen, Lane, Meagher and Greenwood

Against it: Aldermen DeWolf, Macdonald, Trainor, Healy, Connolly and O'Brien - 6

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that recommendations Nos. 1 and 2 of the report of the Finance and Executive Committee be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

PROPOSED ACQUISITION - REPLICA OF H.M.S. "NAMUR"

To:	His Worship the Mayor and				
	Members of the City Council				
From:	P. F. C. Byers, City Manager				

Date: June 27, 1963

Subject: Proposed Acquisition - Replica of H.M.S. "Namur"

At the June 13th meeting of City Council, the item respecting the acquisition by the City of Halifax from the Department of National Defence, Ottawa, for display on land, of a one-quarter size replica of H.M.S. "Namur"

was deferred to permit the City Manager to review the proposal.

The City Manager has had some discussions with the Director of the Halifax Tourist and Convention Bureau in respect to this matter, and based on these discussions, it would appear that acquisition of the replica of the "Namur" might run to an original cost as follows:

> \$4,000.00 - Original cost 800.00 - To return the "Namur" to Halifax 2,000.00 - To set it up in Halifax 2,000.00 - Security costs for a chain link fence, etc. \$8,900.00 - Total original cost.

Thereafter it is estimated there will be an annual recurring cost in the vicinity of 33,500.00 to 44,000.00 for the maintenance of the grounds and upkeep of the replica of H.M.S. "Namur".

Although the Tourist and Convention Committee is of the opinion that the increasing interest of visitors in museums and other similar matters of Maritime importance warrants this expenditure, it is the opinion of the City Manager that the acquisition of this historical replica should not be a City acquisition, but should be an acquisition by the Maritime Museum if that body is interested in the project. To this end, then, the City Manager feels that if the Maritime Museum is interested in acquiring the "Namur", the City of Halifax could consider increasing the grant to the Maritime Museum in 1964 in an amount not to exceed the sum of \$2,000.00 required to set up the replica in Halifax. The City obtained legislation in 1962 by Section 9, Chapter 70, which added Section 671C to the City Charter respecting historical sites. The City Manager is informed that the replica of H.M.S. "Namur" would not qualify as a structure under the provisions of Section 671C. Therefore, the City would require special legislation to give effect to the proposal set forth by the Halifax Tourist and Convention Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. C. BYARS, City Manager.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the report be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen DeWolf and Breen voting "against".

#### MOTION OF ALDERMAN MACDONALD RE: SIDEWALKS - PRYOR STREET

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the motion of Council approved on July 3, 1962, respecting the installation of sidewalks on Pryor Street, from Prince Arthur Street to Jubilee Road, at a cost of \$5,500.00, be rescinded.

The motion was put and passed, as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Macdonald, Trainor, Healy and Connolly - 8

Against it: Aldermen Meagher, O'Brien and Greenwood - 3 MOTION OF ALDERMAN MACDONALD RE: SIDEWALKS - ARMVIEW AVENUE

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the installation of sidewalks on Armview Avenue be deleted from 1961 Capital Budget and be not included in the 1963 Capital Budget. The motion was passed with Alderman Greenwood voting "against".  $_276 =$ 

#### RECOMMENDATIONS - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following recommendations were submitted from the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on June 20, 1963:

# Re-appointment - Rental Authority

Your Committee recommends that the Development Officer be reappointed as Rental Authority for the period July 1, 1963 to December 31, 1964.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Tenders - Charter Covers

Your Committee recommends that the tender of F. M. O'Neill and Company Limited for the purchase of 200 binders for the New City Charter at a price of \$6.95 each (tax included), being the lowest of three tenders submitted, be accepted.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed with Alderman O'Brien voting

against.

### Property Settlement - No 2727 Dutch Village Road

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$3,090.00 be paid to the Public Service Commission for a portion of the property at No. 2727 Dutch Village Road expropriated for street widening purposes.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Legal Proceedings - Rental Accounts in Arrears

Your Committee recommends that authority be granted to the Halifax-Dartmouth Credit Exchange Limited to institute legal proceedings against ten former tenants of the City with outstanding rental arrears totalling \$1,597.16, the normal collection methods having failed.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Payment of Appraisal Fees

Your Committee recommends payment of the following accounts for appraisal fees, the necessary funds to be provided under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter:

> City-owned Land - Gottingen Street (Proposed to be leased to the Nova Scotia Association for Retarded Children)

> > Mr. Arthur Speed.....\$65.00 Mr. R. L. Stailing.....\$75.00

Anderson Square Property

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

#### Liability of City for Manufacturer's Sales Tax License

The Committee was advised by the City Manager that representatives of the Customs and Excise Division of the Department of National Revenue have informed the City that it is liable for a manufacturer's sales tax license because of its engagement in the production of printed matter and in the production of signs, road barricades and similar items and the officials of the Federal Department have requested that samples of the material produced by these activities be forwarded to Ottawa and appraised to determine if they are taxable.

Your Committee recommends that the City Manager be instructed to oppose in principle the imposition of the proposed tax and not to release the requested material for transmission to Ottawa.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the recommendation be approved and that His Worship the Mayor, as a Member of Parliament at Ottawa seek an interpretation of the Act from the appropriate officials of the Department to determine whether or not the City is required to obtain such a license. Motion passed.

#### Release of Grant - Y. W. C. A.

The Committee was advised that in 1957 legislation was obtained to pay an annual grant of \$5,000.00 for five (5) years to the Y. W. C. A. towards the capital cost of an addition to their building on Barrington Street. Construction of the addition was not proceeded with and the grant was not paid, but was held in reserve.

Your Committee recommends that the total grant of \$25,000.00 be now released and paid to the Y. W. C. A. who have indicated that plans are being made to commence construction of the addition in the near future.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### REPORTS - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Petition Against Installation of Sidewalks on Portions of Lady Hammond Road

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

From: Committee on Works.

Dates June 27, 1963.

Subject: Petition Against Installation of Sidewalks on Portions of Lady Hammerond Road.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on June 20, 1963, considered a petition endorsed by Alderman Trainor from business establishments on Lady Hammond Road requesting that sidewalks be not installed in front of their properties.

The Committee also considered a report from the City Manager recommending that, in the interest of public safety, the original recommendation to install sidewalks on this portion of Lady Hammond Road be carried out.

On motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, the

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Committee agreed to take no action on the petition, and recommended that the work be proceeded with as planned.

Alderman Connolly was recorded as being "against".

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

The motion was put and passed as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Healy, O'Brien, Macdonald and Greenwood - 8 -

Against it: Aldermen Meagher, Trainor and Connolly - 3 -

Alderman Trainor gave notice that at the next meeting of Council

he would move a notice of reconsideration pertaining to the foregoing item.

Closing Lower Fortion of Coburg Road from Waegwoltic Club Gate to North West Arm - Setting Date for a Public Hearing

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Letter - Waegwoltic Club.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on June 20, 1963, considered a letter from the Waegwoltic Club requesting that the City close a lower portion of Coburg Road from the Waegwoltic gate to the North West Arm and then sell the land to them at a reasonable price. The letter stated that, if the City did not agree to close this portion of Coburg Road, they would then apply for renewal of their lease.

On motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Healy, the Committee recommended to City Council that this portion of Coburg Road be closed and after its closure the City lease the land to the Waegwoltic Club for ten years with a further option at that time, and that this lease be subject to whatever easement is required by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved and that Council fix Thursday, July 25, 1963, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., as the time and place for a public hearing in connection with the closing the lower portion of Coburg Road from the Waegwoltic gate to the North West Arm. Motion passed.

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#### Tenders - Demolition - No. 41 Jacob Street and No. 15 Starr Street

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Tenders - Demolition - No. 41 Jacob Street and No. 15 Starr Street.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on June 20, 1963, considered a tabulation of tenders as submitted by the City Manager and Commissioner of Works for the demolition of No. 41 Jacob Street and No. 15 Starr Street.

Acceptance of the following tender was recommended:

41 Jacob Street - G. A. Reimond - \$1,500.00 (City to pay); 15 Starr Street - G. A. Reimond - \$2,250.00 (City to pay).

This tender is recommended provided Performance Bonds in the following amounts are deposited with the City:

41 Jacob Street - \$2,000.00; 15 Starr Street - \$3,000.00.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee approved the report and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

#### K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

Assignment of Lease - Oakland Road Ferry

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Assignment of Lease - Oukland Road Ferry.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on June 20, 1963, considered a request from George J. Mont for permission to operate the Jollimore Ferry from the wharf at the foot of Oakland Road to the wharf at the Dingle for the remainder of the time stated in the lease.

Mr. Mont originally operated the Jollimore Ferry but sold his interests to Mr. David Nicoll. Mr. Nicoll has not been able to meet the terms of sale and, therefore, Mr. Mont has found it necessary to operate the ferry to protect his interests.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, the Committee approved the request and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submit ted,

K. C. Mantin, CIERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that

the report be approved. Motion passed.

Renewal of Leases: Fisherman's Market Limited; Children's Hospital; Provincial Motors Limited.

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Renewal of Lease: Fisherman's Market Limited; Children's Hospital; Provincial Motors Limited.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on July 20, 1963, considered requests from the above for the renewal of their leases of City property, etc.

On motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee recommended to City Council that the leases between the City and these concerns be renewed for a one-year period at the same terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

Tenders for Purchase - No. 8 Mumford Road

Deferred.

#### REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Amendment - Zoning By-Law Re: Nursing Homes

Referred to the Town Planning Board for consideration and report.

#### Modification of Sideward - No. 313 Almon Street

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Modification of sideyard - No. 313 Almon Street.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on June 18, 1963, considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of a modification of sideyard requirements at No. 313 Almon Street, as shown on drawing no. P200/1035, in accordance with Part XV, paragraph 1(f), of the Zoning By-Law, and that no public hearing be held.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Board approved the report and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

#### Directional Signs - Halifax Shopping Centre

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Directional Signs - Halifax Shopping Centre.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on June 18, 1963, considered an application from Halifax Shopping Center for permission to erect utility pole type directional signs such as erected by the Downtown and Gottingen Street Merchants Associations.

The Board considered a report from the City Manager recommending that all signs in the City indicating the location of off-street parking be standardized to exclude names of commercial establishments or areas and that the location of all such signs be reviewed by the Traffic Authority. The present application will be given the same consideration as is afforded other commercial concerns supplying public off-street parking.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and requested that the same be forwarded to City Council for their information.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

report be approved. Motion passed.

Central Redevelopment Area - Appointment of Architects

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: June 27, 1963.

Subject: Central Redevelopment Area - Appointment of Architects.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on June 18, 1963, comsidered a report from the City Manager recommending that the City formally indicate to Provinces and Central Properties Limited its approval of the appointment of Sir Robert H. Matthew and his associate, Professor Johnson-Marshall.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Board approved the report and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin, CLERK OF WORKS.

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

report be approved on the condition that Council's approval is not to be construed as committing the City to any financial involvement. Motion passed.

#### REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The following recommendations were submitted from the Public Health

and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on June 20, 1963:

# Car Allowance - Social Worker - Halifax Mental Hospital

Your Committee recommends that a car allowance of \$25.00 a month be paid to the Social Worker employed at the Halifax Mental Hospital, because of the travelling involved as a result of an implementation of a boarding-out program for patients at the hospital, one-half of the amount so expended will be reimbursed by the Province.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that

the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Change in Telephone System - Halifax Health Centre and Convalescent Hospital

Your Committee recommends that the present telephone exchange servicing the Halifax Convalescent Hospital and the Halifax Health Centre be changed to two separate systems, each with its own intercommunication system at an estimated saving of \$1,466.92 each year after the \$400.00 service connection charges have been paid at the time of installation.

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

recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Boarding-out Program - Patients - Halifax Mental Hospital

It is recommended that a boarding-out program for selected patients at the Halifax Mental Hospital, arising out of the recommendations of the Marshall Report, and as proposed by the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare, be instituted at an additional cost of \$5,000.00 for the balance of 1963.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that this matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for the purpose

of determining the source of funds. Motion passed.

# REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

The following recommendations were submitted from the Safety

Committee meetings held on June 18 and 27, 1963:

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<u>Call for Tenders - Photographic Equipment - Fire Department</u>

It is recommended that tenders be called for the supply of a movie projector and screen for use by the Fire Department.

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MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman O'Brien,

that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

#### Legislation to Establish Truck Routes - City of Halifax

It is recommended that the City Solicitor again prepare legislation for submission to the Province of Nova Scotia to amend the Motor Vehicle Act, whereby the Traffic Authority is empowered to specifically designate certain streets as truck routes in the City of Halifax.

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

that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

# Purchase - Police Horses

mending:

A report was submitted from the Chief of Police recom-

- That we be authorized to purchase two or three horses, depending on the price asked;
- 2. That Sergeant Power be detailed to proceed to Toronto to examine these horses and that he be authorized to purchase them for the City, should they meet with his approval.

The cost involved is \$1,900.00 and same has been provided in the current budget.

Your Committee recommends that the Chief of Police be directed to consult with Mr. A. E. Johnson to determine whether or not suitable horses are available locally, and if such is not the case that the City Manager be empowered to authorize the expenditure recommended by the Chief of Police.

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

that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONS

Capital Grant - Dalhousie University

After hearing from Doctor Henry Hicks, **President-Elect** of Dalhousie University, in Committee of the Whole Council, it was agreed to refer the matter to the Finance and Executive committee for consideration.

#### QUESTION

# Question - Alderman Comolly Re: Salaries - Police and Fire Departments

Alderman Connolly asked if any action has yet been taken to resolve the question of salary increases for members of the Police and Fire Departments who have not yet been granted increases.

The City Manager stated that he has gathered the necessary statistics and will be meeting with representatives of both departments in the near future.

# Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: City-Owned Land - Chebucto Road

Alderman O'Brien referred to a recent newspaper article respecting the vacant land on Chebucto Road abutting the Westmount Subdivision. He stated that it is his understanding that property owners abutting this land have deeds which indicate that their properties front on Chebucto Road, and he asked that the City Manager be directed to co-ordinate the proposed uses of this land for street and recreational purposes and to bring forward to Council such proposals when the Capital Budget is considered.

#### Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Parks and Recreation Conference

Alderman Connolly referred to the Conference to be held by the Parks and Recreation Association in Halifax August 18 to 22, 1963, and he asked if the Point Pleasant Park Commission and Recreation and Playgrounds Commission are involved and will be represented at the Conference.

The City Manager was directed to determine whether or not arrangements have been made to have representation at the Conference.

REPORT - SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE: APPLICATION OF NOVA SCOTIA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY, LIMITED TO AMEND FARE STRUCTURE OF TRANSIT SYSTEM

Deferred.

#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

The following acc	ounts over \$500.00 were submitted and	i recommended
for payment by the City Mana,	ger:	
Vendor	Purpose	Amount
Stevens & Fiske Const. Ltd.	Consulting Engineering Services in connection with expropriation of Barrington Exchange and Nova Rug buildings	\$ 778.90
George R. Lordly Ltd.	Logs (Log boom- City Dump)	1,112.96

# Workmen's Compensation Board of Nova Scotia

9,696.82 \$11,558.68

MOVED by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the accounts be approved for payment. Motion passed.

# MOTION - ALDERMAN HEALY TO RESCIND RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL, MAY 16, 1963, RE: GRANT - NEPTUNE THEATRE OF HALIFAX

MOVED by Alderman Healy and seconded by Alderman Breen, that the recommendation of City Council, passed on May 16, 1963, respecting the payment of a grant of \$25,000.00 to the Neptune Theatre of Halifax, funds to be provided from the surplus in the Prefabricated Housing Account, be rescinded. Motion passed.

# APPOINTMENT - MR. J. G. SIMPSON AS A MEMBER OF THE HALIFAX INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Deferred.

### GRANT - NEPTUNE THEATRE - \$25,000.00 - 316C

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Lane, that a grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 be psid to the Neptune Theatre of Halifax, provided that no tax concession is sought by the said theatre, funds to be provided under the authority of Section 3160 of the City Charter. Motion passed.

# APPROPRIATIONS UNDER SECTION 3160 OF THE CITY CHARTER

Alderman Breen asked that a statement be prepared showing the amount expended under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter to date in 1963, and a comparison made for the similar period in 1962.

The City Manager was directed to submit the requested report.

11:20 p.m. meeting adjourned.

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R. J. BUTLER, DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1963, 4:30 P. M.

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

There were present: Deputy Mayor R. J. Butler, Chairman, Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Meagher, Healy, Connolly, O'Brien, Greenwood and Trainor.

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

The meeting was called specially to consider the Development Plan for the Halifax Commons as prepared by Project Planning Associates Limited.

Copies of the report of the Consultants had been distributed to the Members of Council prior to the meeting and a copy is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

The Chairman stated that Mr. M. L. Hancock, President of Project Planning Associates Limited was present; and he asked if Council wished to have Mr. Hancock outline the plan.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that Mr. Hancock be permitted to address Council. Motion passed.

Mr. Hancock then addressed Council for approximately one hour summarizing the various phases of his report.

The conclusions and recommendations contained in the report are as follows:

Analyzing the concept of the proposed Development Plan, type and arrangement of uses, architectural and landscape architectural design principles, it can be concluded that the Commons should retain the character as a focal point in the form of an identifiable, well-organized open space area.

The Commons as proposed will greatly contribute to the revitalization of the central area, and generally influence the pace and character of development on the periphery of the Commons.

The Commons will represent an important civic element in the build up of the City, and will greatly enhance the appearance and appeal of the City.

This Development Plan as presented, and within terms of our reference, represents a Preliminary Plan, which after approval in principle has to be formulated as a Final Plan for implementation. -288 -

The major aspects of the concept are summarized as follows:

- Widening and improvement of perimeter roads
- Elimination of Cogswell Street, Trollope Street and Bell Street Conversion of the North Common from an active use area into an area of passive uses, which necessitates a relocation of 2 baseball diamonds and 8 softball diamonds into the neighbourhoods and communities they are supposed to serve.
- Discontinuing of harness racing
- Discontinuing of parking in winter months
- Substitution of baseball diamonds, football fields, lawn bowling.

The Development Plan necessitates the following basic changes:

Streets - Widening and improvement of peripheral roads - Elimination of internal roads (Cogswell Street, Bell Street, Trollope Street)

North Commons - All active play areas which are serving the neighbourhood (Western Sector) and community of the adjoining areas have to be relocated within the adjoining areas they serve. The western sector will then serve as passive recreation area on a City scale, beneficially influencing residential development of higher density on the perimeter. Harness racing should be discontinued and car parking should be provided in areas they service.

Wanderer's Ground - All active play areas in their present form should be (Eastern Sector) gradually transferred to informal active play areas in accordance with the Master Plan. Activities presently carried out should be transferred to other locations, such as the Forum or elsewhere. The location of informal active play areas in conjunction with the Recreation Centre in this sector, will benefit the nearby schools. At the same time, necessary parking areas for the Recreation Centre most advantageously can be incorporated without destroying the open space designation of this sector. The same principle was responsible for the change of formal active play areas into informal active play areas. The City Nursery should be relocated outside the Commons area.

The existing facilities in the area should be gradually Central Area discontinued with the build up of the eastern and western sectors and the area developed according to the master plan into a Cultural Centre and adjoining pond.

Vocational School - The Vocational School area is sufficient in size to Area accommodate necessary extensions.

We therefore recommend that:

- Council approve in principle the Development Plan as presented
- Council direct the review of the Development Plan by City officials
- and departments directly participating in this project.
- Council authorize the consultant to prepare the Final Plan as required by Schedule "C" of the "Terms of Reference for Consultants".

The Chairman expressed the appreciation of Council for the fine presentation made by Mr. Hancock, which would be of assistance to Council in its deliberations; and he said that the report showed the results of a great

deal of effort on the part of the Consultants.

He then stated that the members of Council were at liberty to ask questions of Mr. Hancock.

Alderman Lane asked what Mr. Hancock considered to be a reasonable period of years over which such a program should be spread for a City with financial resources such as Halifax has.

Mr. Hancock: "This has to be staged properly. The costs have to be fitted to your overall ability to finance. On the traffic side your problems are going to be extended sooner than on some of the other considerations. I would suggest that in the shortest period this might be achieved, you could think of six to seven years, and the longest period that would be useful to develop this would be fifteen years. All the things we are talking about here are matters that you will be faced with certainly before that time, and I think you will have to produce improvements which will relate to parks and recreation before that time. I am thinking of this redevelopment area naturally as you can build this early on with the support of Centennial Act monies and have something for 1967; this is something that is going to cause the citizens to be proud of their City and be interested in the program. It depends on what you want your municipal interests to be focussed on and what you think the citizens must need."

Alderman O'Brien: "Did Mr. Hancock give consideration to the possibility that the cultural centre might be better established here in the Redevelopment Area that we are awaiting in the waterfront area, where it is proposed to place the Court House and other facilities. I am a little surprised to see this element of building placed here and I would like to know what consideration of the three alternate possibilities he has given."

Mr. Hancock: "This is important and there are strong reasons why we felt this would be the best place to locate this facility; the Redevelopment Area affords an opportunity to provide this type of development. On the other hand, under the National Housing Act, there are probably going to be objections to this kind of development on land paid for by Government money. These programs can be more effectively worked with the redevelopment of housing in the area as much as possible. In the waterfront area you are going to be restricted in the amount of land you can acquire under a costly land acquisition -290 -

process. Where these facilities have been developed attractively they can be a great amenity in the quality of design and quality of amenity you get in an open space facility. It does provide opportunity to give more opportunity for people to enjoy the facilities. You will probably have future discussions about that in the Council and I do think however that in the long run, you will provide the most effective site. As you will find, there are ways of putting this somewhere else with as much amenity. There is good reason not to have it here but in our view it would appear to be the best place."

Alderman Greenwood stated that there must be an optimum amount of passive play area required and he asked if Mr. Hancock would comment on the amount that is available at Point Pleasant Park. He also asked if any consideration had been given the acquisition of neighbourhood play areas as a substitute for the play area that would be lost in the proposed redevelopment of the Common.

Mr. Hancock: "We have developed standards of play area in the report, on pages 34 to 36. These areas are actually identified as to what is necessary; and we found deficiencies in the City. We made projections for the whole area and then we took the program out of the Commons and related them to the other areas. We have developed the need but we have not shown what this might mean in terms of acquisition costs in those particular areas. The projecting of those key areas would have to be defined in terms of local development needs rather than in the development of the Commons; the reason for the program being accommodated in the Commons is that every available piece of land has been used in the neighbourhood and that development has been forced out onto the Commons.

"As to Point Pleasant Park, this is a wilderness park area — it is the focus of the City. It is out of context with what we have done here. We have an opportunity to develop a Stanley Park of Halifax in the way the access to the other parts of the area are achieved across the Arm. Both of these are needed, but it isn't really in an area where a recreation program can be conducted nor is it conveniently located so that people can walk to an open space."

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Alderman O'Brien asked whether in the light of the total traffic picture there may not be a necessity for the Cogswell and Quinpool Road artery which now carries a tremendous volume. He referred to the fact that the plan is to divert the traffic to Cunard and Sackville Streets and he asked if the plan takes into full account the width of Quinpool Road and what it can handle and the feed-in from the downtown area via the new Cogswell Street.

Mr. Hancock: "We have taken that all into account. Our traffic Engineer is one of the few people on the Traffic Engineer's side who really knows land use. He had been concerned about the relationship of this to the traffic arteries."

He said that the predictions were based on a population of 360,000 and that all traffic flows into the City were considered and he said that while it is difficult to prove the projection made, it had been carefully worked out and will bear the test of time.

Alderman O'Brien: "Would it eliminate the need for an over and under at the Willow Tree intersection?"

Mr. Hancock: "It could and that is what we are inferring."

Alderman Meagher: "Have you considered the traffic that will be generated by the redevelopment of the downtown area?"

Mr. Hancock replied in the affirmative and said that consideration had also been given to possible changing traffic patterns as a result of an additional bridge or bridges.

Alderman Meagher referred to the heavy traffic flow out of the City at 5:00 p.m. and he asked if Mr.Hancock felt that Chebucto Road could handle the additional re-routed traffic.

Mr. Hancock: "This does not take into account the other improvements that will have to be made because it is not within our terms of reference. This takes into account what the future traffic improvements must be and it builds a Commons which is so much more useful and accommodates those values which are necessary."

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the development plan of the Commons as prepared by the Project Planners Associates Limited be referred to the City Manager to co-ordinate a staff study of same -292 -

and report to the appropriate Committee with his recommendation. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

5:45 P. M.

R. J. BUTLER, DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., July 11, 1963, 8:00 p.m.

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

There were present: Deputy Mayor Butler, Chairman, and Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Macdonald, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Wyman, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

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

# MINUTES

Alderman LeBlanc stated that the minutes of the meeting held on June 27, 1963, had incorrectly reported that the Jolly Tar and Press Gang Society, members of which had been introduced to Council at that time, were sponsored by the Junior Board of Trade, and he asked that the minutes be amended to show that the group was sponsored by the Tourist Committee of the Halifax Board of Trade.

It was agreed to amend the minutes accordingly.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the minutes of the meeting of June 13, 1963, and the minutes of the meeting of June 27, 1963, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

MOTIONS: ALDERMAN TRAINOR TO RECONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS ON PORTIONS OF LADY HAMMOND ROAD

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter of the installation of sidewalks on the south side of Lady Hammond Road between Kempt Road and the railway crossing, be reconsidered.

The motion was put and passed, as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Lane, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Wyman and Connolly - 10

Against it: Aldermen Macdonald, O'Brien and Greenwood - 3

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the installation of sidewalks on the south side of Lady Hammond Road, between the railway crossing and the intersection of Kempt Road and Lady Hammond Road, be deferred for two years.

After discussion the motion was put and passed, as follows:

For the Motion:Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Breen, Meagher,<br/>Trainor, Healy and Connolly- 7Against it:Aldermen Lane, Macdonald, LeBlanc, Wyman,<br/>O'Brien and Greenwood- 6

PUBLIC HEARING RE: ALTERATION OF OFFICIAL STREET LINES OF MUMFORD ROAD FROM ROMANS AVENUE TO DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD AS SHOWN ON SECTION 10 J OF CITY OFFICIAL PLAN

A public hearing was held at this time in connection with the proposed alteration of the official street lines of Mumford Road, from Romans Avenue to Dutch Village Road, as shown on Section 10J of the Official City Plan.

The City Clerk stated that the matter had been duly advertised and that no written objections had been received; and that the Town Planning had reported as follows:

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His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Town Planning Board

Date: May 30, 1963

Subject: Laying New Street Lines - Mamford Road

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on May 21, 1963, considered the matter of laying new street lines - Mumford Road.

The Commissioner of Works presented to the Board a map outlining the new street line and informed the Board that before improvements could be made on Mumford Road it is necessary that the street lines be altered and that it is necessary for the Board to set a date for a public hearing.

On motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, the Board approved the laying of new street lines on a portion of Mumford Road, and recommended to City Council that June 27, 1963, be set as the date for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN, Clerk of Works.

The Commissioner of Works displayed a copy of Plan No.SS-10-15696 and explained that the proposed widening necessitates the acquisition of portions of properties on both sides of the street to provide a four-lane thoroughfare, which involves the removal of several graves in Mount Clivet Cemetery, to

handle the present traffic volume of 7,000 to 9,000 vehicles per day and the anticipated increased traffic volume in the future.

He said that the total estimated cost would be approximately \$300,000.00 to \$350,000.00, which includes the cost of property acquisitions, physical improvements and replacement of the railway bridge by the City.

Mr. F. S. Skerry of 7083 Mumford Road appeared and stated that he was not opposing the widening of the street but asked that if possible an alternative be found to obviate the necessity of taking a portion of the various properties as in many cases, the homes were built on lots of "minimum legal size" and any reduction would result in the lots being below the legal minimum.

The Commissioner of Works stated that there is no alternative as any reduction in the width of the sidewalk would involve the construction of retaining walls at a cost of approximately \$80,000.00.

Mr. George MacDonald, 7097 Mumford Road, said that the improvements to the upper end of Mumford Road had not generated any noticeable increase in traffic on the lower end. He suggested that a substantial saving could be effected and the necessary width obtained if parking on both sides of the street were eliminated and the unused portion of the street, (approx. ten to eleven feet) on the Cemetery side utilized for the widening.

Mr. T. V. Hare, 7131 Mumford Road, contended that it is possible to accomplish the widening on the south side of Mumford Road by utilizing the 12 to 15 feet of City-owned land and a portion of the Cemetery property, without having to disturb one grave.

Mr. Charles A. Vaughan, Manager of the Halifax Shopping Centre, stated that it would be unwise to proceed with the widening at the present time in view of the excessive cost involved and the tax implications; and he suggested that the most inexpensive form of widening ---- traffic control ---be tried, even to the point of trying out a total ban on parking in that area.

He suggested that the plan to widen the street be not proceeded with until the final picture, including the bridge plan, is known.

MOVED by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Works with the suggestion that the

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