Fund and they want to urge the municipalities to take on additional projects, that is the time the City could say "we went back, will you now come in with a very major grant towards an Aquarium for the City?" He felt the City would be in a better position to get a good Aquarium which will cost in the vicinity of \$1,000,000.00 but it would be a little further in the future. He suggested the City may be able to transfer the grant of \$185,000.00 to some other project. He felt this project was one matter which the Council will have to defer until the City can find additional revenue. He was of the opinion that Council should not give up the Aquarium project but postpone it for a date when inflation has passed for the time being and a better grant might be forthcoming from the Federal Government.

Alderman Ivany agreed that the City, at this time, is not in a position to expend this money, but he suggested that Council defer a definite decision on the project until all avenues of further assistance have been pursued. He stated that in 1957, the Federal Government gave Vancouver \$100,000.00; in 1962 they also gave an additional grant of \$150,000.00 and this was matched by the Provincial Government. He suggested a strong approach to the two levels of government for financial assistance and suggested that a Committee of himself, Aldermen LeBlanc and Matheson be appointed to approach both the Provincial and Federal Governments to investigate every possible source of additional assistance before a decision is made. He pointed out that if the project were defeated, the City would lose the architect's fees of \$62,000.00 plus the consultant's fees, a good tourist

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attraction, the \$185,000.00 grant, the Centennial Project and the lands given to the City by the Province on which to erect the Aquarium. He suggested that the matter be deferred until the Committee has had an opportunity to confer with the Provincial and Federal Governments for additional financial assistance.

Alderman Trainor stated that he could not dispute the fact that Council had agreed to spend no further money in excess of \$600,000.00 on the project, but he contended that this project should have been halted back in January or even in June, but that the architect and Committee was given the go-ahead and no motion was ever made to stop them. He further contended that Council should not back down at this late date unless Halifax wanted to be looked at by the rest of Canada as Halifax 1945 and not Halifax 1966 as a progressive City. He stated that this Project would cost less than \$1.00 per person in the City of Halifax to finance it over the next twenty years. He suggested the City carry on with its Centennial Project and he supported the remarks of Alderman Ivany one-hundred percent.

Alderman Matheson stated that Council must have a reasonable amount of flexibility in its approach to all civic problems. He pointed out that there is a substantial difference between a nickel and \$300,000.00 and flexibility must go along with responsibility. He further stated that he was not "anti-aquarium" or "anti-centennial" but was "anti higher taxes" where they can be avoided. He suggested that \$711,000.00 may exceed \$800,000.00 for this project. He echoed the remarks of Alderman O'Brien with respect to reducing the capital budget expenditures and

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suggested that it would cost about \$70,000.00 per year to retire the debt and would have an effect on the tax rate. He contended that, although it is regrettable the City may have to lose the grant, it might be able to use it for another purpose at this He suggested that it was desirable to have an Aquarium in time. a port city like Halifax but there are other projects that the City He referred to the additions to the two high needs much more. schools in the City which are badly needed. He suggested that the City could build a Centennial school with the \$800,000.00. He also mentioned swimming pools, an indoor rink and the Summer Games in 1969. He contended that the Aquarium was not a necessity at this time and he would oppose it if it came to a vote.

Alderman Connolly stated that the taxpayers in the City, and especially in Ward 5 could not afford to pay higher taxes and that for this reason he was not in favour of the project and would vote against any further funds for same.

Alderman Moir suggested that the Board of Directors of the Centennial Aquarium might make representations to the other levels of Government for financial assistance and they might even, if Council so approve, approach industry and business. He further suggested a new location for the Aquarium. He advised that the Provincial Centennial Committee is going to meet next week and suggested that possibly the Committee or the Attorney-General could be advised that the City is building a swimming pool which is very much in keeping with the Centennial Celebrations and that the grant might be applied towards such a project which would be opened in 1967 as the City's Centennial Project.

Alderman LeBlanc stated that he was against the motion because he felt, at this time, that the City was not in a financial position to cope with such a luxurious project. He agreed with the remarks of Alderman O'Brien pertaining to the Capital Budget meeting at which time several items had to be deferred. He felt that a re-application for grants and assistance from anyone is the only sensible course of action that Council should pursue at this time. He suggested that the cost of the Aquarium might reach the sum of \$850,000.00. He also suggested that there are other projects which are much more important and that Council should regretfully drop the project and immediately set up the

machinery to pursue it on another basis. He again stated that the City could not afford a Centennial Project at such a high cost.

Alderman Abbott stated that he too would vote against the motion on the grounds that the City could not afford it, at this time. He suggested that the Centennial Grant of \$185,000.00 should be transferred to another project such as the Swimming Pool, if it was possible so to do. He maintained that if the City had to spend \$700,000.00 to secure a grant of \$185,000.00, this is not good business. He felt that the project should be deferred for the time being and that it could be considered at some later date when the City is in a position to afford it. He also felt that the citizens would get a great deal more from a Swimming Pool than from an Aquarium.

Alderman A. M. Butler stated that he could not understand the about face attitude of the members of the Finance and Executive Committee at this time, and further stated that this Aquarium was to be built as a National Memorial for Canada's 100dth Birthday and, this being an important occasion, he was sure that citizens of the City would not object to the spending of their money in this manner. He pointed out the rate the City has been spending money and the very thought of \$300,000.00 to complete the Aquarium is a matter of civic pride as well as to commemorate the 100 years of Nationhood. He referred to the matter of inflation and stated that the City is going to lose the value of the dollar it knew one year ago. As the City advances project after project and school after school, it will

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find it very difficult to arrive at an exact estimate as to what the cost is going to be. He felt Council should be bold enough, having made a decision in the first instance to build an Aquarium, to pursue it and spend the \$300,000.00 and get on with the job. He indicated that he would support the motion before Council and suggested that the \$111,000.00 should be changed to \$311,000.00.

Alderman Richard stated that he felt that the change in attitude was brought about mainly as a result of the Capital Budget meeting, when it was stressed that the City has to cut down on its capital works program. He further stated that he could not vote for an expenditure of \$711,000.00 in the light of the other capital items which will have to be deleted from the Budget because Council cannot exceed a 20% borrowing limit. He stated that he would be only too happy to vote for a deferment if there was any hope of additional monies coming from the Senior levels of Government. Failing this approach, he felt that the suggestion of Alderman Moir was a good one to approach the Centennial Commission in an effort to save the grant towards some other project.

Alderman O'Brien suggested that the first two clauses in the motion be deleted and the third clause be amended to include the suggestion of the transfer of the Centennial Grant to the Swimming Pool. He felt that the Swimming Pool could be the City's Centennial Project whether it is approved by the other levels of Government or not and it could be celebrated as something new for the Centennial year. He contended that if the

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Provincial and Federal Centennial Committees would look at the matter as suggested by Alderman Moir, the City could have the funds as well as the Swimming Pool itself.

Alderman Ivany again made an effort to persuade members of Council to give a little more time in order that the Provincial and Federal Government be approached for further financial assistance. He suggested that the \$400,000.00 Swimming Pool will cost \$550,000.00 plus.

Alderman Matheson stated that he felt the issue should not be clouded with amendments and that Council should reaffirm the position it took in January, 1966. He suggested that if the motion is defeated, Council should support the suggestion proposed by Alderman Ivany to seek additional financial assistance from other sources to build the Aquarium. He felt that Council must do this in view of the fact that it has already approved a motion that it will not spend any more than \$600,000.00. He contended that additional assistance should be sought from the other levels of Government.

Alderman Trainor, with the permission of his seconder, Alderman Ivany, amended Clause (b) of the motion to read \$311,000.00.

The motion was then put and lost, three voting for the same and eleven against it as follows: For: Aldermen Ivany, A. M. Butler and Trainor 3 Against: Aldermen Moir, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Connolly Doyle, Richard, O'Brien, H. W. Butler, Black & Abbott 11

Alderman Moir suggested that His Worship the Mayor approach the Provincial Centennial Committee and/or the Attorney General to ascertain if they would agree to switching the Centennial Project to something else.

Alderman Richard suggested that following the meeting of the Provincial Centennial Commission, as to its approach to switching the grant, could not Council give His Worship the Mayor the authority to appoint the Committee as suggested by Alderman Ivany to pursue other avenues of raising additional funds to finance the Aquarium.

He further suggested that Council should deal with Alderman Moir's proposal because the Provincial Centennial Committee will meet next week and His Worship the Mayor could present the case on behalf of the Council. In addition to the foregoing, the proposal by Alderman Evany that a committee be appointed to pursue other avenues of revenue, could also be approved.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ivany that His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Ivany, Matheson and LeBlanc make representation to the Provincial Centennial Commission at their meeting next week and also to the Federal Centennial Commission to seek additional assistance for the project.

Alderman Black suggested that there is a time factor involved and that approaches to the Provincial and Federal authorities for financial assistance may come to nothing. He felt that the motion should be wide enough to provide that if there appears to be no prospect of the Provincial or Federal

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levels of Government increasing the grant, the City should be free to salvage the grant of \$185,000.00.

Alderman Matheson felt that there was not much point in going to the Provincial Centennial Committee for more money because he did not think the Committee had any. He suggested that some representative from the Board of Directors of the Centennial Aquarium should be named as a member of the suggested special committee. He also felt there should be a separate motion with respect to an approach to the Centennial Committee but just to keep the matter open without suggesting to the members that it be kept open for an alternative project. He suggested that the City should aim at building the Aquarium and not to consider anything else until the City knows it cannot proceed with the Aquarium. He suggested that the Centennial Committee be asked to extend the time limit only for the expenditure of the grant. If the City cannot secure the financial help it needs, then it could change to the other project.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Dr. E. Gordon -Young be added to the special committee proposed in the motion.

The suggestion was approved by Council.

Alderman Moir suggested that the special committee should approach the Provincial Centennial Committee for an extension of time and if no extension is forthcoming, that the committee make a request that if the City did switch without mentioning a project, would the Provincial Centennial Committee give it consideration. He felt that this much should be done in the interests of having a Centennial Project.

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Alderman Richard suggested that the motion be wide enough so that the special committee will pursue the best interests of the City of Halifax in this matter and come up with a solution to the problem that is beneficial to all concerned. If the terms of reference are made broad enough, he thought the intent of Council would be well served. If the special committee is asked to consult with the Provincial Centennial Committee and also with other levels of Government regarding a Centennial Project, he was of the opinion that such a course of action would be sufficient. He stated that Alderman Meagher's motion contained the thoughts that he had in mind.

The motion was then amended to read as follows:

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ivany that His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Ivany, Matheson and LeBlanc together with Dr. E. Gordon Young make representation to the Provincial Centennial Commission at its meeting next week and also to the Federal Centennial Commission to seek additional assistance for the project, and if this assistance is not forthcoming, ascertain whether or not the Grant from the Centennial Commission can be transferred to another project.

The motion was then put and passed. Request for Increased Grant - Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the grant to the Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal be increased for the year 1967 from \$18,700.00 to \$19,700.00. Motion passed.

## Property Acquisition - #5448 North Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the closing date of the purchase of the property at #5448 North Street, owned by the Estate of Robert D. Gladwin, for the sum of \$14,000.00, approved by Council on November 12, 1965, be postponed to December 31, 1967. Motion passed.

### Land - The New Children's Hospital

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Richard that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

(1) the Children's Hospital be authorized to enter in upon the City-owned lands at the site of the Halifax Mental Hospital for construction purposes prior to the conveyance of such land to the Children's Hospital; and

(2) the Children's Hospital Board of Management be advised that the City will convey to the Children's Hospital all the City-owned lands required for the new Children's Hospital when the Lane Memorial Hospital has been completed and the patients have been transferred from the Halifax Mental Hospital. Motion passed.

### Site - Lane Memorial Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City purchase the parcel of land at Camp Hill required as a site for the Lane Memorial Hospital comprising 2.59 acres at a purchase price of \$200,000.00, subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council and subject to the following special conditions:

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1. The City will be required to grant an easement to the Department of Veterans Affairs over portion of the property measuring approximately 55 feet by 232 feet above the tunnel linking the hospital with the power plant as shown in Area "B" on Plan No. TT-6-16670, so that the necessary repairs and improvements can be carried out by the Department when required. The Department of Veterans Affairs to make good the landscaping thereafter.

2. The City will be required to erect and maintain to the satisfaction of the Department of Veterans Affairs a fence of a type mutually agreeable to both the Department and the City along the boundary lines separating the above noted parcel of land from Crown land to ensure that the public will not have direct access therefrom to Departmental property. A 14 foot gate with lock and key is to be installed in a suitable location on the boundary fence so as to permit access of machinery and vehicles to the easement as required.

3. The City will be subject to the following restrictions with respect to the area covered by the easement:

- (a) No structures to be erected or affixed to the realty.
- (b) No portable buildings or structures are to be moved on this area.

4. The easement surface must not be used for any such purpose as a parking lot or surfaced for use as a public or private roadway without written consent of the Minister of Veterans Affairs. Consent of the Minister may be withheld until evidence satisfactory to Department of Veterans Affairs is produced to the effect that any proposed use will not endanger or adversely affect the tunnel construction.

5. The City will be required to provide the Corporation with a legal survey and description of the surplus area, this to be prepared by a registered Provincial Land Surveyor at the expense of the City of Halifax.

Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$202,000.00 was submitted to give effect to the foregoing motion of Council. MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

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#### Authority to Expend in Excess of \$1,000.00

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Manager be authorized to expend funds in excess of \$1,000.00 for the following purposes:

(1) North Common - Sodding R. Link & Associates \$34,431.00 Six band concerts presented by the (2) Halifax Musicians' Concert Band at the Halifax Public Gardens during 2,000.00 Summer 1966 (3) Solenoid and Pressure Regulating Valves, Montwin Supply Co. Ltd., Montreal 3,122.28 (4) Mechanical Control Installations, Century Mechanical Limited 4,050.00 (5) Electrical Control Installations, Centrex Electrical Limited 3,750.00

funds to be provided as follows:

(1) Account No. 57-14
(2) Work's Current Account (J-14) 9-402-561
(3), (4) and (5)Account No. 54-2 (Retention Tank)

Motion passed.

### Capital Funds - Relocation of City Field

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$100,000.00 be provided for clearing, grubbing, grading and draining of the MacKintosh-Forrester Street site for the relocation of City Field. Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution was submitted to give effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Administrator - Estate Arthur Jones - Former Patient at Halifax Mental Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Dr. J. M. Tainsh, Superintendent of the Halifax Mental Hospital be authorized to apply to the Courts for appointment as Administrator of the Estate of Arthur Jones, who died as a patient in the Halifax Mental Hospital on December 9th, 1956. Motion passed. Amendment to Staff Establishment - Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

- (a) the Staff Establishment for the Police Department be amended by deleting one Meter Repairman and adding one Police Department Technician;
- (b) the salary for the position of Police Department Technician be equivalent to the maximum step in the scale for the position of Police Constable;
- (c) such salary apply only to the present encumbent, Special Constable James Somers, while he is so employed;
- (d) copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief of Police and Special Constable Somers.

Motion passed.

#### REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

No report was submitted at this time.

### REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Safety Committee at a meeting held on September 20, 1966, as follows:-

#### Tenders - Fire Hose

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the tender of George

Angus (Can) Ltd. for the supply of 2500 feet of one and one-half inch hose with couplings for the Halifax Fire Department at a total cost of \$2,200.00 be accepted. Motion passed. Lease of Photostat Equipment - Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign an agreement with Equilease Company Ltd. covering the rental of one SCM Photocopy Machine, Model 44, Serial #67496 for use in the Police Department, at a rental of \$30.43 per month. Motion passed.

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

No report was submitted at this time.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Report - Committee of the Whole Council Re: Amendments City Charter and Ordinance #106 "Court of Revision".

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Black that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the City Solicitor be directed to prepare:

- (a) A draft amendment to Ordinance No. 106 of the City Charter to provide that the sittings of the Court of Revision will be held so as to be more convenient to the general public;
- (b) A draft amendment to the City Charter which will grant a discretion to the Revising Officer of the City of . Halifax similar to that given to the Chief Electoral Officers under the Canadian Elections Act (Section 5,

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Subsection (2)) so that difficulties in the future might be dealt with with a greater degree of flexibility.

Alderman O'Brien suggested that the following matter pertaining to civic election procedures be drawn to the attention of the City Solicitor for possible amendment. He referred to the fact that if an Alderman desired to contest the office of Mayor, it is necessary for him to resign as an Alderman thereby creating a vacancy in the Council for a short period which cannot be filled. He pointed out that such a resignation serves no good purpose at all and felt that the City Charter requirement should be deleted.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that a lot of procedures pertaining to the Advance Poll such as taking oaths, securing certificates from the Revising Officer, etc. should be deleted from the City Charter as it was the intention of Council that any person who had reason to believe that he would be out of the City on Election Day, could vote at the Advance Poll.

Alderman Moir felt that the dates for the Advance Poll might be changed.

Alderman Matheson suggested that the City Solicitor review the Election Act as he felt there are a lot of ridiculous features contained in it such as the holding of the Court of Revision for one week in the Council Chamber which is attended by the City Solicitor and the City Clerk.

It was suggested that some other person be appointed to act as Revising Officer and that the Election Ordinance No. 106 be amended accordingly.

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The motion was then put and passed.

#### REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the Town Planning Board at a meeting held on September 20, 1966 as follows:-

Rezoning - 2544-2550 Maynard Street - R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, 2544-2550 Maynard Street and the adjoining lots at 5667-5677 Charles Street, as shown on Drawing No. P200.2129, be rezoned from R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business and that a public hearing be held. Motion passed.

# Request - Centennial Properties Limited - Spring Garden South Redevelopment Area.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the Development Officer contact, by advertisement or otherwise, all those developers who may be interested in putting forth a proposal for the Spring Garden South Redevelopment Area; that a discussion or discussions be held with a view to modifying the Call for Proposals, consistant with the objectives of the original Call, to make it acceptable to people so that the City may receive an answer to the Call if it is made the second time; and that a Call for Proposals, generally agreed upon by the developers, be put out for tender in similar form as proposed here.

Alderman Ivany suggested that a time limit of December 15, 1966 be included in the recommendation.

The Development Officer stated that the staff would

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discuss the matter with interested developers and revise the Call for Proposals for consideration by Council by December 15, 1966 which was agreed to by Council.

At the suggestion of Alderman Matheson, the following words were deleted from the recommendation:

"generally agreed upon by the developers" and substituting therefor the following:

"reflecting the views of the developers"

The motion as amended was then put and passed.

#### MOTIONS

# Motion - Alderman Black - Introduction of Ordinance #116

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Ivany that Ordinance #116 "Respecting the Regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire" be introduced for First Reading. Motion passed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

# Accounts Over \$1,000.00

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the following accounts be approved for payment:

R. Link & Associates Ltd.

Sods for North Common \$13,666.01

Halifax-Dartmouth & County Regional Planning Commission

Balance of 50% share of operating costs 5,198.48 for 1966.

Motion passed.

#### Report - Recreation Commission Re: 1969 Summer Games

The following report was submitted from the Director of Civic Recreation:-

TO: His Worship, the Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: The Recreation and Playgrounds Commission

DATE: September 29, 1966

SUBJECT: Canadian National Summer Games, 1969

At a special meeting of the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission, held on Tuesday, the 27th of September, 1966; the subject of the First Canadian National Summer Games was discussed. A report, from the Director of Civic Recreation to His Worship, the Mayor, was presented to the Commission members along with a letter from His Worship, the Mayor informing the Commission that he had met with the Dartmouth City Mayor and the Premier of the province. This meeting was in regard to the joint staging of the National Summer Games in 1969 by the twin cities of Halifax and Dartmouth. After considerable discussion, the following motions were tabled by Alderman K. P. Richard and seconded by F. J. Healy:

1. That the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission approve the idea of making a strong bid for the National Summer Games in 1969, and further that the Commission request members of the City Council to approve such a bid on behalf of the City of Halifax.

2. It was moved that His Worship, the Mayor; the Chairman of the Recreation Commission; and the Director of Recreation continue further negotiations with the Mayor of Dartmouth and the Premier of the Province of Nova Scotia. Both motions were unanimously carried.

On behalf of the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission, I remain.

Yours very truly,

Gordon G. Price Director Civic Recreation. n

Alderman Richard reported that it was the general consensus of the Recreation Commission that it would be very lauditory for Halifax to pursue this matter in spite of the fact that there is a considerable capital cost involved and possibly His Worship the Mayor could elaborate to some extent to show good faith in that he had discussions with the City of Dartmouth

and also the Province of Nova Scotia with respect to contributing to the capital cost of the project and also as far as the City of Dartmouth is concerned to provide some of the facilities to carry out some of the Games.

He advised that when the matter was first before the Commission, he thought the matter was too big an issue for the City of Halifax but after Mr. Price's trip to several other communities across Canada, it was the feeling that something has to be done in the Atlantic Provinces in order to make the Federal campaign for athletics, health, etc., a Canadian-wide proposition. In this respect, he suggested that the Federal Government would be amenable to providing assistance to the City and when the Games are over, the City will have some very good facilities left for the citizens to enjoy. He felt there was an opportunity for the City to accumulate some great recreational facilities which would not be available in any other way. It will also attract a great number of people and, more or less, put Halifax on the map as far as athletics is concerned.

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report of the Recreation Commission be accepted.

Alderman O'Brien pointed out that the City is making choices of priorities for certain capital projects in the City of Halifax. He referred to Alderman Matheson's list of projects that the citizens of Halifax need and these have to be arranged in some sort of order. He felt this project demanded a higher priority than the Aquarium and will probably be a very much lower cost to the City and more people will receive a long-range benefit.

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His Worship the Mayor pointed out that contrary to what appeared in the press, this is not a City project but a joint one with the City of Dartmouth and the Province of Nova Scotia. An application is being made now to be in the hands of the Selection Committee by Saturday coming. He indicated that the Dartmouth City Council has not as yet approved of the project but the Dartmouth Recreation Commission has approved of it and has recommended it to the Dartmouth City Council for participation in the staging of the Summer Games in 1969. There is no assurance that the City will be selected as the site for the Games as there are 12 cities bidding for it. The Federal Government will pay the entire cost for staging the Games including the cost of transporting and housing athletes in the Halifax area. It was estimated that the cost would be in the vicinity of \$1,000,000.00 for promotion, publicity and the administration of the Games. Dalhousie University has indicated that the facilities will be available for the housing of the athletes and the officials if staged after August 15th. Facilities at St. Mary's University will also be available. The facilities of the Armed Forces will also be placed at the disposal of the community to assist in the staging of the Games. He pointed out that it may well be that some of the capital expenditures the City is contemplating might be enlarged to provide for the staging of the Games. The Games will be held in both Halifax and Dartmouth and also some events in the County. He advised that the Premier said that he felt the project was something that the municipalities involved should be concerned with. The Premier's

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remarks seemed to indicate that assistance would be forthcoming.

Alderman Ivany felt that this matter was a wonderful effort put forth by the Chairman of the Commission as well as the Director and if it could be developed, it would be a wonderful co-operative venture by so many bodies in the area. He then referred to the proposed Capital Budget item "Swimming Pool -\$250,000." and was advised that the money is intended for a 50 metre pool. He contended that the 1969 Summer Games project does not really mean that the City of Halifax is involved with an expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 on its own.

Alderman Richard pointed out that the velodrome can be so designed that when its use for that purpose is completed, that seating can be placed into it to make a bowl of sufficient capacity to form a municipal stadium. He stated that the Director of Recreation was very optimistic that this item could be converted into a very useable and practical type of stadium.

Alderman Black pointed out that the Wanderer's Grounds as well as other areas are vacant all day during school hours. He contended that the open recreational facilities in the City should be used all day by school pupils from different schools at different hours.

The motion was then put and passed unanimously.

#### QUESTIONS

# Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Amendment - Zoning By-law -Park Victoria Apartment Building Uses

Alderman Matheson questioned why the proposed amendments to the Zoning By-law respecting the Park Victoria Apartment Building

uses was not on the Council Order of Business for this meeting. He was advised that the City Clerk had not received any official notification from the Halifax-Dartmouth and County Regional Planning Commission that it had approved or rejected the proposed amendments.

The matter was referred to Staff for processing for the next meeting of the Town Planning Board.

Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Mr. Stillman Barnard - Property Kempt Road

Alderman Connolly asked for a Staff report indicating when the above named person owned the property on Kempt Road and if so, did he pay the Deed Transfer Tax to the City of Halifax.

The City Manager replied that he had not as yet received the information necessary to make a report but it would be forthcoming in the near future.

The City Solicitor also replied that the property was never owned by Mr. Barnard but it is not a factor as to whether or not he was entitled to compensation in the amount of \$3,500.00.

Alderman Connolly stated that he had opposed payment of this amount to Mr. Barnard as he felt that Mr. Barnard did not have the right to compensation because he did not own the property.

# Collection Poll Tax

Alderman Richard requested that the matter of the collection of Poll Tax Arrears be placed on the Order of Business for the next meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee.

# NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman LeBlanc Re: Introduction of Ordinance #118

Alderman LeBlanc gave notice that at the next regular meeting of Council, he would move that Ordinance #118 entitled "Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Jail" be introduced for First Reading.

#### ADDED ITEMS

### Tenders for Bond Issue

Tenders were received for a Bond Issue in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 bearing interest at the rate of six and one-half percent per annum 1967-1986 inclusive from the following:

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman A. M.

Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,

the tender of Scotia Bond Company Limited, at a price of \$97.069 be accepted. Motion passed.

#### Bond Resolution

A Resolution prepared by the City Solicitor authorizing the City of Halifax to create, issue and sell serial debentures in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Richard that the Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

### Appointment - Architect - Swimming Pool

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the firm of Mettam Wright Associates be appointed as architects for the proposed Swimming Pool and that Staff negotiate an agreement with the architect.

Alderman Black suggested that the architect's fee should be based on the original estimate rather than the final cost of the project.

Alderman Ivany was of the opinion that the architect should state at the beginning whether or not the Pool can be built for \$400,000.00. He requested that the architect give an answer to this question during the preparation of the early design plans for the building.

The motion was then put and passed. Renovations to Fire Alarm Building for Winter Quarters

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Richard that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$2,500.00 be provided under the authority of Section 316C

of the City Charter for the purpose of renovating the Fire Alarm Building for the staff of the Tourist and Convention Bureau. Motion passed.

# Extension to a Non-Conforming Building - 957 Marlborough Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, permission be granted to extend an existing non-conforming building at 957 Marlborough Avenue to permit a one-storey addition at the rear, as shown on Plan No. P200/2133. Motion passed. Street Improvements - Agricola and Cunard Streets

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, street improvements at the corner of Agricola and Cunard Streets be approved as shown on Plan No. TT-6-16717 dated August 31, 1966.

Alderman Trainor stated that he had viewed the site this afternoon and he was opposed to the suggested plan of improvements. He pointed out that trolley coaches proceeding south stop at the service station and vehicles will have a difficult job pulling out behind the coach because of north bound traffic on Agricola Street. He agreed that the corner could be rounded a bit but saw no reason to carry out the improvements as presented by Staff. He felt a traffic hazard was being created for pedestrians and was of the opinion that bewildered children and elderly people would have to stand on the traffic islands with traffic moving in both directions and not knowing what to do about crossing the street. He suggested that Staff submit an

overall proposal for the complete widening of Agricola Street.

A series of questions and answers were exchanged between the members of Council and the Traffic Engineer.

Alderman Trainor suggested that the Yield Sign at this intersection should face traffic proceeding east on Cunard Street so as to give the right-of-way to traffic proceeding south from Agricola Street onto North Park Street.

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Trainor recorded against.

The matter of relocating the Yield Sign and the traffic islands at this intersection was referred to the Safety Committee for consideration.

Supplementary Appropriation - Street Lighting Account - 316C, City Charter.

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Richard that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$58,764.39 be approved for the Street Lighting Account #2-63-51 to cover the cost of the adjusted 1965 Street Lighting Account submitted by the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited, funds to be provided under the authority of 316C of the City Charter. Motion passed.

Letter - Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation Re: Public Housing Project, Creighton Street

The following letters were submitted for information:

September 28th, 1966.

His Worship Mayor Charles A. Vaughan, City of Halifax, City Hall, HALIFAX, Nova Scotia

> Re: Public Housing Project -Creighton Street

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

In your letter of March 31st, you advised Mr. Houston of Council's request for a public housing project of some 37 units on Creighton Street. You and your officials subsequently discussed this proposal with us here and in Ottawa.

I was pleased to advise you by telephone earlier this week that we are now in a position to meet with your officials and officials of the Province to review design concepts, estimates, cost of land, construction, subsidies, etc.

I am looking forward to the establishment of an early meeting date.

Yours very truly,

Signed: P. J. Osborne, Branch Manager.

# THE NOVA SCOTIA HOUSING COMMISSION

Johnston Building Box 696, Halifax, N. S.

Mayor Charles A. Vaughan, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

Re: Development of Halifax North Suburb

We have the information on your proposal for redevelopment of the Halifax North Suburb and the inclusion of 37 units of public housing in this renewal project.

The Manager of our Housing Commission has had some discussion with representatives of CMHC concerning this proposal. We were awaiting an expression of their views before writing to you further.

It is our understanding that CMHC are prepared to participate in an investigation of the need and demand for public housing in the area of the northern suburb.

We wish to inform you that the Province, through the Nova Scotia Housing Commission, will also participate in this investigation.

Yours truly,

Signed: J. M. Harding, Minister in charge of Housing.

FILED.

Letter - Maritime Paper Products Limited Re: Land Site for Plant Expansion.

The following letter was submitted for information:

MARITIME PAPER PRODUCTS LIMITED

6050 Almon Street, Halifax, N. S.

September 23, 1966.

Mayor Charles A. Vaughan, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

Since we had discussions with you and your staff several weeks ago we have searched for suitable land needed in our expansion program, and after many disappointments have finally located two parcels which seem suitable.

You will, no doubt, be disappointed to learn that these sites are, unfortunately, not located in the City of Halifax, but are both within a very few miles of the City, and as a result we are hopeful that most of our employees will be drawn, as presently, from Halifax.

The purpose of this letter is to thank you per**so**nally for the energetic way in which you attempted to relocate us within the City boundaries.

For a plant of the size and specifications we propose to construct it is now abundantly clear to us that suitable land could not be obtained for our purpose within the City limits.

We hope to be able to finalize our land negotiations within the next very few days, and in the meantime will appreciate very much if you will treat this letter in a confidential manner.

Yours very truly,

MARITIME PAPER PRODUCTS LIMITED

Signed: J. M. Dunkin.

FILED.

Staff Report - Scotia Square Development

The following report was submitted:-

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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

DATE: September 28, 1966

SUBJECT: Staff Report - Scotia Square Development

On April 29, 1966, the City of Halifax in partnership with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation accepted the Scotia Square proposal for the development of the Central Redevelopment Area submitted by Halifax Developments Limited.

The proposal made by the Company was a preliminary proposal and in accordance with the Call for Development Proposals was followed by a period of negotiation during which time an Agreement to Lease was entered into. The Agreement to Lease, which is dated August 31, 1966, provides for the orderly conveyance of land to the Development Company by stages as the Company and the **P**artnership complete their respective requirements.

The Agreement to Lease, which contains a Purchase Option, provided that the Company would submit certain information to the Partnership in respect of Stage I on September 15, 1966. It further provided that the Partnership would have a period of twentyone(21) days in which to accept or reject the submissions.

On September 15, 1966, Halifax Developments Limited submitted certain information in respect of Stage I to the City. The information respecting financial arrangements was set forth in a series of letters. The plans submitted will be available for examination by Council when the matter is considered.

The plans submitted by Halifax Developments Limited appear to be substantially in accordance with the basic concept which was