of Council to consider the matter further.

Some discussion followed and a suggestion was made that there are too many Aldermen on the School Board and that thought be given to the appointment of a non-aldermanic member.

After further discussion the motion was put and passed, ten voting for the same and three against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, A. M. Butler, LeBlanc, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan and Fitzgerald 10

Against: Aldermen Meagher, Ahern and H. W. Butler 3 Letter - Department National Defence Re: Fire Protection Responsibility HMCS "Stadacona"

Copies of correspondence was submitted, for the information of Council, exchanged between the City Clerk and the Commander of the Canadian Forces Base Halifax pertaining to "Fire Protection Responsibility for H.M.C.S."Stadacona".

Copies were distributed to all members of Council.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Relief from Real Property Tax - Widows and Pensioners

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to a question he asked at the last meeting of City Council and the subsequent reply from the City Solicitor that under Section 228 of the City Charter, 1963, the City may by Ordinance exempt persons whose annual income is below the minimum amount to be specified in such Ordinance from taxation upon real property in which such persons reside, to such extent as may be specified in the Ordinance. He asked if this matter, as suggested by the City

Solicitor, could be discussed further by the Tax Concession and Grants Committee.

Alderman Meagher suggested that this matter be referred to the Tax Concession and Grants Committee and that Aldermen Fitzgerald and Ahern be invited to attend the meeting at that time.

Council agreed to this suggestion.

Question Alderman Ivany Re: Appointment of Traffic Engineer

Alderman Ivany asked if any attempt is being made to appoint a new Traffic Engineer to replace Mr. Chang who left the City some months ago.

The Acting City Manager replied that the position will be advertised as soon as a request is received from the Department Head concerned, who is presently on vacation. Question Alderman Ivany Re: Social Worker for City Hall

Alderman Ivany asked if Staff are considering the replacement of Mr. Peter MacDonald, the Social Worker who has been working on the Africville Relocation Programme. He felt that a Social Worker is needed to continue the excellent work done by Mr. MacDonald.

His Worship the Mayor replied that consideration is being given to the appointment of a Social Planner who would work with the Development Department on many projects.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Moir - Amendment to Ordinance #113

Alderman Moir gave notice that, at the next Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Thursday, 28th day of

September, that he will introduce an amendment to Ordinance Number 113, the Noise Ordinance, to empower City Council to authorize some other person as well as the Building Inspector to issue permits for snow removal under Section 6 of the said Ordinance.

ADDED ITEMS

Letter - His Worship the Mayor Re: Central Redevelopment Area -Cost Sharing

The following letter was submitted for the information

of Council:

To the Members of City Council.

Dear Aldermen:

In December 1957 approval was given for the acquisition and clearance of approximately 13 acres in the Central Redevelopment Area.

The acquisition and clearance of an additional 4 acres was approved in June 1961.

The first building, the Trade Mart, is just about complete and the next phase of Scotia Square will begin shortly.

The City requested a further substantial extension to the area for the construction of the Cogswell Street Interchange and for additional land for redevelopment.

In response to the City's brief, the Federal Government has now accepted a recommendation from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for a full cost-sharing on the acquisition of land and the installation of municipal services, including most of the Cogswell Street Interchange.

A portion of the Interchange, which is considered by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to relate to Harbour Drive, is not covered under 50% cost-sharing arrangements. Further negotiation with respect to the Federal share of 1.3 million dollars attributable to this part of the project will be required. It has been suggested that the sharing may be in the neighborhood of 25%.

The progress of negotiations conducted to date is

gratifying. The City is pleased with the co-operation of the Federal authorities, and must now press on with further requests resulting from decisions on the Margison Report.

It is hoped that specific approvals of Provincial cost-sharing at 15% will be available shortly.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Allan O'Brien Mayor

Staff Report - Creighton Street and Other Low Rent Housing Projects

The following report was submitted:

"The Creighton Street Low-rental Housing Project was conceived of as "infilling housing" which provides small projects in scattered sites throughout the City and avoids concentration of public housing in any one area. The Creighton Street project is planned to contain 25 units, but \$65,000 of the project costs are unacceptable by C.M.H.C.

City Staff has prepared a Development Plan for the Old Northern Suburb which includes the Creighton Street Housing Project. However, a Development Plan is quite different from an urban A Development Plan embodies a broad concept renewal scheme. of an area -- land use, zoning, and major public improvements. Requirements for an acceptable urban renewal scheme, however, are rather involved. Briefly, these include a fairly detailed study and analysis of the problems within a definite area. Every building, public or private, within the area must be analyzed as to its appropriate ultimate treatment; conservation, rehabilitation, or clearance and redevelopment. A11 streets, works, services, and utilities in the area must be examined in regard to abandonment, improvement, or additional construction. A plan of action must be prepared, in stages, to improve the entire area taking into account the effect on the residents, businesses, and others who might be affected by the scheme. If the Creighton Street project were within an urban renewal area, the \$65,000 might be reimbursable by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The cost of preparation of the scheme (around \$20,000) could be underwritten to the extent of 50 per cent by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Consultants could be brought in to prepare the scheme. It is the opinion of Staff that such urban renewal scheme would be a worthwhile undertaking whether or not the excess funds for the Creighton Street project are considered by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for retroactive reimbursement.

Approximately three years have elapsed since planning for the Creighton Street project was initiated. During that time, land costs have escalated and detailed investigations revealed that the cost of services would be much greater than the original estimates. Due to the increased costs of the project there is an amount of approximately \$65,000 over the amount acceptable to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. If the project is to get off the ground, this amount of money may have to be provided by the City and/or the Province.

Because of extreme blight and overcrowding the Creighton Street project is urgently needed. If the \$65,000 can be raised, and an immediate go ahead given to this project, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation estimates that tenders could be called by November 11, 1967, bids received by November 28th and the contract could be awarded by December 15, 1967.

It would take in the vicinity of nine months to complete the project with the handover date expected in September-October of 1968.

Only two of the parcels in the site have been acquired by the City; the remainder will probably require expropriation. This could take place once the project was approved. Other necessary steps such as demolition of existing buildings and site preparation work could be carried forward during the time expropriation was proceeding.

It should be pointed out that the status of public housing in the City at present is that:

- the Uniacke Square project is essentially completed and all that is needed are a few finishing touches;
- 2. the Brunswick Street project is held up because the limits of the project are not known and are awaiting the final location and alignments of Harbour Drive from A. D. Margison and Associates Limited. Before any work can be done in this project area many properties will have to be acquired and a great number of people will require re-housing. A reasonable assumption is that the Brunswick Street Housing Project will not be completed any sooner than 1969. The problem of re-housing inhabitants in the Brunswick Street area should be dealt with as soon as possible.

Preliminary study of the City Prison-Basinview Lands indicates that a portion of this tract would be suitable for a public housing project for about 1,200 persons in both high rise and low density structures similar to Westwood Park. It would, therefore, be advisable to begin planning for this as soon as possible.

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It is, therefore, recommended that due to the shortage of public housing that the City agree to underwrite any costs not acceptable to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and consider the preparation of an urban renewal scheme for an appropriate area within the Old Northern Suburb. In view of the necessity for this step the Province should be urged to make a suitable contribution if necessary."

After considerable discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Staff Report be approved with the exception of the second to last paragraph which should be deleted. Motion passed.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Staff be asked to prepare plans for the development of the City Prison-Basinview Home Lands for consideration by City Council for public or private housing, or a combination of both, and related facilities as soon as possible.

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

- For: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Sullivan, Fitzgerald, E. W. Butler and Black
- Against: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly and Doyle

Alderman LeBlanc then gave notice of reconsideration.

Report - Advisory Committee on the Preservation of Historic Buildings

The following report was submitted and read by Alderman Connolly:

"The Advisory Committee on the Preservation of Historic Buildings at a meeting held on this date agreed to recommend to Council that an interim Committee be appointed composed of Messrs. L. W. Collins, Gilbert Hutton, Allan Duffus, Brigadier V. deB. Oland, with

Deputy Mayor Matheson representing the City, the Committee to have the power to add to its membership if necessary.

This Committee will replace the Advisory Committee on the Preservation of Historic Buildings until appointment of the Landmarks Commission has been made."

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Report - Africville Committee

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Alderman Connolly submitted and read the following

report:

"The Africville Relocation Program became operative in June, 1964. At that time, it was estimated that there were between 75 - 80 families residing in the community of Africville. As of this date:

- 1. 68 families have been relocated; and
 - 10 families will be relocating within the next two weeks (settlements and accommodations approved) thus making a total of 78 families.

This leaves one family with whom the City has failed to reach a satisfactory settlement. Negotiations with this family are at a standstill because a family member is seriously ill in hospital. Hopefully, a mutually agreeable solution will be found within the next two weeks. Approximately 5 buildings are now in the process of being demolished.

In discussing the Program with Mr. MacDonald, he feels that his work will be completed by the end of September and that there will be one final report presented to Council on September 28, 1967. Mr. MacDonald feels that the success he has had can be directly attributed to the tremendous cooperation given to him by each department of City Hall and particularly by the Committee of Council on Africville and the Representatives of the Human Rights Advisory Committee who gave him advice and direction.

The social significance of the Africville Program is already beginning to show positive results as far as individual families are concerned. The children are performing more satisfactorily in school and they seem to take more of an interest in their new surroundings.

This report is not intended to indicate that the Program has been 100% successful; however, I believe it can be said that it has been at least 75% successful, judging by the comments of the relocated families."

Alderman Connolly was thanked by members of Council for an excellent report.

Africville Acquisitions

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Council adjourn at this time to meet as Committee of the Whole to consider certain Africville Property Acquisitions. Motion passed.

9:55 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as Committee of the Whole.

Possible Acquisition - Property No. 37, City Plan P500/46, Africville - Owner, Mr. Edward Carvery, Sr.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee:

- The City purchase Dwelling No. 37 from Mr. Edward Carvery, Sr., for the sum of \$500.00.
- Dwelling No. 37 be demolished as soon as the settlement is approved.

Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - Property Nos. 136 and 138, City Plan P500/46, Africville - Owners: Miss Hattie Carvery and Mr. Milton Carvery

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee:

- Miss Hattie Carvery and Mr. Milton Carvery be considered as the owners of Property Nos. 136 and 138, City Plan P500/46, Africville;
- The City purchase Property Nos.136 and 138, City Plan P500/46, Africville, for the sum of \$25,177.00:

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- \$16,000 to be paid to Miss Hattie Carvery, such amount to include \$1,000 for necessary household items;
- \$ 9,000 to be paid to Mr. Milton Carvery, such amount to include \$1,000 for necessary household items;
- \$ 177 to be applied against an outstanding Victoria General Hospital account.
- Assistance be provided in moving Miss Carvery's and Mr. Carvery's furniture to their new residence;
- Demolition of Property Nos. 136 and 138 as soon as it can be conveniently vacated.

Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - Property No. 128, City Plan P500/46, Africville, Owners: Mrs. Ella Thomas, Mrs. Louise Izzard and Miss Irene Thomas

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moir

that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee:

 The City purchase Property No. 128 for the sum of \$3,500.00:

a. \$1,500 - to be paid to Mrs. Ella Thomas;
b. \$1,000 - to be paid to Mrs. Louise Izzard;
c. \$1,000 - to be paid to Miss Irene Thomas.

- A Quit Claim Deed be signed by Mrs. Ella Thomas, Mrs. Louise Izzard and Miss Irene Thomas in favour of the City for their interest in Property No. 128.
- 3. Dwelling No. 128 be demolished as soon as settlement negotiations can be completed.

Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - Property No. 86, City Plan P500/46, Africville, Owner - Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (Alice) Carvery

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee:

 The City consider Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (Alice) Carvery as the owners of Dwelling No. 86;

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- The City consider the purchase of Dwelling No. 86 for the sum of \$7,289.20; such an amount to include \$1,000 for necessary household items;
- Legal assistance be made available to Mr. Carvery upon request should he decide to become involved in home ownership;
- Assistance in moving Mr. Carvery's furniture to the new address;
 - Quit Claim Deed to be signed by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley (Alice) Carvery in favour of the City for their interest in Dwelling No. 86;
 - Demolition of Dwelling No. 86 as soon as it can be vacated.

Motion passed.

Mrs. Cora Howe - Property Nos. 137, 139 and 139A, City Plan P500/46, Africville

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee, the City purchase Mrs. Cora Howe's interest in Property Nos. 137, 139 and 139A for the sum of \$1,000.00 and that a Quit Claim Deed be signed by Mrs. Cora Howe in favour of the City for her interest in said property. Motion passed.

Property No. 127, City Plan P500/46, Africville

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-committee, Mrs. Bertha Dixon be considered an heir to the Estate of Edward Dixon and that she receive compensation amounting to \$500.00. Motion passed.

Property Nos. 84 and 85, City Plan P500/46, Africville -Owner: Mr. David A. Stewart

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-committee, this

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matter be referred to the City Solicitor for a report. Motion passed.

Estate of David Dixon

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-committee, the heirs of David Dixon, namely: Mr. Stanley Dixon, Mr. David Dixon Jr., Mrs. Elsie Desmond, Mr. Osborne Farrell and Mr. Lloyd Farrell each receive \$60.00, making a total of \$300.00, which is the balance to be divided from the Estate of David Dixon. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - Property Nos. 77 and 86, City Plan P500/46, Africville, Owner: - Mr. Percy Almon Carvery.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moir

that, as recommended by the Africville Sub-Committee:

 The City consider Mr. and Mrs. Percy Almon Carvery as the owners of Property No. 77, City Plan P500/46, Africville.

 The City purchase Property No. 77 for the sum of \$15,562.65:

- a. \$15,500.00 to be paid to Mr. and Mrs. Carvery and such amount to include \$500 for necessary household items;
- b. \$ 62.65 to be applied against the outstanding taxes for 1967.
- The City assist Mr. Carvery in moving his furniture to his new place of residence.
- Should Mr. Carvery become unemployed through illness, that the Social Assistance Act be applied to assist with living expenses.
- 5. A Quit Claim Deed to be signed by Mr. and Mrs. Percy Carvery in favour of the City for their interest in Property No. 77.
- Dwelling No. 77 be demolished as soon as it can be conveniently vacated.

Motion passed.

10:00 p.m. Council reconvened, the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Aldermen Black, Moir, Ivany, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Africville Property Acquisitions, as processed by the Committee of the Whole Council, be approved. Motion passed.

School Construction - Queen Elizabeth High School

Alderman Fitzgerald said that he had asked for this item to be added to the Order of Business as he wished to discuss the matter of School Construction and Queen Elizabeth High School in particular. He then pointed out to members of Council the following conditions which prevail at Queen Elizabeth High School and which lessen the opportunity for students to learn and the ability of the teaching staff to instruct the students adequately.

1. Overcrowding, up to 40 students per classroom;

2. Large turnover of teaching staff;

3. Low morale amongst members of the teaching staff;

Lack of recreation facilities;

5. Lack of adequate language and science laboratories. He felt that annexation will not alter the situation as Halifax West High School is presently overcrowded and needs extending. He referred to a meeting held last November when the Chairman of the School Board remarked on the urgency of the addition to Queen Elizabeth High School and he contended that the School

Board has been "negligent" in the matter of the delay. He asked why the delay? He then referred to a newspaper article which indicated that only now was the Chairman of the School Board attempting to find out the reason for the delays. He felt that this matter should not have been allowed to drag on such a long time when needs are so great. He felt that insufficient investigation was made in trying to find an alternative site for a new school and asked that he be shown letters which indicate that the City did, in fact, explore every possible site for a new school.

Alderman Moir explained that the delays have occurred with the Provincial Government and he contended that Alderman Fitzgerald's remarks that the School Board have been "negligent" are not correct. He said the Board has continually pressed the Department of Education of the Provincial Government for information.

Alderman Ivany suggested that the purchase of portable classrooms should be investigated. He felt that if these were purchased the situation would be alleviated to a degree.

Some discussion followed, and it was then MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the suggestion of Alderman Ivany with respect to the purchase of portable classrooms to alleviate the overcrowding condition at Queen Elizabeth High School should be referred to the Board of School Commissioners for their consideration. Motion passed.

Proposed Conference on Port Matters

His Worship the Mayor referred to the meeting on the above noted matter scheduled for Monday, September 18th, 1967 and advised that the Port Commission have requested that the meeting be postponed for approximately 10 days, since the representative of the National Harbours Board is not able to attend, and his presence is invaluable to the discussions.

He suggested that the City Clerk's office advise the persons notified of the meeting, by telephone, that it is postponed and that a meeting will be arranged in approximately 10 days time, when certain information will probably be available which will be of interest to those who attend.

Council agreed to the course of action suggested by His Worship the Mayor.

10:25 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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ALLAN O'BRIEN MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

W. J. CLANCEY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., September 28, 1967, 8:00 p.m.

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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 Deputy City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, Deputy City Clerk, Director of Works, Director of Development and other Staff members.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of City Council held on September 14, 1967 were approved on motion of Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Sullivan.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Deputy City Clerk advised that an item is to be added as 20(a) relating to a Lord's Day Permit.

Alderman Connolly asked that an item be added as 20(b) relating to the Possible Acquisition of Seaview United Baptist Church, Africville.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that the Order of Business be amended accordingly. Motion passed.

Council,

September 28, 1967

MOVED by Alderman Fitzgerald, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

8:05 p.m. Aldermen Black and Matheson arrive.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Motion - Alderman Ivany Re: Call for Proposals - Construction of Parking Garage

Council agreed to defer the Motion of Alderman Ivany to be considered along with item No. 15(b).

Application for Grant - Scotia Branch, Royal Canadian Legion

This matter was deferred at the last regular meeting of Council to enable a representative of the Scotia Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion to be present.

The recommendation of the Finance and Executive Committee of its meeting held on September 7, 1967 was read as follows:

> "It is recommended that the request of the Scotia Branch - Royal Canadian Legion for a grant equivalent to current real estate taxes on their property at 5837 Cunard Street in the amount of \$1,265.40, be denied."

Alderman Sullivan listed certain activities that are being supported by the Scotia Branch and felt that Council should approve the request for a grant.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the recommendation of the Finance and Executive Committee be approved.

Mr. J. Beaton addressed Council on behalf of the Scotia Branch and advised that the Branch is actively encouraging

young people and he urged Council to give the request favourable consideration.

After further discussion about the Financial Statement of the Scotia Branch, the motion was put and passed with Aldermen Ahern, Connolly, Doyle and Sullivan voting against. Development Permit - #5778 South Street (Ordinance #201)

A report was submitted from Staff together with Ordinance #201 Respecting a Development Permit for 5778 South Street.

Council was informed that the required agreement, duly executed by the developer, Mrs. Fanny Lubetsky, had been received prior to the meeting.

8:15 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as Committee of the Whole.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that Ordinance #201 Respecting a Development Permit for 5778 South Street, as submitted, be read and passed a second time. Motion passed. (A copy of Ordinance #201 is attached to the Official Copy of the Minutes)

8:17 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members present.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole Council be approved. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the property at 5778 South Street be rezoned from R-3 zone to C-2 zone to permit the development of the land in accordance with Ordinance #201. Motion passed.

A Formal By-law, to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the By-law, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

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Narrows Bridge Approaches

His Worship the Mayor advised that this matter had been deferred from a Special Meeting of City Council held on September 19, 1967 and that a decision has now to be made by Council. He asked the Acting City Manager if there is any further information available from Staff.

The Acting City Manager informed Council that the plans displayed are additional to those presented earlier.

His Worship the Mayor said that the two decisions to be made relate to the possible elimination of one of the major approach roads to the Narrows Bridge and the alignment of Harbour Drive through the Central Business District of the City.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Ivany

- (a) the Robie Street connection to the Narrows Bridge approaches be eliminated from the plans approved by City Council;
 - (b) the City negotiate with the Bridge Commission and the Province any traffic solution that excludes a Robie Street approach.

His Worship the Mayor gave a brief resume of discussions which took place at the last meeting of the Bridge Commission and said that Mr. Pratley has given October 31, 1967 as a deadline for any changes in the approach road planning. He informed members of Council that an approach will have to be made to the Province for assistance in the construction of approach roads and this submission should be made as soon as possible. He felt that the elimination of one connection to

the Narrows Bridge put the City in a better position when requesting assistance.

Alderman H. W. Butler asked if the Director of Works had any comments or information to put before Council.

The Director of Works displayed a sketch plan of the Robie Street connector to the Narrows Bridge and explained that in his opinion, the costs of the improvements and widening necessary for Robie Street given by other members of Staff are too high. He contended that the work could be in the vicinity of \$300,000.00 for the section from Columbus Street to Macara Street. He said that the cost estimates given for the Barrington Street approach are correct. He stated that there are two railway crossings across Barrington Street at its north end, at grade, which in the planning of Harbour Drive can be eliminated and that a sum of up to \$500,000.00 is available from the Railway and Grade Crossing Fund in Ottawa to assist in the removal of each crossing.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Acting City Manager to verify the information presented by the Director of Works and report back to City Council.

Considerable discussion ensued with respect to the Narrows Bridge approaches and Alderman Fitzgerald was concerned that traffic passing through the Lady Hammond Road, Kempt Road and Windsor Street intersection will proceed into the City via Connaught Avenue.

After further discussion relating to the need for a North West Arm Bridge to be constructed, it was MOVED in Amendment

by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Connolly that a rider be added to the motion of Alderman Black that in no event will the City agree to the construction of any approach roads to the Narrows Bridge without a firm commitment from the Bridge Commission that the North West Arm Bridge will be constructed.

The Amendment was put and passed with Alderman A. M. Butler voting against.

The Motion, as amended, was then put and passed with Alderman Fitzgerald voting against.

Harbour Drive - Street Reservation

Alderman Black referred to the second decision which His Worship the Mayor had said must be made relating to the alignment of Harbour Drive through the centre part of the City and he stated that he was most concerned about the alignment since it appears to interfere greatly with the Court House site on the waterfront. He advised that the architect for the Court House is still working on the plans, but that his enthusiasm has been dampened considerably as he does not know what is going to happen. He felt that the decision taken by Council some time ago to make a 70' allowance for street widening in the vicinity of the Court House location should be reaffirmed. He said that if Council wishes to make any change in the 70' reservation, the previous decision of Council will have to be rescinded.

Considerable discussion ensued and in answer to a question, the Acting City Manager advised that Staff are going to request the approval of Council to a 70' road width from Duke Street south to Terminal Road.

In reply to a question as to whether or not a 75' or even 80' reservation would be better, the Director of Development advised that any extra width would indeed be more satisfactory and that 70' is the minimum allowance.

In reply to a question from Alderman Matheson, the Director of Development stated that any change in width up to 80' would not affect the plans for the Court House building in the waterfront location.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that Staff be asked to present to Council proposals for a street reservation for the Duke Street-Terminal Road portion of Harbour Drive up to a maximum width of 80'.

Motion passed with Aldermen Connolly and Ahern voting against.

Appointment - Board of School Commissioners

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Ivany that Alderman Fitzgerald be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board of School Commissioners created by the resignation of Alderman LeBlanc.

Motion passed.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION

Alderman LeBlanc re: Motion Requesting Staff to Prepare Plans for the Development of the City Prison - Basinview Home Lands

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the following motion of City Council, approved at its meeting held on September 14, 1967, be reconsidered:

"MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Staff be asked to prepare plans for the development of the City Prison-Basinview Home Lands for consideration by City Council for public or private housing, or a combination of both, and related facilities as soon as possible."

In submitting his reasons for the notice of recon-

sideration, Alderman LeBlanc referred to the following letter:

5507 Leeds Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, September 11, 1967.

Alderman Donald LeBlanc, 3081 Lloyd Fox Avenue, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Alderman LeBlanc:

Development Proposals for Prison Land

May I express my thanks for the stand which you are taking with respect to the development of the City Prison property at the north end of Gottingen Street. I agree completely with your statements as quoted in the September 9 edition of the Halifax Mail-Star.

As you realize, the area in question is indeed a valuable piece of real estate which offers good building sites and a panoramic view of Bedford Basin and the north end of Halifax Harbour. Tax revenues which could be realized from this area would be very substantial if the area is developed to its full potential. It is very heartening to hear views such as yours which, in my opinion, show the foresight and good sense which the City of Halifax most certainly needs at this point in its development.

I have spoken with many residents of the area and they are in agreement on the point that this land must not be wasted by a development which would not take full advantage of the features which certainly make this area most attractive for a model residential development.

The new Narrows Bridge will focus attention on the north end of the City. We hope that what is done with the prison land will be a credit to Halifax and an example to all, indicating the results which can be obtained through proper planning and optimum use of available land.

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We will support your efforts to ensure that this land which is a valuable City asset, is not wasted. We urge you to keep up the good work and we sincerely hope that others will follow the good example which you have set.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) David A. Grantham, P.Eng.

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

For: Aldermen Abbott, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Doyle, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler

Against: Aldermen Black, Moir, Ivany, Matheson and Sullivan

It was then MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Staff be requested to prepare a Call for Proposals for the development of the City Prison-Basinview Home Lands for submission to City Council.

Alderman LeBlanc felt that the type of use or uses of the lands should not be specified in the Call for Proposals documents.

After considerable discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ivany that the whole matter of the development of the City Prison-Basinview Home Lands be referred to the Town Planning Board for further consideration.

After further discussion, the motion to refer was put and passed.

Alderman LeBlanc suggested that members of Council on the Town Planning Board and any others who are interested might meet on the City Prison lands and look over the site before the Town Planning Board meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing Re: Amendment to Part I of the Halifax Zoning By-law

A public hearing was held at this time into the matter of an amendment to Part I of the Zoning By-law which would add the following clause:

(e) Chartered Accountant

to the definition of "Professional Person.

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

His Worship the Mayor asked if any person wished to be heard against the amendment.

No person wished to be heard.

His Worship the Mayor asked if any person wished to be heard in favour of the amendment.

Mr. Fred Dickson addressed Council on behalf of the applicant and urged favourable consideration of the amendment.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Amendment to Part I of the Zoning By-law to add the words "(e) Chartered Accountant" to the definition of "Professional person" be approved.

A Formal By-law was submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of City Council.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the By-law, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.



REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on September 21, 1967 with respect to the following matters:

Application for Tag Day - Halifax Minor Football Association

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the application of the Halifax Minor Football Association for permission to hold a tag day on September 30, 1967, be approved, the Welfare Council having advised that the said association does meet acceptable standards of philanthropy. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 5436 (68) Gerrish Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$12,000.00 be paid to Armview Construction Limited as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of their property at 5436 Gerrish Street, required in connection with the widening of Gerrish Street at Maitland Street. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 2420 and 2422 James Street

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$11,000.00 be paid to Mr. Ralph E. Isnor as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of his properties at 2420 and 2422 James Street, located on the site of the proposed new Central Fire Department Headquarters. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 2461-2463 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$24,000.00 be paid to Lester R. Jackson Limited as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of their properties at 2461-2463 Brunswick Street located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 5230 Gerrish Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$14,000.00 be paid to Mr. Donald E. and Mrs. Monica M. Myers as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of their property at 5230 Gerrish Street located within the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 2051 Barrington Street and 164-168 Upper Water Street (Vacant Land)

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$22,000.00 be paid to Monstad and Company as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition by the City of their property at 2051 Barrington Street and 164-168 Upper Water Street required in connection with the construction of Harbour Drive and the Cogswell Street Interchange. Motion passed.

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Appointment of Independent Auditors

The report of the Committee reads as follows:

"It is recommended that H. R. Doane and Company be retained to audit the books of the City of Halifax for 1967."

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the report of the sub-committee, appointed to recommend a firm of auditors to the Finance and Executive Committee, which report recommended the firm of Price, Waterhouse and Company, be approved by Council.

Alderman A. M. Butler then stated at length his reasons for making the motion.

After discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the whole question of the appointment of auditors be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration.

After further discussion, the motion to refer was put and resulted in a tie vote, as follows:

- For: Aldermen Abbott, Meagher, LeBlanc, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan and H. W. Butler
- Against: Aldermen Moir, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler, Ahern, Fitzgerald and Black

His Worship the Mayor cast his vote against the motion to refer and declared the same "lost".

The motion was then put and lost, six voting for the same and eight against it as follows:

For: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Connolly, Doyle, Sullivan, H. W. Butler and Abbott

Against: Aldermen Moir, Ivany, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Fitzgerald and Black

It was then MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the firm of H. R. Doane and Company be retained to audit the books of the City of Halifax for 1967. Motion passed with Aldermen A. M. Butler and H. W. Butler voting against.

Capital Funds Borrowed in Excess of Requirements

MOVED by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, legislation be sought at the 1968 Session of the Legislature to enable the City of Halifax to apply any funds borrowed for a special purpose, and not needed for that purpose, to any other capital project subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs; and that Section 218 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, be repealed. Motion passed.

Interest on Funds Borrowed for Capital Purposes

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, legislation be sought at the 1968 Session of the Legislature to amend Section 208 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, whereby the provisions of the said Section are permissive rather than mandatory, in order to give a degree of flexibility to the City in dealing with its current and capital budgets. Motion passed.

Appointment - Solicitor - Property Negotiations

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ahern that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,

the Acting City Manager be directed to explore the possibility of obtaining the services of a solicitor on a full time basis to handle property negotiations for the City. Motion passed. Additional Funds - Recruitment Budget - 316C

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a supplementary appropriation be approved in the amount of \$3,000.00 to cover expenses involved in the recruitment of a City Manager, funds to be provided under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter. Motion passed.

Additional Social Assistance Appropriation

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

- (a) a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the Social Assistance Program (Account No. 6-250-76) be approved, funds to be provided under the Authority of Section 316C of the City Charter; and
 - (b) the transfer of the following funds to Account No. 6-250-76 be approved:
 - \$30,000.00 from Account No. 6-250-76A (Community Resident Patients)
 - \$60,000.00 from Account No. 6-250-76B (Home for Special Care)

Alderman Ivany asked if a survey has ever been made which indicates the different types of assistance and the amount for each.

His Worship the Mayor replied that to his knowledge a report setting out this type of information has not been made but owing to the vastness of the funds spent, such a report

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