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Proposed Amendment to Motor Vehicle Act Re: Transfer of Power from Traffic Authority to Local Authority (City Council)

The Safety Committee had for consideration a report from the Chief of Police which reads, in part, as follows:

"Recently, while dealing with machinery and authority which exists in relation to raising the parking meter rates and the parking meter fines for violation, the thought has occurred to me on a broad basis, that these two matters should more properly be under the authority of the "Local Authority" (Municipal Councils) rather than be the authority of the Traffic Authority (the person designated as such by the Local Authority).

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, City Council make application to the Provincial Government to amend the Motor Vehicle Act so that the power of the Traffic Authority will be transferred to the Local Authority (City Council) with respect to the following matters:

setting parking meter rates;

2. setting the parking meter fines.

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

For: Aldermen Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler, LeBlanc, Doyle, Fitzgerald, H. W. Butler, Black and Abbott

Against: Aldermen Meagher, Ahern, Connolly, Sullivan and Moir

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the Town Planning Board of its meeting held on October 3, 1967 with respect to the following matters:

Extension to a Non-conforming Use - #2959 Winston Place

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the

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extension to a non-conforming use at 2959 Winston Place, as shown on Drawing No. P200/2290, for the purpose of renovating the attic of the existing duplex dwelling, be approved. Motion passed.

Alteration to a Subdivision - 6311-6313 Quinpool Road, 6318-6322 Yale Street and 2045-2049 Harvard Street

The report of the Board reads as follows:

"It is recommended that the alteration to a subdivision to combine the lots at 6311-6313 Quinpool Road, 6318-6322 Yale Street and 2045-2049 Harvard Street, as shown on Drawing Nos. P200/2291 -00-10-17078, be approved, subject to receipt of a letter from one of the owners, and that the public hearing be waived."

The City Clerk advised that the following letter had been received from the solicitor for the applicant and

read same:

STEWART, MACKEEN & COVERT

P. O. Box 997 500 Bank of Canada Bldg. 1583 Hollis Street, Halifax, N. S.

October 12, 1967

The City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

> Re: Consolidation of Lots Harvard and Quinpool Road -J. A. Bremner

Dear Sir:

We hereby request that you defer the above application as all of the lots are not now owned by the same owner.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) J. D. Moore

Alderman Matheson was concerned by the fact that

the rezoning of this land had been approved by Council some months ago and the land is still not in one ownership. He thought there should be a full investigation into the matter.

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His Worship the Mayor suggested that the rezoning approval might be rescinded and the Development Permit approach applied.

Alderman Ivany contended that City Council had been led up the garden path on this matter and it should be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration.

After further discussion, Council agreed to refer the matter of the alteration to a subdivision of lots located at 6311-6313 Quinpool Road, 6318-6322 Yale Street and 2045-2049 Harvard Street to the Town Planning Board for further study.

Alteration to a Subdivision - 2675-2685 Windsor Street

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision at 2675-2685 Windsor Street be approved, subject to a Development Permit agreement with the owner to demolish the present dwelling within three years, and that the public hearing be waived. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Sullivan Re: Construction North West Arm Bridge

Alderman Sullivan MOVED the following motion:

WHEREAS the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission in July 1963 recommended construction at the earliest possible date of a bridge across the North West Arm;

AND WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the construction of a North West Arm Bridge;

AND WHEREAS it has been stated recently by a Minister of Government that the watershed property consisting of 11,000 acres is Halifax's greatest asset;

AND WHEREAS construction of a North West Arm Bridge will be the means of opening up this vast watershed area when the new water supply area has been made available;

AND WHEREAS it has been stated that inevitably in the wake of bridge construction economic expansion or boom follows;

AND WHEREAS the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission has stated a few years ago that there is also more than sufficient demand for a bridge across the North West Arm;

AND WHEREAS the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission has stated that a North West Arm Bridge would relieve the Armdale Rotary of most of the existing congestion;

AND WHEREAS in July 1963 it was estimated that a North West Arm Bridge would cost \$3,876,000 at Site A and \$4,134,000 at Site B and even though construction costs have increased since this estimate was made it is considered that this is not an insurmountable financial obstacle;

AND WHEREAS it has been stated if the bridge across the North West Arm is built at the same time as the Harbour Bridge it seems likely that the capital could be repaid over thirty (30) years and in the 31st year the annual surplus might be as much as \$5,500,000 and at this rate the province could be reimbursed for the total deficits plus interest in three or four additional years;

AND WHEREAS it has been stated if the Arm Bridge is not built it would take approximately thirty-three (33) years to pay off the capital cost of the Harbour Bridge and about five more years to reimburse the Province.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax take the necessary steps, either with or without the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission participation, to plan, organize and finance the immediate construction of the North West Arm Bridge.

Alderman Ahern seconded the motion.

In speaking to his motion, Alderman Sullivan said that he had discovered some rather interesting information. He said that it has been estimated that the projected population of Herring Cove and Spryfield in 1980 will be 26,000 from 14,800 - Armdale, Dutch Settlement and Fairview will be 26,000 in 1980 from 10,000 and furthermore the population will grow to 39,000 by the year 2000.

He also said that it has been forecast that by the year 1980 passenger car ownership would increase to three persons per car and to 2.5 persons per car by 1995. He felt there would be absolute chaos with the increasing traffic if the City does not do something quickly about an Arm Bridge. He said that it has been assumed that passenger traffic would never constitute more than 88% of traffic using the harbour bridge and on this assumption, a figure of 21¢ per vehicle was considered reasonable. He stated that this average value of 21¢ per vehicle has been assumed to apply to all revenue calculations throughout a 30 year period and it is said that it is considered essential to the financial security of any new undertaking that the present tariff tolls should be maintained for several years at the very least. He pointed out that the estimated toll revenue from two Harbour Bridges the Narrows and Angus L. MacDonald Bridges - plus the Arm Bridge in 1995 is considered to be \$5,700,000. He contended that there appears to be little if any risk involved financially and could see no reason why the Arm Bridge could not be started without delay.

He referred to a study made some time ago which stated that the Department of Highways might construct a link from the new Arm Bridge to St. Margaret's Bay Road. He felt that once the Arm Bridge is constructed, the Department of Highways would have no alternative but to provide a link to this bridge. He said that many of the traffic problems at the Armdale Rotary arise from the inadequate traffic service

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and he felt that the narrowness of the western approach roads does not help the situation. He contended that City Council should improve the traffic conditions as quickly as possible. He referred to the meeting held on October 6, 1967 with respect to port employment and said that a Government official, in reply to a question, stated that a high ranking Vancouver official had journeyed to Ottawa and as a result, the Federal Government was financing the Vancouver Bridge to the tune of over \$70,000,000, and he understood that the National Harbours Board are handling the project. He asked why can the Federal Government, through the National Earbours Board, contribute such a wast sum to another area of Canada and play no part in Bridge construction in the Halifax area?

Alderman Black stated that the motion included an expenditure of more than \$1,000.00 and this required the recommendation of the Acting City Manager.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the final remarks of Alderman Sullivan and stated that, at the meeting held last Friday on port employment, it was said that the Mayor of Vancouver had a letter from the Fremier of British Columbia in his pocket when he travelled to Ottawa, indicating that the Province would contribute \$27,000,000 to the bridge project. He said that the motion, in its present form, is out of order and questioned some of the facts contained in the motion.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the motion be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration and amendment.

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His Worship the Mayor asked Alderman Sullivan to bring to the Finance and Executive Meeting evidence of his statements in the motion.

The motion was then put and passed.

Motion - Alderman Matheson Re: Removal of Disqualification on School Board Employees from Running for Office

At the last regular meeting of City Council, Alderman Matheson gave notice that he would move the following motion:

"that legislation be sought to amend Section 18(1)(b) of the City Charter to remove the disqualification which falls on an employee of the School Board from running for City Council."

Alderman Matheson said that he felt this matter should be discussed in depth and advice sought from the City Solicitor and he then MOVED that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration.

Alderman Moir seconded the motion.

The motion was then put and passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Report - Institute of Public Affairs, Dalhousie University Re: Taxation City of Halifax

A copy of the above-mentioned report was submitted. MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ivany that the report be received and tabled.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the author of the report had expressed his willingness to meet with members of Council and discuss the report.

Alderman LeBlanc suggested that a copy of the report be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Alderman Moir suggested that a small sub-committee be appointed to meet with the author of the report and study the contents.

After a short discussion, Council agreed that when the new Committees are formed in November, a sub-committee should be appointed to study the Report.

The motion was then put and passed.

BRIEF - CIVIC WORKERS UNION #108 - COST OF COMMISSIONAIRES EMPLOYED AT CITY FIELD

The City Clerk advised that this brief has been referred to City Staff.

LETTER - MR. PETER MACDONALD, SOCIAL WORKER RE: TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT WITH CITY (AFRICVILLE PROGRAMME)

The following letter was submitted for the information

of City Council:

October 5, 1967

His Worship Mayor Allan O'Brien and Members of City Council City Hall Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mayor Allan O'Brien:

This is to advise that my term of employment with the City of Halifax officially terminates on October 6, 1967. According to Mr. F. R. MacKinnon, Deputy Minister of Welfare, Province of Nova Scotia, I am to return to the Department of Welfare, Sydney, Nova Scotia, on October 9, 1967, as Coordinator of the Cape Breton Family Court.

Therefore, at this time, I would like to take the liberty to express to you and the Members of Council (both present and former) my appreciation for the co-operation, direction, and encouragement afforded me over the past three years.

There were occasions when "last minute" items were added to the Council Agenda, which in effect asked Council

Members to remain in session longer than had been anticipated. Never was a request of this nature refused. This kind of co-operation, I feel, should not pass without public comment.

Through the Africville Relocation Program an end has been brought to a social condition which has aggravated the City of Halifax for too many years. Conversely, through the Africville Relocation Program, I believe, a beginning has been made to fortify the aspirations of a people who landed in Halifax over a hundred years ago but whose thinking through the years has been scarred by many lacks.

Hopefully, the social concept of equality will continue to develop more rapidly within the City so that all citizens will enjoy a standard of living adequate to meet their particular needs.

In conclusion, please accept my sincerest thanks for a most enjoyable and co-operative three-year period of employment with the City of Halifax.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Peter J. MacDonald Social Worker

His Worship the Mayor stated that it is his under-

standing that Mr. MacDonald will be returning to Halifax within a few weeks and will be before Council at that time.

The following report was submitted by Alderman

Connolly and read by the City Clerk:

October 12, 1967

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.

The Africville Sub-committee, appointed by City Council to deal with the Africville Relocation Program, has met many times over the past three years and has given careful consideration to the many matters of civic business before it.

The Committee held its last meeting on October 5, 1967, and having completed its business, the members wish to be discharged of their duties and request that the Committee be disbanded.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. L. Connolly Alderman & Chairman

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Alderman H. W. Butler commended Alderman Connolly and the members of the Africville Sub-committee for a job well done.

Alderman Matheson suggested that Council should have a dinner for the members of the Africville Sub-committee in recognition of their excellent work.

After a short discussion, Council agreed to disband the Africville Sub-committee and agreed to hold a dinner for the members of the Africville Sub-committee.

> LETTER - MR. ROBERT L. STANFIELD - APPRECIATION TO COUNCIL

The following letter was submitted to Council for information, and read by the City Clerk:

LEADER OF THE PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA

178 Queen Street, Ottawa, Ontario,

September 27, 1967

Dear Mr. Clancey,

Would you please express to the members of the City Council my warmest thanks for the good wishes conveyed to me by your telegram during the recent Leadership Convention in Toronto. I am most appreciative of the generous tribute paid to me by the members of the Council.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Robert L. Stanfield.

Mr. W. J. Clancey, Deputy City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Doyle Re: Appointment of City Manager

Alderman Connolly asked, on behalf of Alderman Doyle, when will a new City Manager be appointed, as he had received many telephone calls from citizens on the matter.

His Worship the Mayor advised that there is one other meeting of Council in private to be held and it is hoped that a recommendation will result from that meeting. Questions Alderman Ahern Re: Speech to Board of Trade by His Worship the Mayor

Alderman Ahern referred to the speech given by His Worship the Mayor to the Board of Trade and asked the following questions:

 Do you consider that the account of your speech in the local press is correct in every detail?

His Worship the Mayor replied that he had not had an opportunity to study the report in the press.

2. Why did you refer to the Aldermen as "narrow minded" which is what the word insularity means?

His Worship the Mayor replied that the word insularity was applied to the City of Halifax as a whole and meant that the City was not as narrow minded or old fashioned as it once was.

3. Why are you against promotion within the ranks?

His Worship the Mayor stated that he was not opposed to the principle of promotion within the ranks provided it is on the basis of merit.

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4. To whom were you referring when you insinuated that an Alderman was leading a campaign and who opposed the adoption of the City Manager form of government at the outset?

His Worship the Mayor stated that this is a clear case of "if the shoe fits, wear it".

5. Why is the Council holding private meetings without the press, and then reading about them in the newspaper the next day?

His Worship the Mayor said that he would like an answer to this question too.

6. Are you aware that many City employees are worried about their chances of promotion?

His Worship the Mayor said that he was not aware of any worry of this nature on the part of City employees and that there are certainly still going to be chances for promotion.

Question Alderman A. M. Butler Re: Report of Selection Committee

Alderman A. M. Butler asked if it would be possible to have the report of the Selection Committee appointed to consider the selection of a City Manager at least ten days prior to the meeting of City Council at which the matter will be considered.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the report will be so distributed and it was his intention to make sure that the full Council is in attendance when the matter is discussed. Question Alderman Matheson Re: Street Line for Harbour Drive

Alderman Matheson asked if Staff had prepared the report requested at the last regular meeting of Council with respect to the street reservation for Harbour Drive through the central part of the City.

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Council, October 12, 1967.

The City Engineer advised that this report is in preparation and maps are being drawn with several alternatives and will probably be presented to the first Council meeting in November.

Alderman Matheson asked if it would be possible to change Harbor Drive from a six-lane limited access highway to a six-lane highway without any parking but with access, wherever it is necessary, to serve the adjoining areas. He said there is no point in having a limited access highway running into a dead end at Buckingham Street. He suggested a saving would be possible on construction costs and still have an adequate facility to bring traffic downtown and serve the properties adjoining the facility. He contended that if service roads were built, there would be no properties to service.

The City Engineer advised that, in his opinion, it is too late to change it as tenders are to be called in December, 1967, for the construction of the Cogswell Street Interchange.

After discussion, His Worship the Mayor asked the City Engineer if an interim report could be submitted to the next meeting of the Town Planning Board and any members of Council interested could attend that meeting.

Question Alderman Ahern Re: 1969 Canadian Summer Games

Alderman Ahern asked when some action will be taken on the 1969 Canadian Summer Games.

Alderman Fitzgerald reported that a meeting was held about three weeks ago and the contract is now awaiting Federal Government approval before it is signed. This, he understood, would be forthcoming within a week or so.

Question Alderman Ahern Re: Protection of Wanderers Grounds

Alderman Ahern asked if it would be possible for him to approach the Legislature as a private citizen to seek legislation to protect the Wanderers Grounds from any attempt

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to take away any part of it for other developments or street widening.

His Worship the Mayor felt that the matter should be discussed by the whole Council before any approach is made to the Legislature.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Duplication of Tag Days

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the fact that two tag days were held on the same day and asked how this came about.

The City Clerk advised that this occurred through an unfortunate oversight.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Containerized Cargo

Alderman Sullivan asked if it would be possible to invite someone in authority to address City Council on all aspects of containerized cargo.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there have been many talks on this matter over the past eight or so years and that opportunities to hear such persons are given at the various Port Conferences held each year.

Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Winter Works Programme

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the Winter Works Programme which is practically non-existent this year because of lack of funds and asked that in future years a small amount of work might be done to provide employment for some persons who would otherwise be receiving welfare payments and social assistance.

Question Alderman A. M. Butler Re: Aldermanic Stipends

Alderman A. M. Butler asked why the matter of Aldermanic Stipends, which was discussed at the last meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, was not brought to Council.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the matter was raised in Committee and no recommendation was forthcoming to Council as the motion was lost.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Brief from Halifax Police Association

Alderman Connolly referred to a brief which he had received from the Halifax Police Association with respect to negotiations for a new contract and asked whether it should be discussed at Council level.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Mr. J. W. E. Mingo had been appointed to negotiate a contract with the Halifax Police Association and would be reporting to Council at a later date and requesting certain instructions. Question Alderman Ivany Re: Home Construction Costs

Alderman Ivany asked whether or not the Mayor's Federation is going to submit a brief to the Federal Government with respect to the changes in the National Housing Act and the increased costs in home construction.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the Mayor's Federation is scheduled to meet in November with the Cabinet on this matter and will be presenting a brief at that time. Question Alderman Fitzgerald Re: Safety Programme

Alderman Fitzgerald referred to the great interest

in Safety Programmes for school children in the City and asked if there are any definite, clear cut, crosswalk policies in the City and are they enforced.

The Chief of Police advised that the present law gives the right-of-way to a pedestrian at marked or unmarked crosswalks and to the vehicle between crosswalks, but it is not an offence to cross a street between crosswalks.

Question Alderman Ivany Re: Widening of Crosswalk at Queen Elizabeth High School

Alderman Ivany asked when the crosswalk outside the Queen Elizabeth High School will be widened.

The Traffic Analyst advised that the crosswalk has been widened, in accordance with instructions from the Safety Committee.

Question Alderman LeBlanc Re: Meeting following Council

Alderman LeBlanc asked if the members of Council present would meet for a short time with him in the Mayor's Office following the meeting.

Mayor's Federation Conference

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His Worship the Mayor reported that the Executive Committee of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities decided at a meeting held in St.John's, Newfoundland last week, to hold the 1970 Conference in Halifax, at his suggestion.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Fitzgerald - Use of Gymnasiums Alderman Fitzgerald gave notice that at the next

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regular meeting of Council he will move the following motion:

WHEREAS gymnasiums in many districts are not being used to full advantage;

AND WHEREAS citizens of the City own these buildings and share in the cost of their upkeep;

AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax lacks indoor recreation facilities;

AND WHEREAS damage to a building seems to decrease when the building is occupied;

AND WHEREAS the lights are left on in many of the school buildings in the City;

AND WHEREAS janitors are in the building for a good part of the night ;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax take the necessary action to open gymnasiums for recreational purposes to responsible adults at a nominal fee.

Notice of Motion - Alderman A. M. Butler - Aldermanic Stipends

Alderman A. M. Butler gave notice that at the next regular meeting of Council, he will move that City Council secure legislation to require the members of Council to accept such stipend as approved by the Council.

ADDED ITEM

National Harbours Board Pier - South End of City

Alderman LeBlanc referred to an advertisement which appeared in the local press on October 10, 1967 relating to a tender call for the supply of fill for the construction of containerized facilities at the Seaward Defence Depot by the National Harbours Board. He stated that the amount of fill required is one-half a million tons. He felt that City Council should consider the problem which might result before it becomes real and that concerns the

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movement of the fill through the City to the Seaward Defence site. He suggested that Staff might, at this time, consider a certain route for the trucks hauling the fill, when the successful tenderer is selected, and also give consideration to night time hauling.

His Worship the Mayor said that he would undertake to contact Mr. Jack Mitchell of the National Harbours Board to ascertain the name of the successful tenderer. He thanked Alderman LeBlanc for bringing this matter to the attention of City Council.

After further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

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R. H. STODDARD, CITY CLERK

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING M I N U T E S

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., October 18, 1967, 4:30 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 City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

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

Also Present: City Clerk, Deputy City Solicitor and other Staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting was called specially to consider the report of the City Manager Selection Committee.

Alderman A. M. Butler referred to the fact that a special meeting of City Council, at very short notice, requires the unanimous consent of all members of City Council. He also referred to a news report in last Saturday's paper and attempted to add an item to the order of business.

His Worship the Mayor said that the City Clerk had advised Council the purpose of the meeting and that no other matters can be considered, without a two-third vote of the Council.

Alderman A. M. Butler questioned the legality of the call of the meeting.

The Deputy City Solicitor advised that the City Charter states that the City Council shall meet whenever summonsed to attend a special meeting. He said that the City Charter does not lay down any notice required of such meeting. He further stated that unanimous consent only concerns some procedures covering votes during any meetings, or to change the order of business during the course of the meeting.

Alderman A. M. Butler stated that he would obtain the City Solicitor's ruling on this matter.

The Deputy City Solicitor read from Ordinance No. 104, Section 4(1)(b) and from Ordinance No. 103 Section 9(1) in answer to questions from Alderman A. M. Butler.

His Worship the Mayor then asked Alderman Black to present the report of the Selection Committee.

Alderman Black submitted and read the following report:

"The following is the report of the Committee appointed by City Council to screen and recommend a suitable applicant or applicants for the position of City Manager. Members of the Committee are His Worship the Mayor, Alderman J. L. Connolly and myself. The report is not unanimous in all respects although a substantial measure of agreement was reached on many items that came up for discussion at our several meetings.

Your Committee was appointed shortly after the untimely death of the late City Manager. Pursuant to a resolution of Council, an advertisement was placed in various newspapers seeking a successor to Mr. Byars. Some thirty odd applications were received. Mr. Arthur Ward, the Personnel and Training Officer, was of considerable assistance to the Committee in doing preliminary screening and categorization of the various applicants. He provided the Committee with tables showing the background, experience and qualifications of all applicants deemed to be worthy of serious consideration by the Committee.

The Committee had interviews with three Canadian applicants and the City Council with one of those applicants, as well as one applicant from the United States.

The majority of the Committee has reached the conclusion that it cannot recommend any of the people interviewed to date for the position of Manager of the City of Halifax. This decision was made following the interviews held, and after ascertaining the opinions of all the members of City Council on the respective merits of the various applicants for the position.

The Committee wishes to stress that the person appointed Manager of this City, having an annual budget in excess of \$20,000,000.00 must be a person of demonstrated administrative and executive ability, as well as considerable managerial experience. He must also be capable of commanding the respect of the Council and the support and loyalty of the various Department Heads and their subordinates. At the same time, the Committee recognizes that it is highly desirable that a Manager be appointed at the earliest possible date."

> (Signed) Gordon S. Black On behalf of the Committee.

Alderman Connolly, at this time, submitted and read

the following report:

"In presenting this report in favor of Mr. George West, I wish to point out certain pertinent facts which I feel all should know regarding the qualifications of this man.

He is a graduate engineer with more than sixteen years experience in municipal work, thirteen of which were as head of one of the major Departments in the City of Halifax.

He has served as Acting City Manager during the absence of the Managers from the City on many occasions.

He has also taken studies at Dalhousie University in "The Techniques of Municipal Administration and Industrial Relations", this year the City thought enough of him to recommend him to Harvard University and paid for his courses in the "Advanced Management Program" of the Graduate School of Business Administration. This course included studies in the following subjects, Labor Relations, Business Policy, Account and Financial Policy, Human Behaviour in Organizations, Finance and Business History, Business and the World Society and the Mathematical Concepts of Decision Making. I am given to understand that Graduates of these courses are rated very highly internationally.

You may ask what has he accomplished for the City of Halifax. He has brought the work force at City Field down from a high of

five hundred seventy to two hundred seventy in four or five years. He has saved the City \$345,000.00 by cooperating with the Municipal Development and Loan Board, and there are many other savings of a smaller nature. I have only quoted the largest savings to the City of Halifax by this man. He is a hard worker, honest, loyal, respected and knowledgeable of all the affairs and workings of the City of Halifax.

He is level headed, no-nonsense and cannot be cajoled into doing anything that is not for the betterment of the City.

He is no polished orator or given to glibness and his every decision is based on sound fact.

The citizens of Halifax have expended money on him and I refer to his course at Harvard last winter. I feel we owe it to ourselves and the tax-payers of the City of Halifax to put the knowledge he has, to work for the betterment of the City."

(Signed) Alderman J. L. Connolly

Alderman A. M. Butler said that he wished to make a short statement with the nomination he will offer for the position of City Manager of the City. He said that everyone in the Council knew that his nomination would not succeed but he wished to pursue it so that all Aldermen would be identified in their respective positions on the issue.

It was then MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Mr. George West be appointed to the position of City Manager of the City of Halifax.

In reply to a question from His Worship the Mayor, the Deputy City Solicitor advised that, after considerable research, the appointment of an official of the City of Halifax, as set out in Section 156 of the City Charter, requires the affirmative majority vote of the total number of Aldermen, and it would therefore require eight aldermanic votes.

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Alderman LeBlanc questioned the fact that His Worship the Mayor is not entitled to cast a deciding vote.

The Deputy City Solicitor advised that Section 156 of the City Charter dealing with the appointment or termination of officers of the City, states that it must have the affirmative majority vote of the total number of Aldermen.

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

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

Against: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, LeBlanc and Fitzgerald

His Worship the Mayor declared the motion lost.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Ivany that Council appoint a firm of Management Consultants to screen and recommend a suitable applicant or applicants for the position of City Manager of the City of Halifax.

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

For: Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Doyle, Sullivan, Fitzgerald, H. W. Butler and Black

Against: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Ahern and Connolly

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that the firm of P. S. Ross and Partners be appointed as management consultants to recommend to the Council the name of a suitable applicant or applicants for the position of City Manager, no later than December 15, 1967, and, in view of the extreme desirability of obtaining a Manager at the earliest

possible date, the consultants make known to the Acting City Manager, the name of any applicant considered qualified for the position at any time that they, in their discretion, consider it to be advisable.

Alderman Fitzgerald asked why the firm of P. S. Ross and Partners was selected over many others.

Alderman Abbott stated that his reason is that this firm is one of the largest and were engaged by the City when Mr. Byars was hired and in his opinion they did an excellent job.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the firm is represented locally by the firm of Touche, Ross, Bailey and Smart and is engaged in municipal work across the Country.

Alderman Sullivan felt that another firm might be just as well qualified.

After further discussion, the motion was put and passed with Aldermen Sullivan, Connolly and Ahern voting against.

5:15 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

ALLAN O'BRIEN MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., October 26, 1967, 8:00 p.m.

Commissioner of Health

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.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, Meagher, LeBlanc, Ahern, Connolly, Sullivan, Fitzgerald and H. W. Butler.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and other Staff members.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meetings of City Council held on October 12 and 18, 1967, were approved on motion of Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc.

WELCOME TO COUNCILLOR DONALD BUTLER, ROCKINGHAM

Alderman Meagher introduced Councillor Donald Butler, the newly elected Councillor for Rockingham, who was present at the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor extended a welcome to Councillor Butler on behalf of the Halifax City Council.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

The City Clerk advised that the following item is to be added to the Order of Business:

> 20(a) Request for Alteration to a Building Line -Windsor Street, between Strawberry Hill Street and Kempt Road - Date for Public Hearing

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Alderman Ivany asked that an item be added as 20(b) respecting Medallions.

Alderman Ahern requested that an item be added as 20(c) respecting the Mayor's Chain of Office.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Black,that the Order of Business be amended accordingly. Motion passed.

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

DEFERRED ITEMS

Amendment to Part II Zoning By-law - Parking and Storing of Boats and Trailers - Residential Zones

The following Amendment to Part II of the Zoning By-law respecting the Parking and Storing of Boats and Trailers in Residential Zones was submitted:

" <u>BE IT ENACTED</u> by the City Council of the City of Halifax, under the authority of the Town Planning Act, as follows:

1. Part II of the Zoning By-law of the City of Halifax, passed by the City Council on the 11th day of May, A.D., 1950, and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 15th day of August, A. D., 1950, as amended, is further amended by adding thereto the following Section:

15. (1) For the purpose of this Section, "trailer" shall mean a trailer as defined in Chapter 184 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1954, the Motor Vehicle Act.

(2) No person shall in any R-1, R-2 or R-3 Zone, use any lot for the parking or storing of any boat or trailer.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (2) hereof, the owner or occupant of any dwelling unit or lot, building or structure in any R-1, R-2 or R-3 Zone, may store or park,

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 (a) one boat, which shall not exceed 23 feet in length with or without boat trailer which shall not exceed 23 feet in length exclusive of hitch or tongue; and

(b) a trailer or trailers, none of which shall exceed 23 feet in length exclusive of hitch or tongue,

upon such lot, subject to the following regulations:

A. Where lands are used for an apartment house, the boat and trailers shall be located within a building and shall only be permitted in spaces or areas that are in addition to the number of parking spaces required for the parking or storage of motor vehicles for such buildings;

B. Where lands are used for any other purpose:

(i) the boat and trailers shall be located within the dwelling, a garage or carport, or located to the rear of a line drawn between two adjacent buildings extending from the front wall of the building which is further from the street, such line being parallel to the street line;

(ii) where a side lot line abuts a street, any boat and trailers parked or stored shall be located no closer than the established setback of the main building or ten feet from such side lot line, whichever is the greater distance;

(iii) where the rear lot line abuts a street, any boat and trailers parked or stored shall be located not less than 25 feet from such rear lot line.

(4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) hereof, the owner or occupant of any dwelling unit or lot, building or structure in any R-1, R-2 or R-3 Zone may park for the purpose of loading and unloading not more than either one boat or one trailer at any one time on such lot.

(5) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) hereof, where lands are used for purposes other than for apartments, the limitation imposed therein shall not restrict the number of such boats or trailers that are fully enclosed within a garage or dwelling, provided the same are owned by the owner or occupant of such dwelling unit or lot, building or structure or a member of his family. "

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MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald, that the foregoing Amendment to Part II of the Zoning By-law respecting the Parking and Storing of Boats and Trailers in Residential Zones be approved.

Alderman Meagher asked about the problem of a person on Quinn Street who cannot park his car at the side of his house, because he has a basement garage and no sideyard.

The City Solicitor replied that there is no provision in the By-law for such a case.

Alderman Fitzgerald asked if there was any provision made for visitors coming into the City and was advised by the City Solicitor that there is no provision made. In answer to a question by Alderman Fitzgerald concerning the loading and unloading of trailers, the City Solicitor stated that Sub-Section (4) of the Amendment permits the parking of a trailer anywhere on the lot when loading or unloading.

The motion was then put and passed with Aldermen Ahern and Meagher recorded against.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Suggested Traffic Regulations Bilby Street

A petition was submitted, signed by thirty-four residents of Bilby Street petitioning City Council to make the following changes in the traffic regulations pertaining to Bilby Street:

- 1. That a large one-way sign be painted on the pavement at the exit of Bilby Street, at Agricola Street.
- That the present one-hour parking limit on the north of Bilby Street be changed to permit twenty-four hour parking in line with many other residential streets in the City.

The petition was endorsed by Alderman Sullivan.

It was agreed to refer the petition to the Traffic Authority for consideration and report to the Safety Committee.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on October 19, 1967, with respect to the following matters:

Heating Plant - Mulgrave Park

His Worship the Mayor referred to a telephone conversation he had had with Mr. McAllister of the Housing Authority respecting this matter and as a result of the information received from the Dominion Coal Board, he requested that the matter be further considered.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Ahern, that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

Central Redevelopment Area - Agreement with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation

The report of the Finance and Executive Committee reads as follows:

"It is recommended that the proposed agreement between the City and Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation respecting the acquisition of additional property required in order to implement the Scotia Square Project be approved as drafted and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City."

Alderman Ivany asked if this is the first agreement, to which the Director of Development replied that this is the second agreement.

The Director explained the events leading to the second Agreement which involved the cost sharing participation

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