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Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Truck Traffic

Alderman Sullivan asked Staff to obtain information from other cities in Canada which, he understood, have a curfew on trucks passing through residential areas. He referred to an occurrence at the corner of Vestry and Barrington Streets when a truck overturned at 4:00 a.m. one morning spilling bottles all over the street and arousing the whole neighbourhood. He said that there have apparently been other such incidents at this particular intersection in the last few months.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Filling of Wells

Alderman Stapells asked for a report from Staff setting out the policy behind the quotation of \$60.00 from City Field to fill a person's well with water after it has run dry. He considered that this is a very large amount and he asked what criteria have been used to establish this figure.

Statements Alderman Stapells Re: Public Gardens and Long Service with the City

Alderman Stapells asked all members of Council to visit the Public Gardens and view the work of Mr. Sullivan of the Garden's Staff which, in his opinion, is fantastic. He referred to a sundial of plants and flowers. He commended Mr. Sullivan on his efforts.

Alderman Stapells also congratulated Mr. R. H. Stoddard, City Clerk on his completion of 35 years with the City of Halifax.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Loss of Water - Otter Lake

Alderman Sullivan asked if the loss of water recently at Otter Lake will cause water rationing to be introduced in the coming weeks. He said that this loss should provide a basis for urging the development of the new Pockwock Water Supply for the City as quickly as possible.

His Worship the Mayor said that as soon as he has received the report from the Public Service Commission on the loss, he would circulate copies to all members of Council. He understood that the loss should not cause water rationing as the lakes are quite high due to the amount of rain in recent weeks, unless there is a long dry spell.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Meagher Re: By-law Adopting a Municipal Development Plan for the City of Halifax

Alderman Meagher gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on Thursday, 27th day of July, 1972, he will move that the City pass a

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By-law adopting a Municipal Development Plan for the City of Halifax, under the Planning Act.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Wentzell Re: Amendments to Ordinance No. 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code

Alderman Wentzell gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on Thursday, 27th day of July, 1972, he will introduce an amendment to Ordinance Number 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code. The purpose of the amendment is to re-enact the Section respecting fees to be paid for building permits to more clearly set out the fees to be paid for permits, particularly for building construction of an estimated cost of \$50,000.00 and over.

ADDED ITEMS

Development Agreement - Convoy Place

Two reports were submitted from Staff relating to the above matter dated July 7, 1972 and July 10, 1972.

Alderman Sullivan referred to a public meeting that was held recently by the Developer when by a vote of 69 to 2, in favour of the development of the City Prison Lands as proposed, indicated the approval of the citizens of the area. With great pleasure, he said, it was <u>MOVED</u> by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the Development Agreement with Convoy Projects Limited on behalf of the City of Halifax, for the development of the former City Prison Lands.

His Worship the Mayor thanked the developers for their co-operation in making an opportunity for residents of the general area to see and hear what is proposed for the Prison Lands and he was sure that the results will be excellent.

The motion was then put and passed.

Vote of Confidence in His Worship the Mayor Respecting his Stand Taken in the Bridge Commission Meeting - Bridge Tolls

It was <u>MOVED</u> by Alderman Hogan, seconded by <u>Alderman Wentzell that Council give a vote of confidence</u> in His Worship the Mayor in the light of his stand on the <u>possible increase in Bridge tolls when the matter was con-</u> <u>sidered at a recent meeting of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge</u> Commission.

Alderman Meagher referred to news reports on the radio this evening that the Provincial Government have asked the Bridge Commission not to proceed with the application for increase to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities.

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman

Meagher voting against.

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10:55 p.m. Council adjourned.

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WALTER R. FITZGERALD MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK

Halifax, Nova Scotia, February 20, 1964.

Town Clerk & Treasurer, Town of

Dear Sir:

The Department of Highways proposes a change in policy with respect to maintenance of bridges having a clear span of over 10 feet on all main roads leading into or through cities and towns applicable to such bridges that are now under formal agreement between your Town and this Department.

Notwithstanding the sharing arrangements contained in said formal agreements the Department's policy with respect to the maintenance of such bridges would be as follows:

- (a) The Department will maintain the substructure and superstructure of bridges including all bridge painting at no cost to the city or town.
- (b) The City or Town will maintain the bridge railings and bridge deck including the road and sidewalk surfaces, also including repaving, sealcoating, premarking and painting of centre lines, the cost of which is to be shared on a 50-50 basis with the Department. If the Town or City requests or if it fails to maintain the bridge as provided in this agreement, the Department may carry out such maintenance work and recover 50% of such costs from the Town or City.
- (c) The City or Town will be responsible for bridge lighting services, snow removal, ice control, maintenance of water and sewer lines and such similar work at no cost to the Department.

Subject only to the variations contained in this letter the principle agreement or agreements shall remain in full force and effect and shall be read and construed and be enforceable as if said variations were inserted therein by way of addition or substitution as the case may be.

Your Council's approval of our proposed policy will be indicated by the signatures of your Mayor and yourself in the space herein provided. Kindly return both copies of this letter to the undersigned. If the proposed policy is adopted by the Department one copy of this letter will be returned to you bearing our Minister's signature.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Pertus -Manager of Engineering Services.

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Minister of Highways

Witness

Mayor

Town Clerk

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S. July 19, 1972 8:00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order the Council, led by the Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

Also present: Acting City Solicitor and other staff members.

Before the Public Hearings got underway a discussion arose regarding allowing the first speaker an opportunity for rebuttal after other speakers had finished, and it was agreed a three minute rebuttal would be permitted the first speaker if it were felt that new information had been introduced after the first speaker had concluded his remarks.

Public Hearings into:

1 - Rezoning of Lot "A", Windsor Street, from R-3 Residential Zone to C-2 General Business Zone.

2 - Zoning and Rezoning of Civic Nos. 558-686 inclusive Bedford Highway.

3 - An Amendment to the Peninsula By-law, C-4 Professional Zone.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: REZONING OF LOT "A", WINDSOR STREET, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the subject matter.

Mr. E.B. Algee of Development Control outlined the area involved and staff's reasons for recommending refusal of the rezoning, which were based mainly on the fact that it was felt Windsor Street was a very desirable area for residential use and should remain as such.

In reply to a question put by Alderman Connolly, Mr. Algee confirmed that the land could be utilized under its present zoning to construct an apartment, but as to what size of an apartment, Mr. Algee said he could not say offhand,

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although at one time plans had been submitted for a 4-storey, 30-unit building.

Alderman Sullivan asked to be supplied with a traffic count on Windsor Street, as compared to other parallel streets.

His Worship the Mayor then asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in favour of the rezoning, and Mr. W.L. MacInnes came forward.

Mr. MacInnes said he was the Solicitor for the applicant, Mr. John S. Snow and displayed a plan of a funeral home which he said it was his client's intention to build on the land if the rezoning were approved. He said there would be parking supplied for about sixteen cars. Since much of the objection seemed to be based on traffic and parking conditions, he felt it should be pointed out that traffic for a funeral home was mainly restricted to between two and three in the afternoon, and although there was some traffic due to visitors in the evening, this ended around nine o'clock. He suggested that the automobile traffic caused by an apartment on the site would be considerably higher. Also, he said, while the regulations in Halifax required a funeral home to locate in a business zone, in many cities they were allowed in residential zones.

There being no other persons wishing to speak in support of the rezoning, His Worship the Mayor asked to hear from those opposing it.

A Mrs. R.D. Morrison of 6264 Summit Street was the first speaker and she said a petition containing 26 names had been prepared, which opposed the rezoning. She said there were many children in the neighbourhood and the residents were already experiencing a big traffic problem. It was not felt, she said, that sixteen parking spaces would be adequate to take care of all the traffic engendered by a funeral home. In reply to a question put by Alderman Hogan, Mrs. Morrison said that she per sonally would prefer to see a small apartment house on the site.

A Mrs. Campbell of 6228 Summit Street spoke next in opposition to the proposed rezoning. She said she was against rezoning of the land because once it was zoned Commercial and the present applicant decided to leave the location, it would be left open for most any commercial use.

A Mrs. M. McLaughlin of 6254 Summit Street spoke next and stated she felt the land should be kept for residential purposes. She also said she would not have any objection to an apartment house if it were not to exceed four stories in height.

Miss Winnifred Inkpen, of 6258 Summit Street addressed the Council, stating she was opposed to the rezoning for the same reasons put forward by the other speakers tonight. She said she did not feel there was room on the site for either an apartment house or a funeral home.

The petition to which Mrs. Morrison had referred was submitted for the record, and the Clerk instructed to send out copies to the Council members. The Clerk advised that a letter of objection had also been received from Mrs. Dora A. Marriott of 2697 Windsor Street and Mr. A. Murray of 2980 Windsor Street, copies of which had been circulated to Council members.

members. There being no further persons wishing to speak against the application, and the Solicitor of the applicant declaring he had no desire to make a rebuttal, the matter was placed before the Council.

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by

Alderman Wentzell, that the matter be referred to Council without a recommendation. Motion passed.

8:50 P.M. - Alderman Stapells and the City Manager arrived.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: ZONING AND REZONING OF CIVIC NOS. 558-686 INCLUSIVE, BEDFORD HIGHWAY

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the subject matter.

Mr. Rankin of Development Control displayed a map and outlined to the members of Council what was proposed by way of zoning and rezoning. He said staff were trying to accommodate the existing development on the lots in question, which he agreed constituted spot-rezoning.

His Worship the Mayor said that the three different zonings and rezoning would be dealt with separately insofar as hearing from persons for or against them.

(1) Zoning and rezoning of the entire lands belonging to Princess Lodge Motel Ltd. Civic No. 558 Bedford Highway, the Kelly Estate, the Sea King Motel Ltd. Lands of Mr. Charles McGinn, and finally Steves Bluenose Motel, to M-Motel Zone

His Worship the Mayor asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak against the proposed zoning and rezoning to M-Motel Zone.

Mr. John J. Napier came forward and said he represented a firm who owned a portion of the land proposed for M-Motel Zoning. He said his client was concerned over the fact that it was impossible to determine from the City the difference between a Hotel and a Motel, although he was aware there were restrictions applying to a Motel which did not apply in the case of a hotel. A M-Motel zoning therefore, he said, could throw out a lot of plans his client had already spent time and money on. He felt the staff proposal involving so many different zonings along the Bedford Highway would only result in future problems involving requests for rezonings. It represented, he said, as already noted, spot rezonings.

He said his client had been asked by staff to submit a plan of what they felt would be adequate zoning or rezoning and that they had request C-2 zoning; however, he said they had never been advised that the request had been considered.

There being no further requests to speak either against or for the M-Motel Zoning, the Council proceeded with the next section dealing with:

(2) - The rezoning of lands on the west side of the Bedford Highway owned and occupied by Gulf Oil Canada Ltd., Imperial Oil Ltd. Lands of Henderson S. Allen, and Kingfisher Camping Trailer Sales and Services Ltd., Bedford Highway from G-General Business Zone to C-2 General Business Zone

There were no persons present wishing to speak either in favour of, or against, the proposed rezoning.

 (3) - The Zoning of Civic Nos. 582-602, 618, 632, and 644-686 Bedford Highway from G-General Building Zone to R-2 Residential.

His Worship the Mayor asked to hear from anyone wishing to speak against the proposal.

Mr. George T.H. Cooper came forward and said he was representing Mr. Glen M. Hilchie owner of Civic No. 618 Bedford Highway. Mr. Cooper submitted a sketch which showed that most of the properties surrounding Civic No. 618 Bedford Highway were now zoned or would be shortly zoned C-2 or M-Motel and he submitted that in these circumstances a Motel zoning would be the proper use of his client's land. He said it was for this purpose that Mr. Hilchie had purchased the land, having been a motel operator for some years, and that the price he paid for the land represented its use for such a purpose. He said that he felt if City staff had known of Mr. Hilchie's intention they would have had no objection to a M-Motel zoning of the land.

Mr. Cooper asked that for the moment Mr. Hilchie's property be left as it is, and when he is ready to construct a motel he will send in his application; unless, he added, Council were prepared to rezone the land "M" Motel as this time.

Mr. Ralph Medjuck addressed the Council next, stating he did not think there should be differences in zoning of the lots under discussion, Mr. Medjuck said he owned one of the lots to be rezoned R-2, and he went along with this providing all the lots were zoned in the same manner.

There being no one wishing to speaker in favour of the proposed rezoning, the whole matter of the three zonings and rezoning was placed before the Council.

Alderman Meagher said he had the impression from those who had spoken this evening that they felt the whole strip of land should be zoned one way, and he wondered if between now and Council staff could bring in a report on this point.

The City Manager suggested that since it appeared the matter required further discussion, it would be best to send it back to Committee of the Whole for clarification, and Council could deal with it at a later date. He said it would be advisable to hold another Public Hearing if the decision is to change the proposed zonings or rezonings, especially where it involved higher densities.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Moir, seconded by

Alderman Bell, that in view of the uncertainty which existed, that before the matter go to Council, it be referred to the Committee of the Whole for an open discussion. Motion passed.

Alderman Stapells asked that the staff report be available for the Committee of the Whole discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: - AN AMENDMENT TO THE PENINSULA BY-LAW, C-4 PROFESSIONAL ZONE

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the subject matter.

Staff outlined briefly to the Council what was involved with the proposed amendment.

Alderman Meagher said that several interested parties had mentioned to him that they felt the amount of commercial use to be allowed under this regulations should be based on a percentage of the total floor area of the building.

His Worship the Mayor asked if there was anyone presenting wishing to speak in favour of the proposed amendment, but there was no response. He then asked to hear from anyone wishing to speak against it.

Mr. Medjuck came forward, stating that he had not come this evening to specifically speak on this matter, and had only come in possession of the staff report during the meeting and had therefore not had an opportunity to study it. However, he said, in glancing over the report he saw several points which he felt should be discussed. One point was the prohibition of an exterior sign, but he referred to the Professional Building at the corner of Spring Garden and Robie Streets which housed a drug store on the ground floor. He said the drug store had a sign visble from the street, so he felt it was a question of whether the regulation involved an interior sign which could be readily seen from the street, or just an exterior sign affixed to the outside of a building. Mr. Medjuck also questioned the section of the staff report which allowed various uses only if

the building contained more than 50,000 square feet. He said there was a question of whether engineering offices, technical offices and tourist bureaus should go into a Professional Zone, the feeling being it was a matter of professional consultant type offices as opposed to general offices.

Mr. Medjuck suggested that it would be constructive to forward copies of the staff report to U.D.I. and to have a general discussion on some of the points he had raised and others that might come up after they had had an opportunity to study the report.

The City Manager said the matter was not distributed widely because basically what it did was to allow an R-3 use in a C-4 Zone.

The question arose at this point where the Public Hearing itself could be adjourned. The City Manager stated it probably could be, but it would require that the adjourned discussion involve only those present at this hearing.

Alderman Connolly suggested it be referred to Council at this time, and at that time Council could send it back to Committee for further discussion if it so desired.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that the matter be referred to Council without a recommendation. Motion passed with Alderman Stapells against.

10:05 P.M. - Meeting adjourned.

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Walter R. Fitzgerald MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

J. Lamb Acting City Clerk

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S. July 27, 1972 8:00 P.M.

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

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

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Bell, Hogan, Meagher, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan, and Wentzell.

Also present; Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk, and other staff members.

MINUTES

Minutes of meetings held on July 13 and July 19, 1972 were approved on motion of Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Meagher.

NATAL DAY ACTIVITIES

His Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the other members of Council, complimented Alderman Wentzell on the excellent job he had done in organizing the Natal Day activities this year. The result, he said, had been a very successful celebration.

ALDERMAN HOGAN - SEALCOATING OF BACK ROADS

Alderman Hogan said he had made a tour of some of the back roads in his Ward, and wished to compliment staff on the sealcoating work carried out on them.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Council approved the City Clerk's request

to add:

20 (a) - Demolition of 2283 Barrington Street - Old Canada Packer's building.

and His Worship the Mayor's request, on behalf of Alderman Connolly who had not yet arrived, to add:

20 (b) - Inn on the Park.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that the agenda, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

REZONING OF LOT "A", WINDSOR STREET, FROM R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL

A Public Hearing was held into the subject rezoning application on July 19th, at which time Council deferred its decision in the matter to this meeting.

Alderman Meagher summarized the objections which had been raised by persons opposing the rezoning at the Public Hearing and <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by Alderman Bell, that the application to rezone Lot "A", Windsor Street, from R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business, as shown on Plan Nos. P200/5194 and P200/5195, in case No. 2683, be refused.

At the request of Alderman Sullivan, Mr. Algee of Development Control outlined what it was felt could be built on the Lot under its present R-3 Zoning. He said staff assessed that a 9-storey apartment building could be constructed, each floor containing four 1-bedroom units, for a total of 36 units; however, he added, after consultation with several architects, the opinion was that such a building would not be economical for this site. He said the most economical building for the site would be a 4-storey building with 35 units, the first floor being utilized for parking and 3 floors of apartment units.

Alderman Bell said he had seconded the motion not because he was necessarily against a funeral home being constructed on the site, but because it involved a rezoning to Commercial use, and if for some reason the applicant did not follow through with his plans to construct a funeral home, the land would be available for any commercial use. 8:25 P.M. - Alderman Connolly arrived.

•Mr. W.L. MacInnes, Solicitor for the applicant stated that his client was prepared to file a letter with Council to the effect that if they did not proceed with their plans to build a funeral home they would re-apply to have the land rezoned back to R-3.

The motion to refuse the application was then put and lost, Aldermen Hogan, Connolly, Sullivan and Wentzell against, and Aldermen Stanbury and Stapells abstaining since they had not been present for the Public Hearing.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the application to rezone Lot "A", Windsor Street, from R-3 Residential to C-2 General Business, as shown on Plan Nos. P200/5194 and P200/5195 in Case No. 2683 be approved by City Council. Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher and Bell against and Aldermen Stanbury and Stapells abstaining.

A formal resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Wentzell, that the formal resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen Meagher and Bell against, and Aldermen Stanbury and Stapells abstaining.

AMENDMENT TO THE PENINSULA BY-LAW, C-4 PROFESSIONAL ZONE

A Public Hearing was held into the subject matter on July 19th, 1972, at which time Council deferred a decision in the matter to this meeting.

In reply to a question put by Alderman Meagher, Mr. Algee said that to his knowledge copies of the staff report had not gone out to U.D.I. or developers in the City, although a number of interested parties had picked up copies of the report.

Alderman Stapells said that before making a decision, he would like to hear the views of those who might possibly oppose the proposed amendment and <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter be referred back to the Committee of the Whole, and that U.D.I. be advised so that they can make their views known if they so desire. Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan against. Alderman Stanbury abstained from the vote, not having attended the Public Hearing.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

Motion - Alderman MacKeen to Reconsider Resolution of Council July 13, 1972 re: Appointment of Consultants - Maintenance System -Vehicle Maintenance Procedures

In view of Alderman MacKeen's absence because of illness, Alderman Meagher <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by Alderman <u>Sullivan</u>, that this matter be deferred to the next regular <u>meeting of City Council</u>. <u>Motion passed with Aldermen Bell</u> and Connolly against.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Maintenance of HALIFAX INTERACTION as a drug crisis center

The City Clerk read the following petition which had been endorsed by 802 signatures:

"We, the undersigned, fully support the proposition that a drug crisis center, as embodied in the present Halifax Interaction, is essential to the prevention and treatment of drug abuse in Halifax. Halifax Interaction should not be allowed to close !"

Letters in support of maintaining Halifax Interaction were

submitted from the following:

Kenneth Paul, Inspector, Morality & Drug Squad Jules R. Oliver, Executive Director, Black United Front Catherine Jackson, Halifax Welfare Rights Comm. Gertrude Knight, Halifax Neighbourhood Centre (Chairman, Drug Committee) Fred Bayers, Board Member, Neighbourhood Centre A.M. O Driscoll, P.P.p., St. Joseph's Parish, Halifax G.W. Turner, M.D., President of The Medical Society of N S. Kevin Ryan, Youth Employment Service Rev. William W. Davis, Archbishop of Nova Scotia Lucy F. Riley, R.N. Halifax Editor of FOR WE PEOPLE, Halifax David Hastey, Projector Director, Teled Video Services Beth Boutilier, Chairman MOVEMENT Wally Scott, Chairman & Canon F.M. French Chairman, Ward Five Resources Council

Martin M. Dolan, Administrator, Family Service Bureau Earth Household, William Powroz, Chairman Rev. D.L. Trivett, Campus Ministry in Dalhousie University Walter Plant for Children and Youth Action Council

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that a representative of the petitioners be permitted to address the Council.

Alderman Connolly said he felt it should be made clear at the outset that this was matter which came under Federal/Provincial jurisdiction, and although the Council might hear from the petitioners it was not a matter they could act upon.

His Worship the Mayor said there was a staff report on the subject being prepared for the Committee of the Whole, and he felt the presentation this evening might act as a first step for information purposes.

The motion was put and passed.

Mr. Barry Mark spoke on behalf of the petitioners, stating that the purpose was not to seek funds from the City, but gain Municipal support in other ways. He asked for a letter from the City supporting the concept under which Halifax Interaction operates but stating that the City was unable to supply funds. He also welcomed any suggestions from the Council members as to how funds might be obtained from organizations such as service clubs. Mr. Mark explained how the present crisis had come about due to the Provincial Government advising Halifax Interaction they would not be supplying funds any longer. Mr. Mark was not certain of exact figures but stated that out of a total budget of \$30,000 to \$40,000 the Province had supplied around \$21,000, the remainder being obtained from other sources. The crisis center, he said, had a staff of fifteen.

In reply to a question from Alderman

Stapells concerning the number of persons using the center Mr. Mark stated that the figure for the month of June was 450 persons

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the matter be placed on the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole meeting, at which time a staff report will also be submitted, and that the interested parties be advised of the date of the meeting.

A second speaker for the petitioners said there was an urgency involved insofar as the Crisis Center was faced with an August 1st closing.

His Worship the Mayor said he felt the Council members had already indicated they felt the matter to be of importance, but that it would not be proper to ask them to make a decision as to supporting the petition without their first being supplied with the necessary information which would be contained in the staff report to be presented to them.

The motion was put and passed.

A letter from Alderman MacKeen, who was absent on account of sickness, was also tabled in support of the petition.

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee with respect to the following matters:

Additional Funds - Halifax West High School

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, approval be given to the request of the Board of School Commissioners for an increase in funds for the construction of Halifax West High School improvement from \$950,000 to an absolute maximum of \$1,350,000. Motion passed with Aldermen Stanbury and Stapells against.

Possible Acquisition - 20 Marriott Street, Kline Heights (Part Taking)

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property designated as Lot #118C on Plan No. TT-14-19127 and containing 95 square feet, be purchased by the City of Halifax and that the owner of the property be paid the sum of \$43.75 as compensation in full for all claims arising from this acquisition, the land being required for the purpose of installation of utilities and the establishing of a 40' right-of-way on Sunset Avenue; funds to be made available from Account No. 54-33. Motion passed.

Northwood Senior Citizens' Tenant Society - \$1,000 Maximum for Persons Qualifying for Placement

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council approve of an increase in the value of allowable assets for patients in Nursing Homes and Boarding Homes for Senior Citizens from \$500 to \$1,000, such increase to take effect January 1st, 1973, subject to the Provincial and Federal Governments each agreeing to share in the additional costs on a basis no less favourable than the present cost-sharing formula. Motion passed.

Proposed Amendment - Public Hospital Act - To Cancel Liability for Municipal Capital Contributions

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council forward a motion to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities for the amendment of the Public Hospital Act, Chapter 249, Revised Statutes, Nova Scotia, 1967, Sections 18-22, to cancel the liability for Municipal capital contributions. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on July 19, 1972 with respect to the following matter:

Street Acceptance - Northcliffe Lane

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council accept the street known as Northcliffe Lane, as shown on Plan No. P200.4073. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Council considered the report of the Committee of the Whole Council from its meeting held on July 18, 1972 with respect to the following matter:

Revised Budget Forecasts

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, Council give approval to the Revised Budget Forecasts, as set out in the staff report of July 13, 1972, subject to further consideration of the suggested reduction in manpower in the Fire Department in consultation with the Fire Chief. Motion passed.

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on July 19, 1972, with respect to the following matters:

Appeal Against Development Officer's Decision - 14 Flint Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the Appeal Against the Development Officer's Decision be granted and the developer allowed to proceed with the conversion of the existing single-family dwelling to a duplex, at 14 Flint Street, subject to satisfactory plans being submitted to the City. Motion passed.

Pockwock Water Supply

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee and the Public Service Commission, the proposal to install the main transmission line for the Pockwock Water Supply in the area between Fairview and the Bicentennial - Kearney Lake Road junction in the existing 66 foot right-of-way of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company, be approved, subject to:

- The Nova Scotia Light and Power Company limiting its ultimate right-of-way to a maximum of 66 feet.
- 2. The Public Service Commission agreeing that future alterations would be carried out at the expense of the Commission.

Motion passed.

Carson Street School Site and Water Supply

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Council authorize an amendment to the 1973 Capital spending program in the amount of \$100,000 to permit the roughgrading of the right-of-way required for the extension of the high-pressure water line to service the Carson Street area. Motion passed.

Rezoning from R-1 Residential to R-4 Residential - Civic Nos. 44-46 Melwood Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for the rezoning of Civic Nos. 44-46 Melwood Avenue from R-1 Residential to R-4 Residential, as shown on Plans No. P200/5134-5139 of Case No. 2663, be refused. Motion passed with Aldermen Connolly and Sullivan voting against.

Extension to a Non-conforming Building - Civic No. 1525 Larch Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for an extension to a non-conforming building, which will permit the construction of a 37-foot x 15.8 foot two-storey addition to the rear of an existing single-family dwelling at Civic No. 1525 Larch Street, as shown on Plans No. P200/5306 - 5308 of Case No. 2707, be approved. Motion passed.

Application for Subdivision Alteration - Lands of G. D. Hogan, Lodge Drive

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for subdivision alteration to grant final approval of Lots A-2 to A-4 inclusive, as shown on Plan No. P200/5150 of Case No. 2641, be approved. Motion passed.

Application for Resubdivision - Lands of Howard Moffatt, Young Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for resubdivision to create Lot 1-A and to add Lot 1-B to Lot 2, as shown on Plan No. P200/5272 of Case No. 2696, be approved. Motion passed.

Tentative Approval - Lots 1-B, 2-B and 3-A to 19-A incl. Thornhill Park Subdivision

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the City's share of the cost sharing arrangement on the storm sewer system to serve Lots 1-B, 2-B and 3-A to 19-A inclusive, Thornhill Park Subdivision, previously approved tentatively, be increased from \$13,195 to a maximum of \$15,260. Motion passed.

Application for Resubdivision - Lands of Herman Newman and Doctors O'Brien and Rafuse - Coburg Road

The report of the City Planning Committee reads as follows:

"It is recommended that the application for resubdivision to create Lot X, as shown on Plan No. P200/5311 of Case No. 2676, Lands of Herman Newman and Doctors O'Brien and Rafuse, Coburg Road, be approved, subject to two of the three existing residential buildings being removed from the site and that Staff negotiate with the developer for the 10' x 10' cutback required on the northwest corner of Larch Street and Coburg Road and the northeast corner of Oxford Street and Coburg Road, and that adjacent property owners be notified of the proposal and invited to submit written comments for submission to City Council at its next meeting."

In reply to a question, Council was advised that letters were delivered to adjacent property owners by hand and that three letters of comment have been received.

At this time, it was <u>MOVED</u> by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that the matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of City Council.

Alderman Stanbury spoke to her motion and suggested that by deferring the matter, it would permit Alderman Moir, as representative of the Ward in which the subdivision is situated, to be present and put forward his views.

Some discussion took place as to whether it would be advisable to hold a public hearing into this case or whether such a decision would create a precedent.

The City Solicitor said that in his opinion the holding of a public hearing would not set a precedent as all resubdivisions are considered individually and he said that in the past Council has generally made a decision whether to waive a hearing or to hold one on each case.

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

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Meagher Re: By-law Adopting a Municipal Development Plan for the City of Halifax

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Connolly that this matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of City Council. Motion passed.

Motion - Alderman Wentzell Re: Amendments to Ordinance No. 131, Respecting " Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code"- First Reading

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Bell that the following amendments to Ordinance Number 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code, be read and passed a First Time:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax that Ordinance Number 131, Respecting Buildings and the Adoption of the National Building Code, as approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on the 3rd day of February, A.D., 1969, and amended and approved by the Minister on the 17th day of December, A.D., 1969, on the 16th day of January, A. D., 1970, on the 13th day of May, A.D., 1971, and on the 14th day of January, 1972, is further amended as follows:

Section 1.5.11 of said Ordinance Number 131 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

1.5.11 The fees to be paid for permits, or deposits to ensure completion of work connected therewith, shall be as follows:

Building Permits for New Buildings, Additions, Alterations or Miscellaneous Structures:

Estimated cost - \$ 200.00 to \$ 500.00 \$ 2.00 Estimated cost - \$ 500.00 to \$ 1,000.00 \$ 5.00 Estimated cost - \$ 1,000.00 to \$10,000.00 \$ 5.00 per \$1,000.00 Estimated cost - \$10,000.00 to \$50,000.00 \$ 50.00 for first \$10,000.00 plus \$4.00 per \$1,000.00 on remainder Estimated cost - \$50,000.00 to \$200,000.00 \$210.00 for

Estimated cost - \$200,000.00 and over

Occupancy Permits:

Blasting Permits:

Signs and Billboards:

Covered Ways

Permits for Electrical Work:

Permits for Plumbing Work:

No charge

\$660.00 for first \$200,000 plus \$2.00 per \$1,000.00 on remainder

See Ordinance No. 130

first \$50,000.00 plus \$3.00 per \$1,000.00 on remainder

See Plumbing Regulations

\$5.00 per application

\$2.00 per \$1,000.00 of estimated cost

10¢ per square foot of sign space -Minimum \$5.00

Motion passed.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Completion of Land Requirements - Barrington Street Diversion

Barricades and Protective Fences and

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

In reply to a question, the Acting City Manager advised that this amount of money should complete the necessary acquisitions for the project and he stated that Staff are of the opinion that the total amount is slightly better than was originally estimated.

Some discussion took place as to whether these

acquisition costs can be included in a DREE project so that some sharing can be obtained.

Alderman Sullivan was of the opinion that further representations should be made to the Federal and Provincial Governments in an attempt to obtain cost sharing.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that there is not any time to wait on this project since the second high rise apartment building of Barrington Housing Development is presently being constructed to the centre of the present alignment of Barrington Street. He said that every effort has and will be made to have these acquisition costs included in DREE funding if at all possible. He was of the opinion that Barrington Street should be designated as a Bridge approach and thus be accepted by the Province.

After further discussion, it was reluctantly MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that:

- 1. Council authorize the initiation of expropriation proceedings and the payment of an amount equal to one-half the recommended compensation in accordance with the requirements of the Expropriation Procedures Act, in respect of each property listed on Schedule 'A', attached to the Staff Report dated July 21, 1972; (Copy attached to the Official Minutes of this Meeting)
- 2. Council authorize withdrawal from the Sale of Land Account the amount of \$275,000 to cover estimated costs of finalizing acquisition and clearance program for the Barrington Street Diversion.

Further discussion took place with respect to properties along Barrington Street, the amount of land which might be available for industrial development if phase 3 of the Harbour Drive project is proceeded with and the future use of a portion of the C.N. tracks, presently unused.

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Meagher voting against.

A Formal Resolution was submitted giving effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

Proposed Federal Building - Spring Garden Road

A report was submitted from Staff relating to the above matter.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that Council formally revise the potential F.S.I. for the proposed Federal Building to a maximum of 5.0 in order that the proposal may proceed to Ottawa for final approval. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Cleaning of Inglis Street

Alderman Connolly referred to the dirty appearance of a portion of Inglis Street running from South Park Street to Barrington Street and he said that he realized that with the number of parked cars it is practically impossible to clean the street with a mechanical sweeper. He asked if it is possible to arrange to have this portion of Inglis Street hand swept.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Truck Traffic

Alderman Stanbury referred to a question she raised at the last regular Council meeting relating to some way of regulating truck traffic during the night hours and thus offering some relief to citizens whose rest is being disturbed.

His Worship the Mayor felt that the matter should be placed on the Order of Business for the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council and he suggested that another look be taken at the Truck Route proposal which would ease the situation, at least for some citizens.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Building on Corner of Macara and Gottingen Streets

Alderman Sullivan referred to the unsightly building at the corner of Macara and Gottingen Streets and to the fact that this corner has been rezoned to permit another use to be made of the site. He asked if Staff would advise him what is going to be done with the building and when.

Question Alderman Wentzell Re: Capital Budget Priorities

Alderman Wentzell asked who has the authority to change priorities after the Capital Budget is approved and he referred to a sewer project scheduled to be done this year which has apparently been changed.

The Acting City Manager presumed the Alderman was referring to Albion Road and he explained that the residents have been mis-informed on the matter and it was Staff's intention to attempt to correct the situation as it relates to sanitary and storm sewers. He said that priorities have not been changed and that only Council has the authority to make any changes.

Alderman Wentzell said that he had received a number of complaints from residents after they had received

a memorandum and he suggested that Staff advise them immediately of the actual situation to relieve their minds.

Question Alderman Bell Re: Doubling of Rents - Limited Dividend Project - Bayers Road

Alderman Bell asked if Staff could gather together some information on the position of the tenants of the Limited Dividend Housing in the Bayers Road area whose rents have been almost doubled. He pointed out that some of the tenants have improved their houses greatly and have had the old coal fired furnaces converted to oil and who are now required to pay a great deal more for accommodations which they themselves have improved. He asked if Staff could investigate and report fully on the situation, although he realized that it might not be something that the City could act upon.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Truck Routes

Alderman Connolly referred to a public hearing which had been held to consider a Truck Route proposal at which time he understood that further suggestions were to be submitted to Staff from the Truckers' Association and the Board of Trade and he asked if these suggestions have been received.

The Acting City Manager said that he was not fully informed of the present situation but would have an up-to-date report available for the Committee of the Whole meeting when the matter will next be considered.

Question His Worship the Mayor Re: Shoreline below New Court House Building

His Worship the Mayor referred to a plot of land on the Harbour Side of the new Court House building which, in his opinion, could be made very attractive with some sodding, seats and pathways and he asked Staff to look at the possibility of improving this small area for the use of the citizens.

The Acting City Manager said that discussions have taken place on the development of this land with the Barristers' Association in the hope that some funds will be contributed from that Association and he said that Staff are considering alternate plans for its development since funds have not been provided in the City's budgets for this purpose. He said that he will report to Council on the matter at a later date.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Hogan - Amendments to Ordinance No. 112 - The Encroachment Ordinance

Alderman Hogan gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on August 17,