Laying Down the Official Street Lines of Carson Street, Cranberry Court, Collector and Connector Roads from the southern street line of Herring Cove Road to the southeastern boundary of land now or formerly owned by the Kidston Estates Ltd., as shown on Sections 40A and 41A of the Official City Plan

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Official Street Lines of Carson Street, Cranberry Court, Collector and Connector Roads from the southern street line of Herring Cove Road to the southeastern boundary of land now or formerly owned by the Kidston Estates Ltd., as shown on Sections 40A and 41A of the Official City Plan, be approved. Motion passed.

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

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the Formal Resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed. "Aldermen Bell, Stapells and Sullivan abstained"

Rezoning of Proposed Lot A-1 Herring Cove Road from R-2, Two-family Dwelling Zone to C-1, Local Business Zone

Alderman Wentzell spoke on this item and said that 90% of the people living in the area are opposed to the rezoning. It was <u>MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded</u> by Alderman Hogan that the rezoning of Proposed Lot A-1 <u>Herring Cove Road from R-2, Two-family Dwelling Zone to</u> C-1, Local Business Zone, be refused. Motion passed.

Aldermen Bell, Stanbury, Stapells and Sullivan were not present at the Public Hearing on this item and had no vote.

MOTION OF RESCISSION

Motion - Alderman Moir to Rescind the Following Motions of Council:

- January 25, 1973 meeting of Council regarding Multiuse development of Quinpool Road lands
- <u>May 17, 1973</u> regular Council meeting regarding Development Agreement - Quinpool Road lands
- June 28, 1973 Council motion regarding routing of Windsor Street for Access to Quinpool Road Development

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the motions of Council, as listed above, be rescinded.

Alderman Moir spoke to his motion and referred to two specific items, the traffic pattern, which he contends has not been resolved and as proposed will not work and the possible financial obligation of the City if the motions are rescinded. He listed the groups of people who are vehemently opposed to such a massive development and to the traffic patterns. He urged members of Council to support his motion.

Alderman Stanbury felt that Council should stick to its word and she said she would not vote for the motion.

Alderman Hogan agreed that Council should not rescind the motions to approve the development and he said that if the Provincial Government wishes to cause the death of the proposed development then they should carry the ball. He suggested that the City should not now go back on its original decision and he said he would not support the motion.

Alderman Meagher felt that Council should consider the wishes of the people of the area. He said that it is the people who voted Council into office and he could not agree that construction is more important than people. He spoke of the far reaching effects of the proposed traffic pattern on the quality of life in the area. He said that he felt a less intense development would be more appropriate.

Alderman Connolly gave a resume of the background of the proposed development and he pointed out that Council made a decision after a public hearing when very few people spoke against the matter. He said that staff and Council asked the developer to conform to certain criteria and the development was reduced accordingly. He agreed that there are some legitimate concerns but that Council must accept the responsibility to resolve these. He felt that the Council has given a moral commitment to the developer and he could foresee grounds for a case against the City by the developer. He said he would vote against the motion.

Alderman MacKeen said that he considered the changes made in the development from that originally proposed caused by design criteria laid down by City staff and Council were of a major nature and necessitated another public hearing. He felt that substantial input should have been received from the residents of the area and from the City's Social Planning Department. He felt that Council had been far too hasty in making a decision and had not considered all the ramifications of traffic routing. He pointed out that the Convoy Place Development was approved after many meetings with the residents of the area and is proving to be a well planned acceptable development. He thought that similar meetings should have been held He said that before this one was approved by Council. Scotia Square development has taken business away from Gottingen Street and he was concerned that any major commercial development on Quinpool Road will practically destroy the Gottingen Shopping Area.

Alderman Stapells was of the opinion that the

Council had not been too hasty in making a decision on this matter and he suggested that the design criteria laid down by City staff and Council, to which the developer conformed, was quite rigid and was an improvement to that initially proposed. He pointed out that the developer had called a public meeting on his own volition to present the approved development to the residents of the area. He explained that with respect to Convoy Place, the land was owned by the City and a Call for Development Proposals was made. In this instance, he said, the developer himself has assembled the land and put forward a proposal. He shared the concern of Alderman Connolly that the traffic pattern might not be the best but was certain that an acceptable solution can be found. He said he would vote against the rescission.

Alderman Moir said that the concern is that the traffic generated by this massive development will use the secondary streets. He said that in his opinion the proposed development is far too large for the area even with the reductions referred to.

The motion to rescind was put and lost, four voting for the same and six against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Bell, MacKeen, Meagher and Moir

Against: Aldermen Connolly, Hogan, Stanbury, Stapells, Sullivan and Wentzell

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Appointment of Committee to Meet with Premier Re: _____Quinpool Road

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Moir that a Committee of three be appointed by His Worship the Mayor to approach the Provincial Government concerning Acquisition of the Quinpool Road Property.

In reply to a question from Alderman Moir, His Worship the Mayor said he would certainly not sign any Development Agreement before the Committee has reported unless ordered to do so by a Court.

Alderman Stanbury spoke against the motion because she felt Council should stick by its decision.

Alderman MacKeen suggested that an unanimous vote should be given on this motion to strengthen the approach to the Provincial Government.

Alderman Connolly asked what length of time will be allowed the Committee before they report back to Council.

His Worship the Mayor said that the Committee should report back to the next regular meeting of City

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Council to be held on May 16, 1974.

Alderman Moir reiterated the remarks of Alderman MacKeen that an unanimous vote will mean a great deal to the Committee.

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

For: Aldermen Bell, Connolly, Hogan, MacKeen, Meagher, Moir, Stapells and Wentzell

Against: Aldermen Stanbury and Sullivan

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to form the Committee to approach the Provincial Government in this matter:

> Alderman Connolly Alderman Meagher Alderman Stanbury

Council agreed to the nominations of His Worship the Mayor.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Item 14(a) should be dealt with at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

Traffic Pattern - Proposed Quinpool Road Development Project

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Meagher that this matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of Council to be held on May 16, 1974. Motion passed with Aldermen Stanbury and Sullivan voting against.

9:27 p.m. Council adjourned for short recess.

The meeting reconvened at 9:50 p.m., with the same members in attendance.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Letter - J. H. Cormie - Sidewalk - Purcell's Cove Road

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the letter from Mr. Cormie be referred to staff for a report. Motion passed.

Quinpool Road Project

Petitions were received as follows:

- 1. Students Queen Elizabeth High School;
- 2. St. Vincent's Guest House;
- 3. Wards #2 and #4;
- 4. Individual duplicated letters (800).

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on April 17, 1974, with respect to the following matters:

Store Hours

His Worship the Mayor advised that he had met on one occasion with Mayor Stubbs of Dartmouth and held one meeting with the executive members of the Board of Trade. He suggested that the Dartmouth merchants might agree to being open for business on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights.

Alderman Meagher suggested that the meeting originally suggested to be held with the Dartmouth Council be set up.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that this matter be deferred until a meeting has been held with the Dartmouth City Council re this matter. Motion passed.

Social Assistance Policy - Increased Funeral Expenses

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City of Halifax Social Assistance Department's

Manual of Policy be amended to reflect the following changes in scale of Social Assistance Payments for funeral costs:

		Present Rate	Recommended Rate
1.	For children stillborn -		
	a maximum of	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00
2.	For children up to 5 years		
	of age	\$125.00	\$150.00
3.	For children 6-16 years of		8
	age	\$250.00	\$300.00
4.	For adults	\$300.00	\$360.00

5. Charges for opening and closing the grave in accordance with the rate charged by City of Halifax under Ordinance #12A and amendments thereto - presently \$40.00

- 6. The cost of a plot with perpetual care, choice of location to be made by closest relative, maximum payments to be limited to the rates charged by the City of Halifax under Ordinance No. 12A and amendments thereto presently \$150.00
- Transportation cost to cemeteries outside the area to be considered if family plot is already owned. To be referred to Supervisor for decision.

Motion passed.

Tender - Titus Smith Playground

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the lowest tender, in the amount of \$12,733.00, as submitted by Edmonds Brothers Enterprises Limited, be accepted for the completion of a ball field and the provision of a play area for children at the Titus Smith Playground. Motion passed.

City Share Oversize Sewers - Transfer of Funds

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Wentzell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the approved fundings of \$300,000.00 designated as the City's share of oversize sewers, be transferred to the "Sewer General" account. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - 5211 Cornwallis Street

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property of Mr. John Vavro, known as Civic No. 5211 Cornwallis Street, be purchased by the City for \$11,700. as settlement in full for all claims. Motion passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

Possible Acquisition - 2346 Brunswick Street - 117 and 119 Maitland Street

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the properties of Mr. Peter M. Doucette, known as Civic Numbers 2346 Brunswick Street, 117 Maitland Street and 119 Maitland Street, be-purchased by the City for \$35,000. as settlement in full for all claims. Motion passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

Possible Acquisition - 2429 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property of Mr. Peter M. Doucette, known as Civic Number 2429 Brunswick Street, be purchased by the City for \$25,000. as settlement in full for all claims. Motion passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

Possible Sale of City Owned Land at 50 Withrod Drive

A staff report dated April 22, 1974, was circulated and considered.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Bell that Parcel 35A-1, consisting of 1,967 square feet, be sold to Mr. Kenneth J. Sullivan of 48 Withrod Drive for \$1,180. and Parcel 35A-2, consisting of 1,334 square feet, be sold to Mr. Kenneth G. Blackmore of 52 Withrod Drive for \$800., subject to the approval of re-subdivision and lot consolidation. The proceeds from these sales to be deposited in the Sale of Land Account. Motion passed with Alderman Stapells voting against.

Recommendations - Tax Concessions & Grants Committee

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the application by the Halifax Welfare Rights Organization be deferred so that the Organization may be heard by the Tax Concessions and Grants Committee. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the following recommendations from the Tax Concessions and Grants Committee be approved:

1. Black United Front

That no grant be given to the Black United Front.

2. Junior Achievement of Halifax

That no grant be made to the Junior Achievement of Halifax.

3. Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled (Nova Scotia Chapter) and New Leaf Enterprises

That a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 be made to the Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled (Nova Scotia Chapter) and New Leaf Enterprises.

4. North End Community Health Association

That a grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 be made to the North End Community Health Association.

5. Movement for Citizen's Voice and Action

That no grant be made to the Movement for Citizens Voice and Action.

6. Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded (Taxes)

That a grant in the amount of \$4,500.00 be made to the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded to provide for taxes.

7. Missions to Seamen

That a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 be made to the Missions to Seamen.

8. Children's Aid Society

That no grant be made to the Children's Aid Society.

9. Dalhousie Legal Aid Services

That no grant be made to the Dalhousie Legal Aid Services.

10. Callow Veteran's and Invalids Welfare League

That a grant in the amount of \$700.00 be made to the Callow Veteran's and Invalids Welfare League.

11. Canadian Paraplegic Association

That a grant in the amount of \$1,200.00 be made to the Canadian Paraplegic Association.

12. Salvation Army - Grace Hospital - Out Patients

That a grant in the amount of \$3,500.00 be made to the Salvation Army - Grace Hospital - Out-patients.

13. Salvation Army - Bethany Home for Unwed Mothers

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That no grant be made to the Salvation Army -Bethany Home for Unwed Mothers.

14. Day Care Centres and Nursery Schools

That a grant in the amount of \$5,596.42 be made to the Day Care Centres and Nursery Schools to cover Business Occupancy and Business Realty taxes for the year 1974 and that the Social Planning Department, the Director of Finance and the City Solicitor review this matter for 1975 and legislation be sought if it is deemed in the best interests of the overall program.

15. St. John Ambulance

That an operating grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 be made to the St. John Ambulance.

16. Halifax Welfare Rights Organization

(This matter was deferred so that the applicant may be heard by the Tax Concessions & Grants Committee)

17. Metro Area Family Planning Association

That no grant be made to the Metro Area Family Planning Association.

18. Bridle

That no grant be made to Bridle.

19. Atlantic Child Guidance

That an operating grant in the amount of \$15,000.00 be made to Atlantic Child Guidance.

20. Kiwanis Club of Halifax

That no grant be made to Kiwanis Club of Halifax.

21. Children's Hospital

That a capital grant in the amount of \$72,500.00 be made to the Children's Hospital.

22. Age and Opportunity Senior Citizens Activity Centre

That a grant in the amount of \$400.00 be made to Age and Opportunity Senior Citizens Activity Centre to cover taxes.

23. Nova Scotia Museum of Fine Arts

That no grant be made to the Nova Scotia Museum of Fine Arts.

24. Maritime Conservatory of Music

That no grant be made to the Maritime Conservatory of Music.

25. Atlantic Symphony Inc.

That an operating grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 be made to the Atlantic Symphony Inc.

26. Pier I Theatre

That a grant up to \$1,500.00 be made to Pier I Theatre but that payment be deferred until it is determined whether funds are forthcoming from other levels of government.

27. Halifax Music Festival

That no grant be made to the Halifax Music Festival.

28. Neptune Theatre

That an operating grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 be made to Neptune Theatre.

29. Federation Acadienne de la Nouvelle-Ecosse

That no grant be made to the Federation Acadienne de la Nouvelle-Ecosse.

30. Downtown Halifax Business Association

That a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 be made to the Downtown Halifax Business Association to be used to help defray costs of noontime concerts in the Grand Parade.

31. Halcyon Dance Theatre

That no grant be made to the Halcyon Dance Theatre.

32. Ward 5 Resources Council

That a grant in the amount of \$29,500.00 be made to the Ward 5 Resources Council.

33. Spryfield Lions Club

That an operating grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 be made to the Spryfield Lions Club.

34. Lots 4, 5 and 6 Sunset Avenue

That a grant in the amount of \$55.00 be made re Lots 4, 5 and 6 Sunset Avenue.

35. Sports Hall of Fame

That a grant in the amount of \$1,800.00 be made to the Sports Hall of Fame.

36. Save the Playgrounds Committee

That a grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 be made to the Save the Playgrounds Committee and that a financial accounting for last year's grant be submitted before the payment is issued.

37. IOOF Building & Joint Stock Association Ltd.

That no grant be made to IOOF Building & Joint Stock Association Ltd.

38. Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire

That no grant be made to the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

39. Independent Order of Foresters (Court of Halifax 114)

That no grant be made to the Independent Order of Foresters (Court of Halifax 114).

40. Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty

That a grant in the amount of \$4,000.00 be made to the Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty.

41. St. George's Church

That a grant in the amount of \$200.00 be made to St. George's Church.

42. Sisters of the Good Shepherd

That the properties owned by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd at 6010 Cedar Street, 1740-42 Robie Street and 1166 Tower Road not be included under Ordinance No. 128.

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43. Vedanta Ashram Society

That the property owned by the Vedanta Ashram Society on Cork Street be included under Ordinance No. 128 and that the basement apartment contained therein be investigated as to use and taxed accordingly.

44. Church of Scientology of Toronto

That the premises at 1585 Barrington Street owned by the Church of Scientology of Toronto not be included under Administrative Order #8.

45. Halifax High School Senior Jazz Band

That a grant in the amount of \$3,000.00 be made to the Halifax High School Senior Jazz Band to finance their trip to Toronto.

46. Canadian Red Cross

That a grant in the amount of \$9,000.00 be made to the Canadian Red Cross.

47. Properties Presently Included Under Administrative Order No. #8

That the properties presently included under Administrative Order #8, as follows, be approved:

Naval Civic Service Association of Halifax and District	2623 Agricola Street
Manchester Unity Building Com- pany Limited	2629 Agricola Street
Armdale Masonic Hall Limited	22 Ashdale Avenue
Mission to Seamen, Maritimes	1253 Barrington Street
City Club	1580 Barrington Street
Trustees of Halifax Civic Workers' Union Local #108	5553 Bloomfield Street
Dalhousie College & University	Coburg Road
University of King's College	Coburg Road
Registered Nurses' Association of Nova Scotia	6033 Coburg Road
Maritime School of Social Work	6414 Coburg Road

Waegwaltic Limited 6533 Coburg Road 6549 Coburg Road Waegwaltic Limited Halifax Branch, N. S. #27 R.C.L. 5527 Cogswell Street C. F. B. Curling Club Connolly Street Rector, Wardens & Vestry of 5435 Cornwallis Street St. George's Church Mayflower Social & Benefit Club 5523 Cornwallis Street I.O.O.F. Building and Joint Stock Association Ltd. 5568 Cunard Street Scotia Branch #25 of Canadian Legion of British Empire, 5837 Cunard Street Service League Ward 5 Resources Council Devonshire Avenue Halifax Police Boys' Club Devonshire Avenue Drysdale Road Spryfield Lions Club Arena Dutch Village Road Ashburn Golf Club Nova Scotia Teachers' Union 106 Dutch Village Road Roman Catholic Episcopal Corpn. of Halifax c/o St. Mary's Recreation Club 1641 Fairfield Road Loyal Wilberforce Lodge, Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity No. 7336 5521 Gerrish Street Trustees of White Ensign Branch Naval 129, Royal Canadian Legion 2740-42 Gottingen Street Girl Guides of Canada 1871 Granville Street Duke of Kent Masonic Bldg. Co. Ltd. 289 Herring Cove Road Royal Canadian Legion, Fairview Branch 142 50 Hillside Avenue Trustees of International Longshoremen's Assoc'n Local 269 1445-51 Hollis Street 1459 Hollis Street Elk's Club (Halifax) Ltd.

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Halifax Club	1682 Hollis Street
Boy Scouts of Canada	1811 Hollis Street
Nova Scotia Division, Canadian Mental Health Association	5739 Inglis Street
Loyal True Blue Association Defence Lodge	2788-90 Isleville Street
Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	5737 McCully Street
Mayflower Curling Club	3000 Monaghan Drive
Maple Leaf Lodge No. 3814 of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes	5530 North Street
City Firefighters' Club Bldg. Ltd.	2029 North Park Street
Armdale Yacht Club	40 Purcell's Cove Road
Saraguay Club	360 Purcell's Cove Road
Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron	376 Purcell's Cove Road
Saint Mary's University	Robie Street
The Atlantic Institute of Education	5244 South Street
Halifax Police Association	6680 South Street
Halifax Curling Club Ltd.	948 South Bland Street
Canadian Cancer Society	1485 South Park Street
Royal Canadian Legion Spryfield Branch	7 Sussex Street
South End Lawn Tennis Club	949 Young Avenue

Motion passed with Alderman Stanbury abstaining from voting on item No. 14, Day Care Centres and Nursery Schools.

Overhead Electrical System - Convoy Place, Phase II

A staff report dated April 22, 1974, was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council amend the Development Agreement between the City of Halifax and Convoy Projects Limited which was executed on September 28, 1972, to permit the installation of an overhead service system. Motion passed with Aldermen Moir and Stapells voting against.

Transfer of Capital Funds

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Bell that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the \$15,000 presently located in the Devonshire Avenue capital account (project number CD005) be transferred to finance intersection improvements as outlined in the staff report of April 5, 1974, at required costs involving:

- (a) \$10,000 for Connaught Avenue and Windsor Street (project number CF008)
- (b) \$3,000 for the intersection of Barrington Street and North Street, along with Council concurrence to relocate traffic signals to this location from Artz Street and Barrington Street.
- (c) \$2,000 for future contingencies under project number BD001.

Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan voting against.

Additional Equipment - Parks and Grounds

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council authorize staff to take the appropriate steps to acquire the equipment, as itemized on attachments to the Staff Report of April 17, 1974, on the basis that \$15,000 will be financed from the Equipment Replacement Account, while the balance of \$17,445 will be financed from the approved Current Budget of the Parks and Grounds Division on the understanding that funds will be made available from the City Manager's Contingency Account should it not prove practicable to economise to this extent within the Parks and Grounds operation. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on April 17, 1974, with respect to the following matters:

Cancellation of Capital Works Project - Pedestrian Walkway at Hillcrest Avenue

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, Project item CE004, construction of a pedestrian walkway at Hillcrest Avenue between School Avenue and Melrose Avenue, be cancelled and that the \$8,000 allocation be placed in a contingency item under this block allocation for future projects as approved by Council. Motion passed.

1974 Sidewalk Upgrading Program

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Committee on Works:

- The proposed sidewalk renewal program for 1974 as contained in Appendix "C" attached to the Staff Report of April 8, 1974, be approved;
- Deletions in the proposed program as contained in Appendix "C" be capped with asphalt and be resubmitted for concrete renewal five years hence.

Motion passed.

Tender 74-42 - Two Garbage Packers Mounted on Chassis

MOVED by Alderman Bell, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender of Haldart International Limited at a total cost of \$65,800 be accepted for the supply and delivery of two 1974 garbage packers. Motion passed.

Additional Engineering Costs - Freshwater Brook Sewer

In reply to concern expressed by Alderman Sullivan re the increased costs, staff advised that the project was extended for reasons beyond the consultant's control and therefore resulted in the additional costs. However, the penalty clause could be applied to the contractor and these monies will be recovered.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the upper limit of the contract for the Freshwater Brook Sewer with the consultants, J. Philip Vaughan & Associates, of \$150,000 be increased to an upper limit of \$182,000. Motion passed.

Median Closure - Connaught Avenue at Young Street

MOVED by Alderman Stanbury, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, City Council approve a two month trial closure of the median on Connaught Avenue at Young Street and report back an evaluation of the closure. Motion passed.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council consider the report of the Safety Committee from its meeting held on April 17, 1974, with respect to the following matter:

Northwest Arm Police Patrol Services

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Stapells that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, Captain George A. Perry be retained at the rate of \$7.00 per hour for patrol services on the North West Arm from Victoria Day to Labour Day, 1974. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Traffic Pattern - Proposed Quinpool Road Development Project

(This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting.)

REPORT - CITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on April 17, 1974, with respect to the following matters:

Resubdivision and Lot Consolidation - 50 Withrod Drive

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, City Council approve the resubdivision of Lot 35A Withrod Drive and the consolidation of the portions with the abutting Lots 34A and 36A to form new Lots "X" and "Y" as shown on Plan No. P200/6320 of Case No. 3034. Motion passed.

Rezoning - 2151 Brunswick Street - R-3 Zone to C-2 Zone

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hogan that, as recommended by the City Planning

Committee, a date be set for a public hearing to consider the rezoning of properties located on the southeast corner of Cornwallis Street and Brunswick Street as shown on Plan No. TT-19-20709 of Case No. 3039 and that persons living within the suggested area of notification be advised of the public hearing. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing would be held on May 22, 1974.

<u>Closing Portion of Barrington Street;</u> Alter & Confirm Official Street Lines - Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hogan that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, in accordance with Sections 350 and 357 of the City Charter respectively, City Council set a date for a Public Hearing to close a portion of Barrington Street as shown on Plan No. TT-19-20706 and to alter and confirm the official street lines on Barrington Street and Cornwallis Street and Lower Water Street as shown on Section 11-H of the Official City Plan, subject to the Minister of Municipal Affairs' approval of the street closure. Motion passed.

The City Clerk advised that the public hearing would be held on May 22, 1974.

Application to Consolidate Lots A & B to form Lot 1 Dresden Row, Lands of Cleator Holdings Limited

A staff report dated April 25, 1974, was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that a date be set for a public hearing to consider this matter.

The City Solicitor advised that there may have been a recent change in the law with respect to lot consolidation and he felt that he would be able to advise Council at the next meeting of Committee of the Whole.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that this matter be referred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole for a report from the City Solicitor. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Hogan voting against.

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Northwest Centre, Spryfield - DATE FOR HEARING

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Stapells that a public meeting regarding the Northwest Centre Development, Spryfield, be held on May 29, 1974, and be located in a school in the Spryfield area. Motion passed.

Amendment to the Zoning By-law, R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone-Mainland Area - DATE FOR HEARING

Alderman Stapells suggested that this public hearing could consume a considerable amount of time and he felt that it should be scheduled so that it is the only matter to be considered at that time.

MOVED by Alderman Stapells, seconded by Alderman Bell that a public hearing regarding an amendment to the Zoning By-law, R-4 Multiple Dwelling Zone - Mainland Area, be held on June 5, 1974. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman MacKeen Re: Amendments to City Charter - City Employees to Run for Office

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Stapells that this matter be referred to the next meeting of Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Proposed Waterfront Redevelopment

At a meeting of City Council held on April 11, 1974, the following resolution re the above subject was considered at which time it was referred to staff for a report:

"WHEREAS the City of Halifax has been presented on April 11, 1974 with a second conceptual plan of a proposed development on the waterfront on the east side of Water Street between the Purdy Brothers' Property on the north and Terminal Road (approximately) on the south;

AND WHEREAS the conceptual plan makes provision for construction of a Federal office complex, a Provincial office complex and private development including a hotel and retail space;

AND WHEREAS there are indications that the Federal and Provincial Governments are interested in proceeding with implementation of a waterfront development;

AND WHEREAS it has been indicated that the senior governments would be prepared to invest in the acquisition of properties and the provision of infrastructure in order to implement a waterfront development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Halifax:

- The conceptual plan as presented on April 11, 1974 appears to constitute a reasonable approach to waterfront development.
- 2. That the Federal and Provincial governments be requested to arrange for the acquisition of the necessary properties in order to permit implementation of a waterfront development.
- 3. That the City will make available to the other levels of government, at mutually agreed upon prices, those areas of City owned land required to implement a waterfront development scheme, subject to criteria meeting with the approval of the Council of the City of Halifax and their advisors.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing resolution is not to be construed as a commitment on the part of the City to include a City Hall as part of the development, if the development should in fact proceed."

A staff report dated April 19, 1974, was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the resolution be approved.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the foregoing motion be amended by adding "that there be input from people who are specially trained in the restoration of the amenities we have along the waterfront, that we should try to keep the waterfront people oriented, and that everything come back to City Council so that members of Council will have the opportunity to review, approve and vote on the matter before anything is done". Amendment passed.

The motion, as amended, was put and passed.

Annual Report - Halifax Athletic Commission

This matter was deleted from the Order of Business.

QUESTIONS

Question Alderman Bell Re: Explosion of Flammable Liquid - CNR Roundhouse Property

Alderman Bell referred to a report re the above subject and asked whether the person who telephoned was sent a copy of the report.

His Worship the Mayor advised that he had a number of inquiries re this subject and he stated he would ensure that each receives a letter and are duly informed.

Question Alderman Bell Re: Clean-Up - Explosion - CNR Roundhouse Property

Alderman Bell asked if a clean-up of the area was underway. His Worship the Mayor advised that the Acting City Manager would check and report.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Parkland at Corner of Inglis and Barrington Streets

Alderman Connolly referred to the small park at the above-noted location and asked for a report from staff on whether or not something can be done to enhance it.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Sidewalk - South Street from Queen Street East

Alderman Connolly referred to the above subject and stated that the sidewalk is in a deplorable condition and requested a report from staff as to what action can be taken.

Question Alderman Connolly Re: Evaluation of MOVE Coalition

Alderman Connolly asked whether a staff report could be submitted re evaluation of MOVE coalition to see whether the City is in a position to support its application for funds from the Secretary of State and Urban Affairs.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Mayor's Committee Re Master

Alderman MacKeen asked when the next meeting of the Mayor's Committee re the Master Plan will be held.

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His Worship the Mayor advised that the meeting would be held next week.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Negotiations re the City's Negotiations with Design Criteria - Durham Leaseholds

Alderman MacKeen asked for a report from staff re negotiations which he understood may be taking place re the City's negotiations with design criteria vis-a-vis Durham Leaseholds.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Mayor's Committee Re the Master Plan

In reply to a question whether there is still one person to be appointed to the above Committee, His Worship the Mayor replied in the affirmative.

Question Alderman Stanbury Re: Tax Cuts - Residents of Halifax For 50 Years - 70 Years of Age

Alderman Stanbury asked what had become of her motion made sometime ago re tax cuts for residents who are over seventy years of age and have lived in Halifax for fifty years or over. His Worship the Mayor advised that a staff report in this regard had been distributed this date.

It was agreed that this matter be discussed at the next meeting of Committee of the Whole.

Question Alderman Stapells Re: Status of Negotiations - Owner of Apartment Building on Keating Road

Alderman Stapells asked for a report from the City Solicitor re the status of negotiations with the owner of an 84-unit apartment building fronting on Keating Road and what has happened in the negotiations to widen Keating Road.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Crosswalk Renewal Program

Alderman Sullivan asked when the renewal program for crosswalks will be underway. His Worship the Mayor advised that the program is now underway.

Question Alderman MacKeen Re: Property of Terrance Hawkins, Gottingen Street

Alderman MacKeen referred to his recent question re the above-noted property regarding violations of Ordinance No. 157 which remain outstanding as a result of the last building impection report to which he has not yet received a reply. His Worship the Mayor advised that a report is being prepared at the present time.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Connolly - Ordinance No. 160 Respecting the Trunk Sewer Tax

Alderman Connolly gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he will introduce Ordinance No. 160 called the Trunk Sewer Tax Ordinance which will consolidate the law and sewer charges with respect to Trunk Sewer installation.

Notice of Motion - Alderman MacKeen - Immunity from Increased Taxation As A Result of Increased Assessment

Alderman MacKeen gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he will introduce a motion whereby a property owner be granted immunity from increased taxation as a result of increases in assessment due to renovation, redecoration, or restoration improvements of any kind; under the following conditions: (a) when the owner is the sole occupant of the premises, (b) where the owner of a property producing residential income uses a portion of the premises as his principal residence.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Stapells - Re-Introduction of Ordinance No. 158

Alderman Stapells gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on May 16, 1974, he will re-introduce for first reading, Ordinance No. 158, respecting The Use of Lakes. The purpose of the Ordinance is to prohibit the use of motor-propelled boats on lakes or other bodies of fresh water within the City.

ADDED ITEMS

Jib of Land - Robie Street and Coburg Road

A report dated April 19, 1974, was submitted by His Worship the Mayor.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that official action be taken to dedicate the park land at the corner of Coburg Road and Robie Street in recognition of the contribution made by Mr. Samuel Balcom to the progressive development of Halifax, and that the park be named "Balcom Park, at a formal ceremony at an appropriate time in the near future. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Statement - Forum Commission

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the Financial Statement for the Forum Commission be tabled.

Deputy Mayor Hogan expressed concern that the people's market was being forced out of the Forum Commission grounds and asked whether it was true. Alderman Connolly advised that the statement was not true.

The motion was then put and passed.

Traffic Improvements - Herring Cove Road - Purcell's Cove Road

A staff report dated April 23, 1974, was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Moir that this matter be referred to Committee of the Whole for consideration of the staff report. Motion passed.

Tender 74-30R - Sidewalk Traffic Improvements and Street Widening

A staff report dated April 24, 1974, was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Alderman Wentzell, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Tender 74-30R be awarded to Standard Paving Mar. Ltd., the lowest bidder, for a total bid price of \$255,622.50. Motion passed.

1973 Tax Rebate

A staff report dated April 25, 1974, was submitted in which was stated the course of action staff proposed to take in the interpretation of Council's wishes.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Council confirm that this course of action is in accordance with their wishes. Motion passed.

Movement of Bandstand Roof

A staff report dated April 25, 1974, re the above subject was submitted and considered.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that authority be granted to provide this release to Okanagan to allow this move to be made on schedule this Saturday morning. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned - 10:40 P.M.

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WALTER R. FITZGERALD MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> City Hall Halifax, N. S. May 1, 1974 1:20 P.M.

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

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

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, and City Clerk.

DALHOUSIE BUILDING PERMIT - APPEAL TO THE APPEAL DIVISION OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA

A staff report relating to the above subject was considered.

After a short explanation by the City Solicitor, it was <u>MOVED</u> by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Stanbury that the decision of Mr. Justice Cowan ordering the Building Inspector to issue a Building Permit to Dalhousie for the construction of the Sports Complex on South Street, be appealed to the Appeal Division of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia. Motion passed with Alderman Sullivan voting against because of wanting more information.

Meeting adjourned - 1:45 p.m.

WALTER R. FITZGERALD MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD CITY CLERK

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Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. May 8, 1974 8:10 P. M.

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

After the meeting was called to Order, the members attending, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Present: Deputy Mayor Hogan, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Moir, Sullivan, Meagher, Wentzell, and Stapells.

Also Present: Acting City Manager, City Solicitor, and Acting City Clerk.

The Acting City Clerk advised that the meeting was called as a Public Hearing to consider:

- 1. Laying down and Removing Portion of the Official Street Lines of Bright Street; and
- 2. Closing a Portion of Bright Street.

As the two items on which the Public Hearing was called were inter-related, Council dealt with both simultaneously.

Laying down and Removing Portion of the Official Street Lines of Bright Street; and Closing A Portion of Bright Street

A public hearing was held at this time into the above noted matters which were duly advertised.

Mr. C.L. Dodge of the Development Department, with the aid of maps, outlined the proposal to those present.

8:15 P. M. Alderman Connolly arrives.

Mr. Dodge outlined the the street lines proposed to be laid down and the portion of Bright Street which is proposed to be closed as recommended by staff.

8:18 P. M. - His Worship the Mayor arrives.

Mr. Dodge said the owner of the Chebucto Inn which is located in the area wishes to construct an additional 10 units as well as a small extension to the dining room thus the staff recommendation. Mr. Dodge advised that if the street closure is approved by Council and the Minister of Highways, the property will have to come back to Council for rezoning as well as a lot consolidation. Mr. Dodge said that with the closure, onehalf of the street reverts to C-2 zoning while the other onehalf reverts to R-2 which will have to be rezoned.

Special Council Public Hearing May 8, 1974

A short questioning of Mr. Dodge ensued by members of Council as well as from the gallery after which, the Chairman called for those wishing to speak in favour of the matter.

Mr. Saul Garson, one of the owners of the Chebucto Inn, addressed Council and stated that the plans as they now stand, have no requirement for an entrance from the Normandy Drive side of Bright Street into the proposed expansion. Mr. Garson said the owners propose to make a better use of an existing piece of land and make a substantial improvement to the existing operation.

8:30 P. M. - Alderman MacKeen arrives.

Mr. Garson concluded by requesting Council to approve the street closure so that proceedings can take place with respect to the required rezoning to permit the proposed expansion.

Mr. Garson was then questioned by members of Council with respect to the future plans for the Chebucto Inn.

There being no further persons wishing to speak in favour, the Chairman called for those persons wishing to speak against.

There being no persons indicating a wish to speak in opposition, the Chairman declared the matter to be before Council.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Stapells that the matter of the laying down and removing a portion of the official street lines of Bright Street, and the closing of a portion of Bright Street be sent to the next regular meeting of City Council without recommendation.

Motion passed.

8:40 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

> DEPUTY MAYOR L. C. HOGAN CHAIRMAN

JOY P. HACHEY ACTING CITY CLERK JOINT MEETING M I N U T E S

> Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. May 10, 1974 2:45 P. M.

A Joint Meeting of members of Halifax City Council, Dartmouth City Council, County of Halifax Council, Halifax Board of Trade, and the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce was held on the above date.

Present: Deputy Mayor Hogan, Chairman; Aldermen Bell, Stapells, Moir, Stanbury, Wentzell, and Meagher of Halifax; and Mayor Eileen Stubbs and members of Dartmouth City Council; and Warden Ira Settle and members of the Council of the County of Halifax; and Mr. Paton representing the Halifax Board of Trade; and Mr. R. Trites representing the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce.

Also Present: Acting City Clerk, and other staff members.

The Chairman advised that the meeting was called by Mayor Walter R. Fitzgerald as a result of discussions held with the Mayor of Dartmouth and the Warden of the County of Halifax concerning the matter of:

STORE HOURS IN THE METRO AREA

Deputy Mayor Hogan noted that there are problems with store hours and said it was hoped that there could be similar hours in both Halifax and Dartmouth as well as the County. He also noted that some of the smaller stores are suggesting that unlimited hours will pretty well put them out of business due to the small size of their operation thus necessitating the owners to work long hours in order to compete. Deputy Mayor Hogan also noted that it was hoped the Provincial Government would address itself to the problem and establish Province wide regulations but noted that no steps have as yet been taken. The Chairman then asked if Mayor Eileen Stubbs would like to address the meeting on the matter.

Alderman Connolly arrives.

Mayor Stubbs then spoke on the subject saying that she had expressed an interest in looking at the matter of store hours due to the recent expansion of shopping centres throughout Dartmouth saying that until recently, there was only one large store to cope with. As the shopping centres developed, she said, some of the smaller owners started expanding into these centres and said that as a result of contact with some of these owners, she felt a review of store hours should take place.

Mayor Stubbs said she would like to see all shopping centres able to function and did not want to see a collapse of the smaller shops within the centres each month. Mayor Stubbs noted that the owners of the centres leave very little prerogative to the people who chose to open shops as they are required to pay rent, heat and lights etc., and also are required to pay a per cent of their gross take saying she has found a reluctance on the part of these small store owners to take a stand on the matter.

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Mayor Stubbs also noted that the tenants are required to stay open six nights per week whether they want to or not saying these are some of the reasons why she felt the matter of store hours should be reviewed.

Mayor Stubbs then referred to a survey carried out by the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce which revealed that of those responding, two out of three were in favour of restrictive legislation of some kind, but that only about 20% were in favour of only Halifax/Dartmouth legislation. However, she said, the survey stated that a total of 85.9% favoured Provincial or Metro legislation. In addition to this, Mayor Stubbs said she has recently received calls from smaller store owners in the Sackville Bedford area who have questioned restrictive store hours in terms of being able to continue to carry on their business.

Mayor Stubbs suggested that possibly all that is needed is a re-alignment of hours and said she felt that Dartmouth's downtown shopping area should be able to close whenever it wished as well as in Halifax. With respect to shopping centres, Mayor Stubbs said that where there is no restrictive legislation, these centres are telling their tenants to remain open six days per week, and suggested the question was whether the commercial outlets should end up consisting of the large chain stores, or whether there should continue to be the small private entrepreneurs that have been in the Cities for many years.

2:50 P.M. - His Worship Mayor Fitzgerald and Alderman MacKeen arrive and Deputy Mayor Hogan resumed his normal seat in Council.

Warden Ira Settle then addressed the meeting advising that he has recently communicated with the County's commercial community which he noted, is not nearly to the degree as it is in the two Cities. Warden Settle said he was quite impressed by the unanimity of the reaction which he received saying it could be summed up by the following:

- We are a suburban shopping center where shopping patterns are entirely different than in the cities.
- Over 50% of our customers patronize after 6 p.m. daily, compared to a very high day-time traffic in city centres.
- 3. Appriximately 80% of our customers come from the outlying areas where transportation is a problem and one car families find evenings the convenient time to shop.
- 4. All tenants are very concerned that they can remain open six nights and they consider that anything less in the County may jeopardize their livelihood because of the importance of evening shopping to the suburban customers.
- 5. Monday and Saturday nights are just as busy as mid-week nights. In fact, Saturday night is a "big night" for surburban people to shop. In my opinion, Saturday night is a "family occasion" or a "social evening out" for many people.

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- 6. We frequently hear people say that one reason they prefer the suburbs is because they have the right to shop when they prefer without restrictions.
- 7. With work weeks becoming un-uniform, it is important that customers can shop at various times, and more liberal shopping hours are in greater demand across the country.
- Employment opportunities are also made available for part-time people who desire to work evenings. There are approximately 600 employees on Sunnyside Shopping Plaza property.

2:55 p. m. - Alderman Sullivan arrives.

Warden Settle said he has not had the time to determine what the public reaction may be but said the business community seems fairly unanimous in their stand on the matter of shopping hours.

Mr. H. Paton representing the Halifax Board of Trade, addressed the meeting advising that the Board is very concerned with the matter of store hours and has set up a special committee to look at the complete picture from the point of view of both the small merchants and the large. Mr. Paton said the small merchants are the ones that have made the Cities what they are today and that their needs and desires cannot be ignored. He said the Special Committee carried out a survey of the entire business community which revealed that the majority of merchants favour a 3rd night for shopping.

Mr. Paton also advised that the majority is not in favour of unlimited store hours but would be in favour of Provincially legislated store hours for the entire province saying that in many respects, this would achieve the desirable answer to the problem.

Mr. Paton said he did not feel that discussions should stop on a regional basis and said the Board looks forward to some action in the near future and requested that Council take into consideration their previously submitted petition. relating to the matter.

Mr. R. Trites of the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce then addressed the meeting and read the following submission:

"The Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce is of the opinion that any negotiations regarding store hours between the City of Dartmouth and other communities must reflect the wishes of the majority of Dartmouth merchants.

We have, therefore, conducted a survey of retailers in the various shopping areas of our City. The 69.1% return seems to signify a concern on the part of our retailers.

Opinions were naturally diversified but tended to favour some type of restrictive legislation encompassing the total retail area surrounding Halifax Barbour and Bedford Basin.

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The one point that came out very clearly was that any restrictive legislation must cover AT LEAST the Metropolitan area including Bedford, Sackville, etc. Of favouring restrictions, 85.9% stipulated that these regulations must be either Metropolitan or Provincial in scope.

The Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce, therefore, Recommends that any negotiations regarding store hours should be carried on between the Cities of Halifax and Dartmouth and Halifax County and that the City of Halifax and Dartmouth should NOT enter into a separate agreement at any time without the full participation of Halifax County.

To sum up, the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce and the merchants of the City of Dartmouth stand in favour of:

- a) Provincial legislation limiting store hours to three (3) open evenings per week; and
- b) In the event that Provincial Legislation is not forthcoming legislation covering Halifax, Dartmouth, and Halifax County.

The Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce is unalterably opposed to rules governing store hours that include only Halifax and Dartmouth and if Provincial or Metropolitan legislation is not foreseen, Dartmouth merchants are satisfied with the existing hours, for the present."

Mayor Fitzgerald said that Halifax, being in the inner core of the metro area, finds itself being pressed from various of its groups. His Worship said that among the smaller retailers, the feeling is expressed that two nights is sufficient and that possibly a third would be acceptable to allow everyone to meet the type of commitment which they would like to have, saying this is a compromize.

His Worship said that in Halifax, the major shopping areas would like to stay open as is the case in Dartmouth. However, he said, Council recognizes there are a number of small retailers who do feel they are being forced to work too many hours and can no longer stay competitive due to the small size of their operation. His Worship said that since there are a large number of both small and large operations, the City is concerned saying that both types are important.

His Worship said that the Halifax City Council is forced to make a decision on the matter as it was officially presented to the Council by way of Resolution. His Worship said that Council is attempting to get a concensus of opinion and noted that from discussions today, the City of Dartmouth would be willing to participate if the County would do likewise.

A short discussion then ensued on the matter by various of the members present at which time a number of opinions were expressed concerning store hours following which Mayor Fitzgerald suggested it is now possible to determine the feelings of the merchants in the County and in Dartmouth as well as the Halifax Board of Trade and the Dartmouth Chamber of Commerce.

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Mayor Fitzgerald said that the Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce can play a vital role during the next number of months saying that if they keep in close contact with the merchants and their elected officials, it will help to bring about any changes that are necessary.

His Worship then thanked Mayor Stubbs and members of Dartmouth City Council, Warden Settle and members of the County Council, and the representatives of the Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce for appearing at today's meeting.

His Worship suggested that as long as communications are taking place between the elected officials, the consumer, and the merchants, the right decisions will have to be arrived at.

3:40 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

HEADLINES

Store Hours in the Metro Area

MAYOR WALTER R. FITZGERALD & DEPUTY MAYOR L. C. HOGAN CHAIRMEN

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CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING HALIFAX CIVIC HOSPITAL M I N U T E S

> Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. May 10, 1974 8:10 P.M.

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

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

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

Also Present: Acting City Manager, Acting City Clerk, Director of Finance, Mrs. A. Ashton, Mrs. J. Blumenthal, Mr. F. B. Wickwire, Mr. D. Joudry, Mr. D. Grant, Mr. E. Fitzpatrick and Mr. M. Sieber.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that Council adjourn and reconvene as Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

8:12 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Conrad, Acting City Manager, stated that since assuming his present position several matters have been brought to his attention which suggested that a meeting be held to discuss the role of the Halifax Civic Hospital and what needs to be done so that the role can be fulfilled.

Mr. F. B. Wickwire, Chairman, Halifax Civic Hospital Board, addressed members present, giving a background history of the hospital and reviewed the events which led to its present status. He outlined the role of such an institution in the City and commented re possible alternatives to accommodate the requirement for services as are now being provided in the Halifax Civic Hospital.

After considerable discussion, it was agreed:

 That something must take place as far as a community hospital is concerned; that a committee composed of Mr. Wickwire, Chairman of the Building Committee, His Worship the Mayor and two aldermen meet with the Minister of Health, explain our situation, ask for an up-to-date