#### QUESTIONS

# Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Planting of Hedge, Dunbrack St.

Alderman Lawrence indicated he has received calls regarding an expenditure for the planting of Rose bushes along Dunbrack Street which were imported from Holland and asked what the City's share of the proposed cost of the hedge was, and the Director of Works indicated he would have to check into the matter.

Alderman Lawrence advised that he had some difficulty with the maintenance aspect which the City will incurr and asked that the item be placed on the Committee of the Whole Council agenda for discussion purposes. Alderman Hanson asked whether the process could be stopped and His Worship advised that staff would consider the question.

Question	Alderman	h Lawrence	Re:	Security	Service	-	Centennial
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Alderman Lawrence said he would like a report from staff concerning security services at the Centennial Swimming Pool saying that the low bidder was not accepted. Alderman Lawrence said he would like to know why the Company was not accepted if the City is on a low bid system.

# Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Police Car Tender

Alderman Lawrence asked when the above noted tender would be coming forward and Mr. Murphy advised that the tender was recalled and the Alderman would be informed when the closing will be.

Question Alderman Maley Re: Condition of Building Sites in the South End

Alderman Maley noted that a few weeks ago, she requested a report with respect to the above noted matter which she has not yet received, and the Acting City Manager indicated that such a report would be forwarded to the Alderman.

## Question Alderman Maley Re: NIP II Plan

Alderman Maley asked if the item relating to NIP II could be placed on the agenda for the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting and the Acting City Manager advised that it would be, if possible. Mr. Murphy indicated that if it is not to be on the agenda, Alderman Maley would be contacted.

A short discussion ensued and His Worship asked that staff submit the report just as soon as appropriate.

# Question Alderman Downey Re: Agricola Street Loop

Alderman Downey noted that from an information report, the ridership on the Agricola Street Transit loop is increasing and asked whether the Corporation intended to continue the route for a further period of time.

His Worship suggested that Council would have to request the Corporation to do so and would also have to undertake the funding of it. His Worship suggested the item be placed on the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole meeting, to which Council agreed.

## Question Alderman Downey Re: Condition of City Streets

Alderman Downey noted that vehicles on side streets are being ticketed for double parking and suggested this was because the snow extends into the streets. Alderman Downey questioned whether it would be possible to limit parking to one side of the street in such situations which might eliminate the ticketing of vehicles.

Alderman Downey referred to the area of Cogswell Street from Northwood Manor to Creighton Street and other side streets in the area but felt the situation probably applied to most side streets in the City. His Worship advised that staff would give consideration to the matter of temporary one side parking.

# Question Alderman Downey Re: Cogswell Street Interchange

Alderman Downey asked if there was any cost sharing available for proposed expenditures for the Cogswell Street interchange and the Acting City Manager replied in the negative.

Alderman Downey then referred to a previous confidential report relating to cost sharing and asked why the City did not act on the matter. Mr. Murphy indicated he was not aware of such a report on cost sharing and advised he would look into the matter and if there is any possibility of cost sharing, it would be followed.up.

Question Alderman Downey Re: Parking Sign - Gordon B. Isnor Manor

Alderman Downey referred to an emergency parking sign which was to be placed in front of Gordon B. Isnor Manor and asked if the matter could be looked into as the sign has not been installed.

His Worship advised that the matter has been approved and it is being requested that the sign be installed.

His Worship at this time advised that on the north side of Cornwallis Street, east of Maynard Street, a No Parking sign was removed during sidewalk construction and was never replaced and asked that the sign be put up again.

## Question Alderman Clarke Re: Flea Market, Bayers Road

Alderman Clarke requested a written report from staff with respect to a dwelling or garage located near Perry's Pharmacy on Bayers Road which is used as an auction centre on Tuesday nights and as a flea market on Sunday mornings. Alderman Clarke advised that the Flea Market aspect of the operation is causing parking problems for persons attending church services at St. Catherines. Alderman Clarke asked whether the two uses are in compliance with City By-laws etc., and if so, what suggestions would staff make to remedy or alleviate the parking congestion.

# Question Alderman Clarke Re: Crosswalk Markings

Alderman Clarke referred to the plastic strips being used to mark some crosswalks and advised it has been reported they are quite slippery.

The Director of Works advised that staff would be experimenting this year with various methods of marking crosswalks.

Mr. Calda advised that the manufacturer of the particular marking in question is aware of the problem and is developing a product which is not so slippery. He also advised that staff would look into the matter of the markings presently being used which are of the slippery type and take remedial action.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Provincial Grant Program for Renovations

Alderman Sullivan advised he has been contacted by senior citizens who have taken advantage of the above noted program and who are concerned that the renovations they have made will cause an increase in their assessments and a resulting increase in taxes. Alderman Sullivan asked if a few examples could be given with respect to the properties in question in order that Council may see the effect the program is having.

The Acting City Manager advised that this could be done and asked that Alderman Sullivan supply him with the Civic addresses after the meeting.

## Question Alderman Meagher Re: Increase in Telephone Rates

Alderman Meagher noted that he previously brought up the matter of the proposed increase in telephone rates and asked if the Social Planning Department has prepared a presentation on the matter.

The Acting City Manager said he expected that a report would be ready by tomorrow.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Campaign concerning Salting and Sanding of Sidewalks

Alderman Meagher advised he has received a number of calls with respect to people falling on sidewalks and asked if a campaign could be carried out with respect to the responsibilities of homeowners and businesses in that regard.

Question Alderman Wooden Re: Crosswalk Sign in Front of Canadian Tire Store, Dentith Road

Alderman Wooden said she previously requested that the crosswalk sign at the above noted location be repaired but noted that nothing has been done.

The Director of Works advised that the parts have been ordered but have not yet been received.

# Question His Worship the Mayor Re: Illuminated Crosswalks

His Worship asked whether it was proposed that an illuminated crosswalk be installed at the Herring Cove Road and Carson Street this year and the Director of Works advised that he would have to check into the matter.

# Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Bridgeview Playground light

Alderman Lawrence said he previously requested that the light in the Bridgeview Playground be repaired but noted it is not yet working. He requested that staff look into the matter.

Question Alderman Wooden Re:	Cleaning of Sidewalks at Street
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Alderman Wooden said she has observed employees from City Field cleaning sidewalks near street corners to permit pedestrians to cross streets and asked if similar action could be taken at the intersection of the Old Sambro Road and the Herring Cove Road.

Alderman Lawrence noted there are a number of locations in the City in a similar situation and asked if these could be checked. The Director of Works noted it is the responsibility of property owners to clear the sidewalks abutting their properties.

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion Alderman Lawrence Re: Amendment to Ordinance Number 155 Respecting "The Establishment of Truck Routes for Certain Trucking Motor Vehicles within the City of Halifax"

Alderman Lawrence gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on March 2, 1978, he proposes to introduce an amendment to Ordinance Number 155. Alderman Lawrence advised that the purpose of the amendment is to have Lacewood Drive designated as a non-truck route.

Notice of Motion Alderman Lawrence Re: Motion of Reconsideration of City Council's decision of February 16, 1978 in Refusing an application for Rezoning of Lot M, 6210 Chebucto Road from R-2 General Residential to R-3, Multiple Dwelling Zone, Case No. 3463.

Alderman Lawrence gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on March 2, 1978, he proposes to introduce a motion of Reconsideration of the decision by City Council on February 16, 1978, to refuse the application for the rezoning of Lot M, 6210 Chebucto Road from R-2 General Residential, to R-3 Multiple Dwelling Zone of Case No. 3463.

Notice of Motion Deputy Mayor Shannon Re: Adoption of the Municipal Development Plan Pursuant to Section 14 of The Planning Act of Nova Scotia

Deputy Mayor Shannon gave Notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council of the City of Halifax to be held on March 2, 1978, she proposes to introduce the adoption of the Municipal Development Plan pursuant to Section 14 of the Planning Act of Nova Scotia.

Notice of Motion Alderman Moore Re: Motion of Reconsideration of City Council's decision of February 16, 1978 to refuse an application for a Development Agreement for Phase I Parkmoor Subdivision in Spryfield being Case No. 3423

Alderman Moore gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on March 2, 1978, he proposes to introduce a Motion of Reconsideration of City Council's decision of February 16, 1978, to refuse an application for a Development Agreement of Phase I, Parkmoor Subdivision in Spryfield being case No. 3423.

#### ADDED ITEMS

## Appointments

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Alderman Meagher.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that Alderman D. Clarke and Bernice Sullivan be appointed to the Visitors and Convention Committee for terms to expire on October 31, 1980.

Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that Mrs. Murray M. Ferguson and Mr. Paul Murray be appointed to the Halifax Recreation Committee for terms to expire on December 31, 1980.

# Motion passed.

<u>MOVED by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Alderman</u> <u>Meagher that</u> the following persons be appointed to the Halifax City Regional Library Board for terms to expire on December 31, 1978:

Mr. L. B. Murphy Mrs. Bernice Jones Mr. B. Merrill Mr. B. Merrill

Motion passed.

# Contract Negotiations - Fire Alarm Group

A Private and Confidential staff report dated February 14, 1978, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a new Collective Agreement with the Fire Alarm Group incorporating the changes outlined in the report of February 14, 1978.

# Motion passed.

# Role of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority

A report under date of February 8, 1978 was submitted from the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority.

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that the report of the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority in response to a request made of it by the City of Halifax and other municipalities on the role of the Regional Authority in the provision of municipal services on a regional basis, be tabled and referred to City staff for review and report.

# Motion passed.

#### Local Improvements - Vernon Street

The above noted item was added to the agenda at the request of Deputy Mayor Shannon who advised that the section of Vernon Street between Watt Street and Coburg Road, is due for a local improvement project this year. Deputy Mayor Shannon advised that the residents were notified by a letter dated February 3rd which was not mailed until February 6th saying the residents are having some difficulty getting a petition together within the time frame allowed.

Deputy Mayor Shannon asked whether it would be possible to give an extension of a further week and the Acting City Manager indicated this would be possible. Deputy Mayor Shannon then requested that an extension of one week be allowed with respect to the local improvement project on Vernon Street between Watt Street and Coburg Road.

# Licensing of Amusement Machines - Alderman Lawrence

Alderman Lawrence indicated he had intended to bring the above noted matter up during the question period. Alderman Lawrence then asked whether the licensing of amusement machines in the City is presently under review, and the Acting City Manager advised that the matter has come to staff's attention and a request has been received from a citizen on the subject. Mr. Murphy advised that work is taking place on the subject at this time saying that as the matter developes, stamff will prepare a report for Council.

His Worship suggested that perhaps staff would consider consulting with the amusement machines operators prior to the item coming to Committee of the Whole.

# 12:15 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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# CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING M I N U T E S

Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. February 22, 1978 6:30 P. M.

A special meeting of 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; Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Clarke, Wooden, Hanson, and Moore.

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

The meeting was called especially to give consideration to the following item which was dealt with at today's meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council:

- Legislation - Proposed Amendments to Halifax City Charter - Item No. 1, & Forum Commission Act

Council agreed to add the following items to the agenda which were also considered at today's meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council:

1. Cunard Street School Renovations - NIP/Multi-Service Project - Old Northern Suburb

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3. Possible Acquisition - 2320 Creighton Street - Elizabeth Harland

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# Possible Acquisition - 2320 Creighton Street - Elizabeth Harland

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, 2320 Creighton Street be purchased for \$9,000 for the use previously approved by Council.

#### Motion passed.

Cunard Street School Renovations - NIP/Multi-Service Project - Old Northern Suburb

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, Council authorize staff to proceed with the implementation of the NIP/Multi-Service Project by incorporating the abutting vacant property north of Cunard Street school as outlined in Option (3) and shown on the sketch attached to the staff report dated February 14, 1978.

## Motion passed.

Case No. 3534 - Application for Lot Consolidation of Lots 8, 9, & 10 (Civic Nos. 156 to 160A Herring Cove Road)

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Maley that, as recommended by the City Planning Committee, the application for lot consolidation of Lots 8, 9, and 10 (Civic Nos. 156 to 160A Herring Cove Road) as shown on Plan No. P200/8161 of Case No. 3534, be refused by City Council.

Motion passed with Alderman Downey against.

Legislation - Proposed Amendments to Halifax City Charter -Item No. 1, & Forum Commission Act

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Wooden that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee:

1. The City Charter amendments relating to Employees who wish to run for Municipal Office, be approved as drafted and forwarded to the House of Assembly; and

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2. Item No. 4(2) of the proposed amendment to the Halifax Forum Commission Act, be amended to read as follows and be forwarded to the House of Assembly:

4(2) Not fewer than two of the Commissioners so appointed shall be aldermen of the City and the remaining members, resident of the City and not being aldermen, shall have the same qualifications for election as aldermen.

Motion passed with Aldermen Maley and Clarke against and Alderman Sullivan abstained.

6:40 P. M. - Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR EDMUND L. MORRIS CHAIRMAN

G. I. BLENNERHASSETT (Mrs.) CITY CLERK

Date Approved by City Council

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

> Council Chamber City Hall Halifax, N. S. March 2, 1978 8:00 P. M.

A meeting of City Council was held on the above

date.

After the meeting was called to Order, the members of Council attending were led in prayer by Rev. J. C. Mack of the Cornwallis Street Baptist Church.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley, Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Clarke, Wooden, Hanson, Moore, and Lawrence.

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

#### MINUTES

Minutes of City Council meetings held on February 16 & 22, 1978, were approved on Motion of Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hanson.

# APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

At the request of Deputy Mayor Shannon, Council agreed to add:

20(a) - Public Archives of Nova Scotia

At the request of Alderman Moore, Council agreed to add:

20(b) - Residential Assessments

At the request of Alderman Downey, Council agreed to add:

20(c) - Bus Stops - Cunard and Gottingen Streets

At the request of the Acting City Clerk, Council agreed to add:

9(a) - Mr. M. Warrington Re: Two Transit Stops on Gottingen Street

At the request of Alderman Wooden, Council agreed to add:

20(d) - Disposal of Derelict Vehicles

The agenda was then approved, as amended.

# MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

Motion - Alderman Lawrence to Reconsider City Council's Decision of February 16, 1978 Re: Refusing an Application for Rezoning of Lot M, 6210 Chebucto Road from R-2 General Residential to R-3, Multiple Dwelling Zone, Case No. 3462

Alderman Lawrence gave a Notice of Motion with respect to the above noted matter at the last regular meeting of City Council held on February 16, 1978.

Alderman Lawrence presented his reasons for proposing the Motion of reconsideration and <u>MOVED</u>, seconded by <u>Alderman Moore that</u> City Council reconsider its decision of February 16, 1978 to refuse an application for Rezoning of Lot M, 6210 Chebucto Road from R-2 General Residential to R-3, Multiple Dwelling Zone of Case No. 3462.

The Motion was put and lost with Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley, Meagher, Sullivan, Clarke, and Wooden against.

Motion - Alderman Moore to Reconsider City Council's Decision of February 16, 1978 Re: Refusing an Application for a Development Agreement for Phase I Parkmoor Subdivision in Spryfield being Case No. 3423

Alderman Moore presented a Notice of Motion with respect to the above noted matter at the February 16, 1978 meeting of City Council.

Alderman Moore presented his reasons for proposing the Motion of reconsideration saying that Council did not wait to receive all information on the matter before making its decision.

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# MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman

Lawrence that City Council reconsider its decision of February 16, 1978 to refuse an application for a Development Agreement for Phase I Parkmoor Subdivision in Spryfield being Case No. 3423.

The Motion was put and resulted in a tie vote, five voting for the same and five voting against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Downey, Clarke, Hanson, Moore, & Lawrence - 5

Against: Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley, Meagher, Sullivan, and Wooden - 5

The Chairman then **cast** his vote in favour of the Motion and declared same to be passed.

It was then <u>MOVED by Alderman Moore</u>, seconded by <u>Alderman Hanson that</u> the item be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

The Motion to defer was put and resulted in a tie vote, five voting for the same and five voting against it, as follows:

FOR: Aldermen Downey, Clarke, Hanson, Moore, & Lawrence - 5

AGAINST: Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley, Meagher, Sullivan, and Wooden

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The Chairman cast his vote in favour of the Motion to defer and declared same to be passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, HEARINGS, ETC.

Appeal of Development Officer's Decision to Approve a Minor Variance at 6501 Norwood Street

A staff report dated February 23, 1978, was submitted.

His Worship asked if there were persons wishing to speak on the matter and Mr. Alan Barkhouse of 1791 Rosebank Avenue, the appellant, came forward.

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Mr. Barkhouse made reference to his letter of appeal dated February 14, 1978 and stated that Dr. Cox, the owner of the property in question, is a fine neighbour and there was no issue in that regard.

Mr. Barkhouse referred to the present heavy flow of traffic in the area as well as to the elementary school and expressed concern that the proposal may aggravate the situation further as a result of patients parking on the street and impairing the vision of motorists with respect to children crossing the street while proceeding to school.

Dr. Cox of 6501 Norwood Street, addressed Council and indicated he did not dispute some of the points raised by Mr. Barkhouse saying those were the items which he considered when presenting a proposal for an extension of his house.

Dr. Cox said he is aware of the school across the street and the traffic problems saying the Street is presently signed during periods of high use. He said that after 9:00 a.m., the Street is not as busy and assured members of Council his office would not be open at that hour in the morning.

Dr. Cox advised that a traffic survey was carried out as it applies to his office saying there will probably be no more than 10 cars visiting the office between 1:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., and suggested this would not introduce a great amount of traffic to the area. Dr. Cox further spoke to the matter and responded to questions put forth.

There being no further persons wishing to address Council on the matter, it was MOVED by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Alderman Maley that City Council confirm the decision of the Development Officer in granting a minor variance at 6501 Norwood Street.

# Motion passed.

#### PETITIONS

# Mr. M. Warrington Re: Two Transit Stops on Gottingen Street

A letter dated February 28, 1978, was submitted from M. Warrington which requested that he be permitted to address Council with respect to two south bound Transit bus stops located on the west side of Gottingen Street.

The letter indicated that one of the bus stops in question was located at 2264 Gottingen Street and the other was a stop that had been located by Glubes Store but which has been relocated.

Mr. Warrington of 2313 Gottingen Street, addressed Council with respect to the two bus stops which, he suggested, have become inconvenient and more or less hazardous to users of Transit due to their relocation. Mr. Warrington first referred to the bus stop which was previously located on the corner of Cunard and Gottingen Streets which has been moved a number of times and is now located in the intersection of Prince William and Gottingen Streets. He suggested it is in a hazardous location and there is very little room for persons waiting for the bus.

Mr. Warrington also referred to the bus stop that was located in the area of Glubes Store but which has been moved further south and is now situated in a driveway between the Odeon and Cove Theatres. Mr. Warrington said he would like to see the two bus stops in question moved back to the original locations.

Alderman Downey noted that the subject matter relates to the item which he added to the agenda as 20(c), saying he previously raised the item and is presently waiting for a staff report. Alderman Downey said he would like to see the item deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council and the General Manager of Halifax Transit Corporation be invited to be in attendance.

His Worship thanked Mr. Warrington for advising Council on the matter and suggested the procedure to be followed would be for the Acting City Manager to ask the Transit Corporation for a report in order that the item can be considered at the Committee of the Whole meeting, to which <u>Council agreed</u>.

# REPORT - FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Finance and Executive Committee from its meeting held on February 22, 1978, as follows:

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# Possible Acquisition - 156-160A Herring Cove Road - TO BE TABLED

MOVED by Alderman Wooden, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, the matter of the Possible Acquisition of a Portion of 156, 158, 160A Herring Cove Road, be tabled by Halifax City Council.

# Motion passed.

Cost of Providing Increased Pension Benefits to Certain Present City of Halifax Pensioners

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee:

1. A payment equivalent to 8 per cent of the total of pension benefits paid to pensioners or survivors who retired as of December 31, 1977, who retired prior to December 31, 1973, be dispersed equally to all retirees or their survivors who retired prior to December 31, 1973;

2. the charging for the same to be a charge against the 1977 surplus; and

3. Council consider a further 2 per cent payment for the Pre-1974 retirees or survivors 12 months hence.

Following a short discussion of the matter, the Motion was put and passed with Aldermen Moore & Wooden against.

#### Stipends Committee Report - TO BE TABLED

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Clarke that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, the matter be tabled.

Motion passed.

### Sale of Surplus M-B Sweeper Parts

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, authority be granted to sell the surplus M. B. Sweeper parts as shown on the list attached to the staff report of February 9, 1978, to the Town of Amherst for \$1,500.

Motion passed.

NIP I - Old Northern Suburb - Implementation Project Tot Lot -City Owned Vacant Lot North to 2207 Bauer Street

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

A supplementary report dated February 27, 1978, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Maley that Council authorize staff to implement the NIP I project, small park/tot lot on Bauer Street, on the City owned lot on the east side of Bauer Street; funds up to \$3,000 provided in Account 810 HAG 13.

Alderman Downey asked when the report would be submitted with respect to making Bauer Street a one-way street. Alderman Downey also asked if a map could be shown outlining how the tot lot will be developed.

The Acting City Manager indicated that the Alderman would be informed on the matters raised.

#### Motion passed.

Tenders 78-44, 78-45, 78-46, 78-47 - Disposal of Surplus Vehicles

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Clarke that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, authority be granted to award tenders to the highest bidder in each case, as follows:

Tender #78-44 - W. D. Lawrence Auto Salvage Ltd., \$10,181.00

Tender #78-45 - W. D. Lawrence Auto Salvage Ltd., \$1,681.00

Tender #78-46 - Dartmouth Salvage Ltd., \$1,100.00

Tender #78-47 - Ronald MacCulloch, \$3,737.00

Motion passed.

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## Agricola Street - Transit Route

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance & Executive Committee, Council undertake to guarantee the Transit Corporation against a deficit over its normal operating budget for the Agricola Street transit service up to and including April 30, 1978, and the Transit Corporation be asked to report to Council not later than April 10, 1978 on the matter.

A discussion ensued on the matter and His Worship noted that if the Motion is approved, it will mean an amount of approximately \$16,000 will have to be added to the budget request of the Transit Corporation.

The Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Wooden, Lawrence, and Maley.

## Insurance Broker - Appointment

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Sullivan that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority be granted to appoint Bell & Grant Ltd., City Insurance Broker at a cost of \$5,000.00 per year cancellable at each anniversary with 60 days notice in writing by either party.

#### Motion passed.

# Metro Centre - Phase 2

MOVED by Alderman Moore, seconded by Alderman Hanson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Council authorize His Worship the Mayor to express to the Premier of the Province of Nova Scotia concurrence with the matters set forth in the exchange of correspondence between the Premier and the Mayor dated February 17, 1978, subject to confirmation of the details as the detailed drawings become available.

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Alderman Wooden that the item be deferred pending further discussions on the matter.

The Motion to defer was put and lost with Aldermen Downey, Meagher, Sullivan, Clarke, Hanson, Moore, and Lawrence voting against.

Following a short discussion, the main Motion was put and passed with Deputy Mayor Shannon, and Aldermen Maley and Wooden against.

# Municipal Employment Program - Request for Additional Funds

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council authorize an additional Special Item expenditure in the 1978 Current Budget not to exceed \$16,000 for the purpose of supplementing the Provincial Municipal Employment Program for the continuation of the Projects #2 and #3 as discussed in the report of February 20, 1978.

His Worship noted that the Minister of Development has forwarded a letter to municipalities inviting applications for further assistance up to March 15th. His Worship advised members of Council that he has requested the Acting City Manager to give consideration to the possibility of re-instating some of the funds which were deleted from the budget for Point Pleasant Park during the budget discussions.

# The Motion was put and passed.

# Tender 78-50 - Twenty-one 1978 Model 4-door Sedans

The above noted item was forwarded to City Council without recommendation.

The Purchasing Manager responded to a number of questions put forth and Alderman Lawrence asked if staff would supply information to the successful bidder for advertising purposes such as, the number of miles the vehicles travelled.

His Worship indicated a Motion could be passed indicating to the Acting City Manager that Council does not approve of any such approbation and Alderman Lawrence indicated he would like such a request to go forward.

Alderman Lawrence asked if staff could submit a report outlining the pros and cons of using full-frame vehicles for police cruisers compared to the unit-body type of vehicle.

Alderman Downey asked why the City does not lease such vehicles rather than tendering for them and the Purchasing Manager expressed the feeling that the leasing companies would not be interested in leasing police cars for a one year period.

The Acting City Manager indicated that staff would investigate the matter and discuss it with Alderman Downey and, if necessary, prepare a report for Council.

MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Hanson that:

1. Authority be granted to award tender to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Halifax Chrysler Dodge Ltd., 3737 Kempt Road, Halifax, N. S., for the tendered amount of \$115,778.54;

2. An amount of \$99,199.28 be transferred from the Vehicle Replacement Reserve Account for this purpose; and

3. An expenditure of \$16,579.26 be approved from the Police Department 1978 Current Budget.

#### Motion passed.

#### REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the Committee on Works from its meeting held on February 22, 1978, as follows:

# Signage - Civic No. 1521 Grafton Street

MOVED by Alderman Downey, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, Day-Nite Neon Signs Ltd., be authorized to erect a fascia sign at Civic No. 1521 Grafton Street.

#### Motion passed.

#### Office Trailer - Civic No. 5455 Cogswell Street

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Downey that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the Building Inspector be authorized to issue an Occupancy Permit to Steel and Engine Products Limited, authorizing them to occupy a 10' x 52' office trailer at Civic No. 5455 Cogswell Street for a period of 12 months; and further, that the Building Inspector be authorized to renew the Occupancy Permit for one further 12 month period, at his discretion.

Motion passed.

REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARD & COMMISSIONS

Repeal of Administrative Order Number 6, Respecting "The Determination of Various Grants to be Paid by The City of Halifax - SECOND READING

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Clarke that the repeal of Administrative Order Number 6 respecting the Determination of Grants to be paid by the City of Halifax, be read and passed a SECOND TIME.

Motion passed.

# REPORT - CITY PLANNING

Council considered the report of the City Planning Committee from its meeting held on February 22, 1978, as follows:

NIP II Area Permit Application No. 75505 - 1225 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Maley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon that City Council approve the permit application to erect a sign for the Bargain Box at 1225 Barrington Street.

Motion passed.

## Senior Citizens Project - Queen and South Streets

His Worship indicated the City Planning Committee, at a meeting held on February 22, 1978 agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Shannon make the strongest representation possible to the two levels of government expressing the City's hope that an elevator service to the parking area be incorporated in the building. He said that he and Deputy Mayor Shannon have ascertained that physically such an elevator could be installed but it might have the effect of reducing 2-One bedroom apartments to 2 bachelor apartments and that representation is being made to the two levels of government.

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MOVED by Alderman Lawrence, seconded by Alderman Moore that the matter be deferred to the next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council.

# Motion passed.

#### MOTIONS

Amendment to Ordinance Number 155 Respecting "The Establishment of Truck Routes for Certain Trucking Motor Vehicles within the City of Halifax" FIRST READING

His Worship indicated this matter is included in the truck route study for the Clayton Park area.

It was agreed by Council that the matter be deferred.

Adoption of the Municipal Development Plan Pursuant to Section 14 of the Planning Act of Nova Scotia - FIRST READING

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Alderman Maley that the adoption of the Municipal Development Plan for the City of Halifax as amended as per the minutes of the Municipal Development Plan Committee meetings of February 11, 1978 and February 25, 1978, be now read and passed a FIRST TIME.

Alderman Moore asked if City Council approves the plan, is there a moratorium in effect upon the submission of the plan to the Minister, or following his assumed granting of the plan.

Mr. Matthews indicated any permit that is in accordance with the zoning bylaw may be issued, but any permit which would conflict with the proposed change to the zoning bylaw may not be issued for a period of 120 days while the bylaw is before the Minister for approval.

Motion passed.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

#### Zoning Bylaw - DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

A report dated February 28, 1978 was submitted from the Chairman of the Municipal Development Plan Committee.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Alderman Wooden that City Council set the date for a Public Hearing in the matter of the proposed zoning Bylaw pursuant to Part VII of the Planning Act of Nova Scotia, and that the date be March 28, 1978, 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, to be adjourned to March 29, 1978, 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Motion passed.

Appointments

A letter dated February 28, 1978 from His Worship the Mayor was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Clarke that Halifax City Council reappoint Mr. Harold Crowell, Social Planner, as a member of the Board of Directors of Halifax-Dartmouth United Way, for a term to expire March 31, 1979.

Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Hanson, seconded by Alderman Lawrence that Halifax City Council appoint to a Board of a company to be incorporated pursuant to correspondence between the Premier of Nova Scotia and the Mayor of Halifax, dated February 17,1978, Donald J. Gillis for a term while a member of the Halifax Visitors and Convention Bureau and Alderman Wilfred Moore for a term while a member of Halifax City Council.

Motion passed.

# QUESTIONS

# Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Extension of Transit Route - Kearney Lake Road and Along Bedford Highway to City Limits

Alderman Lawrence asked if the Halifax Transit staff could look at the possibility of extending the transit route along the Kearney Lake Road to Hamshaw Drive and turning at a circle which is already constructed. He indicated it would be an extension of the Wedgewood service which is presently there. He also asked if the Transit staff could look at extending the service along the Bedford Highway as far as the City limits and turning in the area of the Fernleigh Park Subdivision.

Question Alderman Lawrence Re: Award of Tender Centennial Swimming Pool

Alderman Lawrence indicated that he has not as yet received an answer to a previous question why the low bidder at Centennial Pool was not accepted. He indicated the same company was the low bidder at the Metro Centre.

Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Installation of new poles by the Power Corporation -Glebe Street and Kencrest Avenue

Alderman Sullivan indicated he has received many inquiries from the residents in the area of Glebe Street and Kencrest Avenue regarding the height of the new poles being installed by the Power Corporation. He said the residents are concerned that the lights are too high on the poles and will not properly light the street. He asked if staff could look at the matter and report back to Council.

# Question Alderman Sullivan Re: Canadian Football League

Alderman Sullivan asked if the City Manager could inquire about bringing a Canadian Football League Exhibition Game to Halfax.

Question Alderman Wooden Re: Policy regarding the operating condition of street lights

Alderman Wooden asked if there is a policy regarding the operating condition of street lights.

Mr. Calda indicated that the reporting of street lighting failures is done by the staff of the Power Corporation, City staff, public and by Council members.

His Worship asked if the Power Corporation and the Telephone Company string wires on the same pole but a higher pole.

Mr. Calda indicated the two utilities do string wires on the same poles but the higher poles are used for new transmission lines. He said he would check into the matter to see if the telephone wires are strung on the higher poles.

#### Question Alderman Meagher Re: Payment of Taxes

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Alderman Meagher indicated he has received several calls from residents asking if they could pay their taxes at any bank.

Mr. Smith said arrangements have been made with the Bank of Montreal for payment of taxes but if City Council wishes, staff will make arrangements to negotiate with other banks for acceptence of City Tax payments.

His Worship indicated it would be a courtesy to the citizens if staff would negotiate such an arrangement.

Question Alderman Meagher Re: Tax Grant for Widowed Senior Citizens

Alderman Meagher asked if the grant for widowed Senior Citizens would be deducted from the second portion of the tax bill.

Mr. Smith indicated the matter has not been completely finalized but suggested the grant would be deducted from the second portion of the tax bill.

# Question Alderman Meagher Re: Process of Re-assessment

Alderman Meagher asked if the report on the process of the re-assessment would soon be ready.

The Acting City Manager indicated the Provincial Assessor is preparing a report on the matter.

# Question His Worship the Mayor Re: Approval of lots on Albion Road

His Worship referred to the staff information report dated March 2,1978 which indicates that final approval will be granted to four lots on Albion Road on March 3, 1978 by the Development Officer. He asked if City Council would request the Development Officer not to issue this approval as he would like to ask some questions on the whole process and discuss it further at the Committee of the Whole.

The Acting City Manager indicated it is the responsibility of the Development Officer to approve or disapprove of subdivisions. However, he indicated that he instructed the Development Officer today to obtain legal advise on a matter before issuing the development permit. He suggested there is no assurance that the subdivision will be granted and there is nothing for City Council to consider until the subdivision is approved.

#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Notice of Motion Deputy Mayor Shannon Re: Adoption of the Zoning Bylaw for the City of Halifax pursuant to Section 7 of the Planning Act of Nova Scotia

Deputy Mayor Shannon gave notice of motion that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on March 16, 1978, she would propose to introduce the adoption of a Zoning Bylaw for the City of Halifax pursuant to Part 7 of the Planning Act of Nova Scotia for the purposes of carrying out the intent of the Municipal Development Plan.

### ADDED ITEMS

# Public Archives of Nova Scotia - Deputy Mayor Shannon

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Deputy Mayor Shannon.

Deputy Mayor Shannon expressed concern about the purchase of four properties on Edward Street and University Avenue by the Province of Nova Scotia.

Deputy Mayor Shannon indicated three of the properties have been purchased and the one remaining family do not want to sell their home and they do not want to have it expropriated. She said they are long time residents of the City and have been put in a very unhappy position. She indicated she would like to have the support of City Council to write to the Premier expressing City Council's concern that this family

be left to enjoy their property and the matter be dealt with quickly and assurance be given to this family as soon as possible.

Alderman Lawrence retires from meeting - 10:10 p.m.

His Worship indicated he was informed this afternoon by a knowledgeable party that it is no necessary to purchase the fourth house and suggested that City Council ask staff to look at the matter immediately and report to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

# Residential Assessment - Alderman Moore

This item was added to the Agenda at the request of Alderman Moore.

Alderman Moore said he has received many calls from people regarding the re-assessment and indicated the people do not understand the basis of the new assessment. He said he is looking forward to the report from the Provincial Assessor, which was requested by Alderman Meagher under a previous item, and hopes it will answer the inquiries of the tax payers.

Bus Stops - Cunard and Gottingen Streets (Alderman Downey)

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting under item 9(a) "Murray Warrington - Two Transit Stops on Gottingen Street".