



CITY OF HALIFAX

Personal file
TELEPHONE MESSAGE

TO <i>M.E.</i>		
DATE <i>Jan. 26/96</i>	TIME <i>11:40</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM

WHILE YOU WERE OUT:

<input type="checkbox"/> MR.	<input type="checkbox"/> MRS.	<i>David Carvery</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> MS.	<input type="checkbox"/> MISS	
PHONE NO. ()	<i>492-0253</i>	LOCAL
ADDRESS / COMPANY NAME		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PLEASE CALL	<input type="checkbox"/> WILL CALL BACK
<input type="checkbox"/> RETURNED YOUR CALL	<input type="checkbox"/> WANTS TO SEE YOU
<input type="checkbox"/> CALLED IN TO SEE YOU	

MESSAGE:

Asking for permission of for researchers to access files next week.

USE REVERSE FOR: CIRCULATIONS / ENCLOSURES / ACTION REQUESTED	<i>MR</i> CALL RECEIVED BY
---	-------------------------------

Project Steering Committee
(Regional Solid Waste Management)

Peter Kidd

Term to expire upon completion of mandate.

City of Halifax Strategic Planning Committee

Alderman Howard Epstein

Term to expire upon completion of mandate.

Africville

A report from His Worship Mayor Walter Fitzgerald, Chairman, Africville Council Committee, dated December 1, 1994, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Blumenthal, seconded by Alderman Uteck that:

1. The City provide access to City records re the Africville relocation until March 15, 1995, with the exception of those records containing personal information unless permission for their release has been obtained.
2. The City support the application of the Africville Genealogy Society for Canada/Nova Scotia Infrastructure Works dated September 7, 1994, for the reconstruction of the Seaview United Baptist Church.
3. The City donate 2.5 acres adjoining the Seaview Memorial Park for the purpose of construction of a memorial to the former community of Africville.
4. The City provide financial support in the amount of \$100,000 with the interest to be used to fund an educational fund for the

descendants of the former residents of Africville.

5. If, upon a review of the records, no legal basis appears to found a claim against the City by March 15, 1995, then this chapter of the history of the City of Halifax be considered closed.

Following a short discussion, the motion was put and passed.

National Infrastructure Program Anniversary

MOVED by Alderman Stone, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adams
that City Council pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS on December 21, 1993, the Federal, Provincial and Territorial Governments unanimously agreed to the establishment of a cost-shared National Infrastructure Program consistent with the program proposed by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities;

WHEREAS the purpose of the program is to renew municipal infrastructure, create jobs, improve the environment and enhance Canada's competitiveness;

WHEREAS the program has now been in place for one year and communities across Canada are benefitting from the program to update and refurbish all types of services;

WHEREAS in the City of Halifax \$12,425,000.00 program dollars have already been allocated, creating between 348 and 435 jobs and helping to upgrade and improve the City's street and sewer systems;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of the City of Halifax congratulate the Federal and Provincial Governments on this significant

2. the deadline of applications for the 1995/96 year to be March 31, 1995, for 1995/96 requests only.

The motion was put and passed.

Paramount Theatre Study

An Information Report, dated November 14, 1994, was submitted from the Director of Development and Planning, together with various other pieces of documentation received from Mr. Ron Cohn, Orpheus Project.

MOVED by Alderman Pottie, seconded by Alderman Blumenthal that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, a letter be immediately forwarded on behalf of Halifax City Council to the funding agency in question, requesting that the previous correspondence forwarded from the City (written in opposition to Mr. Cohn's application) be withdrawn.

After a brief discussion, the motion was put and defeated.

Africville Genealogy Society

MOVED by Alderman Blumenthal, seconded by Alderman Uteck that Council, in furtherance of the healing process, establish a committee to be composed of the Mayor and two members of Council to meet with members or representatives of the Africville and local black community in order to achieve closure on the issues surrounding the expropriation of the lands in the community (the committee will not deal with any individual monetary compensation).

Alderman Stone addressed the motion put forward by Alderman Blumenthal and noted that, in his opinion and that of many Haligonians, the time for "compensation" has passed. The Alderman expressed the view that the City should instead examine methods by which the economic and social concerns of the black community could be better addressed, and, in this context, made reference to the staff recommendation; namely, that Council support the rebuilding of the Seaview Baptist Church and the

**CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 17, 1994**

establishment of a scholarship fund for the descendants of Africville residents.

An amendment to the motion was moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Meagher; namely, that a member of City staff be added to the composition of the proposed committee.

Alderman Epstein spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment, emphasizing that, in his view, it was now Council's responsibility (not staff's) to attempt to resolve this long-standing issue. The Alderman went on to point out that staff members could always be made available to the committee to provide advice and information on an as-required basis.

After a lengthy discussion, the amendment to the motion was put and passed.

Speaking on the original motion, Alderman Epstein expressed concern that, by preventing the committee from considering individual monetary compensation, Council would be undermining the success of this endeavor.

Alderman Uteck, the seconder of the motion and one of the members of Council who had volunteered to serve on the proposed committee, advised that he had discussed this aspect of the committee's mandate with Mr. Carvery, and that it was his view that Mr. Carvery had readily accepted the condition that monetary compensation would not be a option.

The motion, as amended, was put and passed.

Boards and Commissions Review

An Information Report, dated November 14, 1994, was submitted from the Director of Corporate and Legal Affairs.

Deputy Mayor Adams made reference to the responses which had been received from the various boards and commissions with regard to the recommendations put forward in the report from the Boards and Review Committee, and suggested that one of the primary concerns centered on the lack of information currently available as to how the six consolidated committees would carry out their mandates.