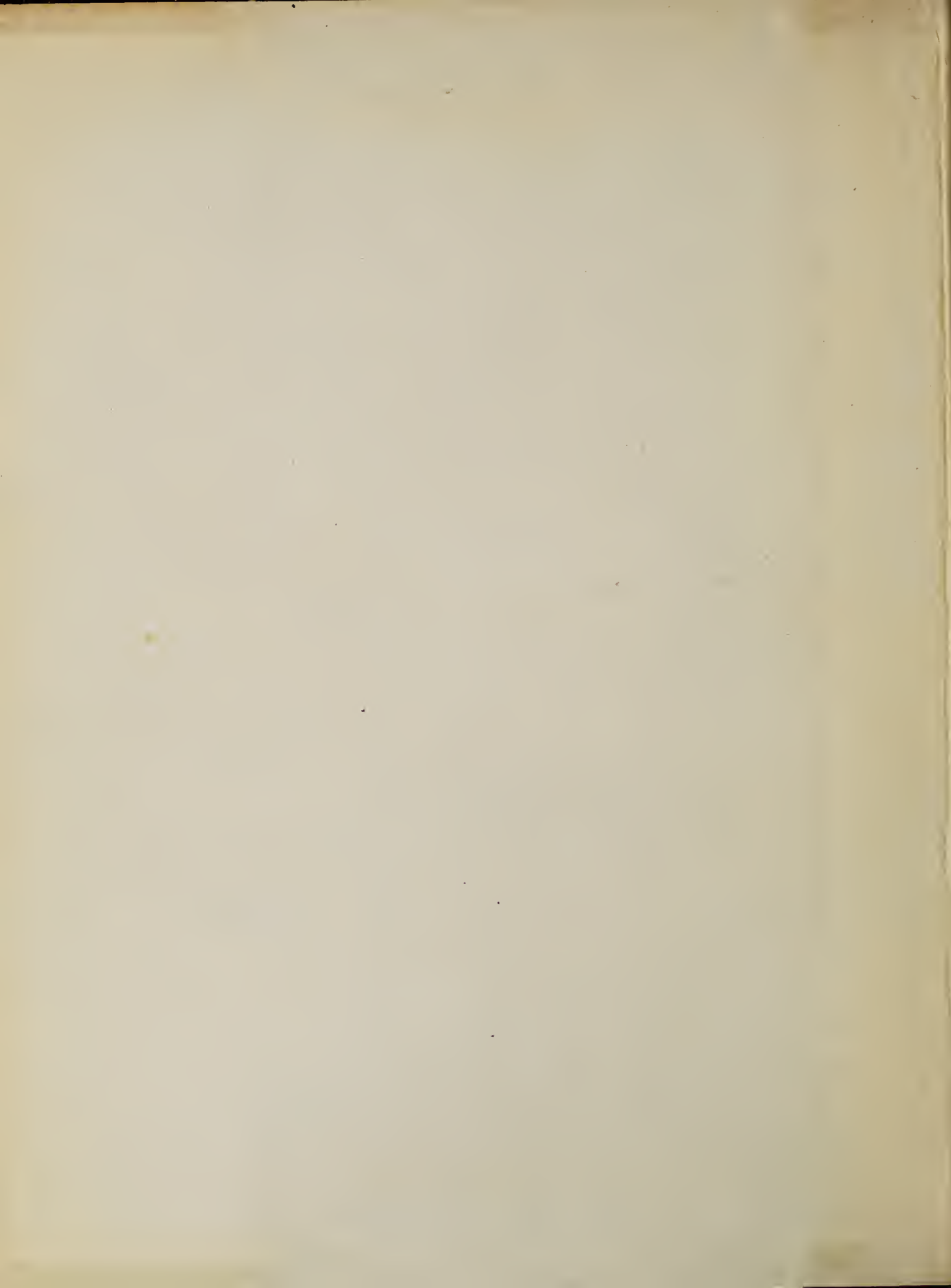


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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 3, 1949.

First meeting of the City Council for the year 1949, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 a. m., Councilor Wenzler, senior member, presiding. Absent, Councilor Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Chairman WENZLER. The Council will be in order. The Clerk will call the roll to ascertain the presence of a quorum.

The roll was called, and all members responded "present" with the exception of Councilor Yerxa.

ESCORT TO MAYOR CURLEY.

Chairman WENZLER. His Honor, Mayor James M. Curley, will deliver his annual address at 11.15. The Chair will therefore appoint Councilors Linehan and Ansel to escort the Mayor to the Council Chamber.

The Chair now declares a short recess while we await the arrival of his Honor the Mayor.

(Short recess.)

Chairman WENZLER. Members of the City Council, invited and honored guests, I am pleased to present his Honor, Mayor James M. Curley, who will now deliver his annual address. Mayor Curley.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF HON. JAMES M. CURLEY, MAYOR OF BOSTON.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

One year ago, America and the world were fearful as to the possibility of war with Russia, due to the growth of Communism in the countries of Europe and the alliance made by many of those countries through the instrumentality of the Russian Government.

The courageous manner in which the national administration, under the leadership of President Harry S. Truman, has met the challenge, through the providing of funds and food in the countries of Europe subject to sabotage by the forces of Russia, has checked for the present the possibility of war. The election by the people of the United States of President Truman gives assurance that international differences will ultimately be settled without recourse to arms and the shedding of innocent blood. Let us pray God that permanent peace be established in the world.

The pronouncement of President Truman at the American Legion Convention in Florida, during the year that has passed, that he proposed to dedicate his life to the establishment of permanent peace, and that he would prefer to see peace in the world than win the Presidency, has restored the faith and the confidence of the people of America, and furnished assurance that permanent peace in the world may speedily become a reality.

The action of President Truman in taking his case directly to the people, and his stand upon the preservation of constitutional rights for all of the people of the United States, without regard to race, creed, or color, was an act of statesmanship such as is rarely witnessed in a political campaign, and the same courage and lofty attitude with reference to the settlement of international questions involving the safety and security of the people of the world gives assurance that under his splendid leadership peace and prosperity, rather than tears, sorrow, and devastation, will yet become the lot of humanity.

I beg to reiterate what was said by me in my annual address of 1948, namely, that the most potent agency for the prevention of another war is the sending to the throne of Almighty God and His Blessed Mother on high a prayer from the

hearts of all right-thinking people in the world for the divine protection of our great national leader and those associated with him in Washington, that God may strengthen their resolution and keep them firm in their purpose to make a reality of that which good women and men have prayed for centuries — an end of wars.

The problems of reconversion and reconstruction confronting every American city, which appeared insurmountable three years ago, have been met in our own municipality with courage and a high order of intelligence.

Practically every city in America, with the exception of those cities which are permitted by state statute to enact revenue-producing ordinances to meet the increasing costs of administration resulting from changes in working hours, salaries, and cost of materials, has increased the burden borne by real estate, until today it is rapidly approaching the prohibitive degree. Relief must be provided in our own state to prevent in 1949 what took place in 1948 and preceding years, namely, an increase in the cost of conducting the activities of substantially every municipality in the state.

In Massachusetts we are fortunate in that a governor has been elected, the Honorable Paul A. Dever, who recognizes the need of state aid to municipalities, which will make possible a reduction rather than an increase in the burden already too heavily borne by real estate owners, and which is constantly being reflected in increased rentals of business properties and homes.

I have advocated for a number of years, with little support by the Legislature, the adoption of an increase in the corporate tax from 5½ per cent to 15 per cent, which would return to the state a revenue of \$125,000,000 in excess of what is now received. If the state sees fit to adopt this legislation, it should be possible to withhold one half of this amount for the relief of the state, and to distribute the municipalities the remainder. On a valuation basis this would result in adding about \$20,000,000 annually to the revenues of the City of Boston, thereby making it possible to meet increased wage demands and the higher cost of commodities, and at the same time bring about a substantial reduction in the present tax rate. It will be contended that a tax of this character might prove injurious to industries located in Massachusetts, but it must be remembered that corporations in Massachusetts in 1947 received a refund from the federal government of \$354,000,000, and that any monies paid out in the form of state taxes are deductible in large part from the federal income tax, so that the burden placed upon corporations would be negligible and affect but about 7 per cent of the electorate, while the benefits that would result to the remaining 93 per cent would be immeasurable. This measure has been reintroduced this year, and it is to be hoped that every citizen interested in relieving the burden borne by business and the home owner and rent payer will use their best efforts with their Senators and Representatives at the State House to make possible the adoption of this legislation so necessary to the well-being of the citizens in every municipality in the state.

It has been suggested that a sales tax be levied upon the people. I am vehemently opposed to a sales tax for the reason that it would place too heavy a burden upon the working man with a large family, since under the sales tax, with the customary 2 per cent withheld on all purchases, it would represent to the individual receiving a salary of \$2,500 a year a total annual tax of about \$50, as against no added burden in the event of an increase in the corporate tax.

The tax problem is one that should no longer be the business of the State Legislature alone, since it is and should be the business of every individual, in view of the fact that all are either benefited or injured by the action taken.

I had occasion recently to refer to a matter which is vital to the people of the city — in fact, every city in America. Due to the cessation of building activity from the beginning of the recent World War there is today a shortage of housing accommodations throughout the entire country. We have endeavored to meet the situation in Boston and, from the creation of the Housing Authority to the present time, have either completed or are in process of completing accommodations for some 12,000 families, at an estimated cost of about \$125,000,000. Despite the progress we have made, there are still the families of some 15,000 home-seeking veterans who are either living with in-laws in overcrowded and unsanitary

conditions or in places that should never be used for habitation. We shall continue the work of providing homes and trust that the unfortunate situation that prevails, namely, a shortage of housing accommodations, may be largely overcome within the next two years.

It is vital to the welfare of the citizenship of America that the Taft-Ellender-Wagner Bill for the wiping out of the blight of slums be enacted by Congress, and I urge every citizen to contact their Congressman and Senators by letter or otherwise, requesting them to favor passage of this measure. At the present time it is estimated by competent authorities that 60 per cent of the tuberculosis in cities, 52 per cent of the crimes, 48 per cent of juvenile delinquency, and 33 per cent of the arson cases may be traced to the 15 per cent area of slum sections to be found in the large cities of America. The entire matter could be corrected at a cost not in excess of the cost of national defense for one month, and make of America a healthful place in which to live and bring up children who would be a blessing rather than a problem to their parents. Substantially every forward-looking person in America is hopeful that this legislation will be adopted, but it requires the aid and assistance of all citizens, since the real estate interests and others have prevented its adoption for a period of more than three years.

It would be possible in the event of its adoption to reduce the cost to municipalities of police work, health work, and hospitalization by at least 25 per cent, and give to America a more healthful, contented, and right-thinking citizenship.

In the matter of public welfare the cost has risen to almost prohibitive figures since the close of World War II. It has been found necessary, due to the increase in the cost of living, to grant two increases within the past twelve months to the recipients of aid, and, in all probability, unless there is a reduction in the cost of commodities, it may be necessary to grant further increases, since, after all, it is clearly the duty of the municipality to provide for the needy in order to augment and dignify the spiritual as well as the material values of the community.

Boston's contribution to the welfare problem is being met also by providing new quarters for the separation of men, women, and children, who prior to now had practically all been quartered at Chardon street.

In addition, the granting of the uses of a building by the Navy Department during the past two weeks for the receipt and distribution of commodities for the benefit of the needy represents a forward step that should have been taken many years ago.

Boston, being one of the older cities of America, presents problems that are not common to the majority of American cities, namely, narrow streets in the high-valued districts which only at an exorbitant expenditure of public money can be widened to make the flow of traffic freer. It must be remembered that from 1933 until 1946 nothing was done in the matter of relieving traffic congestion in Boston; not one single street widening had been authorized during that period of time. Today, happily, we are endeavoring to meet the problem by the installation of parking meters and by the establishment of open-air garages, fringe parking spaces, and the garage under Boston Common, at not too great an expenditure of public money. Work of this character is essential if the swaddling clothes with which Boston has been encumbered may be removed and the expansion so vital to the growth and progress of the city become a reality.

It is pleasing to note that the Boston Fire Department is today better equipped and better manned than at any previous time in its history. Upon the completion of the program upon which we have embarked, it will rank high among American cities in the protection of life and property.

The long-continued neglect, during the period from the beginning of World War II, of proper highway construction is being gradually overcome, and the work will continue until the highways are made more usable and better than at any previous time since 1933.

Due to the benefaction of George Robert White, it has been possible to add to the health program of the city three additional health units this year, and these should shortly be functioning for the conservation of the health of the community. A most desirable adjunct to the recreation and health of the pupils of our public schools has been

made possible from the George Robert White Fund in the erection of a schoolboy stadium at Franklin Park with seating accommodations for 10,000 persons. It is rapidly approaching completion and will be available for use in the spring. From this same generous benefaction an outdoor swimming pool with recreational facilities is now under construction in Charlestown, and plans are under consideration for the establishment of similar facilities in the North End and in the West End.

Another White Fund project is the Monument to the Dead of World War II, now under construction in the Fenway. It is hoped that it will be available for use by Memorial Day. If a bill which has been filed with the Legislature is adopted, a memorial hall to the veterans of all wars will be constructed in the City of Boston by the State of Massachusetts, to serve as a permanent memorial and with accommodations for veterans' meetings.

At Long Island, which was in a deplorable state at the close of 1945, great progress has been made during the past three years. Buildings unfit for habitation have been razed, new buildings have been constructed, and improved facilities for reaching the island have been provided, so that today it is no longer regarded as a poorhouse, but as a place where people who have grown old without growing wealthy are no longer regarded as paupers, but as our less fortunate fathers, mothers, brothers, and sisters. Chapels have been provided for all religious denominations. In addition, television sets and a carillon of bells have been installed, to produce sacred and patriotic music, in order that a little joy may be brought into lives that are saddened by age and misfortune.

The Boston City Hospital, which is the largest single hospital unit in America, has undergone a renovation at a considerable expenditure of public money, and today enjoys the highest rating in the history of the institution.

With a view to reducing the death rate from tuberculosis, the federal government has agreed to provide \$200,000 for a survey in Boston this year, to be conducted in September, to indicate the section where tuberculosis is most prevalent. In the event of the passage of the Wagner-Ellender-Taft Bill, properties will be razed and modern housing provided, so that this blight which affects certain sections of our city may be ended.

The campaign being waged against the dread scourge of cancer by the insurance companies and public and private agencies renders it desirable that an institution to combat this dread disease be located in Boston, and, in the event that the state can be induced to establish such an institution in Boston, I am prepared to recommend a site adjacent to the surgical and medical center located on Parker Hill, where abundant land is available, the ownership of which is vested in the City of Boston.

Perhaps the greatest single barrier to a better Boston today is the presence in our city of what is known as the Boston Elevated Street Railway structure, extending from Charlestown to Forest Hills. After many years of agitation, legislation through which a start may be made on the removal of this blight is possible by the adoption of the measure providing for the construction of a subway under Shawmut avenue to Dudley street, and the removal of the Boston Elevated Railway structure from Broadway to Dudley street. It is to be hoped that favorable action will be taken upon this measure. While it entails a large expenditure of money, it would in all probability result in the ultimate removal of the entire structure, thereby making possible a direct highway from Providence, Rhode Island, to Charlestown, and an improvement similar to what took place when the structure was removed from Atlantic avenue. The removal of the Elevated structure would also result in an increase in property values on Washington street.

One of the agencies responsible for the decrease in revenues of the city is what is known as the Appellate Tax Board, where in recent years excessive abatements have been secured by the use of legal talent who specialize in practice before that Board. Cases that are settled either by the Assessing Board or by the Legal Department of the city seldom exceed 10 per cent of the amount sought by the owner of property, while decisions by the Appellate Tax Board have averaged in excess of 26 per cent. It is sincerely to be hoped that either the Appellate Tax Board be abolished, giving the person aggrieved an opportunity to have his case tried by the courts, or that a Board be appointed which will deal more justly with the

city than the present and preceding Boards have in the matter of tax abatements.

The substitution of Diesel engines for coal-burning engines, or electrification of railroads, since steam engines are no longer being built in America, should make possible at an early date the end of the nuisance created by smoke, cinders, and dust. The Dieselization of railroads in Boston represents a real opportunity for the improvement of the sections of the city where the railroads operate, and which today are stagnant due to the nuisances created by the railroad systems.

Dieselization will also enable the transfer of the facilities of the Boston and Albany Railroad from the Back Bay to a less congested section of the city. This will make available for business development the property bounded by Boylston street, Exeter street, Huntington avenue, and Massachusetts avenue. The City Planning Board has now under consideration the utilization of this area by bridging over the same as a bus and auto terminal and the taking down of Mechanics Building and construction there of an auditorium for conventions and other purposes. While at present it is in the embryonic stage, it represents a real opportunity for expansion and development of a large area that could easily treble in value with this improvement.

The structures that have been erected by private interests, representing more than \$100,000,000 during the past year, and the applications pending for new private construction, representing at the present time nearly one half of that amount, is an indication of the confidence that the businessmen of the community have, not only in the present but in the future of our city.

The City Planning Board have been instructed to designate certain sites for the location of industrial establishments at various points in the city. The purpose is to make available for business concerns desirous of locating in Boston an opportunity to secure locations where the cost of the land is reasonably low and where the same may be procured through an Industrial Commission, which I propose to create, thereby making available properties at cost without the medium of real estate agents.

The City Board of Real Estate Commissioners could very well conduct this new activity with a minimum of cost and with a maximum of benefit to the city.

A similar organization which I created prior to World War I in 1914, in the first six months of its operation and prior to the beginning of actual hostilities abroad, resulted in the addition of \$10,000,000 of industry to Boston, and there is every reason to believe that even better results could be obtained at the present time.

Large tracts of land with railroad sidings can be developed as industrial centers by contacting industrial establishments desirous of locating where a good labor market is to be found.

The financial standing and the credit of the city is today attested by the number of bidders for the city's securities. These bidders are greater in number than at any previous time in the history of the city, and the city borrows money at the lowest interest rate in history.

Those who criticize the administration of Boston's affairs might well call upon the City Auditor, the City Treasurer, or the City Collector before indulging in criticism which the action of hard-headed successful businessmen proves is entirely unwarranted and extremely injurious.

I have endeavored to point out to the Council and the public in this annual address some of the problems with which we are confronted and which for the good of the city must be solved.

The history of Boston is the history of America. In every crisis the people of Boston have met the challenge and overcome difficulties that seemed for the moment insurmountable.

Here was born the concept of free democratic government that became the heritage of America. At first a dream, it came into being in the hearts of a handful of courageous men who defied the might of the great British Empire. Sam Adams, James Otis, Joseph Warren, John Hancock, and John Adams—the names of these brave patriots will live forever in the memory of our people.

All down the years Boston men and women have worn the badge of courage that these free men bequeathed to them.

In our day and generation let us draw from their determination the inspiration to preserve the concept of self-government they created; and, when a few timid souls try to have us change our form of

local "direct voto" government for a Communistic European concept, let all Bostonians rise in their might and proclaim—"The home rule self-government ideal of Sam Adams is good enough for us!"

Then and only then will we have paid the debt we owe to this gallant band for the sacrifices they made for us—and for generations of Bostonians yet unborn!

As members of the City Government of Boston we should jointly face the future with open minds and with that courage which is our heritage from a glorious past.

God grant that in His mercy and wisdom our resolutions be strengthened, that our minds be open, and that we give to our work that thought and that intelligence which is so essential to the well-being of the entire people of our beloved city! (Applause.)

Chairman WENZLER. Thank you, Mr. Mayor, for a very fine address. The Chair now appoints Councilors Lanigan and Hurley to escort his Honor from the Chamber.

There will now be a short recess until the return of the Councilors escorting the Mayor.

(Short recess.)

Chairman WENZLER. The Council will be in order. The Chair awaits the pleasure of the Body.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the Council proceed to the election of a President for the year 1949. The motion was carried. The Clerk called the roll with the following result:

For Councilor Hurley—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—8.

For Councilor Hannon—Councilors Ansel, Hannon, Lane, Lanigan, Tracy—5.

For Councilor Carey—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, McCormack—5.

For Councilor Linehan—Councilor Beades—1.

For Councilor Bryan—Councilor Chase—1.

For Councilor Cantwell—Councilor Linehan—1.

The votes were announced by the Chairman, and there was no choice.

Coun. LANE moved that the Council adjourn until 2.30 p. m. The Chair, being in doubt on the voice vote, called for a rising vote, and the motion was not carried, yeas 8, nays 10.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that another ballot be taken for the election of a President for the year 1949. The motion was carried. The Clerk called the roll with the following result:

For Councilor Hurley—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—12.

For Councilor Carey—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Linehan, McCormack—6.

For Councilor Hannon—Councilors Hannon, Lane—2.

For Councilor Bryan—Councilor Chase—1.

Chairman WENZLER announced that twelve votes had been cast for Councilor Hurley, and that he was elected President. The Chair appointed Councilors Keenan and Lanigan to escort President-Elect Hurley to the chair.

President HURLEY expressed his thanks and gratitude to the members in electing him as President. (Applause.)

LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Auditor. In accordance with the recommendation contained therein I submit herewith an order authorizing the issuance during 1949 of temporary notes in anticipation of revenue to an amount not exceeding \$60,000,000. I respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department, January 3, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

It is customary to submit to the City Council at its first meeting in the New Year an order authorizing the issuance as needed during the year of temporary loans in anticipation of revenue receipts. In the light of the experience of last year it would seem desirable that an authorization of \$60,000,000 should be secured for 1949. I respectfully recommend that an order in this amount be submitted to the City Council for consideration and adoption.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX, City Auditor.

Ordered, That to provide temporarily money to meet the appropriations for the financial year 1949, the City Treasurer be, and hereby is, authorized to issue and sell, at such times and in such amounts as he may deem best, notes or certificates of indebtedness of the City of Boston not exceeding \$60,000,000 in the total, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year; that all such notes or certificates of indebtedness be made payable with the interest thereon within one year of their date and bear interest from their date until the same are made payable at such rate as the City Treasurer and the Mayor may determine. The said City Treasurer is hereby further authorized to renew or refund any such notes issued for a shorter period than one year, under the provisions of section 17 of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

The question came on suspending the rule to give the order its first reading. The rule was suspended, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 21, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—21.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned to the next meeting for final passage.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

John E. Beauchemen, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Assunta DiChristoforo, for compensation for damage to property at 87 Chelsea street, caused by broken water main.

Louise Cone, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Arlington street.

Anthony T. Cuddi, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John Gallagher, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Franklin street tunnel.

George F. Harnois, to be reimbursed for accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John R. Lentine, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph W. Praught, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow of Park Department.

Generoso P. Rossi, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Elizabeth C. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Anawan avenue.

Rudolph H. Suess, for compensation for damage to car by fire engine.

On motion of Councilor Cook, the Council voted at 11.57 a. m. to adjourn, to meet on Monday, January 10, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Later in the day by order of the Court and with the consent of the members of the City Council, President HURLEY called a special meeting of the City Council for the purpose only of drawing jurors.

The City Council reconvened in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2.15 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Coffey, Kinsella, Linehan, Tracy, and Yerxa.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box, in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Six additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 5, 1949:

Eugene A. MacDonald, Ward 2; John J. Moriarty, Ward 5; Irving S. Low, Ward 12; Maurice Becker, Ward 14; William F. Campbell, Ward 16; John D. Gillis, Ward 17.

The purpose for which this meeting was called having been accomplished the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 2.30 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 10, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Linehan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, as follows:

One hundred sixty-one traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear February 7, 1949:

Daniel A. Denehy, Ward 1; John Gioia, Ward 1; Thomas M. Hawes, Ward 1; Louis Imbrano, Ward 1; Lawrence Manzione, Ward 1; John McCormick, Ward 1; Michael Pastore, Ward 1; Arthur Simpson, Ward 1; John A. Devine, Ward 2; Harold Devlin, Ward 2; George H. Gravel, Ward 2; Frank J. Hall, Ward 2; William J. Murphy, Ward 2; Thomas C. White, Ward 2; Euardo Benincasa, Ward 3; Edward E. Canto, Ward 3; Anthony Piso, Ward 3; Alfred Simone, Ward 3; Ernest R. Barton, Ward 4; Elmer E. Berquist, Ward 4; Louis G. Booth, Ward 4; George B. Boudreau, Ward 4; Frederick H. Craxton, Ward 4; John F. Cunniff, Ward 4; Peter J. Gasper, Ward 4; Rohert M. Henderson, Ward 4; George F. Pierce, Ward 4; Bernard W. Golden, Ward 5; Thomas H. Joyce, Ward 5; Nathan A. Kay, Ward 5; Vincent James Macmillan, Ward 5; Robert W. Mahoney, Ward 5; Donald R. McIntyre, Ward 5; John A. Bittman, Ward 6; Frederick A. Catino, Ward 6; Charles J. Ceurvels, Ward 6; John Connors, Ward 6; John R. Heenan, Ward 6; James F. Bean, Ward 7; Ralph A. Currier, Ward 7; John P. Fitzgerald, Ward 7; Bartholomew J. Flaherty, Ward 7; William V. Fleming, Ward 7; George J. Lessard, Ward 7; Daniel F. Lynch, Ward 7; Alvin E. West, Ward 7; Gilbert Warren Winsor, Ward 7; Louis Cohen, Ward 8; John J. Cooper, Ward 8; Frank J. Hennessey, Ward 8; Michael A. Macdonald, Ward 8; Timothy J. O'Neil, Ward 8; John J. Rothen, Jr., Ward 9; Paul C. McShane, Ward 9; Kenneth Moore, Ward 9; Hyman Schwartz, Ward 9; Alfred M. Maschek, Ward 10; Frank E. McCarthy, Ward 10; Thomas G. McCracken, Ward 10; Daniel T. Mooers, Ward 10; Constantino J. Barkas, Ward 11; Samuel Block, Ward 11; James E. Brigham, Ward 11; Michael Collins, Ward 11; John T. Cuneen, Ward 11; James S. Ferrara, Ward 11; Herhert H. Ford, Ward 11; Evald T. Grenberg, Ward 11; William E. Kirby, Ward 11; Peter McHollan, Ward 11; Sidney Mercer, Ward 11; Herman Natorp, Ward 11.

John H. Blank, Ward 12; William H. Marden, Ward 12; Lewis S. Peterson, Ward 12; Albert S. Pictchel, Ward 12; Willis A. Rosenbloom, Ward 12; Joseph Werenoff, Ward 12; Leo C. Driscoll, Ward 13; Richard J. Grant, Ward 13; James H. Anderson, Ward 14; Vincent J. Banco, Ward 14; Samuel Britt, Ward 14; Vincent Carbonaro, Ward 14; John Finn, Ward 14; Albert D. Gordon, Ward 14; John C. Hilton, Ward 14; Edward J. Hurtig, Ward 14; Morris Kessin, Ward 14; Isaac Lisman, Ward 14; Arnold E. Minor, Ward 14; Louis Pike, Ward 14; John F. Ryan, Ward 14; Sidney Zidel, Ward 14; Patrick J. Conroy, Ward 15; Harvey S. Corkum, Ward 15; Ashley P. Cutting, Ward 15; John J. Donovan, Ward 15; Clarence W. Webber, Ward 15; Edgar W. Bidwell, Ward 16; Duncan L. Cameron, Ward 16; Walter A. Helms, Ward 16; Thomas Hyde, Ward 16; James W. Murphy, Ward 16; Christopher M. Porter, Ward 16; William A. Whelan, Ward 16; Samuel Applebaum, Ward 17; Joseph E. Derwin, Ward 17; Raymond Goary, Ward 17; Jacob Goldmann, Ward 17; Joseph H. Hogan, Jr., Ward 17; Herbert P. McCarron, Ward 17; Joseph L. Moore, Ward 17; John L. Slazas, Ward 17; Louis T. Broderick, Ward 18; Hyman Bronstein, Ward 18; Jacob Clark, Ward 18; Patrick J. Curley, Ward 18; John E. Groves, Ward 18; August Karo, Ward 18;

Elmer A. Langley, Ward 18; August May, Ward 18; Louis J. Miller, Ward 18; Otto T. Reiser, Ward 18; Morris Roseuthal, Ward 18; Elwood L. Scrivens, Ward 18; Charles Francis Allen, Ward 19; Mathew H. Connolly, Ward 19; Olof R. Gaulitz, Ward 19; James A. King, Ward 19; Daniel Newton, Ward 19; Harold F. Bemis, Ward 20; Emdon B. Cornwell, Ward 20; Patrick J. Granfield, Ward 20; Charles L. Harding, Ward 20; Ralph L. Huse, Ward 20; Robert M. MacDonald, Ward 20; Joseph V. McGlynn, Ward 20; Clarence J. Vater, Ward 20; Paul N. Walsh, Ward 20; Hilary H. Whelan, Ward 20; James S. Barry, Ward 21; Albert A. Blackman, Ward 21; Phillip Engel, Ward 21; Nathan Kaufman, Ward 21; Harry B. Long, Ward 21; John J. McKenna, Ward 21; Richard N. Pearlstein, Ward 21; George B. Thompson, Ward 21; Roy R. Walmsley, Ward 21; Roy S. Warren, Ward 21; John V. Burke, Ward 22; Thomas J. Curry, Ward 22; Edward C. Ford, Ward 22; Thomas J. Ford, Ward 22; William D. Halward, Jr., Ward 22; John E. Hogan, Ward 22; J. Richmond Lawton, Ward 22; Albert B. Littleton, Ward 22; Paul A. Maginnis, Ward 22; Paul Sbanley, Ward 22.

Sixty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear February 7, 1949:

John A. McIntyre, Ward 1; Frank Petrucelli, Ward 1; William L. Brown, Ward 2; William J. Corbin, Ward 2; Michael Ralph Guarriello, Ward 3; Louis Weiner, Ward 3; Parker E. Ellms, Ward 4; Joseph Fleming, Ward 4; Frank A. Manchester, Ward 4; Joseph B. Kelly, Ward 5; Edward J. Hardy, Ward 6; Matthew F. Clancy, Ward 8; Edelbert E. Ewell, Ward 8; Thomas J. McKenna, Ward 8; James F. Russell, Ward 8; James P. Hurley, Ward 9; Patrick J. Cronin, Ward 10; Sylvester J. Dade, Ward 10; Albert J. Grondin, Ward 10; Daniel Morrissey, Ward 10; Andrew B. Quin, Ward 10; Matthew P. Crehan, Ward 11; John J. Cunningham, Ward 11; Franklin S. Alves, Ward 12; Willis Dicks, Ward 12; William J. Kaupp, Ward 12; James G. Sbelton, Ward 12; Joseph Blaney, Ward 13; Neal Dolan, Ward 13; William J. Hegarty, Ward 13; Peter H. Osol, Ward 13; John P. Clarke, Ward 14; Stephen J. Giove, Ward 14; Hyman R. Greenspoon, Ward 14; Carl Leavitt, Ward 14; Henry Postar, Ward 14; George H. Reid, Ward 14; Harold S. Ringer, Ward 14; Alexander Rotman, Ward 14; Arthur S. Smith, Ward 14; David Boyd Connor, Ward 15; Stephen M. Donahue, Ward 16; Frederick C. Lotterhand, Ward 16; George H. Sullivan, Ward 16; James V. Barrett, Ward 17; Charles J. Canali, Ward 17; George M. Hicks, Ward 18; Frederick C. Kisker, Ward 18; John M. McAlhane, Ward 18; Howard C. Spence, Ward 18; Harding R. Sundell, Ward 18; Roy O. Bartlett, Ward 19; Robert D. Brown, Ward 20; Thomas E. Lawton, Ward 20; Frank A. Riley, Ward 20; Joseph D. Sullivan, Ward 20; Joseph E. Walsh, Ward 20; Frederic E. Winchester, Ward 20; Joseph T. Gorham, Ward 21; Newell F. Kelley, Ward 21; Albert H. Sacks, Ward 21; Harold R. Beaton, Ward 22; George H. Bowen, Ward 22; Thomas F. Milmore, Jr., Ward 22.

Coun. BEADES in the chair.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighter of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1949: John Anthony Needham, 68 Draper street, Dorchester, Mass.

Weighter of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1949: Philip Adelman, 11 Lougfellow road, Cambridge, Mass.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

ACCUMULATED SICK LEAVE TO EMPLOYEES ON ANNUAL SALARY.

The following was received:

City of Boston.

Office of the Mayor, January 3, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

This is in answer to your order of December 27, 1948, relative to allowing accumulated sick leave to employees on an annual salary, similar to the provisions in effect in the labor service under statutory authority.

The accumulation of sick leave for other employees was in effect for more than a year under an invalid ordinance, and in view of that year's experience and its results, it was determined by the heads of departments and myself in March, 1947, that the interests both of the employees and the city would be best served by leaving the allowance of sick leave in the discretion of the heads of departments.

This procedure has been satisfactory for nearly two years, and I see no good reason to change it.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

LEGALITY OF PINBALL MACHINES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1948.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Corporation Council relative to your order of November 17, 1948, concerning the rights of the city to license pinball machines which have now been declared illegal by a ruling of the Massachusetts Supreme Court handed down on November 3, 1948.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, December 17, 1948.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

On November 17, 1948, you transmitted to me the following order passed by the City Council two days earlier:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Corporation Counsel for the purpose of determining whether the city has the right to license pinball machines which have now been declared illegal by a ruling of the Massachusetts Supreme Court handed down on November 3, 1948."

Undoubtedly the opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court referred to in that order is the opinion in *Commonwealth v. Rivers*, 1948 Mass. Adv. Sh. 1065. That case involved a console-type, electrically-operated slot machine. The court described the machine thus:

"On the face of the machine were the words 'number of coins played' under which were five columns of figures headed by the words 'one,' 'two,' 'three,' 'four,' and 'five.' When from one to five nickels were inserted in the slot at the top of the machine and a lever was turned to the right, the face of the machine was illuminated, and three separate parallel drums, bearing symbols of cherries, oranges, plums, lemons, bells, and bars, were caused to rotate rapidly. 'Free games' from one to five hundred, depending upon the combinations of symbols resulting from the play, were registered in spaces beneath the five columns of figures upon the face of the machine. 'Free games' so registered could be either 'played off' by turning the lever to the right, or canceled by pressure upon a button located at the rear of the machine. Cancellations of 'free games' in this manner caused a meter located in the interior of the machine to record the number of 'free games' canceled. The 'playing off' of 'free games' did not change the reading upon the meter. In the interior of the machine was a device whereby the machine could be converted into a slot machine which would return to a player 5-cent coins depending in number upon the combination of symbols resulting from the play.

"... In the present case it seems that no tokens representing free plays were delivered by the machine, but rather that the machine operated as to free plays by an automatic recorded score . . ."

The court held that all three essential elements of gambling, namely, chance, price, and a prize, were present. Clearly, the game was purely one of chance. The nickel or nickels put into the machine was the price. The free play, i.e., the possibility of obtaining further amusement free, was the prize. The defendant was accordingly adjudged guilty of being concerned in the setting up of a lottery or other gaming device for money or other property of value in violation of G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 271, s. 7.

Section 101A of chapter 40 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as inserted by chapter 1 of the Ordinances of 1948 and amended by chapter 2 of the Ordinances of 1949, does not undertake to license, authorize or permit any automatic amusement device which is illegal or unlawful for any reason apart from the prohibition contained in section 101A. Furthermore, so far as I am presently aware, there are no slot machines of the type involved in the *Rivers* case in Boston. Consequently it is my belief that said section 101A is in no way affected by the decision in *Commonwealth v. Rivers*, 1949, Mass. Adv. Sh. 1065.

Respectfully,
JOSEPH SCOLPONETI,
Corporation Counsel.

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INVESTIGATION OF PARKING SPACES BY POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the taking of immediate action with reference to violations of police ordinances regarding parking spaces as follows:

Parking lot at the junction of Congress and State streets, owned by Park, Inc.

Parking lot at Winthrop square, owned by the Boston Auto Parking Company.

Parking lot at Post Office square, owned by Park, Inc.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, Division 2.
January 4, 1949.

From Capt. John F. McCarthy.

To the Superintendent.

Subject: ReViolations as Concerns Certain Parking Lots on This Division.

Sir:

In reference to the attached communication dated December 29, 1948, from Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Office of the Mayor, relative to the City Council order on December 27, 1948, requesting the Police Commissioner to take immediate action with reference to violations of police ordinances regarding parking lots located at Congress and State streets, owned by Park, Inc., the lot at Winthrop square, owned by Boston Auto Parking Company, and the lot in Post Office square, owned by Park, Inc., I respectfully report that I assigned Detective Joseph L. Crowley to the matter.

Officer Crowley reports that he inspected the lots and interviewed their respective managers, namely, Thomas Flaherty of Winthrop square parking lot; Augustus Woodberry of the Congress and State Streets lot, and Robert Fisher of the Post Office Square lot. He reports that he observed no violations at the time of his inspection. Officer Crowley states that he checked the various permits and found same to be in order. He reports that he made investigation as to the quotas allowed the lots and made special note that the numbers of cars parked in the lots were well under their respective quotas. Officer Crowley informs me that at each of these lots he checked the sandboxes and found same to be marked and well filled and that the cars were so parked as to keep the lanes between them open. The managers mentioned above were warned by Officer Crowley that their lots would be under close observation and violations would mean prosecutions. Officer also reports that the lot in Winthrop square is owned by the City of Boston and is leased to The Boston Auto Parking Company and is under supervision of Mr. Irving Lewis of Foreclosed Real Estate Department, City Hall, who above Thomas Flaherty stated, has personally inspected the lot on several occasions and has never found cause for complaint. Officer Crowley further reports that representatives of the Fire Department have inspected these same lots and have reported favorably on same.

I have instructed the officers at the several roll calls, particularly the sergeants and detectives, to give all parking lots special attention and in the event violations are noted, to make the necessary prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN F. MCCARTHY,
Captain, Division 2.

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INVESTIGATION OF PARKING SPACES
BY STREET COMMISSIONERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 31, 1948.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning investigation of parking lot operators for violation of the rules and regulations issued by the Board of Street Commissioners on February 16, 1949.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
December 31, 1948.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Council Order dated December 27, 1948, an investigation of the parking lot operators to which reference is made in said order, resulted in the following report:

Lot operated by Park Inn, Inc., Nos. 6 to 8 Congress street, corner of State street, City Proper. It was found that the operators are complying with all sections specified in the complaint under the rules and regulations of this board, except section 15, where it would be impracticable to erect a fence for it would cause a serious bottleneck at Dock square and impede the flow of traffic north and south of Congress street and backlog traffic beyond Post Office square.

Lot operated by the Winthrop Square Parking Company, Inc., Nos. 21 to 35 Pearl street and Nos. 134-140 Congress street, and Milk street; it was found that the operators of this lot are at present complying with all requirements specified in complaint.

Lot operated by the Winthrop Square Parking Company, Inc., at Nos. 117-121 Federal street and contiguous property, owned by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, comes under the jurisdiction of that board and the Board of Street Commissioners has no jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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INVESTIGATION OF PARKING SPACES BY
FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the taking of immediate action against certain owners of parking spaces for alleged violations of fire regulations.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, January 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication of December 29 concerning City Council order of December 27, 1948, copy of which is attached herewith, requesting the Fire Commissioner to take immediate action against certain owners of parking spaces for alleged violations of fire regulations.

These parking spaces have been inspected by the Fire Prevention Division of this department and I submit for your Honor's consideration a report from the deputy chief of the Fire Prevention Division stating that no violations were found.

Very truly yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, January 3, 1949.
From Deputy Chief in Charge, Fire Prevention Division.

To the Fire Commissioner.
Subject: Attached Memorandum from the Mayor's Office.

In compliance with the attached memorandum from the Office of the Mayor concerning Council Order of December 27, 1948, relative to conditions at the parking lot at the junction of Congress and State streets, the parking lot at Winthrop square, and the parking lot at Port Office square (owned as specified in copy of Council Order—also attached), I inspected the premises noted on this date.

All three parking lots were well below capacity; fire extinguishers, sand and sand pails were found to comply with the regulations. General conditions were satisfactory at the time of inspection.

Respectfully submitted,
ENWARD N. MONTGOMERY,
Deputy Chief in Charge,
Fire Prevention Division.

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REMOVAL OF OLD CHRISTMAS TREES

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 31, 1948.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the picking up of all Christmas trees after January 4, 1949.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 31, 1948,
To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner, Public Works Department.
Subject: Order in Council, Councilor Sullivan, December 27, 1948.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of December 29, attaching order in Council, under date of December 27, 1948, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign to the Street Cleaning and Paving Divisions of his department the duty of picking up all Christmas trees after January 4; and be it further "Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to seek the cooperation of the daily newspapers so that the pickups might be advertised and carried out in a manner similar to the waste paper pickups as this will reduce a fire hazard."

It has always been the custom of the day labor, as well as the contractors' forces, to pick up Christmas trees when they are put out for collection. I do not think it advisable to instruct the public to place them all out at the same time, because such procedure would overburden the regular work, and would probably increase the fire hazard rather than decrease it.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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USE OF CLIFF STREET PROPERTY FOR
PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department relative to your order of December 20, 1948, concerning the placing of 15 to 25

Cliff street before the Committee on Foreclosed Real Estate to make the land available to the Park Department for use as a playground.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, January 3, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of December 20, 1948, requesting the Park Commission to request the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to place 15 to 25 Cliff street before the Committee on Foreclosed Real Estate to make the land available to the Park Department for use as a playground.

The land at 15 to 25 Cliff street, Roxbury, has an 80-foot frontage on Cliff street, and contains 13,307 square feet. Its location is on one of the busiest cross streets in this part of Roxbury, narrow in width and very heavily traveled. It is the only street where all vehicular traffic can go from Washington street to Warren street, Roxbury.

A playground at this location, considering the size, or area of the lot, could be only a tots' lot playground. Due to its location and the heavily traveled highways in the vicinity of Cliff street, Warren street, Dudley street, and Washington street, the playground would be so blocked from use by children outside of this area due to the dangerous boundary streets. I feel that it could serve only the young tots in the relatively small area bounded by Cliff, Warren, and Glenwood streets.

In my opinion small tots' playgrounds on heavily traveled streets are dangerous. Taking over this area for a small tots' playground, with frame houses adjacent, and without proper funds to surface it and to construct walls and fences on the boundaries could add a responsibility of maintenance and supervision unless provided for by the proper funds, would mean as it has in many other tots' lot playgrounds damage to adjacent private dwellings.

At the present time the city has tots' lot areas but due to the lack of adequate funds they cannot be properly maintained and supervised.

I feel that before consideration is given to taking over this lot for play purposes that it be proved that this is a safe location for a small children's playground; that it will serve a greater area of the district than is now apparent and that funds be first provided to construct, maintain, and supervise it properly.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. MURPHY Chairman,

Placed on file.

FLOODING OF WARD 10 PLAYGROUNDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 4, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the flooding of the Jefferson, Lieut. Joseph McLaughlin, and Mission Playgrounds, in Ward 10.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, January 3, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of December 27, 1948, requesting the Park Commissioner to arrange to flood the Jefferson, Lieut. Joseph McLaughlin, and Mission Playgrounds, in Ward 10, Roxbury.

I wish to inform them that the Jefferson Playground has been flooded. I have recently given orders to start flooding the Mission Playground.

I regret to say that it is impossible to flood the Lieut. Joseph McLaughlin Playground at the top of Parker Hill, due to the fact that the playground is sloped in one direction from the Parker Hill side towards the Fisher Hill side of the playground. Under the circumstances it is impossible for us to retain water on that area so as to provide skating.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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RECLASSIFICATION OF LONG ISLAND HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Institutions Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the reclassification of all employees of the Long Island Hospital, similar to the classification of employees at the Boston City Hospital and the Boston Sanatorium.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Institutions Department, January 4, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I am returning herewith order of the City Council passed December 27, 1948, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Institutions Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reclassify all employees of the Long Island Hospital similar to the classifications of employees at the City Hospital and the Boston Sanatorium."

Please be advised that reclassification of the employees at the Long Island Hospital was accomplished in 1948. The Civil Service Commission requested and performed this reclassification in order to standardize titles for the same work in the City Hospital, Sanatorium, and the Long Island Hospital. This reclassification had the approval of the Institutions Department.

In addition to this reclassification, which has been completed, a study is being made of the salaries paid at the Long Island Hospital in relation to those paid in the City Hospital and the Sanatorium.

Yours very truly,

G. FRANK McDONALD, Commissioner.

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ADHERENCE TO ESTABLISHED POLICE DAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 5, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the adherence to the established police day which is from 7.45 a. m. to 7.45 a. m., and the payment of the officers and men for holidays, as provided in the new bill.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department, December 31, 1948.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith copy of Council order passed December 27, 1948, requesting the Police Commissioner to adhere to the established police day.

There is no change contemplated in police day, nor in the manner of paying or allowing time off for this day, as provided for in the law. The members of the department were so advised in a General Order on December 23, 1948.

Very truly yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN, Police Commissioner.

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NAMING OF PAUL M. DOOLEY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 5, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans concerning your order of December 20, 1948, relative to the

naming of the space at the junction of Park and Centre streets, Ward 20, Paul M. Dooley Square, in honor of Lieut. Paul M. Dooley, killed in action in Germany, September 20, 1944, during World War II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
January 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of orders introduced by Councilor Bryan, requesting the junction of Park and Centre streets, Ward 20, be named in honor of Paul M. Dooley, and the junction of Iona street and Belgrade avenue, Ward 20, be named in honor of Robert F. Cruickshank.

Please be advised that the next meeting of this committee will not be held until April or May, at which time these requests will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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INCREASED PERSONNEL AT FAYETTE STREET OFFICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 29, 1948.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of December 13, 1948, concerning the increasing of the personnel at the Fayette Street office to handle the increased demands for public aid.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
December 23, 1948.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In response to the City Council order requesting increase in the personnel at the Fayette Street office:

We are trying to secure additional workers to meet the genuine needs of this department, including those of the Fayette Street district. In the meantime, it is necessary to assign proportionately those that are available for field work. We allow more in the districts in which the greatest need is shown but we must give some attention to every section in which there is need.

We appreciate your interest and that of the City Council in obtaining adequate staff for this department and assure you that we also are convinced that it is necessary for the best service to the city and to those in need.

Yours sincerely,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

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ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE TO WELFARE RECIPIENTS AT HOLIDAYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 29, 1948.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of December 20, 1948, concerning the giving of an additional \$5 to the recipients of welfare aid for Christmas and New Year's.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
December 23, 1948.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In response to the order of the City Council dated December 20, 1948, which reads as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Welfare Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put an additional \$5 for the recipients of welfare aid for Christmas and New Year's,"

may I state that due to the fact that the grants in Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children are most adequate and, further, because of the fact that we recently, with your approval, increased the grants in General Relief, we feel it impossible to comply with this order of the City Council.

Sincerely yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

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CLEANING OF STREETS OF ICE AND SNOW.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 31, 1948.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the cleaning of all the streets and highways of ice and snow.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 31, 1948.

To Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
From Robert P. Curley,

Commissioner, Public Works Department.
Subject: Order in Council, December 27, 1948.
Receipt is acknowledged of order in Council, under date of December 27, 1948, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be ordered by his Honor the Mayor to take immediate steps to clean all the streets and highways of ice and snow." Councilor Cook.

Report received from the Sanitary Division is that this work is progressing, and is nearly completed.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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USE OF SCHOOLYARDS AS SUPERVISED PLAYGROUNDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 5, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee relative to your order of November 8, 1948, concerning the including of sufficient money in their 1949 budget to have all schoolyards opened during the summer of 1949 as supervised playgrounds for the children.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, January 4, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the Conference of the School Committee held on December 17, 1948, an order passed by the City Council under date of November 8, 1948, was presented, requesting the "School Committee, through your Honor, to include sufficient money in their 1949 budget to have all schoolyards opened during the summer of 1949 as supervised playgrounds for the children."

The committee instructed me to report that this order of the City Council will be considered at the time the budgetary items for 1949 are under discussion.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

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"STOP" SIGNS AT BALLOU AVENUE AND WILLOWOOD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of November 15, 1948, concerning the placing of "Stop" signs at Ballou avenue and Willowood street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Subject: Council Order Dated November 15, 1948, Requesting This Commission to Place "Stop" Signs at Ballou Avenue and Willowood Street.

In reference to the above order please be advised that this department has no record of any accidents involving personal injuries at this intersection.

Our Engineering Division does not recommend making this intersection a "Stop" street.

I concur with their findings.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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SUPPLYING OF POLICE STATIONS WITH COASTING SIGNS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the supplying of all police stations with necessary coasting signs.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Subject: Council Order Dated December 27, 1948, Requesting That All Police Stations Be Supplied With Necessary Coasting Signs.

In reference to the above, please be advised that all police stations have been supplied with the necessary coasting signs.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ACQUISITION OF FORT STRONG, LONG ISLAND.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 3, 1949.
To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the commissioner of the City of Boston Institutions Department stating that pursuant to my instructions application was made by him to the United States Government for the acquisition of the property known as Fort Strong, Long Island, Boston Harbor, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, under public benefit allowance for health purposes, provided for by Public Law 109 and Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended.

The government has expressed its intention to have these premises, appraised at a fair value of \$567,000, conveyed to the City of Boston at a 100 per cent discount.

The substance of the terms under which the city is to receive a deed to the land and buildings is contained in an acceptance of the offer by me, under date of November 17, 1948, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

The obtaining of this property will give control of the entire island to the City of Boston, and will make possible further expansion of facilities of the Long Island Hospital, and eventually making it the greatest institution of its kind in the country.

I therefore submit herewith appropriate orders authorizing the acceptance of the deed and the execution of the agreement with the government with relation to the aforesaid premises, and respectfully recommend their passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Institutions Department, December 21, 1948.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Pursuant to your Honor's instructions dated October 14, 1948, I have made application to the United States Government for consideration of the City of Boston's priority in the acquisition of the property known as Fort Strong, Long Island, Boston Harbor.

It is the intention to have these premises conveyed to the City of Boston from the United States Government under the provision of Public Law 109, as well as the Surplus Property Act of 1944 as amended, which enables the City of Boston to obtain a deed to the Fort Strong property under 100 per cent discount. The substance of the terms under which the city will receive the deed to the property is contained in the copy of the United States Government's acceptance of the City of Boston's application, which is attached herewith.

The obtaining of this property will give ownership of the entire island to the City of Boston and will make possible the further expansion of the facilities of the Long Island Hospital.

I therefore respectfully request that your Honor recommend the adoption by the City Council of the proper order authorizing the acceptance of the deed for the Fort Strong property from the United States Government.

Respectfully yours,
G. FRANK McDONALD, Commissioner.

War Assets Administration,
Army Base,
Boston, Mass., November 17, 1948.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re WD-1234-(W-Mas-73) Fort Strong, Long Island, Boston Harbor, Mass.

Dear Mayor Curley:

The New York Regional Director has approved the sale of the captioned facility to the City of Boston, for the fair value of \$567,000, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Terms: Sale at fair value, with benefits to accrue to the United States, as determined on the basis of the public benefit allowance formula (100%), to be accepted in lieu of money. Transfer to be made in consideration of the transferee's agreement to accept and fulfill all the terms and conditions of transfer.

2. Property to be utilized by the applicant for the purposes set forth in the program included in its application, dated October 19, 1948, for a period of 20 years from the date of conveyance of the premises.

3. None of the property to be sold or otherwise conveyed for a period of 20 years from date of conveyance, without written approval of the War Assets Administration, except that temporary buildings may be replaced by other structures having the same utility.

4. Title to revert to the United States in the event there is a violation of any of the conditions of the transfer or unauthorized non-compliance with the plan of operation as submitted and approved within a period of 20 years from date of conveyance.

5. The City of Boston, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to be required to submit to the War Assets Administration semiannual reports

for a period of 20 years from date of conveyance on utilization of the property in accordance with the approved program and the terms and conditions of this sale.

6. Title to be conveyed by quitclaim deed and property to be delivered on a date to be mutually agreed upon.

7. Compliance with requirements of War Assets Administration Regulation 5, including amendments thereto.

8. *Recapture by the United States.* The government shall have the right, during any national emergency, to the full, unrestricted use of the property conveyed. Prior to the expiration or termination of the period of restricted use the government shall not pay rent for any property conveyed at public benefit allowance but shall bear the entire cost of maintenance of all the property subject to its use. After the expiration or termination of the period of restricted use the government shall pay fair rental for all the property used. However, the government shall pay fair rental for the use of improvements added by the purchaser without federal aid whether the government's use occurs during, or after expiration or termination of the period of restricted use.

9. *Abrogation of Conveyance Restrictions.* The purchaser, with the approval of the War Assets Administrator, or his successor in function, may, by payment to the United States of the amount of the public benefit allowance, less an amortized credit for each 12 months of operation in compliance with the approved program, obtain the removal of conditions 2, 3, 4, and 5.

A sum equal to the amount allowed as public benefit allowance, less 5 per cent of said amount for each 12 months of operation in compliance with the terms of transfer.

10. The City of Boston will be obligated to pay external administrative expenses incurred by the War Assets Administration because of the transfer of the property to the City of Boston. Disposal instructions will include specific items involved.

11. Reservation to the United States of a perpetual easement for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, removing, and reinstalling cable lines and cable hut on lands described in Block 8, Schedule G of WAA Form 1005, dated February 4, 1948, Reporting Agency WD-1234.

12. Any other requirements deemed necessary by the Real Property Division, office of the Regional Council.

Kindly acknowledge your acceptance of the above terms and conditions by signing and returning to this office the enclosed three duplicates of this letter.

Sincerely yours,
PAUL F. HEALY,
Assistant Deputy Regional Director,
Office of Real Property Disposal.

Whereas, Pursuant to the Mayor's instructions under date of October 14, 1948, application was made for the acquisition of the property known as Fort Strong, Long Island, Boston Harbor, Suffolk County, Massachusetts; and

Whereas, Said property, which has been appraised at a fair value of \$567,000, is to be acquired by the City of Boston under a public benefit law for health purposes, which entitles it to a 100 per cent discount; and

Whereas, The United States Government has expressed its intention to have these premises conveyed to the City of Boston and accept said public benefit allowance of 100 per cent in lieu of money; it is

Ordered, That the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized to accept a deed and execute an agreement with the United States Government for the acquisition of property known as Fort Strong, Long Island, Boston Harbor, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, on terms and conditions as recited in the letter of acceptance by the Mayor under date of November 17, 1948, and such additional terms and conditions that the Mayor may deem proper and in the interests of the city, and execute and deliver any and all other such instruments as may be properly required in order to consummate the acquisition of said premises; it is further

Ordered, That the sum of one dollar be appropriated from the Contingent Fund to be paid as consideration for the execution and delivery of the deed by the United States Government; it is further

Ordered, That said property, if and when acquired, shall be, subject to the Mayor's approval, under the charge, management, and control of the City of Boston Institutions Department.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees, named, viz.:

Claims.

Lillian Azulay, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 495 Columbus avenue.

Michael T. Clougherty, to be reimbursed for executions issued against him.

Margaret I. Connolly, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.

Robert M. Doheny, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Edward L. Friel, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by City Hospital ambulance.

June P. Galandzy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cummins Highway.

Charles Goldberg, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John P. Hearn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

William J. Hood, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

George F. Keogh, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Anna M. Maloney, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 992 Washington street, Dorchester.

Helen T. Mason, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 411 Washington street.

Daniel V. Milligan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

William J. Powers, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John J. Reilly, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

A. H. Rubin, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Water Department.

William E. Webster, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Hattie Wilson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 990 Blue Hill avenue.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of New Egyptian Alleys (Waldo C. Nardella), 345 Washington street, Brighton, Ward 22, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received from the Tributary Theatre of Boston — children to appear at New England Mutual Hall on January 15 and 29.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Joseph Ackman, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices of the following appointments by the Mayor were received:

Frank B. Howland, 142 Townsend street, Roxbury, Principal Assessor, for term ending March 31, 1950, vice Phillip McMorro, deceased.

J. Howard Bushway, 258 Prince street, Newton, as member of Board of Recreation for term expiring January 4, 1953.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF CORNELIUS T. KILEY.

Notice was received from A. S. Bigelow, Chairman of State Housing Board, of appointment of Cornelius T. Kiley, 68 Adamson street, Allston, as member of Boston Housing Authority for term ending December 23, 1953.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES IANNELLO.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment (emergency) of Charles Iannello, 31 Maywood street, Roxbury, as inspector of housing and sanitation, effective January 5, 1949.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$100 by Boston Housing Authority for grading at Columbia Village temporary veterans' housing project.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from George W. Judkins, member of Board of Appeal, of appraisal of certain vacant lands for Boston Housing Authority.

Placed on file.

PROPOSED WIDENING OF HUNTINGTON AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Finance Commission, December 27, 1948.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Honorable Sir:

For the second time in two years there is before the Board of Street Commissioners a proposal to widen a strip of Huntington avenue in the vicinity of Symphony Hall. The first proposal was abandoned upon the recommendation of the Finance Commission. The Board has advertised a hearing to be held on this second proposal on December 29, 1948.

Apparently no petition for this improvement has been filed with the Board of Street Commissioners by interested private property owners. Nor, as the newspapers quote you, have you suggested or promoted it. There has been vague suggestion that the idea originated with the Traffic Commission, but the Finance Commission could find no communication from that agency recommending it recorded in the files of the Board of Street Commissioners. The Street Commissioners themselves only assume responsibility for ordering a hearing on the matter. Such a hearing is required by chapter 393, Acts of 1906.

While there is, therefore, an air of mystery about the responsibility for the inception of the project, yet a plan in detail showing the lines of the proposed change in Huntington avenue has been developed by the Engineering Division of the Board of Street Commissioners. This plan is apparently the only recorded basis of the proceedings which have so far been ordered.

The project of two years ago, above referred to, was similar in apparent objective but concerned a much greater length of Huntington avenue. But there was no citizen petition for it at that time, nor was there any recommendation for it from any other public agency in the files of the Street Commissioners' office.

It was explained two years ago that the purpose of a widening at this locus is to relieve "a bottleneck" in Huntington avenue. This explanation is offered now again. The parking of automobiles alongside the curb in the two-car width provided when the Huntington Avenue underpass was built narrows the passage for cars to a single car width. But parking there has always been prohibited by rule of the Traffic Commission. Furthermore, at the westerly entrance to Huntington avenue from Massachusetts avenue, the street area is as wide as it can be without change to the steps leading to the main entrance to Symphony Hall. Widening of the avenue beyond Symphony Hall, which is contemplated in the plan now being considered, would not of itself eliminate the

"bottleneck" condition. In other words, since the roadway in front of Symphony Hall will remain as at present, approximately a two-car-width lane, the so-called bottleneck condition will remain.

What the presently contemplated widening will accomplish is that, with revocation of the rule to prohibit parking on Huntington avenue between Massachusetts avenue and Gainsborough street, the new street area will merely provide a parking space for automobiles. At best this parking area will not accommodate more than a dozen cars. Since, therefore, there has been no public demand for the improvement, and it appears that no public interest will be benefited by it, the real motive of it is left to conjecture. Moreover, the actual instigators of the project have not been disclosed.

The cost of land-taking to accomplish the widening is estimated unofficially to be many thousand dollars and construction costs at least \$15,000. It appears therefore that the total cost is entirely out of line with the meager advantage to be gained. As the Finance Commission pointed out two years ago in this connection, enforcement of a "No Parking" rule at that location would save the taxpayers an unnecessary expense.

The Commission again recommends that the widening of Huntington avenue as contemplated in this plan which is before the Board of Street Commissioners be disapproved.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS, Chairman,
ALEXANDER WHEELER,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
ERWARD F. MULLEN.
The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

The Council took up under unfinished business, viz., Order for temporary loan of \$60,000,000 in anticipation of revenue. On January 3, 1949, the order was read once and passed, yeas 21, nays 0. The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.
Nays—0.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, RUTHERFORD AVENUE AND BALDWIN STREET.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Boston Traffic Commission relative to the possibility of installing pedestrian-operated traffic lights at Rutherford avenue and Baldwin street, Charlestown, Ward 2, Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

OAKLAND STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. SULLIVAN and TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Oakland street, in Wards 9 and 11, a one-way street from Washington street to Thornton street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SURVEY, WARREN AND ST. JAMES STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of the vicinity of Warren street at the junction of St. James street, as to the advisability of placing pedestrian traffic lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS, CLIFF AND WARREN STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to place "Stop" signs on Cliff street at the entrance to Warren street, Ward 12.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

President Hurley in the chair.

TRACKLESS TROLLEY SITUATION, GROVE HALL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request a conference of the M.T.A. officials, to which members of the Grove Hall Board of Trade and Blue Hill Board of Trade will be invited for purpose of discussing the trackless trolley situation in the Grove Hall area.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

LIGHTS ON RHOADES STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, that his Honor the Mayor request the Public Works Commissioner to study the advisability of placing lights on Rhoades street, Dorchester.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, SOUTH HUNTINGTON AND HUNTINGTON AVENUES.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange to install traffic lights at the junction of South Huntington and Huntington avenues, Ward 10, at the earliest possible date.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

INCINERATOR TO SUPPLANT MILE ROAD DUMP.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Commissioner of Public Works to include in the 1949 budget a sum sufficient for the erection of an incinerator to supplant the Mile Road Dump in Dorchester.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

President HURLEY announced the appointment of Councilor Lanigan to serve as temporary chairman of the Executive Committee.

RIGHT OF EMPLOYEES TO PETITION AND APPEAR BEFORE CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inform the City Council if the right given civil service employees, under the provisions of chapter 288 of the Acts of 1946, to petition and appear before the Legislature, also extends to the right to petition and appear before the City Council.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

PARKING PERMITS FOR AMPUTEE VETERANS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Police Commissioner and Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide some designation for amputee veterans in order that they may park

their cars, which have been specially built for them, close to their places of business without being tagged for violating parking rules and regulations now in existence.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF MONSIGNOR JOHN J. O'DONNELL SQUARE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Whereas, Monsignor John J. O'Donnell was for twenty years pastor of St. Ann's Church in Dorchester and was not only the spiritual but also the civic leader in this section, and
 Whereas, By his example and actions he endeared himself to people of all creeds and, on his death, left all of his money to worthy charities, and
 Whereas, The people of the entire district desire to perpetuate his name; therefore be it
 Ordered, That the name of the open space at the junction of Neponset avenue and Freeport street, Ward 16, be changed from Spaulding square to Monsignor John J. O'Donnell square, and that suitable signs be erected designating same.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

ONE-YEAR TENURE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the rules of the City Council be amended so as to provide that no President of the Body shall be elected to succeed himself.
 Referred to the Committee on Rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted at 3 p. m. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.42 p. m.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS.

Temporary Chairman Lanigan, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred December 27, 1948) relative to yearly visits to various city departments,—recommending passage of the order in the following draft, viz.:

Ordered, That the permanent chairman of the Executive Committee arrange a schedule for councilors to visit the various city departments, so that in the course of the year every department of the city will be visited by the members of the City Council in order that they may become acquainted with the workings of these departments and may see how the money which they appropriate is expended and, likewise, may consider the needs and expansion of the various departments.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred December 27, 1948) for transfer of \$1,600 from appropriation for Public Works Department, Central Office, Workmen's Compensation Service, Establishment of, to A-1, Permanent Employees that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cautwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.
 Nays—0.

PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 622, ACTS OF 1948.

Coun. WENZLER recalled from the Executive Committee the order referred August 2, 1948 for acceptance of chapter 622, Acts of 1948, for certain rapid transit improvements in City of Boston.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the order was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

REPAIR OF HANDBALL COURT,
L STREET BATH.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, shall place in the budget a sufficient sum of money to place in good condition the handball court in the L Street bath, South Boston, because of its dilapidated condition, nothing having been done in the last ten years.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACE EQUIPMENT AT SOUTH
BOSTON GYMNASIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor, request the Park Commissioner to provide four pairs of boxing gloves at the South Boston Gymnasium, to replace the broken pairs there now; that the apparatus on the left side of wall shall be firmly bolted at once because of the dangerous condition that prevails at the present time; and that signs be painted on the wall showing the schedule of the different events.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION RE BANNING OF
CERTAIN COMIC BOOKS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reply to the City Council order which was passed on November 15, 1948, relative to the banning of comic books which are detrimental to growing children.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

INCREASED TRAIN SERVICE TO
HYDE PARK.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be requested to increase train service to Hyde Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, OAK SQUARE DISTRICT.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be requested to make a survey in the Oak Square district of Brighton as to the advisability of installing traffic lights on Champney, Washington, and Tremont streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGN, BIGELOW AND FANEUIL
STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be directed to install a "Stop" sign on Bigelow street at the Faneuil street end.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.11 p. m., to meet on Monday, January 17, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 17, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Carey, Keenan, Lane.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

VETO OF TRANSFER ORDER TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature, and disapproved, the order passed by your Honorable Body transferring \$1,600 to the Public Works Department, Central Office, A-1, Permanent Employees.

I am informed by the City Auditor that my signature on this order would have no effect, because the order was not adopted during the financial year it was submitted to your Body. For that reason, I am prompted to veto the order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the appointment of James Archibald Coulter, 1980 Centre street, West Roxbury, as Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

PARKING OF AUTOMOBILES ON DESIGNATED STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of November 8, 1948, in further answer to the request that the Police Commissioner instruct captains in the various divisions to allow the parking of automobiles on designated streets within their district where no garage or parking space is available.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 7, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated November 8, 1948: "That the Police Commissioner Be Requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to Instruct the Captains in the Various Divisions to Allow the Parking of Automobiles on Designated Streets within Their District where no Garage or Parking Space is Available."

Further referring to my reply of November 22, 1948, I have been advised by the Law Department that the above order is ineffective and cannot be carried out, and "The Police Commissioner is an official of the state and is not subject to any orders from municipal officers. Further, neither the police commissioner nor the traffic commission can permit parking in any street or any public way in the City of Boston. A recent

opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Court has emphatically stated that no legislative or administrative authority may permit parking upon any public way."

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

NIGHT PARKING, MEETING HOUSE HILL SECTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order dated November 15, 1948, concerning the issuance of orders to permit night parking in the Meeting House Hill section of Boston, and in such other sections where garage facilities are inadequate.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 7, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated November 15, 1948, "That the Traffic Commission Be Requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to Issue Orders to Permit Night Parking in the Meeting House Hill Section of Boston, and in Such Other Sections Where Garage Facilities are Inadequate."

Further referring to my reply of November 22, 1948, I have been advised by the Law Department that the above order is ineffective and cannot be carried out, and "A recent opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Court has emphatically stated that no legislative or administrative authority may permit parking upon any public way."

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS INDICATING "JEWISH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of December 13, 1948, concerning the placing of signs at Washington and Townsend streets, bearing the legend, "Jewish Memorial Hospital."

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated December 13, 1948, Requesting Signs Be Placed at Washington and Townsend Streets, Bearing the Legend "Jewish Memorial Hospital."

In compliance with the above order, please be advised that the signs have been erected.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

LIQUOR LICENSE AT HANCOCK VILLAGE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Law Department relative to your order of December 20, 1948, concerning a recent decision of the Alcoholic Beverages Commission granting a license

for a liquor store at the West Roxbury side of Hancock Village, in the face of opposition of responsible groups and persons residing in West Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, January 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

On December 22, 1948, you transmitted to me the following order adopted by the City Council two days earlier:

"Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inform the City Council, that steps, legal or otherwise, may be taken to stop the carrying out of a recent decision of the Alcoholic Beverages Commission granting a license for a liquor store at the West Roxbury side of the Hancock Village, in the face of concerted and practically unanimous opposition of responsible groups and persons residing in West Roxbury."

I understand that the decision in question was made by the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission under G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 138, s. 67, which, as most recently amended by St. 1943, c. 542, s. 18, reads as follows:

"Any applicant for a license who is aggrieved by the action of the local licensing authorities in refusing to grant the same or by their failure to act within the period of 30 days limited by section 16B, or any person who is aggrieved by the action of such authorities in modifying, suspending, canceling, revoking, or declaring forfeited the same, may appeal therefrom to the commission within 5 days following notice of such action or following the expiration of said period, upon petition in writing, setting forth all the material facts in the case. The commission may, after hearing, due notice whereof shall have been given, sustain the action of the local licensing authorities or may sustain the appeal, in which latter case it shall set forth in writing in its decision its reasons therefor, and the decision of the commission shall be final; . . ."

In view of the express language of the statute that "the decision of the commission shall be final," there are no steps which may be taken to stop the carrying out of the decision in question.

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPH A. SCOLPONETI,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, ORCHARDHILL ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 30, 1948, concerning the replacing of the gas lamps on Orchardhill road, Jamaica Plain, with modern electric lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the gas lamps on Orchardhill road, Jamaica Plain, with modern electric lights, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department reports that this change-over has already been made.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, ROSSMORE ROAD AND WILLIAMS STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 15, 1948, concerning the replacing of the gas lamps on Rossmore road and Williams street, in the Jamaica Plain section of Ward 11, and on side streets in the vicinity, with modern electric lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in the City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace the gas lamps on Rossmore road and Williams street, in the Jamaica Plain section of Ward 11, and on side streets in the vicinity, with modern electric lights, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department is making a survey of this area for conversion from gas to electric street lighting.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, GREEN STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of December 13, 1948, concerning the replacing of gas lights on Green street, between Washington and Amory streets, Ward 11, with adequate electric lighting facilities.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the gas lights on Green street, between Washington and Amory streets, Ward 11, with adequate electric lighting facilities, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made on this street with a view to a change-over from gas to electric street lighting.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, BAINBRIDGE STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of December 20, 1948, concerning the replacing of gas lamps on Bainbridge street, Ward 11, with modern electric lighting facilities.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the gas lamps on Bainbridge street, Ward 11, with modern electric lighting facilities, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department reports that the Edison Company is making a survey of this street for conversion from gas to electric lamps.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

HELPERS ON HEAVY DUTY TRUCKS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the assigning of a helper on every heavy duty truck in the department, such as Walter Snow Fighters which are used for plowing and sanding, and the heavy trucks which are used only for plowing.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works assign a helper on every heavy duty truck in his department such as Walter Snow Fighters which are used for plowing and sanding, and the heavy trucks which are used only for plowing, and this will advise you that it is the policy of the Public Works Department to assign a helper on all our vehicles used in plowing.

However, the Walter Snow Fighters do not require the assistance of a helper when used only for the spreading of salt or sand as they can be handled very efficiently by the operator himself.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS, SULLIVAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the status of the plans for traffic improvements at Sullivan square, Ward 2, Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 12, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works submit a report relative to the status of the plans for traffic improvements at Sullivan square, Ward 2, Boston, and this will advise you that the State Department of Public Works informs me that the Federal Bureau of Public Roads has accepted the preliminary plans for the reconstruction of Sullivan square and the State Department of Public Works is now negotiating a contract with a firm of consulting engineers to complete the detailed designs for this construction.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SANDING TRUCK, ROSLINDALE-WEST ROXBURY DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department relative to your order of December 27, 1948, concerning the assigning of a sanding truck to the Roslindale-West Roxbury district so that it will be immediately available when needed.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works permanently assign a sanding truck to the Roslindale-West Roxbury district so that it will be immediately available when needed and this will advise you that, within the past two weeks, we have equipped a truck in the District No. 5 Paving Service Yard with a mechanical spreader to take care of this area.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF EQUIPMENT, SOUTH BOSTON GYMNASIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the replacing of damaged boxing gloves and the bolting of apparatus to the wall at the South Boston gymnasium.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 13, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of January 10, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to provide four pairs of boxing gloves at the South Boston gymnasium to replace the broken pairs there now, etc.

This complaint came in to me a few days ago and I immediately contacted the man in charge of supplying such equipment.

I wish to state that the request has been granted.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS TO HANDBALL COURT, L STREET BATHHOUSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the placing in condition of the handball court in the L Street baths, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 14, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of January 10, 1949, requesting

the Park Commissioner to place in the budget sufficient sums of money to place in good condition the handball court in the L Street baths, South Boston, because of its dilapidated condition, and nothing having been done in the last ten years.

I wish to state that we have submitted in the budget sufficient funds to take care of the L Street Bathhouse handball court. I see no reason why this work cannot be done in the spring, after the budget has been passed.

You can inform the City Council that the matter will be taken care of, in accordance with their request.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PARKING PERMITS FOR AMPUTEE VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the providing of some designation for amputee veterans in order that they may park their cars, which have been specially built for them, close to their places of business, without being tagged for violating parking rules now in existence.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, January 14, 1949.
L. P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order of the City Council dated January 10, 1949, as follows:

"Requesting the Police Commissioner to provide some designation for amputee veterans in order that they may park their cars, which have been specially built for them, close to their places of business without being tagged for violating parking rules and regulations now in existence."

Please be advised that on August 21, 1946, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Rudolph F. King, at the request of the United States Veterans Administration, authorized the issuance of a special sticker to be attached to specially equipped automobiles furnished by the government to veterans of World War II suffering from amputations or paraplegic conditions.

The undersigned agreed to recognize this "courtesy" sticker, copy of which is attached, and instructions were issued to the officers of the Boston Police Department accordingly.

A year later it was agreed that this "courtesy" sticker would also be issued to disabled veterans of World War I who came within the same rule of eligibility. These rules were set up by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles and the representative of the United States Veterans Administration, and all veterans who have been granted these special stickers agree to conform to the regulations.

Very truly yours,
T. F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Frederick C. Bohm, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Gertrude B. Delory, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Nashua street.

Hazel C. Ernst, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Inez Feldman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 24 Irma street.

Hazel B. Fielding, for compensation for injuries caused by defect in sidewalk at State and Kilby streets.

Charles Gallagher, to be reimbursed for extra work done at Boston Common.

Maurice Gallivan, for compensation for damage to property at 3948 Washington street, Roslindale, caused by broken water pipes.

Marie Hurley, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 262 Ashmont street.

Daniel J. Johnson, for compensation for damage to property at 62 Paragon road, caused by backing up of drain.

Michael J. Kowalski, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

W. S. Murray, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Marie A. Murphy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 91 Cornhill.

Marion Prouty, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 12 Thatcher street.

Margaret E. Raulinaitis, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 275 Newbury street.

Charles E. Reddington, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Weights and Measures Department.

John H. Stacy, for compensation for damage to car by fire engine.

Thomas Wall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Max Weinstein, for compensation for damage to property at 979-983 Harrison avenue, caused by lack of repair of catch-basin.

Edward Davidson, to be reimbursed for moving fence at 4 Rens street, Allston, caused by construction of street.

Executive.

Petition of Edith D. Hoppe, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, John T. Hoppe, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Scollay Square Alleys (Albert J. Magaletta), 48 Scollay square, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day.

APPOINTMENT OF GEORGE J. CURLEY AS STREET COMMISSIONER.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of George James Curley, 350 Jamaicaaway, Jamaica Plain, as member of Board of Street Commissioners, for term ending first Monday of January, 1950, *vice* Martin J. Finn, resigned.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF INTEREST IN CONTRACTS.

Notices were received from William H. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest in following contracts:

Appraisal of wharf work for Law Department.

Contract of W. H. Ellis & Son for repairs to Albany Street sanitary dump.

Severally placed on file.

RESIGNATION OF THOMAS J. TURLEY.

Notice was received from Thomas J. Turley of resignation from Board of Recreation as of January 1, 1949.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held February 4, at 10 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to erect, maintain, and use pole on northeasterly side of Prescott street, at Boston & Albany Railroad Bridge, East Boston, and to attach wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus to said pole.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held February 4, at 10 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to erect, maintain, and use a pole on southerly side of Cambridge street, Allston, west

of Denton road, and to attach wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus to said pole.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES.

President HURLEY announced the appointment of the following committees for the year 1949, viz.:

Executive.

All the members—Councilor Lanigan, chairman; Councilor Sullivan, vice-chairman.

Appropriations.

Councilors Shanley, Sullivan, Bryan, Yerxa, Coffey, Tracy, Lane.

Claims.

Councilors Tracy, Linchan, McCormack, Carey, Chase.

County Accounts.

Councilors Carey, Yerxa, Hannon, Cook, Cantwell.

Finance.

Councilors Keenan, Ramsey, Cantwell, Hannon, Coffey, Ansel, Shanley.

Inspection of Prisons.

Councilors Cantwell, Ramsey, Wenzler, Lane, Lanigan.

Legislative Matters.

Councilors Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, Wenzler, Cook.

Licenses.

Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, Tracy, Beades, Yerxa, Shanley, Keenan.

Military Affairs.

Councilors Cook, Tracy, Linchan, Beades, Shanley.

Ordinances.

Councilors Ramsey, Keenan, Hannon, Linchan, Cook, Shanley, Lanigan.

Parkman Fund.

Councilors Lane, Chase, Lanigan, Yerxa, Keenan.

Printing.

Councilors Chase, Ansel, Beades, Hannon, McCormack.

Public Lands.

Councilors Kinsella, Tracy, McCormack, Bryan, Beades.

Rules.

Councilors McCormack, Sullivan, Coffey, Chase, Ramsey.

Confirmations.

Councilors Ansel, Shanley, Wenzler.

Parks and Playgrounds.

Councilors Yerxa, Tracy, Lanigan, Carey, Bryan.

Public Housing.

Councilors Linchan, Kinsella, Carey, Lane, Wenzler.

Public Safety.

Councilors Beades, Coffey, Keenan, Cantwell, Carey.

Public Welfare.

Councilors Wenzler, Bryan, Linchan, Lane, Cook.

Public Works.

Councilors Bryan, Ansel, Sullivan, Shanley, Ramsey.

Hospitals.

Councilors Sullivan, Keenan, Kinsella, Ansel, Ramsey, Beades, Cantwell.
Placed on file.

BANNING OF BOTTLED GOODS LICENSES FOR SUPERMARKETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Licensing Board be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, not to issue any bottled goods licenses in supermarkets.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

WARD 20 PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the installation of bleachers on the Mary Draper playground, Ward 20, and additional bleachers on Fallon Field, also in Ward 20.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PURCHASES OF ANIMALS AND BIRDS FOR FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the purchase of animals and birds for the Franklin Park Zoo.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEAN-UP IN THE VICINITY OF DANA STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean up the vicinity of Dana street, Dana place, and Dana court, and to take immediate steps to provide sufficient and adequate lighting.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

SUBMISSION OF 1947 FIRE CODE.

Coun. KEENAN and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to submit to the Fire Commissioner and City Council the fire code which went into effect in 1947.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

CAR SERVICE, CITY POINT-NORTH STATION LINE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish more adequate car service on the City Point-North Station line.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF STREETS IN MEMORY OF VETERANS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name streets, ways, courts, and squares in the South Boston Housing Project after the following veterans:

John Ernest Linskey, private, first class, U.S.M.C., killed in Guam, December 1, 1944.

Lieut. Patrick F. Flaherty, U.S.A.A.F., killed in 1944, day unknown.

Sgt. Daniel Dalessio, U.S.A., killed in Germany, 1944.

John Joyce, seaman, first class, U.S.N., killed February, 1943, when U.S.S. "Beatty" was sunk in the Mediterranean.

Sgt. Robert Orton, U.S.A.A.F., killed in United States in 1942, in plane crash.

Francis Crowley, private, U.S.A., killed in Battle of Bulge in 1944.

Joseph P. Marotta, seaman, first class, U.S.N., killed in plane crash in United States in 1943.

All of above lived in the project premises or immediate vicinity.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL LIGHTS, UPHAMS CORNER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install pedestrian signal lights at Uphams Corner, Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**PAYMENT TO POLICE OFFICERS
ASSIGNED TO COUNCIL MEETINGS.**

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That until otherwise ordered, there be allowed and paid to each of the six police officers detailed for extra services at the meetings of the City Council and committees thereof, the sum of \$200 a year, to date from January 17, 1949, in part compensation for such extra services; such payments to continue while said officers are so detailed, and to be charged to the appropriation for City Council, A-1.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAYMENT TO PETER COLEMAN.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to Peter Coleman the sum of \$200 a year, to date from January 17, 1949, as part compensation for extra services rendered at meetings of the City Council and committees thereof; such payment to continue until otherwise ordered, and to be charged to the appropriation for City Council, A-1.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED
HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.**

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, a public hearing be called of all contractors having participated in past years in housing construction programs, for the purpose of trying to inspire a housing construction program by private real estate interests, and be it further

Ordered, That the City Council be invited to such a public hearing for the purpose of suggesting sites in their respective areas where the construction of housing would be feasible and practicable, and that public-spirited citizens be encouraged to attend this public hearing.

Referred to Committee on Public Housing.

**TRAFFIC SIGNALS, ALBANY STREET
AND BROADWAY.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signals at the corner of Albany street and Broadway because of the great congestion at that particular point which results in long delays of streetcars going to and coming from South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CENSORING OF CERTAIN COMIC BOOKS.

Coun. RAMSEY and BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, Through his Honor the Mayor that the Corporation Counsel look into the city ordinances and charter as to our authority to establish a censor body relative to lascivious comic books which are detrimental to our growing children and the right to pass an ordinance regulating the sale of these books.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

**SPLITTING OF ROXBURY SANITARY DISTRICT
INTO TWO DISTRICTS.**

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to split up the Roxbury sanitary district into two districts.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted at 2.45 p. m. to take a recess, subject to the

call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.07 p. m.

NIGHT PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to conduct a survey of the streets in Boston which might be set aside for all-night parking, having due regard for fire hazards and police regulations and also with a view to collecting revenue from persons who park motor vehicles on each street so designated; and be it further

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner consult with the Corporation Counsel concerning any legal questions which might arise relative to the charging of such fees.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

RESEEDING OF WARD 22 PLAYGROUNDS

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reseed all playgrounds in the Ward 22 area at the earliest possible opportunity.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**INSTALLATION OF WATER LINE,
WARD 22 PLAYGROUNDS.**

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the installation of an outside water line in all public playgrounds in Ward 22 so that the playing surfaces can be watered to lay the dust during the summer and fall seasons.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**PROPOSED BANNING OF RITA
HAYWORTH PICTURES.**

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor the City Censor of the Licensing Board of the Mayor's office be directed to ban all moving pictures in which actress Rita Hayworth is a member of the cast.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

SAFETY HINGES ON MANHOLE COVERS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to compel all public utility companies or others to equip their manhole covers in the streets and alleys of the city with safety hinges to prevent them from flying through the air when explosions occur, causing serious personal injuries and property damage.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

On motion of Councilor Tracy, the Council voted to adjourn, yeas 9, nays 8:

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa — 9.
Nays — Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Lineban, Ramsey, Sullivan, Wenzler — 8.
Voting present — Councilor Cantwell — 1.

Adjourned at 4.55 p. m. to meet on Monday, January 24, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 24, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair, and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Richard Wilson Sheehan, 559 Ashmont street, Dorchester, as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949.

H. Huskam, 7 Carolina avenue, Jamaica Plain, as Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1949.

William Guerra, 111 Eutaw street, East Boston, as Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1949.

Peter Villani, 53 Woodlawn avenue, Chelsea, as Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1949. Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

LIGHTS ON RHOADES STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 17, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the advisability of placing lights on Rhoades street, Dorchester, Mass.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 17, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works study the advisability of placing lights on Rhoades street, Dorchester, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have the Boston Edison Company make a survey of this street for the purpose of installing street lamps as requested.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF CERTAIN GAS LAMPS,
WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 17, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 15, 1948, concerning the replacing of gas lamps on Westminster avenue and Walnut park, in the Roxbury section of Ward 11, and on side streets in the vicinity, with modern electric lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 17, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace the gas lamps on Westminster avenue and Walnut park, in the Roxbury section of Ward 11, and on side streets in the vicinity, with modern electric lights, and I regret to advise you that there are no overhead facilities available on these two streets.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner of Public Works.
Placed on file.

CONCERNING FIRE CODE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 21, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Corporation Counsel, regarding your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the fire code which went into effect in 1947.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, January 20, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Office of the Mayor.

Dear Sir:

On January 18 you sent to this office for consideration and report the following order of the City Council passed on January 17:

"Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to submit to the Fire Commissioner and City Council the fire code which went into effect in 1947."

I have to say in reply that no fire code went into effect in the City of Boston in 1947. During that year a proposed code was drafted by the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Fire Department on the basis of codes presently in effect in certain large cities of the United States. That draft was submitted to the Law Department and has been carefully checked in this office. It was found that many of the provisions contained in the draft cannot presently be put into effect in the City of Boston because there is no statute giving the Fire Commissioner, the City Council, or any other official of the city the power to enact them. Enactment of any such code must be supported by authority of legislation passed by the General Court. Such legislation as presently exists is fragmentary and is scattered throughout several sections of General Laws, chapter 143 and chapter 148. Some of those sections authorize action by the Mayor and Council. Others authorize action by the Fire Commissioner. The Law Department is presently engaged in the task of separating the code drafted by the Fire Prevention Bureau into three parts: (1) that which may be promulgated by the Fire Commissioner; (2) that which may be enacted by the City Council; (3) that which may not be enacted or promulgated by anybody. It is then proposed to submit such parts of the code as the Council has authority to enact to that Body. This will be done as soon as possible.

To make this report complete, it is necessary to emphasize that no comprehensive fire prevention code comparable to those existing in cities like Chicago and Los Angeles can presently be put into effect in the City of Boston because there is lacking legislative authority to enact such a code.

Very truly yours,
JAMES W. KELEHER,
Acting Corporation Counsel.

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BRANCH LIBRARY, GROVE STREET
SECTION, WEST ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 21, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Trustees of the Boston Public Library, concerning

your order of December 27, 1948, with reference to provision in the Library Department's budget of sufficient money to provide for a branch library in the Grove Street section of West Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Library Department, January 19, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I wish to acknowledge your recent transmittal of an order of the City Council under date of December 27, 1948, requesting the Trustees of the Public Library, through his Honor the Mayor, to include sufficient money in their 1949 budget estimates to provide for a branch library in the Grove Street section of West Roxbury.

In reply I wish to state that the Trustees of the Library made a presentation to his Honor the Mayor under date of December 6, 1948, concerning the several sections of the city which have been requesting branch libraries or reading room service, and in which presentation there was listed the Germantown section of West Roxbury, which I believe is substantially the area covered by the order of the City Council of December 27, 1948.

In reply to the presentation of the Trustees under date of December 6, 1948, his Honor the Mayor indicated his general agreement with the recommendations as outlined by the Trustees in their presentation, and he has subsequently announced to the press his desire to put into effect a branch library program for the provision of either two branch libraries or reading rooms each year until the needs of the city for such coverage have been fully met. Thus the requirements of the Grove Street section of West Roxbury will be met in due season. And, in the meantime, if provision is made for a bookmobile as part of the program presented to the Mayor by the Trustees of the Library, it should be possible by a later date this year to make more or less immediate coverage for all areas of the city needing branch library coverage, including the Grove Street section of West Roxbury.

If further information is needed, I shall be glad to attempt to provide it.

Yours sincerely,
MILTON E. LOHN, Director.

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APPROPRIATION FOR SANITARY DIVISION, PUBLIC WORKS DE- PARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Commissioner of Public Works requesting an appropriation of \$115,700 to provide for the employment of 200 temporary laborers in the Sanitary Division of the Public Works Department. These men will supplement the regular force of the department on street-cleaning work during the winter, and will also be used on snow removal work, when necessary.

The appropriation is required because under the provisions of the City Charter liabilities incurred after the expiration of the fiscal year and prior to the passage of the budget cannot exceed in any one month the sum spent for similar purposes during any one month of the preceding fiscal year. As there was no expenditure for temporary employees in the Sanitary Division last year this appropriation is necessary.

Consideration and adoption of the accompanying order, therefore, is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I respectfully request that an appropriation be made in the sum of \$115,700 in the Sanitary

Division, Public Works Department budget item A-2, Personal Services (Temporary Employees).

These funds are needed immediately to cover payment of wages to 200 temporary men to be employed for a period of 90 days from January 5, 1949, for the purpose of supplementing the regular force of the department on street-cleaning work during the winter season when it is not possible to operate the motor-driven street sweepers and, in addition, when their services are so required, they will be utilized on snow removal work. The names of these men were obtained by certification from the civil service list.

It had been assumed that the wages for these men would have been charged to the Snow Removal appropriation, but I now find that this has been disallowed.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred fifteen thousand seven hundred dollars (\$115,700) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. SANITARY SERVICE.
A-2, Temporary Employees.....\$115,700

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATION FOR BOILER REPAIRS, CANAL STREET PROPERTY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners requesting an appropriation of \$5,500 to make emergency repairs on the boilers in the property at No. 69 Canal street, which is under the jurisdiction of this department.

This appropriation is required because under the provisions of the City Charter liabilities incurred after the expiration of the fiscal year and prior to the passage of the budget cannot exceed in any one month the sum spent for similar purposes during any one month of the preceding fiscal year. As there was no expenditure for boiler repairs by the Street Commissioners last year this appropriation is necessary.

Consideration and adoption of the accompanying order, therefore, is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
January 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Because of the dilapidated condition of the heating boilers at 69 Canal street, Boston Proper, which property is under the jurisdiction of this Board, it is imperative that new heating boilers be installed at once.

On the basis of estimates already received an appropriation of \$5,500 will be required to do this necessary work. This property is income-producing, and the annual rents from the same will more than take care of this expenditure. However, as it is necessary to go forward with this work at once, mainly because of weather conditions, it is vital to secure this appropriation immediately.

Very truly yours,
CHARLES E. MANION, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council

relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

STREET LAYING-OUT DEPARTMENT.

Boiler Repairs, Canal Street Property..... \$5,500

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

SALE OF LAND TO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 24, 1949.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

Zeigler street in the Roxbury district was laid out as a public highway, 40 feet in width, in 1869, from Warren street to Washington street, a distance of approximately 300 feet. The City of Boston took an easement for highway purposes in said street and also acquired by deed a fee in a small part of said street on the northerly side at the junction of Warren street.

The Metropolitan Transit Authority, formerly the Boston Elevated Railway Company, acquired certain lands between Warren street and Washington street, and bounded southerly by Zeigler street, for the Dudley Street Station terminal facilities.

In order to enlarge the existing enclosed transfer area of the Dudley Street Terminal, the Metropolitan Transit Authority petitioned the Board of Street Commissioners to discontinue the northerly half of Zeigler street as a public highway and offered to the City of Boston the sum of \$14,000 for such discontinuance. The Board of Street Commissioners, after public notice and hearing by order passed November 23, 1948, discontinued the northerly half of Zeigler street as a public highway and the Metropolitan Transit Authority paid to the City of Boston the sum of \$14,000, as agreed upon. In addition to said sum, the Metropolitan Transit Authority offered to pay to the city the sum of \$6,000 for the city's title and interest in and to that part of Zeigler street discontinued as a public highway and owned in fee by the city.

The Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners informs me that the city-owned parcel of land containing approximately 1,180 square feet is no longer required for any public purpose and is of benefit solely to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for the enlargement of the present terminal facilities.

I am of the opinion that the sale of this parcel of city-owned property to the Metropolitan Transit Authority at the present time would be mutually advantageous to both the City of Boston and the Metropolitan Transit Authority. The sum offered as the purchase price for this parcel of property is equal to the assessed value of a like area of land situated on the opposite corner of Zeigler and Warren streets and used for commercial purposes.

I recommend that this parcel of property be sold at private sale to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for the sum of \$6,000, and I ask your consideration and passage of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Law Department, January 24, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter under date of December 27, 1948, I have prepared the enclosed order whereby the City of Boston may sell and convey a certain parcel of land, formerly a part of Zeigler street in the Roxbury district, to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for the sum of \$6,000.

Please find enclosed order—original and four (4) carbon copies—together with a letter which, if the same meets with your approval, may be transmitted to the Honorable City Council.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH A. SCOLPONETTI,
Corporation Counsel.

Whereas, The City of Boston by an order of the Board of Street Commissioners passed November 23, 1948, approved by the Mayor November 29, 1948, and recorded in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds December 10, 1948, discontinued a part of the public highway named Zeigler street between Washington street and Warren street in the Roxbury district, subject to all rights of the City of Boston to lay, maintain, operate, repair, and renew sewerage and water works and their adjuncts, and all rights of public utility companies for their structures existing therein at the date of said order; and

Whereas, The purpose of this discontinuance of a part of Zeigler street as a public highway was to permit the Metropolitan Transit Authority to enlarge the existing transfer area of the Dudley Street Terminal; and

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately 1,180 square feet within that area of Zeigler street discontinued as a public highway under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners; and

Whereas, The Metropolitan Transit Authority has paid to the City of Boston the sum of \$14,000 for the discontinuance of a part of Zeigler street as a public highway and has offered to the City of Boston the sum of \$6,000 for the city's title and interest to that part of Zeigler street owned in fee by said city and being a portion of that part of the highway discontinued as aforesaid; and

Whereas, The said area of land owned in fee by the City of Boston is no longer required for any public purpose; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell at private sale and convey to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), by an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, all the City of Boston's right, title and interest in and to a certain parcel of land, hereinafter described, subject, however, to all rights of the City of Boston to lay, maintain, operate, repair, and renew sewerage and water works and their adjuncts, and all rights of public utility companies for their structures existing in said parcel of land as of the date of said order of discontinuance. The said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by the westerly line of Warren street, ten and 50-100 (10.50) feet; southerly by land being a part of Zeigler street discontinued as a public highway, one hundred eighteen and 72-100 (118.72) feet; westerly by other land being a part of Zeigler street discontinued as a public highway, nine and 41-100 (9.41) feet; northerly by land now or formerly of Metropolitan Transit Authority, one hundred eighteen and fifty (118.50) feet; containing one thousand one hundred eighty (1,180) square feet of land, more or less.

The above parcel of land and all of said measurements are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Zeigler Street, Roxbury, November 5, 1948, Thomas F. McGovern, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department. Addition made December 30, 1948, showing area of 1,180 square feet to be transferred to the Metropolitan Transit Authority."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS. REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Margaret M. Beatty, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Nashua street.

Tina Boris, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Alice B. Carlow, for compensation for damage to car by paving truck.

Walter J. Clancy, to be reimbursed for accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

John Deveney Company, to be paid for work on contract for sewerage works, Toncan Creek, etc.

Mrs. John Greene, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Union and North Market streets.

John P. Hennessey, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Lawrence Kalish, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Paul Madden, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Roslindale High School.

James E. Pallis, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Alford street.

Edward M. Ryan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Airways Transportation Company for license to operate motor vehicles over additional streets from Kenmore square to Airport, over Commonwealth avenue, Boylston street, and Tremont street.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE.

Notice was received from the Chief Justice, Supreme Judicial Court, of assignment of Hon. Edward Morley, Judge of District Court, to act as Judge of Appellate Division for Northern District, to fill existing vacancy, for a period expiring September 30, 1951.

APPOINTMENTS IN ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Notices were received from the Board of Assessors of the following appointments approved by the Mayor:

Edward J. Carroll, 27 Newcroft Circle, Mattapan, as provisional first assistant assessor for

period of three months, effective January 15, 1949, at salary of \$2,700 a year.

Frank S. Meader, 82 Train street, Dorchester, as provisional first assistant assessor for period of three months, effective January 15, 1949, at salary of \$2,700 a year.

Severally placed on file.

BORROWING CAPACITY OF CITY FOR 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds,
January 14, 1949.

William F. Hurley,
President, Boston City Council.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of chapter 93, Acts of 1891, it is estimated that the amount which the city will be able to borrow during the present municipal year, within the debt limit established by law, is \$3,385,040.68, as per schedule annexed.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM B. CAROLAN,
GEORGE HANSEN,
JOHN O. STUBBS,
PAUL F. CLARK,
BENJAMIN SPINOZA,
Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.
CHARLES J. FOX,
City Auditor.
HENRY F. BRENNAN,
City Treasurer.

CITY OF BOSTON AND COUNTY OF SUFFOLK DEBT AND SINKING FUNDS. DEBT INCURRING POWER IN 1949.

Total debt incurring power within the debt limit (2½ per cent of \$1,500,576,133, the average assessed valuation for three years, less abatements)	\$37,514,403 33
Debt incurred:	
Total funded debt, city and county	\$132,981,000 00
Funded debt outside the debt limit (debt exempted from the operation of the law limiting municipal indebtedness):	
City debt	\$16,163,500 00
Traffic Tunnel debt	19,600,000 00
Traffic Tunnel Retirement debt	16,045,000 00
County debt	937,000 00
Rapid Transit debt	51,884,500 00
	\$104,630,000 00
Funded debt for Public Works Administration projects, issued under authority of chapter 366, Acts of 1933, as amended by chapter 21, Acts of 1934	2,586,000 00
	107,216,000 00
Funded debt within the debt limit	\$25,765,000 00
Offsets to funded debt:	
Sinking funds	\$33,872,571 71
Less sinking funds for debt outside the debt limit:	
City	\$14,411 21
Rapid Transit	12,605,436 02
Traffic Tunnel	19,206,103 96
Traffic Tunnel Retirement	1,568,983 17
	33,394,934 36
Offsets to funded debt within the debt limit	477,637 35
Net indebtedness within the debt limit, December 31, 1948	\$25,287,362 65
Loans authorized but not issued (within the debt limit)	8,915,000 00
Used debt incurring power within the debt limit	34,202,362 65
Unused debt incurring power within the debt limit, January 1, 1949	\$3,312,040 68
Estimated increase during the year by:	
Serial bonds redeemable during year	5,073,000 00
Estimated amount of indebtedness that may legally be incurred within the debt limit during the municipal year	\$8,385,040 68

Placed on file.

FINANCE COMMISSION REPORT
RE DISPOSAL CONTRACT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Finance Commission, January 19, 1949.
To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Finance Commission recently received a request from you for information in regard to the contracts awarded by the Public Works Department for the collection and disposal of refuse and garbage. Inasmuch as, at the time the request was made, the question before the Council seemed to be whether or not the Public Works Commissioner acted with good judgment in transforming the area embracing the North End and the West End into a contract collection district (for many years collection there has been by city labor), the Commission has made a reply on that point. Briefly, this reply was that the Commission has always advocated collection by contract rather than by city labor because contract collection has proved more reliable in Boston and can be more economical if, first, there is competition for the contract, and if secondly, when the substitution is made, the city payroll is relieved of the number previously employed to collect under the city collection method.

The Commission desires now to make this further reply to your original request. It offers information pertaining to the largest and probably the most questioned contract among the many which concern the refuse disposal function of the city—the current contract for the disposal of the refuse collected in the inner city by dumping on Spectacle Island. This refers, of course, to the contract of the Coleman Disposal Company.

The Coleman Disposal Company first took over this work in 1922. Its first contract with the city covered a ten-year period and as such, by chapter 486, Acts of 1909, had to be approved by the City Council. The Coleman Company obtained that contract after public, advertised competition in which it was the low bidder.

Ten years later, some days after the City Council had formally approved award of a contract for the next ten-year period to the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company, the lowest bidder in a new public competition, the Coleman Company obtained this contract by assignment. In 1942, at about the time of the termination of this 1932 contract, there had been considerable discussion and apparent acceptance by the administration in office of a Finance Commission recommendation to adopt incineration as the method of disposal, replacing the dumping at Spectacle Island. It was therefore deemed prudent by the Public Works Commissioner then in office to make a contract for only one year to continue disposal at Spectacle Island, since it would require at least that length of time to plan and construct an incinerator. A one-year contract is not required by any law to be subject to approval by the City Council. The Finance Commission made no criticism of that determination, since it assumed that within a short period of time an incinerator would be constructed.

However, this incinerator has not yet materialized, though under the authority of an appropriation voted by the City Council approximately \$30,000 has been paid for plans for one. It was intended by the Public Works Commissioners of the Tobin and Kerrigan administrations that this incinerator would be constructed in the vicinity of the Public Works Department shops on Albany Street. The plans, obtained at a cost of approximately \$30,000, were placed before the Public Works Commissioner early in 1946, but have reposed since that time in his files, notwithstanding public announcement by the Mayor that he favored incineration.

Therefore, although the administrative heads of each of these last three city administrations have publicly favored incineration, no incinerator has yet been constructed. Apparently it is not now the intention of the present administrators to provide one, particularly for disposal of the refuse of the inner city area. The present Public Works Commissioner, in statements to representatives of the Finance Commission and by his administrative acts, has indicated that he favors continuance of the long-existing tie-up with the Coleman Company for this disposal of refuse.

Until 1942, a long-term form of contract for disposal of refuse had been in continuous use for a great many years. Its adoption originally was based on the reasoning that, inasmuch as disposal would require a large capital investment, competition for the contract could be obtained if a long term of service would be guaranteed with the award of the contract, thus enabling amortization of the required capital investment over a long period. And, as a safeguard against unwarranted award, the City Council was given its present power to pass upon the contract. In fact, one of the few opportunities for taking part in the administration of city affairs conceded to the City Council in the charter amendments of 1909 was the provision in section 6 that if this type of contract extended over a period of more than a year it must be approved by the City Council.

Nevertheless, the long-term form of contract for disposal at Spectacle Island, with its possibilities of economy, has not been used since 1942. Instead, a contract has been negotiated each year with the Coleman Company on a one-year basis, and the City Council has thereby been eliminated from participation.

Furthermore, in each of the last three years the negotiations for a new contract have been conducted by the Public Works Commissioner, and, finally, the contract actually executed without any advance public revealing of the contemplated terms. Neither the Council nor the Finance Commission has been able in any of these periods to obtain in advance of the actual execution of the contract a frank statement of its intentions from the administration in office. The atmosphere of secrecy which has therefore enshrouded these negotiations has been highly significant. The degree of the secrecy is illustrated by the fact that on December 29 a Finance Commission representative was informed officially at the Public Works Department that the terms had not been definitely determined, and on January 6 (the contract work began January 1) the form of it had not been approved by the Law Department. Nevertheless, the *City Record*—the official publication—in the issue of January 8 reveals "his Honor the Mayor on December 20 approved the following letter from the Public Works Commissioner," and then follows a letter giving in substance the terms of the contract as signed, sealed, and delivered.

In reports and in conferences with the Public Works Commissioner the Finance Commission has contended that the price which this present administration has year after year committed the city to pay for disposal of refuse at Spectacle Island has been grossly excessive. The Commission has contended that the city could perform the work for a much lower cost than it pays to the Coleman Company. The basis in part of this contention has been that the City could substitute the movement of the refuse on Spectacle Island by truck and tractor for the contractor's expensive cartage by a railroad system; and that sundry other expenditures which the contractor charges to this contract would not be necessary. Nor would its substantial profit.

The feasibility of substituting the use of trucks on Spectacle Island for the railroad system long in use to move the refuse from the scows which tote it from the receiving stations to its final reposing spot on the island was disputed by the Public Works Commissioner when advanced by the Finance Commission in 1946. Now, however, the intention is to resort to it under circumstances which are, to say the least, most peculiar. The following history of incidents related to the latest award is therefore interesting.

Under this disposal contract, work begins January 1 and continues to December 31. As the time before the expiration of the existing contract was drawing to a close without any public intimation of policy in regard to new contracts for refuse collection and disposal, on December 22 a representative of the Finance Commission called upon the Public Works Commissioner to obtain information in regard to the 1949 Coleman contract. The only information given at that time was that the terms of the contract were still in discussion, that conferences had been held with the contractor, many matters discussed, but nothing definitely determined.

A week later, while a representative of the Commission was still endeavoring to obtain a copy of the proposed new contract from the Public

Works Commissioner, announcement was made by the Mayor that he had approved an award of a new contract to the Coleman Company. As publicly announced at that time by the Mayor, the Company was given a new price amounting to \$57,287 more than was paid in 1948. This meant a total cost of \$581,807 in 1949. Again, it was a contract for one year, which made it unnecessary to obtain City Council approval.

The official announcement stated that the higher price was due to "higher labor costs and to expenses for necessary repairs to the Coleman Company's plant and equipment."

The Finance Commission does not question that rates of pay to persons employed in this work have recently been increased. However, the basis of the amount of the increase in the contract price necessary to cover these higher rates was simply a statement furnished by the contractor of the number of man-hours of all kinds of labor employed with a flat allowance of 12 cents per hour in the total, plus allowances for certain expenses which accompany additional pay roll charges.

In explanation of the second part of the reason for the higher price award (expense of plant and equipment renovation), on the day the Mayor announced that the contract had already been awarded, the Public Works Commissioner explained to a representative of the Finance Commission that he fears a breakdown of the equipment at Spectacle Island. It is necessary either to spend a very large sum for renovation or to buy new equipment. Therefore, he stated, he favored allowing in the contract price for 1949 a number of thousand dollars to be used for the purpose of buying trucks, caterpillar tractors, and other equipment to replace, in the work of disposal, the ancient railway which has been in use practically since 1912.

In other words, in the higher price allowed for 1949, according to the explanation of the Public Works Commissioner, the city included a sum intended to provide funds to the contractor with which the company might equip itself to perform the work of the contract. Nevertheless, the contract as drawn contains no mention of the requirement that the contractor must buy new equipment. In terms it is no different than the contract made a year ago. The price only is different, and that as stated above is \$57,287 higher.

If the statement of the Public Works Commissioner is correct that he hases the new price in part on new capital outlay by the company, since there is no such requirement to that effect in the executed contract, two questions naturally arise. One is — what is there to compel the contractor to install new equipment? The other is — who is going to own the equipment which the city buys for the contractor?

It is well to remember that the reason advanced to justify failure to offer this contract to public competition has always been that nothing would be gained by advertising because only this particular contractor had the facilities for performance. It appears now from the information given to a Finance Commission representative by the Public Works Commissioner that the facilities of the present contractor at Spectacle Island are so far used up that he fears a stoppage of performance unless new equipment is purchased, and the city is providing the funds for the purchase of new equipment.

There is no doubt that land dumping of refuse is the cheapest method of disposal, provided the dumping places are within fairly easy reach of the collection points. There are several dumping locations now being used in the city by district collection contractors where a fairly clean refuse is dumped without great objection. There would, however, undoubtedly be great objection by nearby residents of these dumps if attempt were made to deposit in them the type of refuse brought to Spectacle Island. Because of the difficulty in the areas from which the refuse comes to Spectacle Island to obtain separation of garbage from other refuse, the material received at Spectacle Island is a mixture of organic and inorganic matter. There is often complaint even of depositing this type of material in a dump on an island in Boston Harbor.

But the cost of this method has become almost prohibitive. While it is granted that incineration in a modern plant on the mainland would be expensive, it would have the advantage of being scientific and complaint-proof. In addition

its by-product, steam — from which could come power and light and heat which would be usable economically in a proper location — would compensate for a substantial part of the expense.

The Finance Commission recognizes that now the contract with the Coleman Company for disposal of refuse is executed and in force; also, that now there is no incinerator. Therefore, there is now no method of disposal available except by dumping; furthermore, dumping of the type of refuse now sent to Spectacle Island would be objectionable anywhere but at Spectacle Island. Nevertheless, the Commission desires to emphasize that even in this present method (dumping at Spectacle Island) there was the possibility of obtaining a lower cost by offering the contract to public competition, or by arranging that the labor as well as the equipment be supplied by the city, which latter means city operation.

The Finance Commission therefore recommends that arrangements to construct an incinerator and dispose of refuse by the incineration method, which began in 1942 but were terminated in 1946, be now revived.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS, Chairman,
ALEXANDER WHEELER,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
EDWARD F. MULLEN,

The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the report was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment (referred January 17) of James Archibald Coulter, 1980 Centre street, West Roxbury, as Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment (referred January 17) of Philip Adelman, 11 Longfellow road, Cambridge, as Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1949—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment (referred January 10) of John Anthony Needham, 68 Draper street, Dorchester, as Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1949—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE OF MAYOR AND DEPARTMENT STORE HEADS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, a conference be called of all leading department store heads and heads of industrial organizations for the purpose of urging them to retain their personnel and avoid planned layoffs and, that it further be ordered that, through his Honor the Mayor, a request be issued for a public statement urging all Boston employers to retain their personnel during this recession period.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

INCREASED RENT ALLOWANCES TO OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Old Age Assistance Bureau of the Welfare Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to increase rent allowances to those persons receiving Old Age Assistance. Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Ansel, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.29 p. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 5.12 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred October 18, 1948) transferring land and building at 133 Salem street from control of Fire Department to control of Public Buildings Department, and authorizing the Superintendent of Public Buildings to lease the land and building to North Bennet Street Industrial School—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REGULATING SALE, ETC., OF COMIC BOOKS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

No person, firm, or corporation shall sell, loan, give or show, or have in his possession with attempt to sell, loan, give or show to any minor person any book, magazine, pamphlet, or other publication featuring or largely made up of crime or criminal acts or accounts thereof, or featuring by drawings or photographs acts or deeds of bloodshed, lust, or crime, nor exhibit in any place within the view, or which may be in the view of any minor child, in such book, magazine, pamphlet, photograph or other publication, provided that this section shall not be made applicable to accounts which are a part of the general dissemination of news, nor to such drawings and photographs reasonably necessary to illustrate same.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$300.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

APPOINTMENT OF REVIEW COMMITTEE ON COMIC BOOKS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Whereas, Many municipalities have already enacted ordinances banning the sale to all persons under the age of 18 years of all comic books which

- a. Introduce gruesome scenes of bloodshed, murder, and the like; or
- b. Present scenes of cruel and inhuman torture in a manner as to indicate sadism; or
- c. Contain material of an offensively sensual nature; or
- d. Contain certain material condoning or glorifying reprehensible characters or acts, and tending to create disrespect for law and law enforcement officers; and

Whereas, In order to safeguard the moral fiber of our youth; to combat the wave of juvenile delinquency which threatens to engulf the nation, a goodly proportion of which is directly attributable to the sale and dissemination of lurid, salacious, and obscene comic publications; and to keep the America of today and tomorrow strong and successfully responsive to whatever task she may be called upon to assume, it is mandatory and imperative that immediate steps be taken to thwart the sinister influences that seek to undermine the moral ethics of our youth, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Mayor of the City of Boston be asked to appoint a Review Committee, whose functions it shall be to review all publications of comic books intended for distribution in Boston, for the purpose of ascertaining those which are offensive to youth morals; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee be composed of not more than seven nor less than three, and that one member be a representative of each of the following denominations: Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish; and be it further

Resolved, That any such comic books found objectionable by said committee shall be banned forthwith.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 622, ACTS OF 1948.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the order for acceptance of chapter 622, Acts of 1948, be recalled from the Executive Committee.

The motion to recall the order was lost by a rising vote.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Airways Transportation Company (referred to day) for license to operate motor vehicles from Kenmore square to airport over additional streets—recommending that license be granted.

The report was accepted, and the license was granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS FOR 1948.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

The Committee on Claims respectfully submits the following report showing the disposition of claims during the municipal year 1948:

Claims pending January 1, 1948.....	943
Claims received during 1948.....	940
Total.....	1,883
Claims disapproved during 1948.....	465
Claims approved during 1948.....	168
Reimbursements (claims against city employees, not suits).....	104
Reimbursements (claims against city employees, suits).....	47
	784
Claims pending December 31, 1948.....	1,099
Amount paid on approved claims.....	\$31,641 88
Amount paid on reimbursements, not suits.....	10,075 02
Amount paid on reimbursements, suits.....	25,890 90
Total.....	\$67,607 80

GEORGE T. LANIGAN, Chairman.

The report of the Committee was accepted.

ACCEPTANCE OF WARD 20 STREETS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Pleasant street, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct North avenue, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Emmons-dale road, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

COMMENDATION OF WASHINGTON, D. C., METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. RAMSEY and HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby commend Major Robert Barrett and the officers of

the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D. C., for the exceptionally fine manner in which they handled over 1,000,000 persons attending the inaugural ceremonies, without any incident which would mar the same, and for the many courtesies which they extended to the members of the City Council, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Major Barrett.

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby goes on record as highly commending Major Robert Barrett, head of the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D. C., for the fine job which he did at the inaugural ceremonies and for the many courtesies which he extended to the members of the Boston City Council who attended the inaugural; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Major Barrett.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF LAMPS, WARD 21 STREETS.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install two 10-lumen lamps in front of 78-90 Brainerd road, Ward 21, and one street light on Redford street, Ward 21.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PUBLIC HEARING RE ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 622 OF ACTS OF 1948.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Executive Committee hold a public hearing at the Williams Municipal Building on West Brookline street relative to accepting chapter 622 of the Acts of 1948; and be it further

Ordered, That the chairman of the Executive Committee call this meeting on Wednesday evening, February 2, 1949, at 8 p. m.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVITATIONS TO ATTEND PUBLIC HEARING.

On motion of Councillor Sullivan, it was voted that the officials of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, the Transit Department, the Law Department, and all others interested be invited to attend the public hearing at the Williams Municipal Building, and that Councillor Lanigan, chairman of the Executive Committee, notify all parties concerned and also confer with Councillor Sullivan on the matter.

NAMING OF STREETS, ETC., IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor

the Mayor, to name streets, ways, courts, or squares in the South Boston Housing Project in honor of the following veterans of World War II, who were killed while in the service of their country:

Lieut. James P. Rogers, U.S.A.A.F., killed in plane crash in Texas, September 25, 1943.

Sergt. Martin Edward Flaherty, U.S.A., killed in Sicily, August 4, 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF STREET FOR PAUL KEVIN HAYES.

Coun. LINEHAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name a street, way, court, or square in the new South Boston Veterans Housing Project in honor of Paul Kevin Hayes, who was killed over Borneo on October 10, 1944, while a member of the United States Air Force.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PUBLIC WAY, WARD 22, BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY, offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Board of Street Commissioners be directed to make the alleyway running from 109 Nonantum street through to 82 Treinont street a public way in Ward 22, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

Coun. BEADES, chairman of the Committee on Public Safety, stated that the Committee on Public Safety would hold a public hearing on Thursday evening, January 27, at the Thomas Gardner School, Brighton, in regard to smoking rules, and that all members of the Council were invited to attend.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Safety, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred today) that conference be called of department store heads and heads of industrial organizations to urge retention of personnel and avoid planned layoffs, and that all Boston employers be urged to retain their personnel during recession period — recommending reference to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councillor Sullivan, the Council voted at 5.57 p. m., to adjourn, to meet on Monday, January 31, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 31, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

"STOP" SIGN ON BICELOW STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the installing of a "Stop" sign on Bigelow street, at the Faneuil street end.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a "Stop" Sign on Bigelow Street, at the Faneuil Street End.

Referring to the above order, please be advised that investigation made by this department shows that there have been relatively few accidents involving personal injury at this subject intersection and, further, that the traffic volumes are not sufficiently heavy to warrant the erection of a sign that would meet the requirements of the State Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

OAKLAND STREET ONE WAY FROM WASHINGTON TO THORNTON STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated January 10, 1949, concerning the making of Oakland street, in Wards 9 and 11, one way from Washington street to Thornton street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting that Oakland Street, in Wards 9 and 11, Be Made One Way from Washington Street to Thornton Street.

As regards the above Council order, please be advised that this matter will be taken up at the next regular meeting of the full board of this commission.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 2.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the installing of pedestrian-operated traffic lights at Rutherford avenue and Baldwin street, Charlestown, in Ward 2.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Consider the Possibility of Installing Pedestrian-Operated Traffic Lights at Rutherford Avenue and Baldwin Street, Charlestown, in Ward 2.

As regards the above Council order, please be advised that investigation was made by this department and, as result of this investigation, an offer was made by one of the private firms located in the vicinity of the location mentioned to bear the cost of installation of the proposed signals.

This department is, at the present time, negotiating with this concern, and as soon as some definite agreement has been reached you will be further informed.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS ON CLIFF STREET, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the placing of "Stop" signs on Cliff street, at the entrance to Warren street, in Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Place "Stop" Signs on Cliff Street, at the Entrance to Warren Street, in Ward 12.

As regards the above subject, please be advised that a survey is being made of this intersection, and if the findings justify the erection of a sign the matter will be brought before the full board of Traffic Commissioners for action.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, SOUTH HUNTINGTON AND HUNTINGTON AVENUES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the installing

of traffic lights at the junction of South Huntington and Huntington avenues, in Ward 10.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting That Arrangements Be Made to Install Traffic Lights at the Junction of South Huntington and Huntington Avenues, in Ward 10, at the Earliest Possible Date.

As regards the above order, please be advised that this department has prepared a plan which we feel would greatly alleviate traffic conditions at this corner but which we have hesitated to recommend to your Honor for the reason that it would involve the tearing down of several three-unit dwellings.

I respectfully suggest that a meeting be called by your Honor to determine whether the problem at this intersection is of such a serious nature as to warrant the initiation of the plan which we have drawn up.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARREN STREET AND ST. JAMES STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of the vicinity of Warren street at the junction of St. James street in connection with the advisability of placing pedestrian traffic lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Make a Survey of the Vicinity of Warren Street at the Junction of St. James Street, as to the Advisability of Placing Pedestrian Traffic Lights.

As regards the above Council order, please be advised that our accident records show very few accidents over a period of years at this intersection.

I do not believe that we should consider the erection of traffic lights until such time as we can take care of many other intersections that are more dangerous.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, OAK SQUARE DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of the Oak Square district of

Brighton, in connection with the advisability of installing traffic lights on Champney, Washington, and Tremont streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, January 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made in the Oak Square District of Brighton as to the Advisability of Installing Traffic Lights on Champney, Washington, and Tremont Streets.

As regards the above order, please be advised that it is the opinion of the engineers of this commission that there are a great many other locations that, because of greater traffic volumes and higher accident frequencies, should be given precedence over this intersection at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF WARD 14 STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of December 13, 1948, concerning the cleaning of streets in the Ward 14 section.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 25, 1949.
To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner, Public Works Department.

Subject: Order in Council, December 13, 1948, Cleaning Streets in Ward 14.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of December 15, 1948, attaching order in Council, request of Councilor Ansel, under date of December 13, 1948, as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works to arrange for the cleaning of streets in the Ward 14 section."

Reports have been received by the Sanitary Division from the foremen in charge of street-cleaning districts in Ward 14, stating that all the streets in this ward have been thoroughly cleaned since the date of this order in Council.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INCINERATOR TO SUPPLANT MILE ROAD DUMP.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the erection of an incinerator to supplant the Mile Road Dump in Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I have your request for a reply to the order of the City Council, dated January 10, 1949, requesting the Commissioner of Public Works to include in the 1949 budget a sum sufficient for the erection of an incinerator to supplant the Mile Road Dump in Dorchester.

May I state that we not only have the plans, but we have the money available for the erection of an incinerator some place in the City of Boston, our difficulty being that everybody is in favor of incineration, but nobody wants it in his backyard. We have tried in one section, and find that it would be practically impossible to install an incinerator in any section because of public disapproval.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING AND LIGHTING OF DANA STREET AND VICINITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the cleaning of Dana street, Dana place, and Dana court, and the providing of sufficient and adequate lighting.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 27, 1949.

To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner, Public Works Department.

Subject: Order in Council, January 17, 1949, Cleaning and Lighting of Dana Street, Dana Place, and Dana Court, Roxbury.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of January 8, attaching order in Council, request of Councilor Cook, under date of January 17, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean up the vicinity of Dana street, Dana place, and Dana court, and to take immediate steps to provide sufficient and adequate lighting."

A report has been received from the Sanitary Division stating that Dana street, Dana place, and Dana court were cleaned on January 25, 1949.

As regards the provision of adequate lighting, a copy of the order has been forwarded to the Highway Division, with request for attention and report.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PROPOSED DIVISION OF ROXBURY SANITARY DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to

your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the splitting up of the Roxbury Sanitary District into two districts.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 25, 1949.

To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner, Public Works Department.

Subject: Order in Council, January 17, 1949, Roxbury District.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of January 18, attaching order in Council, request of Councilor Cook, under date of January 17, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to split up the Roxbury Sanitary District into two districts."

On the assumption that this refers to the Roxbury Street-Cleaning District, you are informed that this matter is under consideration at the present time, and it is expected that action will be taken in the near future.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

HOT LUNCHES FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of December 6, 1948, concerning the providing of hot lunches for children in the lower grades who come under the new single session arrangement.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, January 24, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on January 11, 1949, an order passed by the City Council requesting "the School Committee, through your Honor, to include in its budget for 1949 a sufficient sum to provide hot lunches for children in the lower grades who will come under the new single session arrangement" was presented.

The order of the City Council was laid over for consideration at the time the budget is under discussion.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

RESEEDING OF PLAYGROUNDS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the reseeding of all playgrounds in the Ward 22 area at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated January 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to reseed all playgrounds in Ward 22 area at the earliest possible opportunity.

I wish to say, in regard to this request, that any place where we have been able to maintain grass in the past will be reseeded in April, which is the usual month for re-seeding bare grounds.

Almost all of the areas in Brighton have some sort of a turf surface, with the exception of some bare spots, and it has not been too difficult, at least in some portions of this district, to maintain a grassed surface. At some of the locations, however, the grounds are used so much that it is impossible to maintain grassed surfaces.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PROPOSED BLEACHERS FOR PLAY- GROUNDS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 25, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the installing of bleachers on the Mary Draper Playground, Ward 20, and additional bleachers on Fallon Field, also Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 24, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated January 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the installation of bleachers on the Mary Draper Playground, Ward 20, and additional bleachers on Fallon Field, also Ward 20.

At the present time there are no bleachers at the Mary Draper Playground.

At the Fallon Field at Roslindale there are bleachers in the rear of the home plate of the main baseball diamond, which, we all know, are inadequate to take care of the spectators at certain games.

However, with the cost of materials, labor, and construction at the present time, bleachers would cost approximately \$50 per seat. When we consider that we constructed bleachers at Fallon Field 15 or more years ago at a cost of about \$12 per seat, it can be readily determined that we would be paying peak prices at the present time to build bleachers.

I regret to say that in my opinion it is inadvisable to ask for funds for the construction of bleachers because of what the high cost would be for same; also considering the high mounting tax rate. However I do think we may be able to do something in the way of putting in some seats at the Draper Playground, which is without any seats.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PURCHASE OF ANIMALS AND BIRDS FOR FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the purchasing of animals and birds for the Franklin Park Zoo.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 24, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of January 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the purchase of animals and birds for the Franklin Park Zoo.

I wish to inform you that we have included a sum of \$50,000 for a continuation of the rehabilitation of the zoo. This sum of money, namely, \$50,000, has been granted for the past three years.

The Lion House has been restored. General repairs and restoration have been made to the Elephant House, and at the present time the Bird House is being restored by contract.

I understand we can purchase animals and birds out of this fund. This matter will be given serious consideration when the work of restoring the Bird House has been completed, and when some of the other reconstruction work has been done.

I feel that later in this year a start can be made in the direction of securing birds for the Bird House.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

OUTSIDE WATER LINE IN PLAY- GROUNDS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the installing of an outside water line in all public playgrounds in Ward 22, so that the playing surfaces can be watered to lay the dust during the summer and fall seasons.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 24, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated January 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to include in its budget for 1949 a sum sufficient to provide for the installation of an outside water line in all public playgrounds in Ward 22, so that the playing surfaces can be watered to lay the dust during the summer and fall seasons.

I wish to state that we have submitted in our budget a sum sufficient to do anything, within reason, on the public parks and playgrounds.

I feel that a start in this direction can be made, provided the Budget Commissioner will grant us at least close to the estimates and requests for funds that have been made,

All of this will depend mainly on how much money is granted, and that will be the serious problem.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

IMPROVED CAR SERVICE, CITY POINT-NORTH STATION.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning car service on the City Point-North Station line.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
January 28, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Gilligan:

Relative to service on the City Point-North Station line, we are operating cars every four (4) and five (5) minutes during the rush hours, in addition to a short line to Broadway Station. We are operating on a 10-minute schedule in normal hours.

In winter weather, conditions on all lines are affected by traffic difficulties. The Transportation Department has taken a count in connection with passenger and vehicle movement in operation which meets with transit standards and proposes to follow this line as much as possible.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

SALE OF PROPERTY, 53-85 CANAL STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1949.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

On March 15, 1948, and again on April 12, 1948, your Honorable Body gave approval to the sale of parcel of land containing approximately 8,858 square feet, together with the building thereon, situated at 53-85 Canal street, Boston Proper, at an upset price of \$125,000.

The Board of Street Commissioners with the assistance of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, on May 4, 1948, held a public auction. Mr. Manion informs me that no bids were received but that there were present at the auction individuals who stated that they would bid if the upset price was lowered. Mr. Manion further informs me that he has conferred with the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, and that Mr. Lewis is of the opinion that if the property were put up for sale at an upset price of approximately \$90,000, bidders would be obtained and the property sold.

In view of the fact that the assessed valuation of this property is \$75,000 (land, \$44,300-Building, \$30,700) and of my previously stated opinion that this property, situated as it is in a commercial district, is not devoted to, nor is it suited or adaptable for, a public use or purpose; that the building was specially designed and constructed for business purposes and is ideally located for private enterprise; that this property should not continue in the management and control of the city, but should be sold; that a sale of this property would result in the threefold measures of productivity of property in its essential character as business property, the addition to city revenues of the sale price, and the return and addition of such property

to the tax assessment rolls, I favor the sale of this property at the price now suggested, that is, \$90,000.

I therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the sale of this property at public auction at the upset price of \$90,000.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
January 26, 1949,

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston,
Re: 53-85 Canal Street, Boston, Ward 3.
Dear Sir:

The above-mentioned property, which is under the jurisdiction of this Board, was up for auction on May 4, 1948, at an upset price of \$125,000. At the time of the public auction no bidders appeared who were willing to bid that sum of money, and, as a result, the auction sale was ineffective.

Present at the auction were individuals who stated that they would bid if the starting price was lowered. This property is assessed for \$75,000, and it is worth, in the opinion of this Board, more than the assessed value.

With a view to disposing of this property, the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners was contacted, and he informed us that it was his belief that if this property were put up for sale at an upset price of approximately \$90,000, bidders would be obtained and the property sold.

In this connection, it is requested that you recommend to the City Council the sale of this property at public auction at an upset price of \$90,000, in order that the city might receive the revenue from the sale price and return this property to the tax assessment rolls.

Attached find copy of your recommendation and order of May 15, 1947.

Very truly yours,
CHARLES E. MANION, Chairman.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land, containing approximately eight thousand eight hundred fifty-eight (8,858) square feet, together with the building thereon, situate on the northeasterly side of and numbered 53-85 Canal street, Boston, and

Whereas, The said parcel of land, together with the building thereon, subject to the rights and easements, including the structures therein ("Parcel B" on the plan, hereinafter referred to), of the City of Boston, Transit Department, are not required for any public purpose; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston be, and they hereby are, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell at public auction at an upset price of ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of land, together with the building thereon, hereinafter described, subject, however, to the exception and reservation in the City of Boston of the rights and easements, including the structures therein (shown as "Parcel B" on the plan hereinafter referred to), set forth in an instrument of taxing, together with plan filed therewith, for Transit Department purposes, dated May 13, 1947, recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Instrument No. 91, May 13, 1947; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to execute and deliver to a purchaser at said public auction a written instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, conveying all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of land, together with the building thereon, hereinafter described, subject however, to the exception and reservation in the City of Boston of the rights and reserva-

tions in the City of Boston of the rights and easements, including the structures therein (shown as "Parcel B" on the plan hereinafter referred to), set forth in an instrument of taking, together with the plan filed therewith, for Transit Department purposes, dated May 13, 1947, recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Instrument No. 91, May 13, 1947. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the northeasterly side line of Canal street, two hundred eighty-two and 30-100 (282.30) feet;

Northwesterly by the southeasterly side line of land of the City of Boston, Traverse Street Tunnel, thirty-one and 31-100 (31.31) feet;

Northeasterly by other land of the City of Boston, along the northeasterly face of the "Subway Wall," two hundred eighty-two and 44-100 (282.44) feet;

Southeasterly by the northwesterly line of other land of the City of Boston, thirty-one and 43-100 (31.43) feet;

Containing eight thousand eight hundred fifty-eight (8,858) square feet of land, more or less.

Said parcel of land, the location of the building thereon, the location of the "Subway Wall," together with the location of the rights and easements, including the structures therein, ("Parcel B"), excepted and reserved in the City of Boston for Transit Department purposes as set forth in the instrument of taking and plan filed therewith, hereinbefore referred to, and all of the aforesaid measurements are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Canal Street, Boston Proper, May 15, 1947, Thomas F. McGovern, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department." The original plan is on file in the office of the Street Laying-Out Department, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 622, ACTS OF 1948.

Mayor Curley addressed the Council regarding passage of order accepting chapter 622 of Acts of 1948 for rapid transit improvements in the City of Boston.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Robert E. Beggan, to be paid for extra work done in Bridge Department.

Albert L. Bregoli, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

City Dispatch Company, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Sayde Cohen, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Helen L. Driscoll, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 756 Adams street.

Fred G. Harrison, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Walter J. Liston, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Lord's of Boston, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 30 Harrison avenue extension, caused by bursting of water pipes.

Helen M. Manley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Brown avenue and Johnswood road.

James J. McGoldrick, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Josephine L. Mitchell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Exeter street.

Daniel F. O'Connor, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Martin W. O'Donnell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Preble street.

Lorraine Smith, to be reimbursed for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Bessie Starr, for compensation for broken shutoff valve at 30 Hosmer street, caused by city workers.

John M. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 169 Friend street.

Hessie L. Wanner, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 243 Dorchester avenue.

William T. White, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Edward J. Grundy, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Applications for licenses were received from 15 newsboys, and it was voted that licenses be granted under usual conditions.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

A petition was received from Albert Bethoney for a permit for certain children under 15 years of age to appear at Municipal Building on February 5 and 6, 1949, and it was voted that permit be granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF BONDS.

The surety bonds of Leo J. Sullivan, Register of Deeds, Joseph D. Coughlin, First Assistant Register of Deeds, John J. Mahoney, Second Assistant Register of Deeds, Matthew F. Hanley, Third Assistant Register of Deeds, Daniel Danick, Fourth Assistant Register of Deeds, and Jacob M. Levenson, Technical Assistant Register of Deeds were received and approved.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$81 for engineering service at veterans' housing projects.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$765,395 (general contract for Farragut Road veterans housing project).

Severally placed on file.

PRIVATE RAILROAD ACROSS GRANITE STREET.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of order issued consenting to construction and maintenance of private railroad upon and across Granite street, South Boston, on petition of Irving H. Sobin.

Placed on file.

NOTICES FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held February 4 at 10 a. m., on petition of Metropoli-

tan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles between Maverick square and General Logan Airport.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held February 14 at 10 a. m., on propriety of addition of so-called westbound alternate routes as contained in petition of Airways Transportation Company.

Severally placed on file.

LEASE OF CUDWORTH SCHOOL, EAST BOSTON.

Notice was received from the School Committee of order passed requesting Council to authorize the School Committee to lease to East Boston Post No. 26, AMVETS, the Cudworth School, Gove street, corner of Paris street, East Boston.

Placed on file.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted at 2.20 p. m. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.40 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred January 24) that a conference be called of all leading department store heads and heads of industrial organizations for purpose of urging them to retain their personnel and avoid planned layoffs—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, said order passed.

2. Report on order (referred January 17) that the Corporation Counsel look into the city ordinances and charter to determine whether or not the Council has the authority to adopt an ordinance censoring or regulating the sale of comic books which are objectionable—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, said order passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 10) accepting chapter 622, Acts of 1948, for rapid transit improvements—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on passage of the order accepting the act. Coun. HANNON moved that the order be recommitted to the Executive Committee. The motion was lost, yeas 5, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Tracy—5.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Voting Present—Councilors Beades, McCormack—2.

Coun. HANNON moved to postpone the order for one week. The motion was lost. Coun. CHASE moved to lay the order on the table. The motion was lost. The question then came on the passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 13, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook, Tracy—3.

Voting Present—Councilors Bryan, Hannon—2.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 622, ACTS OF 1948.

Councilor Sullivan announced that the public hearing on the acceptance by the Council

of Chapter 622 of the Acts of 1948, scheduled for Wednesday, was going to be held, and all the members of the Council were invited to be present.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Michael T. Clougherty (referred January 10) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred seventy-eight dollars and twenty cents (\$678.20) be allowed and paid to Michael T. Clougherty in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of William E. Webster (referred January 10) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Park Department—recommending passage of accompanying order.

Ordered, That the sum of eighty-seven dollars (\$87) be allowed and paid to William E. Webster in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Park Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Michael J. Kovalski (referred January 17) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Boston Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order.

Ordered, That the sum of nine hundred thirty dollars and ninety-five cents (\$930.95) be allowed and paid to Michael J. Kovalski in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred January 24) for terms ending April 30, 1949:

Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond: Richard Wilson Sheehan—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Weighers of Goods: H. Huskam, William Guerra—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Weigher of Coal: Peter Villuni—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were severally accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Keenan and Cook. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 24) appropriating \$5,500 for

boiler repairs, Canal street property, Street Laying-Out Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 12, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsela, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—12.
Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Safety, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred November 22, 1948) requesting the Mayor to confer with Building and Health Commissioners for purpose of eliminating smoke nuisance emanating from railroad yards in Allston—that same ought to pass.

2. On the public hearing which was held in the Thomas Gardner School in Allston on Thursday evening, January 27, 1949, relative to abating the smoke nuisance from Boston and Albany Railroad trains, the Committee on Public Safety respectfully recommends the passage of the following order which the Committee feels would be more stringent than the one which was passed by the Department of Public Utilities in December, 1946, and which has been proven not to have enough teeth in it with reference to smoke abatement.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to immediately contact the Department of Public Utilities and demand that they amend, change, add, or give birth to an entirely new order as far as the Boston & Albany Railroad is concerned dealing with the smoke nuisance now existing in the Brighton-Allston district.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

RESURFACING OF CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface the following streets in Ward 16: Everett street, Lincoln street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF JUNCTION FOR JOHN EDWARD MALONEY.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the space at the junction of Minot street and Neponset avenue, Ward 16, in honor of John Edward Maloney, a member of the U. S. Navy, who was killed at Okinawa on April 16, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF PATHWAY FOR JAMES A. HATTON.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the pathway now known as Frost Avenue Pathway, Ward 16, which was made a public way during 1948, in honor of the late Staff Sergeant James A. Hatton, who enlisted in the Army Air Corps in September, 1942, and who was a member of the crew of a B-17 plane which was shot down while participating in an air raid over Cherbourg, France, on May 8, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHT, 161 RUTHVEN STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric light of proper size in front of the building of Young Israel of Greater Boston at 161 Ruthven street, Roxbury.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REGRET AT DEATH OF EDWARD W. HARNDEN.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby expresses its deep regret at the passing of Edward W. Harnden, who, for 60 years, was the official stenographer of the legislative branch of the city government, and who, during all of those years not only performed his duties most efficiently, but was also a source of valuable knowledge to generation after generation of common councilors, aldermen, and city councilors; and therefore be it

Further Resolved, That the family of Edward W. Harnden be notified of the foregoing sentiments, and further notified that the memory of Edward W. Harnden will also be cherished in the official history of our city.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

CONTRACT OF JOHN BOWEN COMPANY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Boston Housing Authority and the State Housing Board investigate the contract of John Bowen Company in relation to the construction of the South Boston housing project.

Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

PROPOSED HEARING ON JOHN BOWEN CONTRACT.

Coun. LINEHAN stated that if substantial facts were produced relative to the John Bowen contract he would call a meeting of the Committee on Public Housing on Thursday, February 3, at 11 a. m.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR AARON WEINER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at Michigan avenue and Old road in honor of Sgt. Aaron Weiner who lost his life in active heroism in the defense of his country in the ETO on January 7, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF OLDFIELD STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Board of Street Commissioners lay out and accept Oldfield street, from Normandy street to the end of Oldfield street, as laid out by the Board of Street Commissioners.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**ROPING OFF STREETS FOR MARCH
17TH PARADE.**

Coun. LINEHAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the streets along the route of the Evacuation Day-St. Patrick's Day parade in South Boston on March 17, 1949, the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stacks.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REDUCTION OF SALARIES OF EXECUTIVES OF M. T. A.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Whereas, The Metropolitan Transit Authority proposes to curtail necessary bus service in a number of Boston communities; and

Whereas, This proposal is against the public welfare and will work a hardship on the public; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in regular meeting assembled hereby records itself as respectfully urging His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth to take executive action in preventing the M. T. A. from curtailing this necessary bus service in Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council respectfully urges the Governor of the Commonwealth to advise the M. T. A. that it must economize by reducing the salaries of the high-salaried executives of the M. T. A.; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

**CONTINUATION OF BRIGHAM CIRCLE-
PARK SQUARE BUS LINE.**

Coun. CAREY and CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to continue in use the bus line now being operated between Brigham Circle and Park square.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**COURT ACTION RE SMOKE NUISANCE
IN ALLSTON.**

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Whereas, On petition of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth a hearing was held before the Department of Public Utilities on January 9, 1946, to determine whether it should issue orders to the New York Central Railroad and/or the Boston & Albany Railroad to prevent the escape of cinders, ashes, or other solids from the stacks of its furnaces

and/or boilers operated by it at its Beacon Park roundhouse in the Allston district of Boston; and

Whereas, On December 27, 1946, the said Department of Public Utilities issued three orders to abate and prevent the continuance of the NUISANCE caused by the said railroads or either of them in permitting the escape of cinders, ashes, or other solids from the stacks of their furnaces or boilers onto the real and personal property of the people living in the immediate vicinity of the said roundhouse, and

Whereas, the said railroads or either of them deliberately violated ORDER No. 3 appearing on page 10 of the DECISION of the said Department of Public Utilities, dated December 27, 1946, to wit:

"That, in addition to the usual staff engaged in general supervision, employees be assigned whose sole duties shall be the enforcement of said instructions."

(Said instructions were contained in ORDERS Nos. 1 and 2 on page 9 of said DECISION requiring devices to prevent the escape of cinders and other solids and also requiring the proper firing of the roundhouse furnaces), and

Whereas, On November 1, 1948, the said RAILROADS deliberately violated said ORDER No. 3 by discharging the three men formerly engaged to see to it that ORDER No. 3 was obeyed and carried out when the said railroads replaced these three men by three other men who had OTHER DUTIES to perform in the regular course of their employment; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested and instructed to take immediate action in the courts of our Commonwealth for the violation of said ORDER No. 3 and to take such further action simultaneously to prevent the continuance of similar nuisances in the said Allston district.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

**NAMING OF SQUARE FOR WILLIAM
F. SLOAN.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

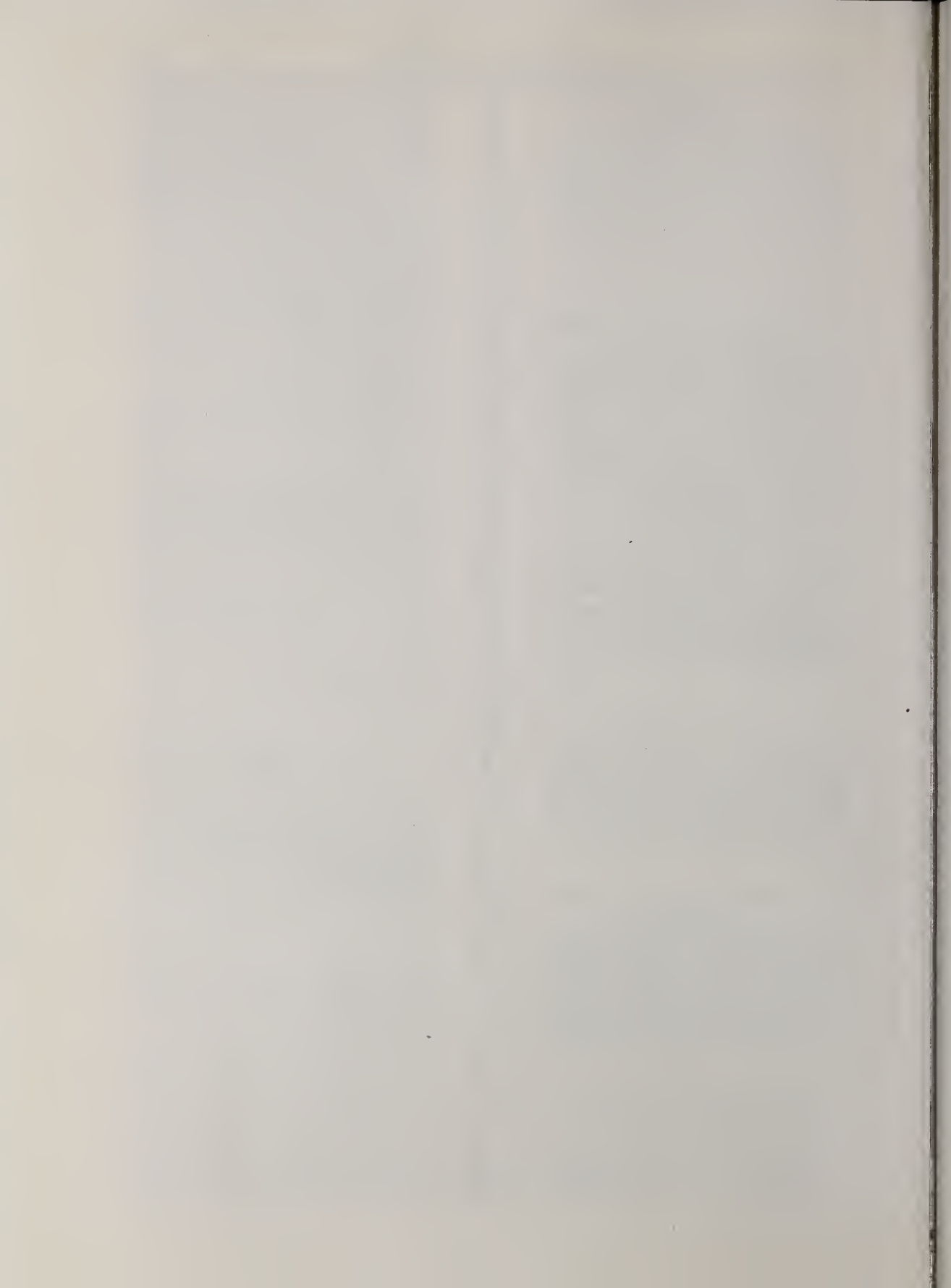
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at E and West Fifth streets, South Boston, in honor of Pfc. William F. Sloan, late member of Company B, 271st Infantry, 83rd Division, who was killed in action on January 11, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Shanley, at 5.08 p. m., to meet on Monday, February 7, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 7, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., Senior Member WENZLER in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Hurley, and Linehan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Lanigan presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz:

Sixty-six traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear March 7, 1949:

Joseph G. Bartoli, Ward 1; Arthur S. McCaffrey, Ward 1; Albert N. Pace, Ward 1; Robert Susan, Ward 1; Neil P. Brennan, Ward 2; Charles J. Goodman, Ward 2; Victor E. Merullo, Ward 2; Arcangelo DelloRusso, Ward 3; Joseph C. Fitzgerald, Ward 4; John R. Walsh, Ward 4; Michael J. Walsb, Ward 4; William H. Allman, Jr., Ward 5; Herbert F. Cassie, Ward 5; Leo Catignani, Ward 5; Edgar W. Ogden, Ward 5; Charles E. Sbuman, Ward 5; Charles W. Taylor, Ward 5; John H. Krauss, Ward 7; Hugh F. McDevitt, Ward 7; John Calcio, Ward 8; Frederick J. Ey, Ward 8; John A. MacMillan, Ward 9; James Parks, Ward 9; Charles M. Higgins, Ward 10; Thomas F. Lally, Ward 10; Arthur W. McLaughlin, Ward 10; Frank L. Coy, Ward 11; Harry S. Gordon, Ward 12; Benjamin White, Ward 12; Max Bloom, Ward 14; Isidor Clements, Ward 14; Louis Joffe, Ward 14; Morris Ulitsky, Ward 14; Harry Warsbaw, Ward 14; Thomas F. Donahue, Ward 15; Arnold A. Walmsley, Ward 15; Howard N. Wilson, Ward 15; Marshall F. Cox, Ward 16; William F. Mitchell, Ward 16; Joseph N. Benolli, Ward 17; Sydney L. Cohen, Ward 17; John V. Eccleston, Ward 17; Harry F. James, Ward 17; Kenneth Allen Lucas, Ward 17; Harry Rosen, Ward 17; Maurice J. Duffy, Ward 18; Albert G. Hargraves, Ward 18; Edward F. McCann, Ward 18; Peter H. Seminatore, Ward 18; George Laverdure, Ward 19; Jeremiah Lynch, Ward 19; John Aeneas O'Hanley, Ward 19; Edgar P. Dooley, Ward 20; Thomas G. Kelly, Ward 20; Robert D. MacGillivray, Ward 20; George H. Maynard, Ward 20; Joseph W. Shone, Ward 20; Monroe P. First, Ward 21; Robert Greenberg, Ward 21; Harry Presser, Ward 21; Benjamin Williams, Ward 21; Alfred M. Amoling, Ward 22; Gordon O. Hamblen, Ward 22; Oscar Shapiro, Ward 22; Augustus H. Simeone, Ward 22; Joseph P. Vahcy, Ward 22.

Eighty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear March 8, 1949:

Silvio Craviotti, Ward 1; Ralph Scirro, Ward 1; Frank L. Turner, Ward 1; John J. Feeney, Ward 2; William Lang, Ward 2; Samuel H. Pool, Jr., Ward 2; Louis A. French, Ward 3; Roosevelt Traylor, Ward 3; John J. Kelley, Ward 4; Edward M. Sweeney, Ward 4; Charles Greene, Ward 5; Samuel J. McDonald, Jr., Ward 5; Joseph J. Noonan, Ward 5; Carlus Gum, Ward 6; James L. Bradley, Ward 7; John Joseph Curran, Jr., Ward 7; Lester N. Howard, Ward 7; Thomas P. Kennedy, Ward 7; Leo N. Koelsch, Ward 7; Frank A. Osgood, Ward 7; Robert D. Otley, Ward 7; John E. Troy, Ward 7; Phillip A. Alessi, Jr., Ward 8; John T. McCarthy, Ward 8; Charles J. Norton, Ward 8; Eliot W. Oliver, Ward 8; Frank B. Roach, Ward 8; Eugene Shaw, Ward 8; Carl H. Benders, Ward 9; Tucker L. Perry, Ward 9; Grant J. Tice, Ward 9; Max Jaeckel, Ward 10; Carl E. Larson, Ward 10; Eugene F. McCarthy, Ward 10; Antonio M. Silvestri, Ward 10; William J. Whelan, Ward 11; Paul Barrow, Ward 12; Eugene H. Gross, Ward 12; James J. Hilson, Ward 12; Joseph Springer, Ward 12; Cornelius D. Chaso, Jr., Ward 13; Frank V. Claes, Ward 13; Joseph F. Coffey, Ward 13; Thomas Connolly, Ward 13; Albert

Desmarais, Ward 13; Wendell G. Herrick, Ward 13; Carroll S. Bingham, Ward 14; Benjamin Galing, Ward 14; Francis J. O'Leary, Ward 14; Julius Fransky, Ward 14; Robert Sandman, Ward 14; Max Wasserman, Ward 14; George F. Barton, Ward 15; Charles W. Bell, Jr., Ward 15; Thomas F. Collins, Ward 15; Edward J. Holmes, Ward 15; Ronald John McGillivray, Ward 15; Charles A. Perkins, Jr., Ward 15.

Alfred Rogers Bevens, Ward 16; Francis H. Conway, Ward 16; Ralph A. Dahlquist, Ward 16; James E. Cullen, Ward 17; Arthur Donahue, Ward 17; Calvin Isaacson, Ward 17; Francis Leon, Ward 17; Ralph C. Trefry, Ward 17; Alexander Campbell, Ward 18; Irving Greene, Ward 18; Francis L. McGee, Ward 18; Elbert W. Morse, Jr., Ward 18; Maurice Semans, Ward 18; Francis W. Blaisdell, Ward 19; Martin S. Coleman, Ward 19; John L. Egan, Ward 19; Lauris S. Godfrey, Ward 19; John P. Haberlin, Ward 19; William P. Murray, Ward 19; John J. O'Brien, Ward 19; Thomas Vincent Power, Ward 19; John J. Schlaik, Ward 19; David Seales, Ward 19; James H. Green, Ward 20; Guy L. Harvey, Ward 20; Frederick P. Schulze, Ward 20; Joseph E. Sollitto, Ward 20; Frank Donovan, Ward 21; Edward P. McLaughlin, Ward 21; William A. Pigg, Ward 21; Andrew J. Walsh, Ward 21.

One hundred fifty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear March 7, 1949:

Robert F. Carroll, Ward 1; Walter L. Cody, Ward 1; Joseph P. Fitzgerald, Ward 1; Reginald A. Greenwood, Ward 1; Louis Marasca, Ward 1; Raymond Joseph Muise, Ward 1; Charles J. Cassidy, Ward 2; Charles P. Adler, Ward 3; George J. Bunai, Ward 3; Sterling Comperchie, Ward 3; Guiseppe Dilanni, Ward 3; Maurice Hankard, Ward 3; Clifton Hooper, Ward 3; Charles LaBella, Ward 3; Raymond J. Meade, Ward 3; Anthony Pettinelli, Ward 3; Simon H. Sebartz, Ward 3; William S. Simensen, Ward 3; Raymond Dangaweet, Ward 4; John H. Dunlop, Ward 4; George M. Kiley, Ward 4; John O. Mitchell, Ward 4; Alfred C. Norrish, Ward 4; Gregory J. Rosa, Ward 4; Abraham A. Gotz, Ward 5; James T. Murphy, Ward 5; Anthony Rowsky, Ward 5; Harold J. Bowman, Ward 6; John Burbul, Ward 6; Walter Burt, Ward 6; Patrick J. Collins, Ward 6; Jeremiah J. Harrington, Ward 6; John Lubinski, Ward 6; William I. Meehan, Ward 6; Daniel J. Welch, Ward 6; John W. Dunne, Ward 7; William J. Hurley, Ward 7; Nicholas M. Laskaris, Ward 7; Walter S. Nickerson, Ward 7; Walter J. Rogers, Ward 7; Dennis J. Sullivan, Ward 7; John L. Weir, Ward 7; John J. Woelfel, Ward 7; Charles C. Anderson, Ward 8; John A. Barnes, Ward 8; Jerry B. Davis, Ward 8; William R. Egersheim, Ward 8; Michael J. Halloran, Ward 8; Ernest Mallett, Ward 8; Edmund Rogers, Ward 8; Albert F. Carney, Ward 9; Gayton R. Fitzpatrick, Ward 9; John J. Gillis, Ward 9; Anthony Marinelli, Ward 9; Robert K. Walcott, Ward 9; Arthur J. Davis, Ward 10; Harry J. Hanbury, Ward 10; Robert Hunt, Ward 10; John H. Maboney, Ward 10; Andrew M. Monahan, Ward 10; Ernest R. Paulus, Ward 10; John J. Conway, Ward 11; John Crowley, Ward 11; Michael Joseph Foran, Ward 11; William J. Glynn, Ward 11; James A. McPhee, Ward 11; Almond M. Woodward, Ward 11.

Cornelius Carter, Ward 12; Emerson P. Foran, Ward 12; Ernest G. Wells, Ward 12; Albert Gilman, Ward 13; Paul J. Lyons, Ward 13; Louis Dane Malone, Ward 13; Max Cahn, Ward 14; Jacob Clayman, Ward 14; William Copel, Ward 14; Franklyn P. Cornell, Ward 14; William Goldberg, Ward 14; Harry Grossman, Ward 14; Hyman Needle, Ward 14; Philip Parven, Ward 14; Benjamin Pock, Ward 14; Morris Sisel, Ward 14; Isadore Uckorman, Ward 14; James J. Bresnihan, Ward 15; Knut Carlsen, Ward 15; John J. Driscoll, Ward 15; Charles E. Flynn, Ward 15; John W. Gavin, Ward 15; William J. Hurley, Ward 15; John Manlich, Ward 15; John J. McCarthy, Ward 15; George L. McSheffrey, Ward 15; Edward Mullen, Ward 15; Joseph A. Redington, Ward 15; Edward J. Sullivan, Ward 16; John C. Anglin, Ward 16; John F. Colgan, Ward 16; Gabriel DeSimone, Ward 16; Carl W. Field, Ward 16; Paul J. Maguire, Ward 16; Francis S. Murphy, Ward 16; John U. Cosgrove, Sr., Ward 17; James W. Dever, Ward 17; Orrin Joseph Duseau, Ward 17; Maurice F. Erhardt, Ward 17; Michael Gulachenski, Ward 17; Albert S. Hinceley, Ward 17; Hugh M. Jackson, Ward 17; Robert W. McTaggart, Ward 17; Samuel L. Pliskin, Ward 17; Abraham

W. Sherer, Ward 17; Horace E. Thorpe, Ward 17; Leslie E. Vincent, Ward 17; Joseph E. Walker, Ward 17; Alfred J. Borges, Ward 18; Gerald L. Briggs, Ward 18; John H. Casperson, Ward 18; Carlo M. DiStasio, Ward 18; James E. Donovan, Ward 18; John S. Goolden, Ward 18; Edward J. Little, Ward 18; James Moore, Ward 18; Louis Rossi, Ward 18; Leo J. Shea, Ward 18; William R. Whelan, Ward 18; Robert E. Burke, Ward 19; Thomas J. Buttimer, Ward 19; John F. Conroy, Ward 19; Robert Decker, Ward 19; Edward C. Dustin, Ward 19; Sydney F. Heap, Ward 19; Francis W. Scully, Ward 19; Benjamin W. Tarr, Ward 19; Charles E. Hildebrand, Ward 20; Frederick F. Mayer, Ward 20; Robert H. McCraw, Ward 20; Joseph F. Meloni, Ward 20; Frederick W. Micklay, Ward 20; Francis P. Moran, Ward 20; Alvin S. Mullen, Sr., Ward 20; Louis V. H. Petersen, Ward 20; John F. Pfau, Jr., Ward 20; Henry F. Rossetti, Ward 20; Henry P. Scales, Ward 20; Frederick Schortmann, Ward 20; Charles Abraham, Ward 21; Clifford M. Clark, Ward 21; James Donnelly, Jr., Ward 21; John J. Helfrich, Ward 21; Frank Maloney, Ward 21; Andrew J. Shaughnessy, Ward 21; William VanHoeyk, Ward 21; William F. D. Wilson, Ward 21; John M. Adam, Ward 22; Stephen Clouther, Ward 22; Harold S. MacFarland, Ward 22; John S. Needham, Ward 22; Francis J. Peddle, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949: Louis Buttiglieri, 191 London street, East Boston, Mass.; Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Hyde Park, Mass.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR WILLIAM F. SLOAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at E and West Fifth streets, South Boston, in honor of Pfc. William F. Sloan, late member of Company B, 271st Infantry, 83d Division, who was killed in action on January 11, 1945.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the intersection of E and West Fifth streets, South Boston, be named in honor of William F. Sloan.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will not be held until April or May, at which time this request will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

INCREASE OF RENT ALLOWANCES TO RECIPIENTS OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare, concerning your

order of January 24, 1949, relative to the increasing of rent allowances to those persons receiving Old Age Assistance.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
February 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention: Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan.
Dear Sir:

In answer to your communication with enclosed Council order of January 24, 1949, as follows:

Ordered, That the Old Age Assistance Bureau of the Welfare Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to increase rent allowances to those persons receiving Old Age Assistance, may I reply for the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston, as follows:

The rental allowed to persons receiving Old Age Assistance is in accordance with state budget procedure, and in the budget the following allowances are not to be exceeded:

Monthly rent (to be budgeted as paid, not to exceed amounts listed below):

Unfurnished home or apartment, \$25.

Heated apartment, \$32.

Room (per person), \$17.35.

Room with cooking privileges (1 or more meals), \$19.50.

Sincerely yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, ALBANY STREET AND BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the placing of a traffic signal at Albany street and Broadway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, February 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Council Order Dated January 17, 1949, Requesting Traffic Signal at Albany Street and Broadway.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the above request please be advised that if and when money is made available every consideration will be given to this request.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS AT UPHAMS CORNER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, concerning the placing of pedestrian lights at Uphams Corner, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, February 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Council Order Dated January 17, 1949, Requesting Pedestrian Lights at Uphams Corner, Ward 13.

Dear Sir:

Replying to the subject matter I enclose herewith report of our Engineering Division, which is self-explanatory:

"There is a booth located in the center of Uphams Corner, with traffic signal indications on

four sides that are manually operated by a police officer. This officer is on duty in the square from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m., and a night officer is assigned to this area from 6 p. m. to 8 p. m. These officers operate manually the traffic controls during the rush periods. At all other times these lights are operated as a flashing yellow. It is possible to change this timer so that the police officer can still operate it manually and at all other times it will be under automatic operation.

Orders have been issued to set up a timing schedule to operate these lights both automatically and manually, and we hope to complete this within the next week or so and put it in operation."

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF STREETS, WAYS, ETC., IN SOUTH BOSTON HOUSING PROJECT FOR VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of January 17, 1949, originally sent to the Board of Street Commissioners, and subsequently forwarded to the Housing Authority, concerning the naming of streets, ways, courts, and squares in the South Boston housing project after various veterans.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
January 20, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
With reference to Council order of January 17, 1949, requesting the Board of Street Commissioners to name streets, ways, courts, and squares in the South Boston housing project after various veterans.

I beg to advise that this order should be directed to the attention of the Boston Housing Authority as the naming of such ways, etc., will be initiated by them, when the new project is completed.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Boston Housing Authority,
January 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
Your communication of January 21, 1949, enclosing Council order of January 17, 1949, requesting that streets, ways, courts, and squares in the South Boston project be named after veterans is acknowledged.

Such has not been the policy of the Public Housing Administration, the federal agency controlling the activities of this Authority. Inasmuch as the state legislation under which this project is now being constructed provides for the federal government to take over the projects upon passage of new federal housing enabling legislation, it is deemed advisable at this time to continue the policy heretofore established.

Your communication will be placed on file for future action when and if possible.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT NEAR 488 NEPONSET AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan District Commission relative to your order of November 8, 1948, concerning the installing

of a traffic light near 488 Neponset avenue, so that pedestrians may cross this heavily traveled thoroughfare in safety.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Metropolitan District Commission,
February 2, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
In reply to a Council order of November 8, 1948, as follows:

"Ordered that the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a traffic light at approximately 448 Neponset avenue, which location is under their jurisdiction, so that pedestrians may be able to cross this heavily traveled thoroughfare in safety."

The Metropolitan District Commission has made a study of this location with officials of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, whereby the buses entering the circle will use the old car track reservation in the circle area for storage and for people entering and leaving the buses. As soon as this plan is approved, work can start in the spring. When this area is laid out for the same it will relieve people from a long walk across the intersection to the sidewalks and policemen will be stationed there during the working hours to assist the people leaving and entering the buses.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

SALE OF OLD FIREBOAT.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In the attached communication, the Fire Commissioner requests permission to dispose of the old fireboat "Angus J. McDonald," Engine 31, which has been out of commission since December, 1947, and is no longer of use to the Fire Department. I submit the accompanying order authorizing the sale of this municipal property and recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, MAYOR,

City of Boston,
Fire Department, January 31, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I respectfully request that your Honor introduce an order in the City Council for the sale of the old fireboat "Angus J. McDonald," Engine 31, at public auction. It is no longer of use to this department and has been tied up since December, 1947.

In my opinion, an upset price of \$500 should be placed on the boat.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be, and hereby is, authorized to sell, at public auction, at an upset price of five hundred dollars (\$500) the fireboat "Angus J. McDonald," Engine 31, which is of no further use to the Fire Department.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held in Gardner Auditorium on February 28, at 9.30 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority, for approval of proposed changes in rates of fare and charges for service.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room, 166 State House, on February 21, at 10 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority, for license to operate motor vehicles between Dudley Street station and Columbia road.
Severally placed on file.

BUDGET FOR 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 7, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

In compliance with section 3 of the Amended City Charter, I submit herewith my budget recommendations in full segregated form for the fiscal year 1949.

These recommendations cover three main appropriation divisions, namely, City Maintenance, County Maintenance, and Revenue Departments and Accounts. The appropriations recommended for the first two divisions will be included in the computation of the tax rate by the Board of Assessors, while the appropriations for the last division will be met from the income received by the several revenue divisions of the city.

The allowances recommended herein should be sufficient to assure continued proper and efficient service by the several departments of the city without supplementation during the current year.

However, there are certain appropriations which are variable and difficult to estimate. The appropriation for Snow Removal is, frankly, an arbitrary one. It is considerably lower than the requirements of last year because of the lack of snow, but is a fairly good average, based on the requirements of the past several years. The appropriation for Welfare is predicated on the assumption that economic conditions are improving, and that the 10 per cent increase over last year's expenditures will be sufficient. However, legislation is now pending which will authorize the city to borrow for Welfare expenditures in excess of the expenditures for the preceding year.

My program for permanent public works and building construction and remodeling is still in the formative stage, and, upon completion, the necessary supplemental appropriations required as a prerequisite to borrowing under the provisions of the General Laws will be submitted at a later date.

No provision has been made in these recommendations for a general increase for city employees. I have received requests, and several groups of employees have petitioned the Legislature, to increase the salaries of city employees from \$300 to \$500 annually. To meet these demands would involve additional appropriations of several millions of dollars, which, under existing conditions, would have to be absorbed by the property owners of the city.

The growth of city government and the increased responsibilities thrust upon it by legislation, in addition to the increased costs of maintaining the regular services of the city, has far outdistanced and exceeded the ability of the real estate taxes to produce sufficient revenue without becoming confiscatory. This condition is not limited to Boston. It exists in every municipality throughout the state, and, in fact, it may be said to be nation-wide. With the average tax rate of the state in 1948 reaching the figure of \$45.53, with 36 municipalities having tax rates in excess of \$50 (one municipality having a rate of \$67), and with Commissioner Long currently announcing that \$50 tax rates in 1949 will be a common occurrence, there can be no question as to the seriousness of the current problem in this state.

The Tax Commissioner has recently certified to the Board of Assessors his 1949 estimates of state assessments and state-distributed revenues to be used in the computation of the tax rate for the current year. The estimates show a \$5,600,000 increase in assessments over 1948 and a \$1,300,000 reduction in revenues for 1949. The increase in assessments is due largely to the operating deficit incurred in 1948 by the M.T.A., whereas the reduction in revenue is attributable to the Educational Aid Bill adopted by the Legislature last year. The net result of these changes is equivalent to a \$4.60 increase in the 1949 tax rate. The increased appropriations provided in my budget recommendations will, in the absence of any additional revenue, mean a further increase of \$3.50 in the 1949 tax rate. At the present moment, therefore, a total increase of \$8 in the tax rate of the city appears imminent. To avoid such a development the city must, of necessity, look to Beacon Hill for relief and assistance.

Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York recently stated: "The State is the legal master of the City. Yet the burden of carrying on a multitude of functions essentially State in character is saddled on the City.

"Since the State imposes functions, and at the same time seriously limits the City's capacity to deal with them fiscally, it has the inescapable duty to see to it that the City is provided with adequate funds to maintain them.

"The time has come for a drastic change in the relationship of the City with the State, with regard to fiscal matters. There must be a thorough re-examination of the subject and a realistic readjustment. The undignified procedure of City officials going 'with hat in hand' every year to the State Legislature in Albany, begging for funds, must be ended. A long-range program, ample to permit the City to plan for the future and carry on currently its vital functions, without uncertainty, must be agreed upon."

In order to assure the financial stability of local government in this Commonwealth, it is incumbent on the Legislature to make available without delay additional revenues for the maintenance and operation of Massachusetts cities and towns.

The following table indicates in comparative form the appropriations by divisions for this year and last.

	1948.	1949.
CITY MAINTENANCE	\$67,434,985 64	\$72,519,980 70
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	4,851,548 49	5,156,782 21
TOTAL	\$72,286,534 11	\$77,676,762 91
REVENUE DEPARTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS	3,828,219 34	4,173,246 83
GRAND TOTAL	\$76,114,753 45	\$81,850,009 74

The grand total of the recommendations for the year 1949 is \$81,850,009.74. This represents an increase of \$5,735,256.29 over the total of similar budget recommendations for the year 1948. The total of the requests submitted by all departments of the city and county was \$16,082,479.86 in excess of the total appropriations for 1948. This grand total has been reduced by the sum of \$10,347,223.57.

The following detailed explanations are offered in connection with the three groups in question.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

The amounts recommended for City Maintenance total \$72,519,980.70. This total represents a reduction of \$9,972,698.75 in the estimates as originally submitted by department heads, and is \$5,084,995.06 greater than the total of appropriation recommendations submitted in 1948.

The following tabulation indicates by budget groups the difference between the appropriations of last year and the allowances of the current year.

BUDGET FOR 1949.—Continued.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.
CITY MAINTENANCE.

	1948		Increase.
	Appropriations.	Allowances.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$34,271,192 52	\$38,105,388 84	\$3,834,196 32
B. Contractual Services.....	6,669,342 39	7,328,631 71	659,289 32
C. Equipment.....	1,362,114 00	1,905,744 73	543,630 73
D. Supplies.....	4,396,573 07	4,358,881 30	37,691 77*
E. Materials.....	538,187 50	576,896 00	38,708 50
F. Special Items.....	15,713,960 84†	16,995,991 56	1,282,030 72
G. Incidentals.....	21,405 00	25,570 00	4,165 00
Snow Removal.....	1,750,000 00	500,000 00	1,250,000 00*
Special Appropriations.....	2,712,210 32	2,722,876 56	10,666 24
Total.....	\$67,434,985 64†	\$72,519,980 70	\$5,084,995 06

PERSONAL SERVICE.

The appropriations recommended for Personal Service, in almost every instance, show an increase over similar appropriations for last year. This increase is due in large measure to the necessity of providing for a full year the general increase granted by me on July first of last year. Some of the other factors are: requirements necessary for step-rate increases; full year provision for the 40-hour 5-day week; additional increase to employees in the Sanatorium Division who come directly in contact with contagious diseases; new salary schedules for internes who formerly donated their services; salary adjustments for the officers in the Fire and Police Departments; increase in overtime requirements due to the 40-hour 5-day week; and provisions for payments to police officers who work on holidays.

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.

The increase in Contractual Services is due mainly to the addition of a new refuse collection district and an increase in the disposal contract of the Sanitary Division of the Public Works Department; repairs to Fort Hill Wharf which cannot be postponed; increased cost of street lighting and servicing; remodeling of the Welfare Building on Hawkins street; repairs to the Central Library roof and improving the lighting system in the various library branches and miscellaneous repairs; increased cost of board of children and Boston-settled cases in state and other sanatoria.

EQUIPMENT.

For the past two years the appropriations for Equipment have been rather small because of the Equipment Loans. From now on, however, it will be necessary to provide in the annual budgets a sufficient appropriation for ordinary equipment replacements. The increase in this group is due mainly to the provision for fire apparatus and trucks in the Public Works Department. Some of the increase is also due to replacing miscellaneous equipment in the various departments and the increased demand for sheets, pillow cases, bedding, and miscellaneous equipment in the Hospital and Institutions Departments.

SUPPLIES.

Due to the leveling off of the cost of food and reduction in fuel cost, a slight reduction has been possible in this group even though some increases in other supply items have been recommended.

MATERIALS.

The increase in this group is due mainly to the necessity for an increased appropriation for toweling for use by the Park Department, replacements of radio units in police cruising cars, and a larger appropriation for underground cable in the Fire Alarm Division of the Fire Department.

SPECIAL ITEMS.

This group covers Welfare payments, pension payments to employees not members of the contributory system, and payments for Workmen's Compensation. In addition to providing approximately 10 per cent increase for Welfare requirements, there is a substantial increase in the Pension item of the Police Department, and minor increases in the Pension and Workmen's Compensation items throughout the city departments.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

The reduction in the Snow Removal appropriation is explained above. The other items included are the regular recurring Special Appropriations and, in addition, an increase in the appropriations for major repairs in the Hospital Department and Sanatorium Division; the Park Department; for construction of sidewalks and street signs. No appropriations have been included for the so-called down payment as a prerequisite to borrowing as explained above.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.
COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

	1948		Increase.
	Appropriations.	Allowances.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$3,453,763 41	\$3,715,107 27	\$261,343 86
B. Contractual Services.....	653,161 18	656,524 05	3,362 87
C. Equipment.....	95,120 35	96,507 65	1,387 30
D. Supplies.....	482,090 00	505,700 00	23,610 00
E. Materials.....	28,630 00	38,630 00	10,000 00
F. Special Items.....	71,783 53	93,313 24	21,529 71
Special Appropriations.....	67,000 00	51,000 00	16,000 00*
Total.....	\$4,851,548 47	\$5,156,782 21	\$305,233 74

The increase in appropriations over 1948 in the county departments is mandatory by statute or as a result of policies inaugurated by county officials over whom I have no control. The main increase is for Personal Service and is due to step-rate increases provided under the County Compensation Plan, increases to probation officers and court officers and other county officials outside the plan and mandatory by statute.

* Denotes decrease.

† Includes loan of \$1,350,000.00 for Welfare.

BUDGET FOR 1949. — Continued.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.

REVENUE DEPARTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS.

	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,931,833 25	\$2,191,926 63	\$260,093 38
B. Contractual Services.....	769,851 40	746,433 00	23,418 40*
C. Equipment.....	140,070 40	252,388 00	112,317 60
D. Supplies.....	64,465 00	70,800 00	6,335 00
E. Materials.....	338,835 50	344,252 50	5,417 00
F. Special Items.....	83,163 79	77,580 79	5,583 00*
Special Appropriations.....	500,000 00	489,865 91	10,134 09*
Total.....	\$3,828,219 34	\$4,173,246 83	\$345,027 49

The increased allowance for Personal Service in the Revenue Departments is due mainly to the necessity of providing for a full year the general increase granted by me on July first of last year; requirements necessary for step-rate increases; full year provision for the 40-hour 5-day week; and increase in overtime requirements due to the 40-hour 5-day week. The increases in other groups are of a minor nature, with the exception of the Equipment item, and this increase is due entirely to the replacement of motor vehicle equipment in the Water and Tunnel Services of the Public Works Department and for the purchase of water meters.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

COMPARISON OF 1948 APPROPRIATIONS WITH 1949 DEPARTMENTAL ALLOWANCES.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

DEPARTMENT AND ACTIVITY.	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
Art Department.....	\$1,805 00	\$2,320 00	\$515 00
Assessing Department.....	460,738 77	512,013 54	51,274 77
Auditing Department.....	135,592 05	147,448 08	11,856 03
Central Payroll Division.....	36,517 82	42,398 88	5,881 06
Boston Retirement Board.....	33,956 43	32,564 71	1,391 72*
State-Boston Retirement System, Expense Fund..	28,050 70	44,216 56	16,165 86
Boston Traffic Commission.....	336,652 57	431,778 26	95,125 69
Budget Department.....	20,889 80	22,583 30	1,693 50
Building Department.....	362,530 79	396,750 20	34,219 41
Unsafe Buildings, Securing, Removing, Etc.....	50,000 00	30,000 00	20,000 00*
Board of Appeal.....	16,246 45	16,913 70	667 25
Board of Examiners.....	6,113 40	6,463 40	350 00
City Clerk Department.....	69,731 69	75,626 03	5,894 34
Recording and Binding of Veterans' Discharges, Etc.....	5,000 00	—	5,000 00*
City Council.....	116,506 00	131,731 00	15,225 00
City Council Proceedings.....	14,200 00	16,000 00	1,800 00
City Documents.....	20,000 00	29,000 00	9,000 00
City Planning Board.....	31,125 08	35,252 28	4,127 20
Collecting Department.....	163,337 61	173,989 94	10,652 33
Election Department.....	447,359 98	402,515 59	44,844 39*
Finance Commission.....	60,000 00	60,000 00	—
Administrative Survey.....	100,000 00	50,000 00	50,000 00*
Fire Department.....	8,248,461 00	9,153,931 00	905,470 00
Electrical Inspection Division.....	114,315 21	120,503 57	6,188 36
Health Department.....	1,149,405 82	1,302,133 84	152,728 02
Federal Public Health Program.....	17,000 00	45,000 00	28,000 00
Hospital Department.....	7,860,175 00	8,490,425 00	630,250 00
Hospital, Installations, Alterations and Repairs..	125,000 00	270,000 00	145,000 00
Sanatorium Division.....	1,437,684 56	1,792,880 00	355,195 44
Sanatorium Division, Installations and Repairs..	75,000 00	150,000 00	75,000 00
Institutions Department:			
Central Office.....	63,548 88	69,828 56	6,279 68
Child Welfare Division.....	588,089 81	635,725 90	47,636 09
Long Island Hospital.....	1,207,030 04	1,285,650 00	78,619 96
Long Island Hospital, Special Improvements and Repairs.....	350,000 00	350,000 00	—
Steamers.....	133,270 00	142,046 46	8,776 46
Eastern Avenue Wharf.....	13,108 64	16,043 03	2,934 39
Law Department.....	234,837 67	265,648 21	30,810 54
Library Department.....	2,130,750 84	2,447,575 00	316,824 16
Licensing Board.....	82,381 00	88,416 00	6,035 00
Mayor, Office Expenses.....	110,522 00	127,550 00	17,028 00
Municipal Employment Bureau.....	32,759 20	29,909 20	2,850 00*
Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests.....	40,000 00	39,000 00	1,000 00*
Public Celebrations.....	80,000 00	69,160 00	10,840 00*
Park Department.....	2,127,989 00	2,315,670 00	187,681 00
Park and Playground Improvements, Etc.....	125,000 00	200,000 00	75,000 00
Reconstruction and Repairs of Parkways and Roadways.....	21,000 00	38,000 00	17,000 00
Rehabilitation of Franklin Park Zoo.....	50,000 00	30,000 00	20,000 00*
North Bennet Street Building, Restoration of....	—	75,000 00	75,000 00
Cemetery Division.....	166,742 05	196,625 76	29,883 71
Police Department.....	9,595,115 00	10,425,671 69	830,556 69

* Decrease.

BUDGET FOR 1949.—Continued.

DEPARTMENT AND ACTIVITY.	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
Public Buildings Department.....	\$906,981 98	\$985,015 00	\$78,063 02
Market Division.....	24,647 68	26,710 84	2,063 16
City Hall Annex, Emergency Repairs, Steel Work and Masonry.....	50,000 00	—	50,000 00*
Municipal Building, Charlestown, Alteration sand Repairs, Etc.....	6,000 00	—	6,000 00*
Renovate and Remodel Oak and Tyler Streets Buildings.....	10,000 00	—	10,000 00*
Public Welfare Department:			
Central Office.....	13,754,632 00 ¹	15,068,115 30	1,313,483 30
Temporary Home.....	30,640 00	41,342 09	10,702 09
Wayfarers' Lodge.....	32,691 11	38,703 33	6,012 22
Public Works Department:			
Central Office.....	42,503 16	40,919 41	1,583 75*
Workmen's Compensation Service.....	18,000 00	25,000 00	7,000 00
Bridge Service.....	658,705 96	732,550 28	73,844 32
Bridges, Repairs, Etc.....	200,000 00	250,000 00	50,000 00
Ferry Service.....	295,345 09	381,953 40	86,608 31
Lighting Service.....	1,104,900 02	1,157,628 00	52,727 98
Paving Service.....	1,298,781 00	1,422,931 00	124,150 00
Public Ways, Construction of.....	156,079 81	—	156,079 81*
Reconstruction of Streets.....	475,000 00	300,000 00	175,000 00*
Sidewalks, Construction and Reconstruction of... Street Signs.....	50,000 00	100,000 00	50,000 00
Sanitary Service.....	—	25,000 00	25,000 00
Sewer Service.....	4,741,181 00	5,350,223 60 ²	609,042 60
Registry Department.....	640,939 35	737,974 19	97,034 84
Sinking Funds Department.....	130,261 54	116,677 17	13,584 37*
Department of Veterans' Services.....	3,015 00	2,975 00	40 00*
Statistics Department.....	1,130,019 92	1,135,873 84	5,853 92
Street Laying-Out Department.....	22,445 00	23,695 00	1,250 00
Boiler Repairs, Canal Street Property.....	164,643 03	186,758 86	22,115 83
Supply Department.....	—	5,500 00 ³	5,500 00
Treasury Department.....	83,378 30	91,613 28	8,234 98
Weights and Measures Department.....	143,539 66	155,555 50	12,015 84
Board of Real Estate Commissioners.....	68,943 36	76,893 96	7,950 60
Board of Real Estate Commissioners.....	65,092 00	81,412 96	16,320 96
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.			
Contingent Fund.....	400,000 00	475,000 00	75,000 00
Reserve Fund.....	125,000 00	125,000 00	—
Snow Removal.....	1,750,000 00	500,000 00	1,250,000 00*
Construction of Buildings, Etc.....	156,079 81	—	156,079 81*
Boston Housing Authority.....	—	27,000 00	27,000 00
Totals.....	\$67,434,985 64	\$72,519,980 70	\$5,084,995 06

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

DEPARTMENT AND ACTIVITY.	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
Suffolk County Courthouse, Custodian.....	\$490,421 67	\$512,226 40	\$21,804 73
County Buildings.....	142,407 37	166,769 80	24,362 43
Dorchester Courthouse, Repairs, Etc.....	8,000 00	—	8,000 00*
Mortuary Building, North Grove Street, Altera- tions, Repairs, Etc.....	5,000 00	—	5,000 00*
Jail.....	297,786 29	331,852 06	34,065 77
Jail Improvements.....	17,000 00	45,000 00	28,000 00
Supreme Judicial Court.....	66,232 50	64,309 04	1,923 46*
Superior Court, Civil Session, General Expenses.....	470,090 50	508,420 00	38,329 50
Superior Court, Civil Session, Clerk's Office.....	252,820 37	269,614 31	16,793 94
Superior Criminal Court.....	574,407 78	594,568 48	20,160 70
Probate Court.....	45,382 52	60,347 67	14,965 15
Municipal Court, City of Boston.....	612,842 32	658,026 84	45,184 52
Municipal Court, Charlestown District.....	45,668 33	49,736 00	4,067 67
East Boston District Court.....	43,411 78	47,049 62	3,637 84
Municipal Court, South Boston District.....	48,635 02	53,778 16	5,143 14
Municipal Court, Dorchester District.....	62,859 28	70,374 03	7,514 75
Municipal Court, Roxbury District.....	153,135 10	166,909 89	13,774 79
Municipal Court, West Roxbury District.....	54,114 50	60,867 50	6,753 00
Municipal Court, Brighton District.....	36,707 99	39,474 04	2,766 05
Boston Juvenile Court.....	45,906 15	57,911 97	12,005 82
District Court of Chelsea.....	50,578 57	57,265 79	6,687 22
Registry of Deeds.....	303,134 47	314,631 85	11,497 38
Index Commissioners.....	31,514 32	34,656 76	3,142 44
Insanity Cases.....	45,135 00	45,185 00	50 00
Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division.....	31,838 87	33,379 64	1,540 77
Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division.....	22,290 28	23,600 28	1,310 00
Associate Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division, Associate Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division,	3,562 50	3,562 50	—
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Auditing Department.....	3,727 50	3,727 50	—
Budget Department.....	27,929 45	28,421 92	495 47
Collecting Department.....	19,562 02	19,649 66	87 64
Sheriff.....	1,000 00	700 00	300 00*
Treasury Department.....	5,025 00	5,325 00	300 00
Treasury Department.....	6,025 00	6,075 86	50 86

* Decrease.

¹ Includes loan of \$1,350,000 for Welfare.

² Includes \$115,700 for temporary employes previously submitted to City Council.

³ Previously passed by City Council.

BUDGET FOR 1949.—Concluded.

DEPARTMENT AND ACTIVITY.	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
Penal Institutions Department:			
Office Expenses.....	\$56,295 24	\$59,528 58	\$3,233 34
House of Correction.....	734,100 78	757,833 06	23,732 28
House of Correction, Special Improvement and Re- pairs.....	31,000 00	—	31,000 00*
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.			
Social Law Library.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	—
Contingent Fund.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	—
Totals.....	\$4,851,548 47	\$5,156,782 21	\$305,233 74

REVENUE DEPARTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS.

DEPARTMENT AND ACTIVITY.	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
Printing Department.....	\$591,104 14	\$629,170 23	\$38,066 09
City Record, Publication of.....	39,140 00	44,690 00	5,550 00
Public Works — Water Division.....	2,044,230 64	2,295,444 00	251,213 36
Summer Traffic Tunnel.....	453,212 67	524,717 65	71,504 98
Collecting — Water Division.....	199,731 89	189,359 04	10,372 85*
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.			
Departmental Stationery and Postage.....	140,000 00	140,000 00	—
State-Boston Retirement System, Pension Fund.....	360,000 00	349,865 91	10,134 09*
Auditing — Water Division.....	800 00	—	800 00*
Totals.....	\$3,828,219 34	\$4,173,246 83	\$345,027 49

RECAPITULATION.

	1948 Appropriations.	1949 Allowances.	Increase.
CITY MAINTENANCE.....	\$67,434,985 64	\$72,519,980 70	\$5,084,995 06
COUNTY MAINTENANCE.....	4,851,548 47	5,156,782 21	305,233 74
TOTALS.....	\$72,286,534 11	\$77,676,762 91	\$5,390,228 80
REVENUE DEPARTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS.....	3,828,219 34	4,173,246 83	345,027 49
GRAND TOTALS.....	\$76,114,753 45	\$81,850,009 74	\$5,735,256 29

* Decrease.

APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1949.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, for performing the duties and exercising the powers devolved by statute or ordinance, or by vote of the City Council during the year, upon the City of Boston, or County of Suffolk, or the departments or officers thereof, the respective sums of money specified in the tables and schedules hereinafter set out be, and the same are, hereby appropriated for the several departments and for the objects and purposes hereinafter stated.

Ordered, That the appropriation for Water Service, current expenses, and the payment to the state, under the provisions of chapter 488 of the Acts of 1895, and acts in addition or amendment thereto, and for the interest and debt requirements or for loans issued for water purposes, be met by the income of said works and any excess over income from taxes; that the appropriation for Printing Department be met by the department income and any excess over income from taxes; and the appropriation for the *City Record* be met by the income of said publication and any excess over income from taxes; that the appropriation for Pension Fund of the State-Boston Retirement System be met by any credits authorized by law and any excess by taxes; that the appropriation for the Summer Traffic Tunnel be met by the income from tolls and any excess over income from taxes, in accordance with the provisions of section 11, chapter 297, of the Acts of 1929, as amended by chapter 74 of the Acts of 1935; that the other appropriations hereinafter specified be met out of the money remaining in the treasury at the close of business on December 31, 1948, exclusive of the money raised by loan or needed to carry out the requirements of any statute, gift, trust, or special appropriation; by the income of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949; by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston; and by the proceeds of any duly authorized loans.

Ordered, That all sums of money which form no part of the income of the city, but shall be paid for services rendered or work done by any department or division for any other department or division, or for any person or corporation other than the City of Boston, be paid into the general treasury, and that all contributions made to any appropriation be expended for the objects and purposes directed by the several contributors thereof.

Ordered, That all taxes raised to meet the appropriations of the city, and all taxes assessed for meeting the city's proportion of the state tax for the year 1949, or for any other taxes or assessments payable to the Commonwealth, shall be due and payable in the case of real estate taxes on July first, 1949, and, in the case of personal property taxes, in two equal installments, on July first and on October first, 1949. Interest shall be charged at the rate of 4 per cent per annum and computed from October first, 1949, on all real estate and personal property taxes remaining unpaid after November first, 1949, and assessed and payable in the year 1949 before said November first, 1949, until such taxes are paid. All interest which shall have become due on taxes shall be added to and be part of such taxes.

Ordered, That except as the appropriation for any purpose or item shall be increased by additional appropriations or transfers lawfully made, no money shall be expended by any department for any of the purposes or items designated in the tables and schedules hereinafter set out in excess of the amount set down as appropriated for such specific purpose or item.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HEARINGS ON BUDGET.

Coun. SHANLEY, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, announced that the hearings on the budget would start on Tuesday, February 15, at 11 a. m., and all members of the Council not members of the Committee were cordially invited to attend the hearings.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Mary A. Boyle, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Ethel E. Carlson, R.N., for reimbursement for loss of wallet at City Hospital.

Lillian H. Clark, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Cummins Highway.

Benjamin Dratch, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 48 Deering road, Dorchester, during installation of water meter.

John W. Heisc, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

George M. Hicks, for compensation for damage to car caused by city truck.

Theodore J. Hoppe, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Washington street and Cedrus avenue.

Bernard Hughes, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John B. Kerr, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

William G. Manning, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John T. Mullins, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Thomas L. Murphy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1536 Dorchester avenue.

Leo Nuissl, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Orchard street.

Mary Riley, to be reimbursed for water lien on property at 84 Allston street, Brighton.

Louise Sylvia, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cotting street.

Robert Waldman, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Vinal street, Brighton, caused by city truck.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, February 12 and 26.

Ruth M. McShane, Municipal Building, South Boston, February 24.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Richard W. Sheehan, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN R. McVEY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of John R. McVey, 6 New Park avenue, West Roxbury, as member of Recreation Board, for period of four years beginning February 1, 1949, and ending January, 1952, to serve without salary.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

A communication was received from the State Board of Housing approving the following contract: Arborway veterans' housing project (general contract) for \$1,410,578.

Placed on file.

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

A communication was received from the Acting Major and Superintendent, acknowledging, in absence of Major Barrett, the resolutions of the Boston City Council commending Major Barrett

and officers of the Metropolitan Police Department for the manner in which the Inaugural ceremonies were handled.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. KINSELLA, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day:

New Egyptian Alleys, by Waldo C. Nardella, 345 Washington street, Brighton (referred January 10), and Scollay Square Alleys, by Albert J. Magaletta, 48 Scollay square (referred January 17) — recommending that licenses be granted.

Reports accepted; said licenses granted under usual conditions.

INSTALLATION OF TWO-WAY RADIOS
ON FIRE APPARATUS.

Coun. BRYANT offered the following:

Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of immediately instituting a program for the installation of two-way radios on the city's fire apparatus in order to achieve greater operating efficiency.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LIGHTS,
WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Lighting Division of the Public Works Department change the gas lights on Seattle, Windom, Sorrento, and Hopedale streets to electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF JUNIOR
POLICE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of re-establishing the Junior Police in all divisions where it formerly existed as a means of educating the youth of the city in law and order and a help in eliminating juvenile delinquency.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SHOWER FACILITIES IN CERTAIN
HIGH SCHOOLS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately take steps to provide shower facilities in the high schools where basketball and other athletic events take place.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURVEY OF STREET SIGNS, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately make a survey of all street signs in Ward 16 with a view to replacing those that are missing as well as those which have become obliterated.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF DILLINGHAM STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Street Commissioners to extend and lay out as a public way Dillingham street, Ward 13, for a distance of approximately 200 feet.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LIGHTS IN VICINITY OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH DORCHESTER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Commissioner to replace the existing gas lights with electric lights in the vicinity of St. Paul's Church, Dorchester.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

REACTIVATING OF DISTRICT No. 3 OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Couns. RAMSEY, TRACY, BEADES, KINSELLA, and McCORMACK offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reactivate District No. 3 of the Boston Fire Department, thereby plugging the last gap in the Fire Department system.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONDEMNATION OF HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT IN CARDINAL MINDSZENTY TRIAL.

Couns. BEADES, TRACY, RAMSEY, and LANIGAN offered the following:
 Resolved, That the City Council of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby memorializes the Congress of the United States to immediately pass a resolution condemning the Hungarian government for the conduct of the Communist-controlled trial of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty as a travesty on justice; and be it further
 Resolved, That the Boston City Council, composed of all creeds, hereby unanimously condemns the treatment of a patriot such as Josef Cardinal Mindszenty as something that is contrary to the democratic way of life of all God-loving men and patriots; and be it further
 Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State as an expression of the condemnation of the people of Boston for the destruction of the principles of human rights by dictatorial fiat.
 Referred to the Committee on Rules.

EXTRA PAYMENT TO POLICE DEPARTMENT HOSTLERS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, a conference be held with Commissioner Sullivan in regard to paying the hostlers of the Boston Police Department an extra day's pay for worked holidays, which would be in conformance with the bill now in force for uniform men.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND SIGNS, HARVARD AND MORTON STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a study for the immediate installation of traffic lights at Harvard and Morton streets, Ward 14, and for "Slow" signs to be placed in that area pending the installation of the lights.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF GASEOUS ODORS, WARD 10.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Public Works, Health, and Fire Departments, be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an immediate investigation made in the Ward 10 section in an effort to determine the cause of gaseous odors in this locality.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

MODERN EQUIPMENT FOR TRAFFIC OFFICERS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
 Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Police Commissioner be requested to make provision in the 1949 budget for the purchase of modern equipment for the use of officers in the Traffic Division for the purpose of reducing the hazards of directing traffic during inclement weather.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

Coun. KEENAN in the chair.

INVESTIGATION BY FINANCE COMMISSION OF CERTAIN M.T.A. EXPENDITURES.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inquire into the need of spending \$320,000 for outside emergency advice in constructing the Tremont street and Shawmut avenue subways; and be it further
 Ordered, That the Finance Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to determine the advisability of the M.T.A. continuing with their policy of retaining high-salaried officers and swollen payrolls when the M.T.A. is depriving the public of necessary bus service under the guise of economy.
 Coun. COOK moved reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

Councilor Yerxa doubted the presence of a quorum, and the Clerk called the roll, with the following result:
 Present—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—12.
 The motion to refer the order to the Executive Committee was carried.

RESTORATION OF BRIGHAM CIRCLE-PARK SQUARE BUS LINE.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of restoring the bus line between Brigham Circle and Park square, at least during the rush hours.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON H STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
 Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Public Works Department be instructed to place granolithic sidewalks on H street from East Broadway to East First street in South Boston.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION ON OPERATION OF FRANKLIN PARK STADIUM.

Couns. TRACY, COOK and ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to inform the City Council as to the policies set up relative to the custody, control, and maintenance of the stadium at Franklin Park, with particular reference to the question of rentals of said stadium for activities other than schoolboy athletics.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF JOHN H. CORCORAN
SQUARE.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Washington and Stimson streets, Ward 20, in honor of Corporal John H. Corcoran, a member of the United States Marine Corps, who was killed in action at Iwo Jima on February 23, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LIMOUSINE FOR USE OF M.T.A.
TREASURER.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council is of the opinion that Governor Dever should order the trustees to cancel the limousine given to the M.T.A. treasurer's use instead of discontinuing any bus lines.

Councilor Cook raised the point of order that the resolution was out of order. Chairman SULLIVAN ruled that the resolution was in order. Councilor Cook appealed from the ruling of the Chair, which was seconded by Councilor Wenzler. The Clerk called the roll, and the ruling of the Chair was sustained, yeas 7, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Carey, Cook, Han- non, Keenan, Wenzler—6.

The Chair referred the order to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.26 p. m., to meet on Monday, February 14, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

STATE OF NEW YORK	COUNTY OF ALBANY
<p>IN SENATE,</p> <p>January 10, 1891.</p>	<p>REPORT</p> <p>OF THE</p> <p>COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE,</p> <p>FOR THE YEAR 1890.</p>
<p>ALBANY:</p> <p>WHELAN & SON, PRINTERS,</p> <p>1891.</p>	<p>ALBANY:</p> <p>WHELAN & SON, PRINTERS,</p> <p>1891.</p>

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 14, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., Senior Member WENZLER in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Hurley, and Yerxa. The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

NAMING OF FROST AVENUE PATHWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 8, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning the naming of the pathway now known as Frost Avenue Pathway, Ward 16, in honor of the late Staff Sergeant James A. Hatton, who was shot down in an air raid over Cherbourg, France, on May 8, 1944.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department.
February 4, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your communication of February 2, enclosing copy of Council order of January 31, 1949, introduced by Councilor Beades, requesting the naming of the pathway now known as Frost Avenue Footway, in honor of the late Staff Sergeant James A. Hatton.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans has no jurisdiction over the above matter as the renaming of a public way requires action by the Board of Street Commissioners, including advertising in the daily newspapers, a public hearing, and final action on or before March 1 of any current year.

The Board has voted to set the above matter up for a public hearing on or before March 1, 1949.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Placed on file.

BRIGHAM CIRCLE-PARK SQUARE BUS LINE.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 8, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of January 21, 1949, concerning the continuation of the bus line now being operated between Brigham Circle and Park square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority.
February 4, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
Replying to your communication of the 2d, relative to Council order of January 21, re-

questing continuation of the bus line between Brigham Circle and Park square, the Board of Trustees has a very difficult task in view of the increasing burden of the deficit situation upon taxpayers, and every sound and reasonable reduction of expenditure must be practised even if it causes some inconvenience.

The people who are inconvenienced by the Brigham Circle line, individually, have probably no conception of the amount of cost proportioned to the revenue derived from that line.

We attach herewith for January 26, statement showing the trips inward and outward with the total passengers carried for the entire trip, on a typical day.

The taxpayers cannot afford the operation of such a line, with an average of only 14 passengers per total trip from start to terminal, parallel to other and greater capacity lines.

The Board has today carefully reviewed the matter, and its considered judgment is that this line cannot be justified under present conditions.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY.
Route No. 1347, Brigham Circle to
Boylston and Charles Streets.

Wednesday, January 26, 1949.

IN		OUT	
Time	Total	Time	Total
7.00 A. M.	10	7.15 A. M.	20
7.36 A. M.	10	7.51 A. M.	20
8.12 A. M.	30	8.27 A. M.	10
8.48 A. M.	—	9.03 A. M.	10
9.20 A. M.	10	9.35 A. M.	20
10.00 A. M.	10	10.15 A. M.	20
7.12 A. M.	12	7.27 A. M.	7
7.48 A. M.	28	8.03 A. M.	28
8.24 A. M.	30	8.39 A. M.	17
9.00 A. M.	12	9.15 A. M.	2
9.40 A. M.	10	9.55 A. M.	7
10.20 A. M.	18	10.35 A. M.	4
11.00 A. M.	18	11.15 A. M.	9
11.40 A. M.	7	11.55 A. M.	2
12.20 A. M.	2	12.35 A. M.	8
7.24 A. M.	13	7.39 A. M.	14
8.00 A. M.	27	8.15 A. M.	28
8.36 A. M.	18	8.51 A. M.	17
10.40 A. M.	7	11.00 A. M.	5
11.20 A. M.	10	11.40 A. M.	7
12.00 A. M.	6	12.20 A. M.	5
12.40 A. M.	7	1.00 A. M.	5
1.20 A. M.	8	1.40 A. M.	6
2.00 A. M.	9	2.20 A. M.	5
2.40 A. M.	7	3.00 A. M.	4
1.00 P. M.	5	1.15 P. M.	5
1.40 P. M.	5	1.55 P. M.	5
2.20 P. M.	6	2.35 P. M.	8
3.00 P. M.	10	3.15 P. M.	10
3.40 P. M.	15	3.55 P. M.	16
4.12 P. M.	13	4.27 P. M.	10
4.48 P. M.	25	5.03 P. M.	26
5.24 P. M.	21	5.39 P. M.	21
4.24 P. M.	25	4.39 P. M.	25
5.00 P. M.	21	5.15 P. M.	22
5.36 P. M.	8	5.51 P. M.	8
6.15 P. M.	15	6.30 P. M.	14
3.20 P. M.	11	3.35 P. M.	11
3.58 P. M.	17	4.13 P. M.	17
4.36 P. M.	41	4.51 P. M.	41
5.12 P. M.	3	5.27 P. M.	4
5.55 P. M.	4	6.10 P. M.	4
Total	564	Total	527

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning

the restoring of the bus line between Brigham Circle and Park square, during the rush hours.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
Park Square Building, Boston,
February 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Subject: Council Order, February 7, 1949.

Dear Sir:
The Board of Trustees considered the communication of February 7, 1949.
Since the requested service parallels existing service and in view of the mounting deficit, the Board of Trustees does not deem the restoration of the requested service essential.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN R. KEWER,
Chairman, Board of Trustees.

Severally placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS, WARD 21.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 24, 1949, concerning the installing of two 10-lumen lamps in front of 78 and 90 Brainerd road, Ward 21, and one street light on Redford street, Ward 21.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install two 10-lumen lamps in front of 78 and 90 Brainerd road, Ward 21, and one street light on Redford street, Ward 21, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this area with a view to improving the lighting conditions.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHT, RUTHVEN STREET, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning the installing of an electric light in front of the building of Young Israel of Greater Boston at 161 Ruthven street, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an electric light of proper size in front of the building of Young Israel of Greater Boston at 161 Ruthven street, Roxbury, and I

regret to advise you that there are no electric facilities in this section of Ruthven street. All electric services enter the houses from rear lot line poles.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF WAYS FOR DECEASED VET- ERANS, SOUTH BOSTON HOUSING PROJECT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of January 24, 1949, concerning the naming of streets, ways, courts, or squares in the South Boston housing project in honor of Lieut. James P. Rogers, and Sergt. Martin E. Flaherty, veterans who were killed in the service of their country in World War II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
10 Post Office Square, Boston,
February 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Orders of City Council Dated January 24, 1949, to Memorialize Veterans by the Naming of Squares and Thoroughfares in the South Boston Development at B and D Streets.

Dear Mayor Curley:

With respect to the above-referenced orders on which you recently wrote the Authority be advised that these suggested names have been placed before the Authority.

The Authority is pleased to advise you that it will give these names and those of other veterans submitted every consideration when names are being chosen for the thoroughfares in the new development.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Leopold G. Anderson, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Robert B. Chapman, for compensation for loss of coat at City Hospital.

James P. Clarke, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Sidlaw road.

Steven D'Angeli, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 209 Columbus avenue.

Natala J. DelRosso, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Fisher-Hill Oil Company, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Helen M. Keefe, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prospect street, Charlestown.

Estate of Joan E. Lee, for compensation for injuries and death of Joan E. Lee, because of explosion at Atlantic Avenue Subway.

John J. McCauley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Huntington avenue.

Walter C. Mackie, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Louise Murphy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 114 Hemenway street.

Frank J. Pirrone, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ethel Segal, for compensation for loss of eyeglasses at City Hospital.

Dudley Walsh, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

J. F. White Contracting Company, to be paid for extra work on River Street project.

Executive.

Petition of Mary A. Capeless to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, James E. Capeless, late member of the Fire Department.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Mary Concannon, O'Connell Hall, February 13.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Ralph Ober, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$700 for engineering services at Columbia Village temporary veterans' housing project. Placed on file.

INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Thomas F. McDonough of interest in proposed contract between Boston Housing Authority and Thomas F. McDonough, registered architect, for the preparation of plans and specifications of housing development at Faneuil and North Beacon streets, Brighton.

Placed on file.

LEGISLATION RE FULL PAY FOR LIEUT. JAMES F. FLAHITE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation to pension Lieut. James F. Flaहित of the Boston Fire Department at full pay, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and the City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM F. RYAN IN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation relative to the appointment of William F. Ryan in the Fire Department, provided, that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and the City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC OFFICER AT CERTAIN MOVIE THEATERS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Police Commissioner be directed to order the division captain of Station 14 to have a traffic officer stationed at the theaters in the Allston and Brighton district before and after

matinee shows on holidays and week ends in order to insure the safety of the children attending the movies.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BROADCASTING OF CRIME STORIES HARMFUL TO JUVENILES.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to take up with the Federal Communication Commission the matter of prohibiting the broadcasting of crime stories, real or fictional, over the various radio networks, which would be harmful to children and tend to promote juvenile delinquency.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAYMENT TO ESTATE OF EDWARD W. HARNDEN.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Whereas, Edward W. Harnden, official stenographic reporter of the proceedings of the City Council, died on January 18, 1949, and since that date Elvira Johnson, his employee, has continued to report said proceedings;

Ordered, That to provide for the compensation of said Elvira Johnson, the City Auditor be authorized to allow for payment and the City Treasurer to pay, to the Estate of Edward W. Harnden, payments for said stenographic reporting since that date, at the rate specified in the contract with Edward W. Harnden until a new contract is executed; said payments to be charged to the appropriation for City Council Proceedings.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THANKS TO COUNCILOR BRYAN.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council go on record as extending to Councilor Walter D. Bryan the thanks of the entire Body for obtaining for the members of the City Council invitations to the Park League banquet.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF UNUSED CAR RAILS BY M.T.A.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Street Commissioners and the Commissioner of Public Works to confer with the Board of Trustees of the M.T.A. to the end that all rails no longer to be used by the M.T.A. be forthwith removed, and the streets repaired by the M.T.A.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RENTAL CONTRACT BETWEEN M.T.A. AND EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS STREET RAILWAY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel to confer with the Attorney General relative to what steps might be taken for the abrogation of the existing contract by which the M.T.A. pays rental to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway for tracks existing on public highways in the City of Boston.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the order was referred to the Executive Committee with the request that the officials of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway be invited to attend the executive session at the next Council meeting, together with the officials of the M.T.A.

**LEGISLATION RE FULL PAY FOR
SERGEANT JOHN F. CULLINANE.**

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors legislation providing for full pay to Sergt. John F. Cullinane upon his retirement from the Police Department as a result of being seriously wounded by a bandit, provided that such legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

MUNICIPAL GYMNASIUM, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to submit an order to the City Council appropriating a sum sufficient to provide for the erection of a municipal gymnasium in Ward 16 and, if the cost of available land is prohibitive, to arrange for the construction of same in Dorchester park.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**RELAXATION OF BAN ON MUSIC AT
CERTAIN SUNDAY FUNCTIONS.**

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor a conference with the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston be held for the purpose of relaxing the ban on music on Sundays at functions of religious, charitable, and veteran organizations where no public admission is charged.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**NAMING OF INTERSECTION FOR
EDWARD PAUL DUNNING.**

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the intersection of McBride and South streets, Ward 11, in honor of the memory of Edward Paul Dunning, a member of the United States Navy, who gave his life in the service of his country on January 3, 1944.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**RESTORATION OF BRIGHAM CIRCLE-
PARK SQUARE BUS SERVICE DURING
RUSH HOURS.**

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the M.T.A. be requested, by his Honor the Mayor, to immediately restore the Brigham Circle-Park Square bus service during the rush hours.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON CERTAIN
WARD 6 STREETS.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present gas lamps with modern electric lights on the following streets in Ward 6:
C street, between West First and Fargo streets.
Clafin street.
D street, between West First and Summer streets.
Dresser street, between Dorchester and F streets.

E street, between West First and Fargo streets.

F street, between West First and West Eighth streets.

O street, between Columbia road and East First street.

Swallow street.

West Sixth street, between D and F streets.

West Seventh street, between D and F streets.

West Eighth street, between D and F streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**SURVEY OF VACANT LAND IN SOUTH
BOSTON.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of vacant land in South Boston for the purpose of utilizing same for the construction of housing projects.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO TRAFFIC COM-
MISSIONER CURLEY FOR INSTALLA-
TION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby extends its congratulations to Traffic Commissioner Leo F. Curley for the wonderful work of his department in installing traffic lights in various sections of the city, which have greatly minimized the danger of accidents to pedestrians.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**REQUEST TO WITHHOLD LICENSE, SUN-
DAY RALLY OF COMMUNIST PARTY.**

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested not to issue a Sunday license to the Communist Party of Boston for a scheduled rally to be held on Sunday, February 20, at 8 p. m., in Ruggles Hall, 5 Ruggles street, Roxbury.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

**LEGISLATION RE INCREASED PENSIONS
FOR RETIRED LABORERS.**

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation to provide that laborers hereafter retired under the provisions of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1913, as amended, shall receive an increased pension provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

**LEGISLATION RE RETIREMENT ALLOW-
ANCES FOR EMPLOYEES.**

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the passage of legislation relative to the retirement allowance based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk, said legislation amending chapter 521 of the Acts of 1922, provided, that such legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, it was voted that when the Council adjourn it be to meet on Monday, February 28, 1949.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Coun. McCORMACK, for the Committee on Rules, submitted the following:

Report on resolution (referred February 7) condemning Hungarian government for conduct of trial of Cardinal Mindszenty and memorializing Congress to pass such resolution of condemnation—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said resolution adopted.

USE OF TAX LIEN PROPERTIES FOR OPEN-AIR PARKING.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Real Estate Department in regard to purchasing tax lien properties that are available in the various districts for open-air parking; and be it further

Ordered, That these properties be leveled and marked off properly for parking of motor vehicles, the fee to be set accordingly.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS BY ELECTRICITY, WARD 7.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Lighting Division of the Public Works Department to hold a conference with the councilor from Ward 7 relative to substitution of new electric street lights in place of the inadequate gas lights throughout Ward 7 during the year 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Keenan, at 4.24 p. m., to meet on Monday, February 28, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 28, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councillor Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

AUTOMOBILE PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR AMPUTEE VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the providing of designations for amputee veterans in order that they may park their cars.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, February 3, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Concerning Parking of Cars of Amputee Veterans.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order, please be advised that the arrangement which has been made by Police Commissioner Thomas F. Sullivan and Registrar of Motor Vehicles Rudolph F. King, as contained in his letter dated January 14, 1949, in answer to the subject matter, is the only relief that can be given.

We have been advised by the Law Department that we are not empowered to create any special parking privileges as would be required by this order.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESTRICTIONS ON MUSIC ON SUNDAYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the relaxing of the ban on music on Sundays at functions of religious, charitable and veterans' organizations where no public admission is charged.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department,

Office of the Commissioner,

February 17, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith order of the City Council dated February 14, 1949, as follows:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, a conference with the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston be held for the purpose of relaxing the ban on music on Sundays at functions of religious,

charitable and veterans' organizations where no public admission is charged.

The Police Commissioner for the City of Boston has no authority to permit a violation of the law.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

INCREASED TRAIN SERVICE TO HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning increased train service to Hyde Park.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company,
Boston, February 17, 1949.

File-M20037.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

Since receipt of your communication of January 11, 1949, in connection with Council order of January 10, 1949, careful consideration has been given to the question of stopping additional trains at Hyde Park.

At the present time trains for Boston leave Hyde Park except Sundays at 7.24 a. m., 7.48 a. m., and 8.25 a. m. Trains for Hyde Park leave Boston, Monday through Friday, at 3.35 p. m., 4.10 p. m., 4.28 p. m., 5.21 p. m., 5.35 p. m., and 9.15 p. m., and on Saturdays, at 1.40 p. m., 4.10 p. m., and 9.15 p. m.

Studies and past experience indicate that only a very limited number of passengers would avail themselves of additional service, principally by reason of the fact that there is frequent local transit operation between Hyde Park and Boston. Moreover, it will be appreciated that the midday trains involved in this request are through services originating or terminating at New Bedford, New London, Providence and Hartford, and that the lengthening of schedules by the addition of stops at Hyde Park would make these trains much less attractive from the point of view of the passengers now patronizing them. This would have an adverse effect upon the railroad's ability to meet the competition offered by private automobiles and by intercity bus lines, which compete with the railroad for the patronage of these long distance passengers.

In view of the above circumstances, it is with sincere regret that I must advise you that additional service to and from Hyde Park would not be warranted at this time.

Yours very truly,

E. J. MOORE.

Placed on file.

GASEOUS ODORS, WARD 10.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 17, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning an immediate investigation to determine the cause of gaseous odors in the Ward 10 section.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 16, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Reference is made to City Council order of February 7, 1949, relative to an investigation of Ward 10 to determine the cause of gaseous odors in that locality.

I am directing the Chief of Department to have the local District Chief make a careful investigation of the area.

To the best of my knowledge, no complaints of this condition have been brought to the attention of this department.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 24, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, investigation of the Ward 10 section, in an effort to determine the cause of gaseous odors in that locality.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 21, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Pursuant to receipt of City Council order attached herewith requesting the Fire Commissioner and other city officials to investigate gaseous odors in Ward 10, I directed the Fire Prevention Division to make a thorough examination of the area.

An inspection was made by Deputy Chief Montgomery, including explosive meter tests, but no gaseous odors were found.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Severally placed on file.

REACTIVATING DISTRICT 3, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the reactivating of District No. 3, of the Boston Fire Department.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 16, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Reference is made to City Council order of February 7, 1949, requesting that the Fire Commissioner reactivate District No. 3.

This matter has previously been discussed with your Honor. Also, the subject has been fully covered in a report submitted to your Honor on February 7, 1949, in which my recommendation stated that District No. 3 should not be reactivated at this time.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TWO-WAY RADIOS IN FIRE APPARATUS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the installation of two-way radios in the city's fire apparatus.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 16, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Reference is made to City Council order of February 7, 1949, recommending a program for the installation of two-way radios on the city's fire apparatus.

At this time, all chiefs' cars, rescue companies and lighting plant No. 2 are equipped with two-way radio sets.

In the 1948 budget, recommendation was made for an amount of \$15,000 for the purchase of additional two-way radios for installation on some of the department's engines and ladder trucks. The amount was disallowed, however, by the budget commissioner. A similar request was also submitted in the 1949 budget, but again disallowed.

It will be necessary, therefore, to curtail our program for the gradual equipping of all fire apparatus with two-way radios.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING EVERETT AND LINCOLN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Everett and Lincoln streets, in Ward 16.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface the following streets in Ward 16: Everett street, Lincoln street.

Please be advised that these streets will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

REPLACING OF STREET SIGNS, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of all street signs in Ward 16, with a view to replacing those that are missing as well as those which have become obliterated.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately make a survey of all street signs in Ward 16 with a view to replacing those that are missing as well as those which have become obliterated, and this will advise you that there is a special item in the budget to take care of these signs.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, H STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the placing of granolithic sidewalks on H street from East Broadway to First street in South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works place granolithic sidewalks on H street, from East Broadway to First street in South Boston, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the granolithic sidewalk list of streets to be given consideration this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

BRIGHAM CIRCLE-PARK SQUARE BUS SERVICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the restoring of the Brigham Circle-Park Square bus service during the rush hours.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
Public Trustees, February 21, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Subject: Council Order Dated February 14, 1949.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Trustees considered the communication of February 15, 1949.

Since the requested service parallels existing service and in view of the mounting deficit, the Board of Trustees does not deem the restoration of the requested service essential.

Very truly yours,
JOHN R. KEWER, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PERMIT FOR MEETING AT RUGGLES HALL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Replying to your order of February 14, I beg to state that the State authorities granted on three prior occasions, as well as in this case, a permit for meetings to be held at Ruggles Hall, and in addition, I am informed by the Corporation Counsel that to refuse a permit would be an abridgement of free speech as set forth in the Bill of Rights. Consequently, no course was left open other than to grant the permit. I have notified the federal and municipal authorities to have the meeting covered, and in the event that any of the speakers indulge in any remarks that may be construed as advocating the overthrow of the government of the United States, necessary steps will be taken for prosecution.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCES RE SETBACK PROVISIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith proposed amendments to sections 20 and 21, chapter 41, of the Revised Ordinances of 1947.

The two sections of the ordinances in question pertain to setback provisions on the Strandway in South Boston, and on the Arborway, at Forest Hills.

These ordinance changes are necessary in order that fullest advantage may be taken of land in those areas which are to be utilized in the construction of homes for veterans.

The accompanying communications from the Boston Housing Authority more fully explain the necessity for the changes in the ordinances.

I respectfully recommend adoption of the accompanying ordinances.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
February 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Attached is a draft for a change of section 20 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 concerning setback restrictions on certain estates fronting on the parkway to Forest Hills.

The change requested is on narrowing of the setback from 25 feet to 10 feet and involves only a portion of the parkway from Forest Hills Elevated Station to the entrance at Franklin Park.

This change is advisable because of a low and wet soil condition in a portion of the area in the land to be used. It means considerable saving in our foundation building costs.

With this project, the Swedish Church and the Court House will cover the entire land from Washington street to Forest Hills street and it will never be necessary to make any other changes.

Will you kindly approve this and forward it to the Council also for their approval.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

City of Boston.
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.
An Ordinance Concerning Setback Restrictions
on Certain Estates Fronting on the
Arborway.

Section 20 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out the words "Arborway, from Prince street to Franklin Park, twenty-five feet" and by inserting in place thereof the following: Arborway, from Prince street to Washington street, twenty-five feet; Arborway, north side, from Washington street to Franklin Park, twenty-five feet; Arborway, south side, from Washington street to Franklin Park, ten feet.

Boston Housing Authority,
February 17, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Attached is a draft of a revision of section 21 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 relative to the setback of buildings on the Strandway.

The change will permit the construction of a City of Boston housing project for veterans within twenty feet of the Strandway. The change is advisable to obtain proper orientation of the buildings and to permit the full use of the land for the purposes for which it was acquired. Considerable savings in construction will result if the change is permitted.

The project will occupy the whole frontage on the Strandway covered by the proposed change so no further change will ever be necessary.

You are respectfully requested to approve this ordinance and to forward it to the Council for the approval of that Honorable Body.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

City of Boston.
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.
An Ordinance Concerning Setback Restrictions
on Certain Estates Fronting the Strandway.
Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston,
as follows:

Section 21 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by inserting before the semicolon after the words "Old Harbor street" the following: and except from P street to Farragut road.
Severally referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

William Anderson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 8 Maple street, Roxbury.

Jacob Berkowitz, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Anthony M. Centamore, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Lorraine T. Coffey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 735 Boylston street.

Eli Cohen, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Loreto Coletti, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Catherine Cummings, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in operation of elevator, City Hall Annex.

Wilhelmina Davidson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 6 Rose street.

John T. Doherty, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Stony Brook road.

Cecelia Donovan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dakota street.

Max T. Dudar, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Spring and Leverett streets.

Selma Dytelle, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Mt. Hood road.

George N. Freeman, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

General Exchange Insurance Corporation, for compensation for damage to car of Joseph E. McLaughlin by city vehicle.

John A. Hayes, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Margaret S. Knowles, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Huntington and Massachusetts avenues.

Paul Lentini, to be reimbursed for collapse of water boiler at 796 East Sixth street, caused by water being shut off.

Ernest J. Love, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Margaret F., Margaret I. and Isabella Lynch, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

Parker McKinnon, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

James J. Morrison, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Thomas F. Mullen, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Chester L. Mayfield, M. D., for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Gennaro Nonni, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Roger J. O'Connor, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Adeline Paszah, for refund on liquor license.

Powers Regulator Company, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 131 St. Botolph street.

Mrs. Wendell D. Reed, for compensation for damage to property at 83 Myrtle street, caused by defective sewer drains.

Donald E. Stenson, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Mary Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 35 Wendover street, caused by leak in water hydrant.

Max Uretsky, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Dana S. Williams, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

Mary Concannon, O'Connell Hall, February 20.

Louise D'Ambrosio, East Boston High School, February 23.

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, March 5, 12, 19.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held March 7 at 10 a. m. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles between junction of Centre

street and Columbus avenue and junction of Centre street and South Huntington avenue over Centre street, Barbara street and South Huntington avenue; return over Centre street.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held February 25 at 10 a. m. on petition of Airways Transportation Company for certificate of public convenience and necessity for operation of motor vehicles from Commonwealth avenue between Kenmore square and Dartmouth street; on Boylston street between Church street and Tremont street; on Tremont street between Boylston street and Scolay square; Porter street.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held March 7, at 10 a. m. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of use for dispensing of soft drinks of portion of Washington Street lobby of Dorchester Tunnel and installation of machine therefor.

Severally placed on file.

LOCATION OF POLES.

Notice was received from the Metropolitan District Commission of permit granted Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone & Telegraph Company for location of seven poles and wires in Turtle Pond Parkway, Hyde Park, substantially as petitioned for on December 16, 1948.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of expenditure by City of Boston of \$27,000 for compensation for Authority Members in calendar year 1949.

Placed on file.

INFORMATION RE USE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Law Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to draw up a new application form for the Licensing Board in the Mayor's office, the Public Buildings Department and the School Committee, so as to make it more explicit in the application what the individual or groups wishing to engage a public building intend to use it for, and the list of speakers, and just what subject they are going to speak on.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY SQUAD.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to set up a bureau within the Police Department to be known as the Subversive Activity Squad.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SUBSCRIPTION TO "COUNTERATTACK."

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to subscribe to the *Newsweek* letter known as "Counterattack" which exposes Communism and this is to be kept for the members of the Boston City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR POLICE FORCE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors enactment of legislation concerning the retirement benefits for members of the Boston police force, provided that such legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF JUNCTION FOR LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN R. CANAVAN.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Committee on Naming of Memorial Squares, to name the junction of Monadnock street, Virginia street and Bird street, Ward 13, in honor of the late Lieutenant Colonel John R. Canavan.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELIMINATION OF DUPLICATION OF STREET NAMES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be directed to take immediate action to eliminate all duplication of street names in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BAN ON SALE OF LIQUOR ON GOOD FRIDAY.

Coun. HANNON and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Licensing Board of the City of Boston to the end that no liquor in any form shall be sold on Good Friday.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BUSINESS CONFERENCE RELATIVE TO UNEMPLOYMENT.

Coun. HANNON and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to call a conference of the business leaders of the city, the Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Trade Board, and other leading groups including the press, to consider what steps might be taken to forestall the impending curtailment of employment in private business and to determine also what steps might be taken in order to provide employment, or at least minimize any impending layoffs.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ZONE FARE SYSTEM BY M. T. A.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to recommend to the Board of Trustees of the M. T. A. the adoption of a zone fare system as the possible solution of the annual deficit of the road.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. KINSELLA, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 10) accepting from

United States Government property known as Fort Strong, Long Island—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—19.

Nays—0.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 31) for sale of land and building at 53-85 Canal street at upset price of \$90,000—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—16.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Hannon, Tracy—3.

The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

LEGISLATION RE REINSTATEMENT OF RAYMOND G. CHISHOLM.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation favoring the reinstatement to the Boston Fire Department of Raymond G. Chisholm, a former provisional employee of that department, who was injured during the performance of his duty, provided that such legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

COMMENDATION OF MARGARET O'BRIEN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston commend Margaret O'Brien, accomplished child actress, for her thoughtfulness in visiting, while in Boston, the shut-ins at the Long Island Hospital and the children at the Boston City Hospital.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR FREDERICK SUMNER WILSON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the intersection of Dunboy street and Perthshire road in honor of Gunner's Mate 3d Class, Frederick Sumner Wilson of 14 Upcrest road, Brighton, who lost his life in the service of his country on January 6, 1944, in World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR CORPORAL JOSEPH H. MILLER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the intersection of Columbine street and Blue Hill avenue in honor of Corporal Joseph H. Miller, who met his death in the service of his country at Okinawa on May 12, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE CERTAIN COMIC BOOKS AND MOTION PICTURES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council go on record in favor of the legislation which is now pending, subject to the banning of certain comic books and motion pictures, submitted by Representative Lally of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

TAX TITLE LANDS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

Section 3 of chapter 29 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended to read as follows: All foreclosures of tax titles on vacant land shall be transferred from the Real Estate Division to the Assessing Department.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHTS, DITSON STREET, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights wherever needed on Ditson street, in Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

STREET CLEANING IN WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the Street Cleaning and Sanitary Divisions to immediately proceed with street cleaning in Ward 15, as was done last year.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION ON TAXES PAID BY EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS STREET RAILWAY.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Board of Assessors to furnish to the City Council information relative to the amount of real estate taxes paid to the City of Boston by the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company on the property in Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park for which the Metropolitan Transit Authority is required to pay \$39,000 per year.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONFERENCE RE CITY'S SHARE OF FEDERAL WELFARE FUNDS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor summon a conference of the Overseers of Public Welfare and related city departments to seek ways and means of correcting the failure of the City of Boston to receive its proper share of Federal welfare funds as outlined in the recent Community Fund Survey.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES,
WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of all the veterans' housing developments in Ward 18 with a view to installing sufficient fire alarm boxes to cover the area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF WARD 10 STREETS.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately furnish sufficient equipment, either mechanized or hand labor, or both, to sweep the streets throughout Ward 10.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR JAMES A.
FERRARA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at I and East Third streets, Ward 6, in honor of Private James A. Ferrara, of the 83d Field Artillery Battalion, who was killed in action in Germany on November 21, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WARD 6 PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish a park on city-owned land in the vicinity of West Broadway and Dorchester avenue, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CHRISTOPHER LEE PLAYGROUND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface and place in first-class condition the Christopher Lee Playground in Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signals at the corner of P street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RATING OF EMPLOYEES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all department heads to give employees the rating which goes with the work they are performing, together with the wages or salary being paid for that particular type of work.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEASE OF CUDWORTH SCHOOL.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the School Committee of the City of Boston be, and hereby is, authorized to lease to the East Boston Post No. 26, AMVETS, the Cudworth School, Gove street, corner of Paris street, East Boston, upon such terms and conditions as may be set forth by said Committee.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE RELOCATION OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS IN EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the petition of his Honor the Mayor for legislation authorizing the City of Boston to relocate certain buildings in the East Boston district of said city and to borrow money outside the debt limit to meet the cost of such relocation be approved, provided that it contain a provision that such legislation shall take full effect upon its acceptance by the City Council subject to the provisions of the City Charter.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell, the Council voted at 3.15 p. m. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Senior Member Wenzler at 5.35 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on resolution (referred February 14) favoring enactment of legislation providing that laborers hereafter retired under provisions of chapter 411 of Acts of 1913, as amended, shall receive increased pension--that same ought to pass.

2. Report on resolution (referred February 14) favoring passage of legislation relative to retirement allowance based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of city and County of Suffolk--that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the resolutions were severally adopted.

OPPOSITION TO FARE INCREASE
BY M. T. A.

Coun. SULLIVAN and HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby opposes any increase in fares by the M. T. A., and that a copy of such opposition be forwarded to the Department of Public Utilities before which body such question is now pending.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF CHANNEL ISLANDS,
EDWARD EVERETT SQUARE.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Whereas, The Massachusetts Department of Public Works has refused to grant permission to the Boston Traffic Commission to install a pedestrian traffic signal at the intersection of Massachusetts avenue and Edward Everett square, Ward 7, for the following reason:

The stopping of vehicles within the intersection of Edward Everett square would not only promote congestion, but could easily cause additional accidents not now existent.

It is recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works that the intersection be redesigned using several channeling islands in place of the existing circular island along with some traffic lights to regulate the flow of traffic, therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Commissioner of Public Works to remove the present circular island in Edward Everett square and construct channel islands in order to provide proper control of traffic and to permit traffic lights to be installed at the several intersections existing at Edward Everett square; said islands and other improvements to be constructed in conformity with a plan to be prepared by the Boston Traffic Commission and approved by the State Department of Public Works and the Boston Traffic Commission.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF RESERVATION, COLUMBIA ROAD, ETC.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of removing the reservation in the center of Columbia road, from Edward Everett square to Uphams Corner, so that the entire road can be used for automobile traffic; also to consider the advisability of substituting buses on the streetcar line from Andrew square to Franklin Park; and to make a further study relative to doing away with all the reservation from Edward Everett square to Blue Hill avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PERIODIC PAINTING OF HOUSING AUTHORITY APARTMENTS.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor,

to periodically paint the apartments in their projects throughout the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF REFRIGERATORS, SOUTH BOSTON HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the State Board of Housing be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to amend the contract between the State Board of Housing and the Boston Housing Authority covering the new South Boston veterans' housing project so that refrigerators may be installed in said apartments for the benefit of the veteran tenants.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECONSTRUCTION OF HARVEST TERRACE AND WILLOW COURT.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commission and the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and reconstruct Harvest terrace, Ward 7, and he it further

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested to complete the laying out, reconstruction, and installation of sidewalks on Willow court, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Keenan, the Council voted at 5.40 p. m. to adjourn, to meet on Monday, March 7, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 7, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Cook, McCormack, Yerxa. The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Sixty-six traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear April 4, 1949:

Gaetano J. Alhanese, Ward 1; Thomas F. Barry, Ward 1; Edward J. Dunn, Ward 1; Salvatore Lomanno, Ward 1; Joseph A. Anthony, Ward 2; Frank A. Harrington, Ward 2; Paolo Rao, Ward 3; Frank R. Knight, Ward 4; Arthur R. Wedmore, Ward 4; Jacob Youngman, Ward 4; Roland M. Baker, Jr., Ward 5; Daniel C. Doherty, Ward 5; Edward A. Karp, Ward 5; Henry Sulesky, Ward 5; Francis W. Conde, Ward 6; Francis J. Curtis, Ward 6; Robert Fitzgerald, Ward 6; Francis T. Foley, Ward 6; Edward F. Perry, Ward 6; William J. Downes, Ward 7; Bartholomew J. Flaherty, Ward 7; James F. McLaughlin, Ward 7; Thomas G. Joseph, Ward 9; Garabed Lachinian, Ward 9; Leo Schools, Ward 9; George Bartis, Ward 10; Charles D. Hogan, Ward 10; Joseph C. Richard, Ward 10; Harold C. Barr, Ward 11; John J. Hanz, Jr., Ward 11; Benjamin F. Jones, Ward 12; John Saunders, Ward 12.

Robert P. Connolly, Ward 13; Edward J. Martin, Ward 13; Alfred N. Brace, Ward 14; Philip Davis, Ward 14; Joseph A. Donohue, Ward 14; Albert W. Finard, Ward 14; William Finger, Ward 14; Jacob Illman, Ward 14; Frederick Keyes, Ward 14; Robert W. Tucker, Ward 14; Edward Turgel, Ward 14; Samuel Weitzman, Ward 14; Leo P. Lally, Ward 15; Joseph F. Barrett, Ward 16; Patrick J. Minihane, Ward 16; Jacob Hoozeveen, Ward 17; Frank H. Quigley, Ward 17; George L. Rucker, Ward 17; Paul C. Ryan, Ward 17; Bernard J. Byrnes, Ward 18; Frank Cechario, Ward 18; Boniface J. Galli, Ward 18; Frederick Heatley, Ward 18; William H. MacArthur, Ward 18; Arthur Scena, Ward 18; Thomas R. Carroll, Ward 19; Frank I. Levine, Ward 19; Charles H. Norton, Ward 19; Waldemar F. Webber, Ward 19; Clifford S. Wrigley, Ward 19; Thomas F. Gamhon, Ward 20; James H. Davis, Ward 21; Harry A. Johnson, Ward 21; Ralph K. Smith, Ward 21.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

One hundred sixty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear April 4, 1949:

Samuel Bucheri, Ward 1; Alden H. Burroughs, Ward 1; Michael Cicco, Ward 1; William Greenfield, Ward 1; Frank B. Haynes, Ward 1; John C. Howard, Ward 1; George W. McKenna, Ward 1; John J. Mullen, Ward 1; Herbert Scott, Ward 1; Francis Peter Shaw, Ward 1; James M. Sullivan, Ward 1; John B. Surette, Ward 1; Edward T. Younie, Ward 1; Martin Connolly, Ward 2; John J. Florentino, Ward 2; Francis A. Shean, Ward 2; Stephen Brown, Ward 3; John Casoli, Ward 3; Frank P. Foster, Ward 3; Clyde H. Paine, Ward 3; Salvatore Pulio, Jr., Ward 3; Samuel Regal, Ward 3; Albert Simone, Ward 3; James N. Sprague, Ward 3; Anthony J. Volini, Ward

3; William J. Heine, Ward 4; Richard F. Neddy, Ward 4; Dudley M. Sanders, Ward 4; Dennis J. Shea, Ward 4; Harold G. Smith, Ward 4; George A. Tell, Ward 4.

Edward W. Ackley, Ward 5; Neil McIntosh, Jr., Ward 5; William L. McLaughlin, Ward 5; Carl O. Nelson, Ward 5; Raymond B. Pierce, Ward 5; James M. Stower, Ward 5; Patrick E. Hopkins, Ward 6; Wendell E. Langendofer, Ward 6; Charles W. Lema, Ward 6; Henry V. Mitchell, Ward 6; William Mooney, Ward 6; Wilfred J. Perry, Ward 6; Joseph J. Shertick, Ward 6; John M. Tracy, Ward 6; Joseph Yovino, Ward 6; William P. Gavin, Ward 7; Angus I. Johnson, Ward 7; Howard F. King, Ward 7; John MacDonald, Ward 7; Louis J. Morelli, Ward 7; John F. O'Connor, Ward 7; Manuel Young, Ward 8; Patrick A. Flaherty, Ward 9; Frederick L. Henning, Ward 9; William F. Higgins, Ward 9; James Ingram, Ward 9; Robert H. Law, Ward 9; Roswell G. Wedgwood, Ward 9; Henry W. Brenneis, Ward 10; Ralph B. Cook, Ward 10; Arthur T. Doyle, Ward 10; John K. Kidik, Ward 10; James A. McDonnell, Ward 10; Patrick G. Wallace, Ward 10; Warren Wells, Ward 10.

Arthur J. Bishop, Ward 11; Raymond W. Corkum, Ward 11; Dennis A. Foley, Ward 11; Michael Hynes, Ward 11; Robert E. Blustein, Ward 12; Kenneth O. Brothers, Ward 12; Henry Jacobs, Ward 12; George B. Jones, Ward 12; Morris Richman, Ward 12; Edward J. Shaff, Ward 12; Henry Thomas, Ward 12; Clayton P. Wilson, Ward 12; Joseph A. Centola, Ward 13; Hugh J. Coyne, Ward 13; William DeLazzaro, Ward 13; William F. Dwyer, Ward 13; Francis J. Legere, Ward 13; Edwin L. Noyes, Ward 13; Daniel J. O'Neil, Ward 13; Paul Astrella, Ward 14; Philmore M. Gilbert, Ward 14; James H. Gilbride, Ward 14; Arnold H. Haight, Ward 14; Abraham G. Kohey, Ward 14; Joseph Lederman, Ward 14; Samuel Wallenstein, Ward 14; Joseph H. Anderson, Ward 15; Joseph L. Casey, Ward 15; Walter C. Koessler, Ward 15; Theodore G. Maloney, Ward 15; Arthur F. Pero, Ward 15; Elmer P. Tynan, Ward 15.

Dexter S. Averill, Ward 16; William Bauer, Ward 16; Francis J. Bowes, Ward 16; George W. Brooks, Ward 16; John G. Easton, Ward 16; Chester P. Locke, Ward 16; Gerald C. McArdie, Ward 16; John B. McTernan, Ward 16; James J. Niles, Ward 16; William C. O'Connell, Ward 16; John Sullivan, Ward 16; Edward M. Arslan, Ward 17; Oscar Backer, Ward 17; Robert W. Devonshire, Ward 17; Davis V. Donohoe, Ward 17; Harold Jacobs, Ward 17; Arthur T. Jennings, Ward 17; John F. Mannix, Ward 17; Frederick Ranch, Ward 17; Charles S. Raskind, Ward 17; Max Schivek, Ward 17; Archihald R. Stewart, Ward 17; Herman Vinick, Ward 17; W. Russell Bishop, Ward 18; Edward T. Canniff, Ward 18; Harry C. Carlson, Ward 18; John Coran, Ward 18; Raymond F. Coullahan, Ward 18; Henry E. Frank, Ward 18; Warren E. Fraser, Ward 18; William J. Gordon, Ward 18; Alexander Horkun, Ward 18; Clinton A. Jones, Ward 18; Benjamin G. Longo, Ward 18; Edward J. McCormick, Ward 18; Archihald Orrock, Ward 18; Fred L. Reed, Ward 18; John T. Ryan, Ward 18; Joseph Shair, Ward 18; Edmund J. Solari, Ward 18; Burton M. Taylor, Ward 18.

William S. Allen, Ward 19; Fred L. Blaisdell, Ward 19; William P. Coffey, Ward 19; Leo B. McCann, Ward 19; Samuel Schurer, Ward 19; David O. Snyder, Ward 19; Henry J. Woods, Ward 19; John C. Bradley, Ward 20; Anthony Emin, Ward 20; Edward A. Foley, Ward 20; John J. Lyden, Ward 20; Joseph J. Murphy, Ward 20; Carl T. Nagel, Ward 20; George R. O'Connell, Ward 20; Thomas J. Walsh, Ward 20; John F. Waters, Jr., Ward 20; Nathaniel W. Whittemore, Ward 20; Joseph L. Williams, Ward 20; Charles A. Cady, Ward 21; Walter A. Hughes, Ward 21; George F. Lunney, Ward 21; William J. H. McRoberts, Ward 21; William B. McTigue, Ward 21; Warren O. Oxner, Ward

21; Albert V. Bender, Ward 22; William Cunningham, Ward 22; Alvin C. Whitaker, Ward 22.

President HURLEY in the chair.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Rita Arsenault, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 13 Salem street.

Louis Baer, for compensation for damage to property at 15 Hazelmere road, West Roxbury, caused by negligent maintenance of sewer pipe.

Mrs. John Carine, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 137 Arlington street.

Emil M. Echter, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Michael J. Guinta, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Joseph M. Harrington, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Charles E. Hires Company, for compensation for damage to vehicle by city car.

H. P. Hood & Sons, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

James F. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

James F. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

David MacDonald, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Rita Morse, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

George J. Mullen, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

R. S. Robie, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by Assessing Department.

Simon S. Salami, for compensation for damage to property at 83 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, caused by falling tree.

Caswell Sharpe, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James T. Shea, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Genevieve T. Sulfaro, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 150 N street.

Rose Trainey, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 595 East Broadway.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

The Skating Club of Boston, Boston Garden, March 26 and 27.

Reverend D. J. Burns, Timilty School Hall, March 13 and 14.

Galway Football Club, Hibernian Hall, March 13.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on March 14 at 9.55 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for erection, maintenance, and use of pole

on northeasterly side of Northampton street, northwest of Tremont street.

Placed on file.

POLE LOCATIONS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of petitions of Metropolitan Transit Authority for pole locations as follows:

One pole on northeasterly side of Prescott street at Boston & Albany Railroad Bridge, East Boston.

One pole on southerly side of Cambridge street, Allston, west of Denton road.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notices were received from the State Board of Housing approving expenditures by the Boston Housing Authority as follows:

\$37,105 for compensation paid to Boston Housing Authority Members for period June 3, 1947 to December 31, 1948, inclusive.

\$1,543.60 for purchase of Chevrolet truck for Chapter 372 program.

\$506,181 for general contract on Columbia Road Veterans' Housing Project, South Boston.

Severally placed on file.

LETTER FROM MRS. EDWARD W. HARNDEN.

A letter from Mrs. Edward W. Harnden was received, expressing appreciation for resolutions passed by the Council upon death of her husband.

Placed on file.

INVITATION FROM McDONOUGH POST 368, A. L.

Communication was received from the Martin F. McDonough Post 368, American Legion, inviting the members of the Boston City Council to their traditional "Open House" at their quarters in South Boston on March 17.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS IN SUBURBAN SHOPPING DISTRICTS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following: Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to expedite the installation of penny parking meters in the suburban shopping districts of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REGISTERING OF DANGEROUS WEAPONS WITH POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to solicit the aid of the press and of all military and fraternal organizations in order to bring home to the people of Boston the necessity of registering with the Police Department the possession of dangerous weapons and the advantage to their own well-being in doing this.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

HOUSING ON BAKERSFIELD STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following: Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be directed to take steps to expedite the

erection of the proposed housing on Bakersfield street, Dorchester, and to maintain the property in a reasonably safe condition until such time as they are ready to proceed with construction.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROVAL OF LEGISLATION RE STATE-BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council favors the enactment of legislation now pending before the Legislature entitled "An Act Relative to Entry into Membership in the State-Boston Retirement System."

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

APPROVAL OF LEGISLATION RE BOSTON RETIREMENT ACT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council favors the enactment of legislation now pending before the Legislature entitled "An Act Amending the Boston Retirement Act."

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and ordinances (referred February 28) concerning setback restrictions on certain estates fronting on the Arborway and Strandway—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinances were passed.

WAR MEMORIAL AND CONVENTION HALL IN BOSTON.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has not provided a fitting memorial for the deceased veterans of World Wars I and II; and

Whereas, The City of Boston, as capital city of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is without an adequate convention hall and auditorium, and as a result of the lack of such facilities large conventions have by-passed the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and their conventions have been held in cities located in other states, resulting in a loss of business and prestige to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; therefore be it

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the passage of Massachusetts Senate Bill No. 462, entitled "An Act Providing for the Construction of a World War I and II Memorial Auditorium and Convention Halls in the City of Boston by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Boston Chamber of Commerce, all of the various state departments of war veterans, the Governor of the Commonwealth, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Public Works Commissioner be instructed to install additional street-lighting facilities

on Glen road, Glenside avenue, Sigourney street, Rocky Nook terrace and Forest Hills street, in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF ELLSWORTH STREET, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Street Laying-Out Department be instructed to prepare plans to have Ellsworth street in Ward 11 accepted as a public highway and to have it paved.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, COLUMBUS AVENUE AND NEW HEATH STREET.

Coun. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be instructed to install traffic signals at the intersection of Columbus avenue and New Heath street in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HEARING TO PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston City Council, in executive session, permit spokesmen for the Wards 12 and 14 membership of the Progressive Party of Massachusetts to be heard in relation to allegations made on the floor of the City Council relative to a meeting held under their auspices at the Jeremiah Burke High School recently, and that such spokesmen be afforded such privileges as are consistent with our membership as City Fathers.

President HURLEY read the following telegram which he had received and his reply to same:

27 School Street,
Boston, Mass.

Hon. William Hurley, President, Boston City Council, City Hall, Boston.

Progressive Party of Ward 14 and Ward 12 demands repudiation of Councilman Sullivan's call for force and violence. We request a public hearing on slanderous and false charges directed against us in your chamber by Sullivan. Action by the Council without a fair hearing violates American concept of fair play. We trust Council members are not afraid to hear the truth.

HERBERT HYSON,
Executive Secretary.

City of Boston,

Mayor's Office, March 4, 1949.

Mr. Herbert Hyson, Executive Secretary, Executive Committee, 27 School Street, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

With respect to your telegram concerning a public hearing before the City Council, please be advised that it is not my intention to hold such a hearing.

It is incongruous to me that your request be met with in view of the fact that the Communist Party, which you are so solicitous of, has two main purposes, one to overthrow lawfully constituted democratic government, and second, to eliminate the worship of God. You ask for the protection and the force of the laws of this nation which your party seeks to destroy. I am wholeheartedly in favor of action by our national and state governments which will make it a penalty to be a member of a party, such as the Communist party, which violates every principle upon which our country was founded.

I am aware of nothing said by Councilor Daniel F. Sullivan which did not exactly portray my own feelings with regard to the Communist party, its members, its dupes, and its activities.

I will not call a public hearing. I will not, under any circumstances, give the Communist party the benefits of protection of laws which are used by that party as a shield to perpetrate its crimes against the laws of God and the rights of humanity.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

The order was referred to the Committee on Rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be directed to install traffic lights at Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue, and Harvard street and Washington street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ONE-WAY STREETS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be directed to have Charlotte street, Esmond street, and Wales street in the Dorchester district, Ward 14, made one way for the safety of its residents.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR B. A. A. MARATHON RACE.

Coun. HURLEY, YERXA, and LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to rope off the streets along the route of the Annual B. A. A. Marathon Race to be conducted on Tuesday, April 19, 1943, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS PROPOSAL.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby records itself as in favor of urging his Excellency, Governor Paul Dever, to accept the Pan American Airways proposal inasmuch as it would be the beginning of a vast program to establish Logan International Airport as an airway terminal and would expand the possibility for employment in our city.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

Coun. WENZLER in the Chair.

INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM REAL ESTATE COMMISSION.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to present to the City Council a complete list of all tax title vacant land properties which the city now holds through foreclosure proceedings, together with a list of vacant land properties on which such action is now pending.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF STREET CAR TRACKS, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Transit Authority, to remove the car tracks on Bowdoin and Hancock streets, and Geneva avenue, in Ward 15, at the earliest possible opportunity.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be directed by his Honor the Mayor to accept, lay out, and construct as a public highway, Glendale terrace, Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REFUND OF LICENSE FEES TO BOSTON TURN VEREIN, INC.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the City of Boston to refund certain license fees to Boston Turn Verein, Inc., provided that such legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING OF DORCHESTER AVENUE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Dorchester avenue, from Fields Corner to Dorchester Lower Mills.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF CAR TRACKS FROM DORCHESTER AVENUE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove its car tracks from Dorchester avenue, where trackless trolleys are now being operated, before resurfacing of the street is started.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF JUNCTION FOR DANIEL E. HURLEY.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of Hampden, Norfolk, and Yeoman streets, Roxbury, in honor of the late Daniel E. Hurley, who served his country during World War I in the service of the Navy.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SUBSCRIPTION TO "COUNTERATTACK" BY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library be requested through his Honor, the Acting Mayor, to subscribe to the newsweek

letter known as "Counterattack" for all public library branches under their jurisdiction as this publication is known as one that gives the facts to combat Communism.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROVAL OF ATLANTIC PACT AND CURB AGAINST COMMUNISTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby memorializes and petitions the Congress of the United States to pass, and the President of the United States to approve, a strong Atlantic pact, with teeth in it, taking full advantage of every provision in the Constitution of the United States for the peace and security of the people of our own land, and the peoples of every other land who are now in danger of losing their God-given rights because of the machinations of the Soviet Union; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston favors enactment of appropriate legislation which will curb the treasonable activities of the Communist Party, its members, and its sympathizers in our land to the extent of outlawing, if necessary, the existence of said party within our shores; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded forthwith to the President of the United States, the Vice-President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, each of the United States Senators and Representatives in Congress from Massachusetts, and the Secretary of State of the United States.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF ARC LIGHT, PRINCE STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light opposite 124 Prince street, Ward 3, in front of the John DeFilippo Playground.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF SUBWAY ESCALATORS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the MTA public trustees cooperate with the national effort being made to curtail heart disease by installing escalators in all deep exits of the MTA subway system.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PRIVATE BUS LINES ON HUNTINGTON AVENUE.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Licenses of the Boston City Council invite private bus lines' executives to appear before the Committee on Licenses for the purpose of determining the feasibility of the Council granting a right of the use of Huntington avenue, between Park square and Brigham Circle, for local private bus line operation; and be it further

Ordered, That the Committee on Licenses of the City Council invite the trustees of the MTA to appear at the same hearing with

records of the daily list of numbers of passengers using the Huntington avenue bus line during the year 1948.

On motion of Councilor Carey, the order was laid on the table.

INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL PARKING METERS, WARD 5.

Coun. CHASE, for Councilor Yerxa, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of installing parking meters on the following streets in Ward 5: Clarendon street, both sides, from Marlborough to Beacon streets.

Dartmouth street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Exeter street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Fairfield street, both sides, from Boylston to Beacon streets.

Gloucester street, both sides, from Boylston to Beacon streets.

Hereford street, both sides, from Boylston to Beacon streets.

Marlborough street, both sides, from Arlington to Clarendon streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS, WARD 8.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect "Stop" signs at the junction of Hampden, Norfolk, and Yeoman streets, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR LOUIS A. GRACEFFA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of East Fourth and I streets, Ward 6, in honor of Sergt. Louis A. Graceffa, a member of the 180th Infantry, 45th Division, who was killed in Alsace on January 7, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR JAMES A. FERRERA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at East Third and I streets, Ward 6, in honor of Private James A. Ferrera, of the 83d Field Artillery Battalion, who was killed in action in Germany on November 21, 1944, instead of Private James A. Ferrera as passed by the City Council last week, February 28.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF ROAD FOR REVEREND MORTIMER E. TWOMEY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name a street, way, court, or square

in the P street and Columbia road project, or the Farragut road project, in honor of the late Reverend Mortimer T. Twomey, who served as pastor of St. Brigid's Church at City Point for many years.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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**NAMING OF GOVERNOR JAMES M.
CURLEY BOULEVARD.**

Coun. WENZER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Acting Mayor, to change the name of Columbia road, from Columbus Circle to Castle Island, to Governor James M. Curley Boulevard.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

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**REDUCTION OF SALARIES OF MTA
TRUSTEES.**

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council is of the opinion that the Governor should urge legislation reducing the salaries of the trustees of the MTA from \$10,000 a year to \$5,000.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the resolution was laid on the table.

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**ROPING OFF STREETS FOR VETERANS
OF FOREIGN WARS ROAD RACE.**

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the streets along the route of the Veterans of Foreign Wars road race in Oak square, to be held on Saturday, March 19, 1949, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m., the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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CLEANING OF CITY STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, by his Honor the Mayor, to promptly arrange for the cleaning of all the streets in the city in order that the debris accumulated after the sanding and traffic of the winter months may be removed as a health measure.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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On motion of Councilor Keenan, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.15 p. m., to meet on Monday, March 14, 1949, at 2 p. m.

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Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 14, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Carey, Coffey, Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Michael J. Cady, for compensation for damage to property at 44 Woodward street, South Boston, caused by backing up of sewage.

Fred and Hazel Cain, for compensation for damage to car and injuries by fire truck.

Celia Cogliano, for compensation for damage to property caused by city motor vehicle.

William Cogliano, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by city motor vehicle.

Dr. Grace E. Cross, for compensation for damage to water heater at 581 Broadway, caused during water supply adjustment.

John J. Dudas, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Florence Grace, for compensation for injuries caused by city vehicle.

Irene Hardy, for compensation for injuries caused by city vehicle.

Mary E. Higgins, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Providence street.

Joseph L. Lanata, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Edward H. Lipkin, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Estate of Geneva Martin and Adam Martin, for compensation for injuries and death of Geneva Martin, caused by an alleged defect at 28 Camden street.

Agnes C. Mastrangelo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 29 Gloucester street.

Julius Myers, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 43 Winston road.

Dante S. Pepe, for compensation for damage to car by city sand spreader.

Anna Slattery, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 260 Huntington avenue.

William F. Smith, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Intercolonial Bowling Hall, Arthur F. Stuart, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

Executive.

Petition of Julia V. McCarthy, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Thomas J. McCarthy, late member of Fire Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, March 18.

Maria Paporello, Jordan Hall, June 3.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room, Monday, March 28, at 10 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles between Mattapan Station and the junction of Cummins Highway and Washington street, over River street, Mattapan square, Cummins Highway, Washington street, South street, Belgrade avenue, Corinth street, and Washington street.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor of Louis Buttiglieri (referred February 7) to be Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Wenzler and McCormack. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, and the appointment was confirmed.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council took a recess at 2.14 p. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 2.36 p. m.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor of Joseph W. McCleary (referred February 7) to be Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1949—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Bryan and Kinsella. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 12, nay 1, and the appointment was confirmed.

STREETCAR SERVICE BETWEEN ARBORWAY AND EGGLESTON STATIONS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, The passage of chapter 622 of the Acts of 1948, known as the "El Removal Bill," failed to give proper consideration to the home owners and residents of Ward 11; and

Whereas, The recent announcement of the Metropolitan Transit Authority destroys most of the local transportation service in that area; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to continue the present streetcar service between Arborway and Eggleston Stations.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION TO COUNCIL FROM MTA.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, The citizens of the City of Boston are required to pay most of the cost of operating the MTA; therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Metropolitan Transit Authority to furnish

the Boston City Council with the names of the routes which they propose to abandon or curtail before public notification of such action is posted; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Metropolitan Transit Authority to furnish such information to the Boston City Council at least two weeks before public notification is given.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESOLUTION RE REDUCTION OF MTA TRUSTEES' SALARIES.

Coun. CHASE moved that No. 2 on the Calendar be taken from the table, viz.:

2. Resolution favoring legislation to reduce salaries of the trustees of the MTA.

The question came on taking the resolution from the table, and the motion was declared lost.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES HANDLING FOOD.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel, through his Honor the Mayor, prepare and introduce legislation making it compulsory that all employees of restaurants who handle food be required to submit to a physical examination upon employment and an annual examination thereafter, the cost thereof to be borne by the employer.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COLLECTION OF UNPAID EXCISE TAXES.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to notify the proper department head to instruct constables who have been designated to collect unpaid excise taxes to send out a reminder that the bill has not been paid instead of a notice stating that if payment is not made promptly the automobile owner will be committed to jail.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF WARD 18 STREETS.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out the following streets in Ward 18 as public highways: Rosewood road, Hautevale street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF LINWOOD ROAD, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Linwood road, Ward 16, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PARKING METER RATES, FIELDS CORNER AREA.

Coun. RAMSEY and BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to change the rate on parking meters in the Fields Corner area from five cents to one cent.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING OF STREETS, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface the following streets in Ward 15: Charles street, Drayton avenue, Dahlgren street, Westwood street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT ON OPEN-AIR PARKING LOTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to submit to the City Council his findings on open-air parking lots.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GYMNASIUM IN NEW HOSPITAL BUILDING.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to include ample space in the proposed new building for a gymnasium for the doctors and the nurses of the hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF STREETS, CATHEDRAL CLUB ROAD RACE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off the section of Union Park street between Washington street and Harrison avenue, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m. on Saturday, April 9, 1949, in connection with the 39th Annual Ten-Mile Road Race of the Cathedral Club, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council Appropriation for Ropes, Stakes and Flags.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF LAND AND BUILDING ON CANAL STREET.

Chairman SULLIVAN called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land and building at 53-85 Canal street by public auction at upset price of \$90,000.

On February 28, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 3.

The question came on giving the order its second reading and passage.

The order was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 10, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Chase, Tracy—4.

Voting Present—Councilor Cantwell.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councilor Kinsella the order was laid on the table.

COMPLAINTS RE APARTMENT RENTALS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Police Commissioner set up a board for the purpose of hearing complaints for receiving gratuities and for the high pressure tactics used for rentals of apartments in Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PENNY PARKING METERS IN CERTAIN
AREAS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to place penny parking meters on Blue Hill avenue in the Mattapan district and on Blue Hill avenue, from Stanwood street to Lawrence avenue, in the Roxbury district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SOUTH BOSTON CELEBRATION.

Chairman SULLIVAN announced that on Thursday, March 17, cars would be at the rear of City Hall at 11.30 a. m. to take the councilors to the parade in South Boston.

IMPROVED LIGHTING, ST. JAMES
TERRACE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights of sufficient size on St. James terrace, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT ON MTA ECONOMIES.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the MTA Trustees be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to publicly report on what economies have been made within the system in line with the Governor's statements last fall, aside from discontinuing service.

Councilor Bryan doubted the presence of a quorum, and the roll was called, with the following result:

Present—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linchan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—12.

A quorum was present.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

REQUESTED INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED
LAND-TAKINGS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inquire into the rumored two to three million dollar land-takings to be made

in the enlargement of the Tremont Street Subway with a view to determining the land-owners and the amounts of money on land damages to be awarded each.

The question came on suspension of the rule and passage of the order. The order was rejected.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS IN WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place in proper condition the various parks and playgrounds located in Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF SOUTH BOSTON
BEACHES.

Coun. WENZLER and LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to clean up from all of the South Boston beaches, including the Carson, Strandway and City Point beaches in South Boston, the debris, rubbish, and glass now on the beach as a result of the winter season.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MONEY AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES FOR
FOOD PURPOSES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to ascertain how much money is available for each family for food purposes, and where there is not sufficient money for food purposes the case shall be immediately referred to the Public Welfare Department for aid and assistance and a record shall be kept of same.

During debate Councilor Bryan doubted the presence of a quorum. The Clerk called the roll with the following result:

Present—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Keenan, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—9.

Less than a quorum being present, the President declared the meeting adjourned at 4.07 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 21, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Keenan, and Kinsella.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment: Weigher of Goods: Francis A. Rogers, 455 Bridge street, North Weymouth, Mass., for term ending April 30, 1949.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

SMOKE NUISANCE, BRIGHTON-ALLSTON DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 15, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Department of Public Utilities, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning the smoke nuisance existing in the Brighton-Allston district.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Department of Public Utilities,
State House, Boston,
February 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

In re: D. P. U. Order No. 7383, Against Boston & Albany Railroad.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request of February 2, 1949, that the Department of Public Utilities amend, change, or add to Department of Public Utilities order No. 7383, the department has completed its investigation.

It is the considered opinion of the commission that the order issued on December 27, 1946 (No. 7383), has been and is now being complied with by the railroad. Consequently, we believe that no amendments, changes, or additions are necessary at this time, nor is it advisable to issue an entirely new order.

Attached please find, as per your request, the report (in triplicate) by the Division of Smoke Inspection of this department.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS A. FLAHERTY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF FREDERICK SUMNER WILSON SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, concerning your order of February 28, 1949, relative to the naming of the square at the in-

tersection of Dunboy street and Perthshire road, Brighton, in honor of Frederick Sumner Wilson, who lost his life in the service of his country on January 6, 1944, in World War II.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Shanley, requesting the naming of the square at the intersection of Dunboy street and Perthshire road, Brighton, in honor of Frederick Sumner Wilson.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF LOUIS A. GRACEFFA SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of East Fourth and I streets, Ward 6, in honor of Sergt. Louis A. Graceffa, a member of the 180th Infantry, 45th Division, who was killed in Alsace on January 7, 1945.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting the naming of the square at the intersection of East Fourth street and I street, Ward 6, in honor of Louis A. Graceffa.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF JAMES A. FERRERA SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at East Third and I streets, Ward 6, in honor of Corp. James A. Ferrera, of the 83d Field Artillery Battalion, who was killed in action in Germany on November 21, 1944.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting the naming of the square at I and East Third streets, Ward 6, in honor of James A. Ferrera.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF DANIEL E. HURLEY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the naming of the junction of Hampden street, Norfolk avenue, and Yeoman street, Roxbury, in honor of the late Daniel E. Hurley, who served his country during World War I in the service of the Navy.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Daniel Sullivan, requesting that the junction of Hampden street, Norfolk avenue, and Yeoman street, Roxbury, Ward 8, be named in honor of Daniel E. Hurley.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF JOSEPH H. MILLER SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Columbine street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Corp. Joseph H. Miller, who lost his life in the service of his country at Okinawa on May 12, 1945.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of

order introduced by Councilor Ansel, requesting that the intersection of Columbine street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, be named in honor of Joseph H. Miller.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF JOHN R. CANAVAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the naming of the junction of Monadnock street, Virginia street, and Bird street, Ward 13, in honor of the late Lieut.-Col. John R. Canavan.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of order introduced by Councilor Hannon, requesting that the junction of Monadnock street, Virginia street, and Bird street, Ward 13, be named in honor of John R. Canavan.

Please be advised the next meeting of this committee will be held sometime during April or May, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF GOVERNOR JAMES M. CURLEY BOULEVARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the changing of the name of Columbia road, from Columbus Circle to Castle Island, to Governor James M. Curley Boulevard.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 10, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to the Council order of March 7, 1949, introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that this Board change the name of Columbia road, from Columbus Circle to Castle Island, to Governor James M. Curley Boulevard, I regret to advise that action on this matter cannot be taken during the current year, as it is mandatory, under the law, that the changing of the name of a public way must be advertised on two occasions on or before March first of a current year, said change to become effective on March first.

However, I shall be most pleased to bring this order to the attention of the Board on

or before February 15, 1950, the proper time for taking action on the same.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

Coun. RAMSEY in the chair.

"STOP" SIGNS, CLIFF STREET, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, with further reference to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the placing of "stop" signs on Cliff street at the entrance to Warren street, in Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, February 28, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Place "STOP" Signs on Cliff Street at the Entrance to Warren Street in Ward 12.

Further referring to the above Council order, together with my answer of January 27, 1949, please be advised that at a meeting of the full board of this commission held on February 25, 1949, it was voted to make Warren street a "stop" street at Cliff street, effective beginning March 21, 1949, for a trial period of 60 days.

No doubt this Board will make the regulation permanent at the end of the experimental period if it proves successful.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

OAKLAND STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith further communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of January 10, 1949, concerning the making of Oakland street, in Wards 9 and 11, a one-way street, from Washington street to Thornton street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, February 28, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated January 10, 1949, Requesting that Oakland Street, in Wards 9 and 11, Be Made One Way, from Washington Street to Thornton Street.

Further referring to my previous answer to the above Council order dated January 27, 1949, please be informed that at a meeting of this commission held on February 25, 1949, it was voted to make Oakland street, Roxbury, one way, from Washington street to Thornton street, for a trial period of 60 days, effective beginning March 21, 1949.

If this regulation proves successful, no doubt the Board will make it permanent.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, P STREET AND EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic signals at the corner of P street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, March 7, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Subject: Council Order Dated February 28, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals at the Corner of P Street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

In reference to the above, please be advised that this intersection has been under study by this department for a number of years.

It is the opinion of the engineers of this department that other intersections are more dangerous and should receive prior consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS NEAR ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the replacing of gas lights with electric lights in the vicinity of St. Paul's Church, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 10, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the existing gas lights with electric lights in the vicinity of St. Paul's Church, Dorchester, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this area with a view to making the suggested changes.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS ON CERTAIN WARD 22 STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the changing of gas lights on Seattle, Windom, Sorrento, and Hopedale streets to electric lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 10, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works change the gas lights on Seattle, Windom, Sorrento, and Hopedale streets to electric lights, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of these streets with a view to making the suggested changes.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS ON CERTAIN WARD 6 STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the replacement of the present gas lamps with modern electric lights on the following streets in Ward 6:

C street, between West First and Fargo streets.

Clafin street.

D street, between West First and Summer streets.

Dresser street, between Dorchester and F streets.

E street, between West First and Fargo streets.

F street, between West First and West Eighth streets.

O street, between Columbia road and East First street.

Swallow street.

West Sixth street, between D and F streets.

West Seventh street, between D and F streets.

West Eighth street, between D and F streets.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 10, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the present gas lamps with modern electric lights on the following streets in Ward 6:

C street, between West First and Fargo streets.

Clafin street.

D street, between West First and Summer streets.

Dresser street, between Dorchester and F streets.

E street, between West First and Fargo streets.

F street, between West First and West Eighth streets.

O street, between Columbia road and East First street.

Swallow street.

West Sixth street, between D and F streets.

West Seventh street, between D and F streets.

West Eighth street, between D and F streets.

Please be advised that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of the above-mentioned streets with a view to making the suggested changes.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the substitution of new electric street lights in place of the inadequate gas lights throughout Ward 7 during the year 1949.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 10, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Lighting Division of the Public Works Department hold a conference with the councilor from Ward 7, relative to the substitution of new electric street lights in place of the inadequate gas lights throughout Ward 7 during the year 1949, and this will advise you that the Executive Clerk of the Lighting Service will be pleased to confer with the councilor in regard to suggested changes.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF HARVEST TER- RACE AND WILLOW COURT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the reconstruction of Harvest terrace, Ward 7, and the reconstruction and installation of sidewalks on Willow court, Ward 7.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 7, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Street Commissioner and the Public Works Commissioner lay out and reconstruct Harvest terrace, Ward 7, and be it further ordered that the Public Works Commissioner complete the laying out, reconstruction, and installation of sidewalks on Willow court, Ward 7.

Relative to Harvest terrace, please be advised that this street will have to be accepted by the Board of Street Commissioners before the Public Works Department can perform any work therein.

In regard to Willow court this will advise you that same will be put on the list of

streets to be given consideration for reconstruction by this department during the present year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS,
DITSON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the installing of electric lights wherever needed on Ditson street, in Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 10, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install electric lights wherever needed on Ditson street, in Ward 15, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this area with a view to making the suggested changes.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

EQUIPMENT FOR SWEEPING WARD 10
STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 15, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the furnishing of sufficient equipment, either mechanical or hand labor, to sweep the streets throughout Ward 10.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I return herewith order that was passed by the City Council on February 28, 1949, reading as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately furnish sufficient equipment, either mechanical or hand labor, or both, to sweep the streets throughout Ward 10."

May we say that we are proceeding immediately to clean the streets throughout the entire city, and as soon as the weather is warm enough we shall put the mechanical sweepers back on the road.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING WARD 15 STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 15, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the cleaning of the streets in Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I return herewith order that was passed by the City Council on February 28, 1949, reading as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the Street Cleaning and Sanitary Division to immediately proceed with street cleaning in Ward 15, as was done last year."

May we say that we are proceeding immediately to clean the streets throughout the entire city, and as soon as the weather is warm enough we shall put the mechanical sweepers back on the road.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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CONTROL OF TRAFFIC, EDWARD
EVERETT SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 15, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the removal of the circular island in Edward Everett square, and the constructing of channel islands to provide proper control of traffic.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I return herewith order passed by the City Council on February 28, 1949, concerning the intersection of Massachusetts avenue and Edward Everett square.

This department is ready to proceed with any layout, when ordered by the Street Commissioners.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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REMOVAL OF CERTAIN CAR TRACKS,
WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the removal of the car tracks on Bowdoin and Hancock streets, and Geneva avenue, in Ward 15, at the earliest opportunity.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I have your request for consideration and report on Council order of March 7, 1949, which I return herewith, reading as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Transit Authority, to remove the car tracks on Bowdoin and Hancock streets, and Geneva avenue, in Ward 16, at the earliest possible opportunity."

This department has been exchanging correspondence with the Metropolitan Transit Authority seeking cooperation with that company on the above project.

This work is on the list of projects to be undertaken this year.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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CLEANING STREETS OF WINTER DEBRIS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the cleaning of all the city streets of debris accumulated during the winter months.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I have your request for consideration and report on Council order of March 7, 1949, returned herewith, reading as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed by his Honor the Mayor to promptly arrange for the cleaning of all the streets in order that the debris accumulated after the sanding and traffic of the winter months may be removed as a health measure."

This work is progressing rapidly, and should be completed in a very short time.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING DORCHESTER AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Dorchester avenue, from Fields Corner to Dorchester Lower Mills.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 14, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface

Dorchester avenue, from Fields Corner to Dorchester Lower Mills, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF REFRIGERATORS, NEW SOUTH BOSTON HOUSING PROJECT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the State Housing Board, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the installing of refrigerators in the new South Boston veterans' housing project.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

State Housing Board,
March 14, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of a communication dated March 3, from your office regarding the Council order introduced by Councilor Linehan, requesting the State Housing Board and the Boston Housing Authority amend the contract covering the South Boston veterans' housing project, so that refrigerators may be installed.

The Boston Housing Authority has requested the State Housing Board to reconsider this matter and we are confident that an agreement on this subject will be reached with that Authority very shortly which will be satisfactory to everyone concerned.

Very truly yours,
FREDERICK W. ROCHE, Chairman.

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REFRIGERATORS IN DEVELOPMENT AT B AND D STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the placing of refrigerators in the development at B and D streets, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
March 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order, February 28, 1949, Concerning Refrigerators in the Development at B and D Streets, South Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter with reference to the City Council order referred to above.

This Authority has never been satisfied with the decision that eliminated refrigerators from this development. Be advised that the Authority has this matter presently under dis-

cussion with the State Housing Board in an attempt to reach solution of it.

Promptly this matter is concluded you will be advised.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

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ACCEPTANCE OF HARVEST TERRACE,
WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the acceptance, laying out, and reconstruction of Harvest terrace, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 8, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 3, enclosing order of the City Council, introduced by Councilor Linehan, requesting that the Street Commissioners accept, lay out, and reconstruct Harvest terrace, Ward 7, I beg to advise that an advertised public hearing will be held in the matter the latter part of the current month, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 393, Acts of 1906, and chapter 79 of the General Laws.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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REAL ESTATE TAXES PAID BY EASTERN
MASSACHUSETTS STREET RAILWAY
COMPANY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Assessors, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the amount of real estate taxes paid to the City of Boston by the Eastern Massachusetts Railway Company on the property in Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury and Hyde Park, for which the Metropolitan Transit Authority is required to pay \$39,000 per year.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Assessing Department, March 9, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with City Council order dated February 28, 1949, relative to the amount of real estate taxes paid to the City of Boston by the Eastern Massachusetts Railway Company on the property in Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury and Hyde Park, the following statement is made:

The records of the Assessing Department show no record of property assessed to the Eastern Massachusetts Railway Company, either real estate or personal property, except real estate at 175 Blackstone street, 15 Cross street, 36 Endicott street, one parcel assessed at \$279,000, tax \$14,898.60.

Very truly yours,
PETER J. ALLEN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SURVEY OF LAND IN SOUTH BOSTON
FOR HOUSING PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of vacant land in South Boston for housing purposes.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
February 23, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of February 14, 1949, Concerning Survey of Vacant Land in South Boston for Housing Purposes.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 15, 1949, in which you speak of the City Council order referred to above.

On October 18 and again on October 25, 1948, the Honorable, the City Council, passed orders requesting that additional sites be chosen for public housing in South Boston.

In replying to those orders, this Authority pointed out that it had very carefully considered these requests in view of the over-all public housing program of the city. In that consideration the Authority noted that the South Boston district already had two operating developments at Old Harbor Village and the Old Colony area, and further that two more developments are presently being erected, with a third scheduled for construction imminently.

All told that will mean that the South Boston district will contain the following developments:

- Old Harbor Village, 1,016 apartments.
- Old Colony, 873 apartments.
- B and D streets, South Boston, 972 apartments.
- Farragut road, 66 apartments.
- Columbia road, at P street, 43 apartments.
- Total, 2,970 apartments.

Further, the Authority has been having discussions with the State Housing Board concerning a development of some 800 dwellings in the cow pasture area which, as you know, is on the South Boston-Dorchester line.

The Authority is faced with the problem of allocating housing to other sections of the city such as East Boston which has a population of 56,928 (which is greater than that of South Boston) but with only 414 public housing units and families facing less of their homes due to rapid transit and highway extensions. There is also a particular problem in Charlestown due to land-takings for the Mystic River Bridge.

In view of this total of 2,970 apartments presently in South Boston the Authority does not believe that further allocation can be made to that section at this time.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

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PAINTING OF APARTMENTS IN ALL
HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to forward herewith reply to order adopted by your Honorable Body under date of February 28, 1949, submitted to me by the Boston Housing Authority.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Housing Authority,
March 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order Dated February 28, 1949, Concerning Painting of Apartments in All Developments.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 3, 1949, concerning the City Council order referred to above.

Be advised that some few years ago, and at Federal Public Housing Administration insistence, this Authority reluctantly acquiesced to a tenant painting program. Such practice was agreed to due to the high cost of operation, and to bring the practice in Boston in line with conditions existent in many other cities.

There is no need for any development to be unkept inasmuch as during this period painting materials were furnished to any tenant who had the desire to keep his own apartment clean. Many residents availed themselves of this opportunity to keep their homes in splendid condition.

For your information, however, the Authority is presently discussing operational costs with the Federal government and the problem of decoration of apartments by maintenance staff of the development will be included in such discussions.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

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PROPOSED HOUSING, BAKERSFIELD
STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the expediting of the erection of proposed housing on Bakersfield street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Housing Authority,
March 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of March 7, 1949, Re Proposed Development at Sumner, Willis, and Bakersfield Streets, Dorchester.

Dear Mayor Curley:

With reference to the City Council order referred to above you are advised that the Authority expects to advertise for bids for the construction of this development on March 19, 1949, and to proceed with erection of it as rapidly as possible following that date.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

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GASEOUS ODORS, WARD 10.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 3, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Department, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning an immediate investigation in the Ward 10 section to determine the cause of gaseous odors in that locality.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
City of Boston,
Health Department, February 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The City Council order of February 7, 1949, "That the Commissioner of Public Works, the Health Commissioner, and the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an immediate investigation in the Ward 10 section in an effort to determine the cause of gaseous odors in this locality" has been investigated by our Housing and Sanitation Division.

Observations have been made from various points in this section and we have been unable to detect any gaseous odors.

We were informed that this order pertained to odors entering Hughes Drug store, 1556 Tremont street, Roxbury. Mr. Hughes, the proprietor, was interviewed and informed us that conditions were now satisfactory.

Respectfully,
CHARLES F. WILINSKY, M. D.,
Acting Health Commissioner.

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INSTALLATION OF ESCALATORS BY
MTA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 14, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of escalators in all deep exits of the MTA subway system.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 12, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Trustees received your communication of the ninth forwarding Council order requesting the installation of escalators in all deep exits of the MTA subway system in cooperation with the national effort to curtail heart disease.

As the law now stands, these escalators are built by the Boston Transit Department in the same manner in which Atlantic Station and Arlington Street escalators are being undertaken—on bonds issued by the city—and this construction is not under the authority of the MTA.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

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MUNICIPAL GYMNASIUM, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 1, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of February 14, 1949, concerning the erection of a municipal gymnasium in Ward 16, or, if cost of available land is prohibitive, to arrange for the construction of same in Dorchester Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, February 28, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your communication with attached City Council order as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to submit an order to the City Council appropriating a sum sufficient to provide for the erection of a municipal gymnasium in Ward 16, and, if the cost of available land is prohibitive, to arrange for the construction of same in Dorchester Park."

I wish to state that the erection of such a building, at today's cost, would be extremely high. At the present time there is such a building at Columbia road and Bird street, Dorchester.

Consideration of a municipal building in Ward 16, Dorchester, would mean that similar requests would be received for such a building in other sections of the city.

I estimate the cost of such a structure to be between \$400,000 and \$500,000. I feel that the consideration of erecting additional municipal buildings should be postponed until such time as costs are lower and the city is in a better position to assume the cost of construction and maintenance of such type of building.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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CHRISTOPHER LEE PLAYGROUND,
WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the resurfacing and placing in first-class condition of the Christopher Lee Playground in Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, March 16, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of February 28, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to resurface and place in first-class condition the Christopher Lee Playground in Ward 6.

It will not be possible to resurface this playground as it is located near the Boston Edison Company and is subject to a continual deposit of coal dust. However, we will regrade many sections of this playground. The baseball diamond will be placed in first-class condition.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF PARK, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the establishing of a park on city-owned land in the vicinity of West Broadway and Dorchester avenue, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, March 16, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of February 28, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to establish a park on city-owned land in the vicinity of West Broadway and Dorchester avenue, Ward 6.

An investigation shows that at this intersection there is no city-owned land. It would be well for the councilor to signify the particular lot that he feels is owned by the city.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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UNPAID EXCISE TAXES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Collecting Department, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the sending out of reminders that excise taxes are unpaid.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Collecting Department, March 21, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

In reply to the request of the City Council by order of March 14, 1949, that the City of Boston deputy collectors desist from sending arrest warrants to the owners of autos for which the motor vehicle excise tax has not been paid, the following explanation is offered.

The City Collector's bond states that he must faithfully perform the duties of his office. This function requires that he send an original bill, a demand, and a warrant notice to the taxpayer. The bill must state the reason for which the notice is sent. Upon the collector's failure to use the full extent of the law as required in chapter 60, "Laws Pertaining to Local Taxation," the attorney general notifies the bonding company to cancel the bond unless the conditions stated in the law are fulfilled. Having received such a notice from the attorney general, the collector is obliged to follow the dictates of the law. The form now in use by the Collecting Department is the copy of the legal form approved by the Commissioner of Taxation and Corporations, Henry F. Long.

Very truly yours,
DANIEL F. DONOVAN, City Collector.

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PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Aubrey C. Allen, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Treasa Belmonte, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 27 Averton street.

Patsy DeBole, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 231 Medford street.

Cletus H. DuWors, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Joseph F. Grimmich, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Patrick J. Joyce, to be reimbursed for collapse of water boiler at 18 Union street, Charlestown, caused by water being shut off.

Clifford A. Kunz, for compensation for damage to truck by sewer truck.

Isadore Kupchik, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Francis W. Leavey, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Willow street.

John J. Maloney, to be paid for overtime due him as employee of Bridge and Ferry Division.

George R. Mason, for compensation for damage to property at 31 Partridge street, West Roxbury, caused by leak in water pipe.

Anna Visconti, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 28 Porter street.

Nevella M. Yarbrough, for compensation for damage to property at 143 and 145 West Concord street, caused by falling tree.

Fred Yenofsky, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Commission.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Boston American League Baseball Company for license for Sunday sports at Fenway Park.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:
Alicia L. Binney, Jordan Hall, May 10.
Permit granted, under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council:
Louis Buttiglieri, Joseph W. McCleary.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN F. COGHLAN.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment of John F. Coghlan as food inspector (emergency) at \$2,300 per year, effective March 16, 1949.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from M. P. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest in contract with Library Department for repair of sidewalk on Bowdoin street.

Placed on file.

SCHOOL COURSES OPPOSING COMMUNISM.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Whereas, The disciples of Communism in this country are, and continue to be, an insidious force sapping at the vitals of true democracy;

Whereas, Recent declarations by leading Communists in this, and other countries, outside the iron curtain, make it plain that these Communists and their followers will side with the Soviet Union in the event that country should make war, no matter how unprovoked, with this or any other country;

Whereas, It is time that the American people, and liberty-loving people everywhere, take cognizance of the revolutionary intentions of the Communist party and its followers;

Whereas, Our government has indicated its awareness of the dangers of Communist philosophy and has prepared a volume entitled "The Soviet World Outlook, A Handbook of Quotations from Soviet Sources";

Whereas, A typical quotation from this book outlines in no uncertain manner the purposes of Communism as a world force, said quotation taken from Pravda in 1925, and uttered by Stalin himself, is as follows: "The support of the Soviet Union is one of the chief tasks of all Communists, since the latter is the mainstay of the revolutionary movement in all countries;"

Whereas, It is well known that Communistic propaganda finds its way freely into the pulpits, the press, the books, the schools, the colleges, and even into high government circles, to such an extent that the American public can no longer look upon this matter with careless unconcern;

Whereas, The dangers of permitting the minds of the growing generations in America to be despoiled by Communistic propaganda has been recognized by the Presidents of Harvard University and University of Yale, who, because of such propaganda, have instituted compulsory courses in Americanism in both of these great schools;

Whereas, The Boston School Committee has recently taken action similar to that taken by Harvard and Yale Universities, and will shortly introduce a text book entitled "The Principles of American Democracy," which will be in use in the high schools of Boston;

Whereas, The example of Harvard and Yale Universities and the Boston School Committee are most significant, and most worthy of being copied by every other institution of learning in the United States, from elementary schools to colleges;

Whereas, The unholy threat of world Communism has ceased to be an imaginary fear, but a possibility which, by revolutionary means, will deprive men of the God-given rights which are theirs, and which will set back the world a thousand or more years; therefore be it

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor request the Commissioner of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to impress upon the officials of all schools and colleges within our Commonwealth to include courses designed to promote a more responsible citizenship and leadership, as opposed to the evils of Communism, so that we may actively and intelligently defend and promote our inherited and cherished American ideals and institutions.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

INSTALLATION OF CATCH-BASINS,
WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install catch-basins at the corner of Washington and Birchwood streets and also at the corner of Grove and Birchwood streets, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REQUESTED REVOCATION OF LICENSE
OF BOSTON TRAILER PARK, INC.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately revoke the license of the Boston Trailer Park, Inc., at 1510 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury, because of numerous violations of the law pertaining to trailer camps; also that an investigation be made for the purpose of ascertaining the Health Department employee who approved this camp.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, WARD 22
STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Street Lighting Department be requested to change the gas lights on Easton, Raymond, Riverdale, Arden, and North Harvard streets to electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONTINUATION OF SURFACE CAR
LINES FROM ARBORWAY STATION.

Coun. McCORMACK and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to continue in operation the surface car lines between Arborway Station and Matapan square, and also between Arborway Station and Cummins Highway and Washington street, Roslindale.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF WARD 18 STREETS.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out the following streets in Ward 18 as public highways:

Nelson street, Vaughan street, Damrell avenue, Manila avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, COLUMBIA ROAD
AND QUINCY STREET.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install automatic traffic signals at the intersection of Columbia road and Quincy street, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

VACATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF FIRE
AND POLICE FORCES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That section 111A of chapter 41 of the General Laws, reading as follows:

"Section 111A. In any town which accepts this section, all members of its regular or permanent fire or police force may be granted a vacation of not less than two weeks during each year of their employment, without loss of pay."

be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASSISTANCE FOR UNDERFERD
FAMILIES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to ascertain how much money is available for each family for food purposes and where there is not sufficient money for food purposes the case shall be immediately referred to the Public Welfare Department for aid and assistance and a record shall be kept of same.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ENCLOSURE OF DEPARTMENT EX-
PENDITURES WITH TAX BILLS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Assessors be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to enclose with the real estate tax bill for 1949 a list of all departments operated by the City of Boston together with the amount expended by each department.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURPLUS ESTIMATES BY DEPARTMENT
HEADS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That department heads be instructed by his Honor the Mayor not to have any surplus funds over and above the actual needs for any particular year, as having more money than is necessary to run the department creates a tendency to spend the entire amount even though it is not needed to operate the department in an efficient manner.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

CUSTODY OF GERALD SULLIVAN BY
MOTHER.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to intercede with His Excellency the Governor in an effort to have Gerald Sullivan restored to the custody of his mother by the Justice of the Roxbury Municipal Court.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRACKLESS TROLLEYS FOR CERTAIN
EGLESTON SQUARE LINES.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a trackless trolley system on the Egleston-Dudley and Egleston-Arborway lines.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF FIRE STATION, NORTHAMPTON
STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Building Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of selling the old abandoned fire station on Northampton street, Roxbury.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Tracy the Council voted to take a recess at 3.02 p. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members re-

assembled and were called to order by Chairman RAMSEY at 3.42 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Mary L. Jones (referred December 6, 1948) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, George A. Jones, late member of the Fire Department, recommending passage of accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of twelve hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mary L. Jones, widow of George A. Jones, a member of the Fire Department, who died on October 11, 1948, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of George N. Freeman (referred February 28) to be reimbursed in amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred seventy-eight dollars (\$378) be allowed and paid to George N. Freeman in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Ernest J. Love (referred February 28) to be reimbursed in amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325) be allowed and paid to Ernest J. Love in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Thomas R. Mullen (referred February 28) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of Boston Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be allowed and paid to Thomas R. Mullen in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

RESURFACING OF WARD 12 STREETS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Commissioner of Public Works to resurface with granolithic the sidewalks on Magnolia street and other streets in Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SAVIN HILL BUS LINE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor confer with the trustees of the MTA for the purpose of obtaining proper buses for the Savin Hill bus line.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted to adjourn at 3.45 p. m., to meet on Monday, March 28, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.
(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 23, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councillor Lane.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments: Harold J. Mahoney, 774 East Sixth street, South Boston, Mass., as constable without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond for the term ending April 30, 1949, vice Frank Bonney.

Richard Wilson Sheehan, 559 Ashmont street, Dorchester, Mass., as constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, and for term ending April 30, 1949.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

INSTALLATION OF PARKING METERS,
WARD 5.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of parking meters on the following streets in Ward 5:

Clarendon street, both sides, from Marlborough street to Beacon street.

Dartmouth street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Exeter street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Fairfield street, both sides, from Boylston street to Beacon street.

Gloucester street, Hereford street and Marlborough street.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, March 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order, March 7, 1949, Requesting the Traffic Commissioner to Consider the Advisability of Installing Parking Meters on the Following Streets in Ward 5:

Clarendon street, both sides, from Marlborough street to Beacon street.

Dartmouth street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Exeter street, both sides, from Commonwealth avenue to Beacon street.

Fairfield street, both sides, from Boylston street to Beacon street.

Gloucester street, Hereford street and Marlborough street.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the Traffic Commission has considered not only these streets, but streets in other sections of the city which are suitable for the installation of parking

meters. However, at the present time the Traffic Commission has no authority from the City Council to purchase additional meters. Therefore, it is the intention of this Commission, at a future date, to request authority from the City Council to purchase such meters.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS IN SUBURBAN SHOPPING DISTRICTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of penny parking meters in the suburban shopping districts of Boston.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, March 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order, March 7, 1949, Requesting the Traffic Commissioner to Expedite the Installation of Penny Parking Meters in the Suburban Shopping Districts of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order of March 7, 1949, please be advised that this matter was brought before the full board of the Traffic Commission and it was voted that an initial study be made of the installation of meters in the suburban area of Roslindale.

It was further voted that if the Roslindale installation proves successful that the matter of changing all of the suburban meters to penny-nickel meters would be considered by the Commission. At the present time an analysis of the Roslindale experiment has not been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS, BLUE HILL AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the placing of penny parking meters on Blue Hill avenue in the Mattapan district, and on Blue Hill avenue from Stanwood street to Lawrence avenue in the Roxbury district.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, March 23, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Re: Council Order Dated March 14, 1949, Requesting the Traffic Commission to Place Penny Parking Meters on Blue Hill Avenue in the Mattapan District, and on Blue Hill Avenue from Stanwood Street to Lawrence Avenue in the Roxbury District.

Replying to the above Council order, which divides itself into two requests regarding parking meters, please be advised that the

first request, insofar as the area is concerned, is rather indefinite.

The matter of installing parking meters in Blue Hill avenue in the vicinity of Mattapan square was considered by this department and it was its intention to install meters there. However, there is angle parking permitted in this section and the State Department of Public Works has refused to approve the installation of parking meters in this street and on all other through streets where angle parking is permitted.

Regarding the second request, we are maintaining so-called straight nickel parking meters in the portion of Blue Hill avenue between Quincy street and Devon street. The area referred to in the request includes a portion of the metered area and extends one block beyond it. However, we assume that the purport of the request is to change the operation of the existing meters to penny-nickel fees.

The suburban meters in the Roslindale area have been changed from straight nickel operation to penny-nickel operation. This change is still in the experimental stage and we are observing its operation. The decision of the Commission regarding the feasibility of making similar changes in other suburban areas will depend on the results of the present experiment in Roslindale.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS, FIELDS CORNER AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the changing of the rate on parking meters in the Fields Corner area from five cents to one cent.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, March 23, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Re: Council Order Dated March 14, 1949, Requesting the Traffic Commissioner to Change the Rate on Parking Meters in the Fields Corner Area from Five Cents to One Cent.

In reply to the above Council order please be advised that this matter was brought before the full board of the Traffic Commission and it was voted that an initial study be made of the installation of meters in the suburban area of Roslindale.

It was further voted that if the Roslindale installation proves successful that the matter of changing all of the suburban meters to penny-nickel meters would be considered by the Commission. At the present time an analysis of the Roslindale experiment has not been completed.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SALE OF OLD FIRE STATION, NORTHAMPTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Department of Public Buildings, relative

to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the advisability of selling the old abandoned fire station on Northampton street, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
March 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

Referring to Council order of March 21, 1949, requesting that the Superintendent of Public Buildings, through his Honor the Mayor, consider the advisability of selling the old abandoned fire station on Northampton street, Roxbury.

I wish to report that said building is now being occupied by the Welfare Division as temporary office quarters until the completion of their new building, which may not be ready until late fall. After the completion of the building, his Honor the Mayor has instructed me to lease said building to the Second Division Post 2045, V. F. W.

I have been in contact with the Second Division Post and have made arrangements to turn said building over to them after the Welfare Division has vacated the building.

Yours very truly,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Placed on file.

NOTICE TO COUNCIL OF MTA CURTAILMENT OF SERVICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 28, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the furnishing of information to the City Council of information in regard to the names of the routes which they propose to abandon or curtail, at least two weeks before notification is given to the public.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to the request of the City Council of March 14, we operate 55,000,000 miles a year in 14 different cities and towns, and it is difficult to attempt to notify official bodies on the daily operation of the railway.

The regular practice today on discontinuances or major changes in service is to place notices in the vehicles on the line affected, a week in advance of any change.

In order to meet the desire of the Council we will endeavor to give ample press notices before a discontinuance or major change is to take place.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

SMOKE NUISANCE IN ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 28, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from Corporation Counsel, relative to your order of January 31, 1949, concerning smoke nuisance in the Allston district.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, March 24, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Recently Mr. Gilligan of your office forwarded to us for consideration and report an order of the City Council adopted January 31, 1949, which requested the Corporation Counsel to take appropriate action to prevent continued violation of an order of the Department of Public Utilities. This order, in substance, required the Boston & Albany Railroad to put into effect measures to prevent a smoke nuisance from their Beacon Park roundhouse in the Allston district of Boston. The order was promulgated by the Department of Public Utilities on December 27, 1946, and may be found in D. P. U. Petition No. 7383. The City Council order, in substance, alleges that the railroad is failing to comply with this order of the Department of Public Utilities.

In a conference with Mr. Fernald of the legal department of the railroad, he stated that in the opinion of the railroad the smoke nuisance has been diminished rather than increased. He stated that while formerly three men were assigned with the specific duty of supervising smoke control appliances and methods, circumstances have so altered since the issuance of the order that they have now but one man whose sole duty it is to take care of this, he in turn being assisted as necessary by two other men. He further stated that one engine house formerly used to house coal-burning steam engines is now used solely for storage purposes; that all through freight trains from New York, numbering 48 daily, are hauled by Diesel engines and that all new units being put into service locally are of the Diesel type. Mr. Fernald further stated that at the recent legislative hearings at the State House relative to smoke control, residents of the Allston district were equally divided in their opinions, some maintaining conditions have improved and others maintaining conditions have grown worse.

Since the position taken by the railroad seems directly opposed to that embodied in the Council order, I should like to know whether further action on our part is desired. The procedure, in the event further action is requested, is to petition the Department of Public Utilities to investigate the matter. If a violation is found, the D. P. U. will refer the matter to the attorney general's office, said office being the only law-enforcement agency with the duty of enforcing such orders. If further action is desired, I shall be happy to assist.

Respectfully,
OWEN F. BROCK,
Assistant Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

RESOLUTION RE INCREASE OF STATUTORY LIMITATION ON SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

As a result of a conference held with the School Committee on Friday, March 18, an agreement was arrived at whereby salary increases for employees of the School Department be not in excess of \$300 and the same to be effective as of July, 1949.

This agreement necessitates the presentation of a petition to the Committee on Rules for the adoption of a bill for legislation increasing the statutory limitation from \$19,310,000 to \$19,975,000 for the year 1949 and to \$21,200,000 for the year 1950 and thereafter the statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by the School Committee of the City of Boston for general school purposes and raising for the year 1949 and thereafter from

\$1.20 to \$1.70 on each \$1,000 of the Assessors' valuation the statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by said School Committee for the alteration and repair of school buildings.

Accordingly, I recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolve.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Resolved, That the petition of the Chairman of the School Committee of the City of Boston for legislation raising from \$19,310,000 to \$19,975,000 for the year 1949 and to \$21,200,000 for the year 1950 and thereafter the statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by the School Committee of the City of Boston for general school purposes and raising for the year 1949 and thereafter from \$1.20 to \$1.70 on each \$1,000 of the Assessors' valuations the statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by said School Committee for the alteration and repair of school buildings is hereby approved.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALARY OF HEALTH COMMISSIONER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an amendment to section 5 of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 with relation to the salary of the Health Commissioner. As the responsible head of the Health Department, the compensation of the Health Commissioner should exceed that of all deputy and subordinate officials. The proposed amendment will establish the Health Commissioner as the top ranking salaried official in his department. I respectfully recommend adoption of this amendment.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

An Ordinance Concerning the Salary of the Health Commissioner.
Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Chapter three, section five, of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended as follows:

In the clause establishing the salary of the health commissioner by striking out said clause and inserting in place thereof the following: "The health commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars."

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Chims.

Percy W. Blackadar, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Harry Cortell, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Clifford Dexter, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Orra P. Fowler, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Huntington avenue.

Alan Fox, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Edward H. Graff, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

James H. Kelley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Rita Madoff, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Columbine street.

Henry L. McGuire, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Vincent L. Robillard, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Abraham B. Segel, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Mary A. Sheehan, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Russell F. Smith, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Alice Waters, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mary O'Connor, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by fall down stairs of Boston Public Library.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., for license for Sunday sports at Braves Field.

PERMITS FOR MINORS.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received, viz.:

Thomas Nazzaro, Casino Theatre, March 27.

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, March 25.

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, April 1.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notices were received from William H. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest in following contracts: Straightening and refastening plates at end of south drop of South Ferry; repairs to fender piers of Meridian Street Bridge.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room, 166 State House, on Friday, April 8, at 10 a. m. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to erect pole on easterly side of Blue Hill avenue, south of West Cottage street.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred March 21) of Francis A. Rogers, to be Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1949—that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointment was confirmed.

LOCKS ON SOUTH BOSTON PROJECT APARTMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following: Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install different locks on each apartment in the South Boston projects so that the same key will not fit the doors of several apartments as at present.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR STANLEY C. MOSIULIS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of West Fifth and C streets, Ward 6, in honor of Private Stanley C. Mosiulis, Company G, P. R. G., U. S. Army, who was killed in action in North Africa on March 28, 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR MARTIN E. FLAHERTY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of West Broadway and B street, Ward 6, in honor of Sergt. Martin E. Flaherty, Company L, 16th Infantry, who was killed in action in Sicily on August 4, 1943, who won the distinguished service cross and silver star, in addition to two purple hearts.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BUDGET FOR 1949.

Coun. COOK moved that the message of the Mayor and appropriations and tax orders for the year 1949 (referred February 7, 1949) be taken from the Committee on Appropriations and referred to the Executive Committee.

President HURLEY called for a standing vote, 7 votes being required to withdraw the appropriations and tax orders from the Committee on Appropriations.

A standing vote was taken, with the following members standing: Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Ramsey—8.

The appropriations and tax orders were taken from the Committee on Appropriations, and the question then came on reference to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councilor Cook the appropriations and tax orders were referred to the Executive Committee, yeas 12, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, McCormack, Ramsey, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan—6.

Voting Present—Councilors Linehan, Tracy, Yerxa—3.

RESOLUTION RE WAR MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM AND CONVENTION HALLS.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has not provided a fitting memorial for the deceased veterans of World Wars I and II, and

Whereas, The City of Boston, as capital city of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is without an adequate convention hall and auditorium and as a result of the lack of facilities, large conventions have by-passed the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and their conventions have been held in cities located in other states, resulting in a loss of business and prestige to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and

Whereas, The Massachusetts Legislative Committee on State Administration has reported favorably on Senate Bill No. 462 and has forwarded said bill to the Legislative Committee on Ways and Means for another hear-

ing on the same bill to be heard on April 4, 1949, in Room 245 at 10.30 a. m. in the State House, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the passage of Massachusetts Senate Bill No. 462, a bill drawn up by Councilor Linehan, entitled "An Act Providing for the Construction of a World War I and II Memorial Auditorium and Convention Halls in the City of Boston by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Boston Chamber of Commerce, all of the various state departments of war veterans, the Governor of the Commonwealth, President of the Senate, Chairman of the Legislative Committee on Ways and Means and Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

Coun. BEADES in the chair.

REINSTATEMENT OF JOHN M. DEVER.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the enactment of legislation entitled: "An Act Authorizing the Temporary Reinstatement, for Retirement Purposes Only, of John M. Dever as a Member of the Police Department of the City of Boston," provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO STREETS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take five feet from the corner of Asticou road and St. Ann street, fifteen feet from the corner of Asticou road and Washington street, on the Roslindale side, and three feet off the sidewalk on Asticou road, from St. Ann to Washington streets, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF STREETS.

Coun. BRYAN, McCORMACK, and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately clean all streets in Wards 6, 18, 19, and 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BRANCH OF CITY HOSPITAL IN FOREST HILLS.

Coun. TRACY and McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to establish a branch of the City Hospital on the site of the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital on Morton street, Forest Hills.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF WABASH STREET, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct as a public highway, Wabash street, Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PENNY PARKING METERS, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be requested to replace the five-cent parking meters with penny parking meters in Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECREATION BUILDING, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to seek a centrally-located site for the erection of a recreation building in Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAVING OF WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. ANSEL and KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include Washington street, from Grove Hall to Codman square, on his list of streets for repaving this year.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF "NO PARKING" SIGNS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove "No Parking" signs from Morton street and Blue Hill avenue to Landor road, and from Morton street to Lucerne street, Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

USE OF MTA LAND IN JAMAICA PLAIN FOR PLAYGROUND.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to deed to the City of Boston the land known as the "Jamaica car yard" in order that it may be developed into a modern playground area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAY AREA, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lay out a play area in the vicinity of Kenton road and Gartland street, in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS, FOREST HILLS TERMINAL.

Coun. TRACY and McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a sign in the vicinity of the Forest Hills terminal indicating the location of the Forest Hills business section.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa the Council voted at 3.27 p. m. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members re-assembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.50 a. m. on Tuesday, March 29.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and resolution (referred today) favoring legislation increasing statutory limitation on School Committee appropriations—recommending that resolution be adopted.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

2. Report on message of Mayor and appropriation and tax orders for the year 1949 (referred March 28) recommending the passage of the appropriation and tax orders as submitted by the Mayor with the exception of the following reductions:

Art Department, \$500 in B-39.

Assessing Department, 10 per cent reduction in all items in B, Contractual Services, \$866.50; \$2,500 reduction in D-1.

Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, reduction of 10 per cent in D-1, Supplies, \$1,139.89.

City Council, \$200 reduction in B-39; \$200 reduction in C-17; \$500 reduction in D-1.

Fire Department, reduction of \$10,000 in B-39; \$2,500 reduction in C-7; \$5,000 reduction in C-13; \$20,000 reduction in C-16; \$1,000 reduction in C-17; \$2,000 reduction in D-11; \$5,000 reduction in D-13; \$4,000 reduction in E-1; \$5,000 reduction in E-10; \$5,000 reduction in E-13.

Health Department, \$5,000 reduction in B-39.

Library Department, \$5,000 reduction in B-8; \$35,000 reduction in B-39; \$2,000 reduction in C-9; \$50,000 reduction in C-10; \$1,000 reduction in D-1; \$600 reduction in D-16; \$5,000 reduction in E-13.

Mayor, Office Expenses, Conventions, Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, reduction of \$19,000.

Park Department, \$10,000 reduction in B-6; \$6,000 reduction in B-14; \$25,000 reduction in B-39; \$20,000 reduction in B-42; \$3,000 reduction in C-4; \$1,000 reduction in C-7; \$10,000 reduction in E-13.

Police Department, \$10,000 reduction in B-39.

Public Buildings Department, \$70,000 reduction in B-39; \$5,000 reduction in C-7.

Public Works Department, Bridge Service, \$5,000 reduction in B-39; Ferry Service, \$15,000 reduction in B-39; \$5,000 reduction in D-3; Paving Service, \$2,000 reduction in B-39; Sanitary Division, \$25,000 reduction in C-4; Sewer Division, \$5,000 reduction in B-8.

Street Laying-Out Department, \$500 reduction in D-1.

Board of Real Estate Commissioners, A-2, rejected, \$3,400; B-4, \$400 reduction; B-18, \$2,000 reduction; B-39, \$4,000 reduction; B-42, \$2,000 reduction; D-1, \$300 reduction.

Special Appropriations, Snow Removal, \$175,000 reduction.

County Maintenance, Suffolk County Courthouse, Custodian, \$4,000 reduction in B-39; \$4,500 reduction in C-7.

County Buildings, \$5,000 reduction in B-39.

Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, \$1,000 reduction in B-8; \$2,500 reduction in B-39; \$2,500 reduction in C-7; \$5,000 reduction in D-3; \$500 reduction in D-16; \$1,000 reduction in E-1.

Printing Department, \$300 reduction in B-8; \$500 reduction in B-39; \$1,000 reduction in D-3; \$12,000 reduction in E-13.

Public Works Department, Water Division, \$25,000 reduction in B-39; \$5,000 reduction in B-42.

Special Appropriations, Departmental Stationery and Postage, \$20,000 reduction.

The question came on the acceptance of the committee's report, and the report was accepted. The question then came on the passage of the budget as amended. Councilor Linehan moved the passage of the budget as amended. Councilor Chase moved that the budget be laid on the table until 2 p. m., March 29. Councilor Ramsey moved to amend Councilor Chase's motion to lay the budget on the table until Friday, April 1, at 1 p. m.

On motion of Councilor Linehan it was voted that when the Council adjourn it be to meet on Friday, April 1, at 2 p. m.

On motion of Councilor Keenan it was voted that the budget lay on the table until Friday, April 1, at 2 p. m.

On motion of Councilor Keenan the Council voted to adjourn at 5.15 a. m., to meet on Friday, April 1, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Friday, April 1, 1949.

A regularly adjourned meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

SUBSCRIPTION TO "COUNTERATTACK."

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 29, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the Boston Public Library, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the subscribing to the newsweek letter known as "Counterattack" for all public library branches.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Library Department, March 24, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,

Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Finn:

I wish to acknowledge your transmittal under date of March 9, 1949, of the order adopted by the City Council on March 7, 1949, requesting the Trustees of the Library, through his Honor the Mayor, "to subscribe to the newsweek letter known as 'Counterattack' for all public library branches under their jurisdiction as this publication is known as one that gives the facts to combat Communism." The matter was brought to the attention of the Trustees of the Library at their meeting on March 18, 1949.

On behalf of the Trustees I have been directed to state that the Library already has a subscription to "Counterattack" at the Central Library, where it is freely available to users of the Library without restriction. The policy of the Library is not to place books or periodicals or other printed items in each of the branch libraries automatically. The funds appropriated to the Library for the purchase of books and other library materials are not in themselves sufficiently large to permit engaging in practice in this respect in the face of the great mass of materials appearing in print week after week and month after month. Moreover, the more desirable practice is to take into account the interests and special needs of the clientele served by the individual branch libraries themselves. The long-established policy of the Library has therefore been to decentralize the selection of materials for the branch libraries to the individual branch libraries themselves, and to do this in terms of the quotas from the book funds which are allotted to the individual branch libraries for purchases. Thus, the placing of any individual item in the branch libraries is dependent upon (1) the decision of the individual branch libraries in terms of the needs of the clientele served by them, and (2) the cost of an item in question as compared with the total allotment of funds available to the individual branch libraries for the purchase of books and library materials.

A publication such as "Counterattack" is available at a price (\$24 a year, less a library discount) which is double or more than the cost of the publications which ordinarily can be purchased for branch libraries. It is thus an item whose purchase would, perforce, be restricted to the Central Library in Copley square, and cannot ordinarily be contemplated for branch libraries. This does not mean that it cannot be considered for purchase by any branch library which believes that there is a demand for it on the part of its clientele and that such demand can properly be met with the limited book and periodical funds in hand without detriment to the other items which the needs of the library service require it to have as well. It will

receive careful consideration in such an instance, but the need and the demand must be clearly demonstrated in terms of the individual branch library in question, and not through a blanket decision that copies are to be placed in all of the branch libraries automatically.

If there is further information which is needed, I shall be glad to provide it.

Respectfully,
MILTON E. LOUD, Director.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS, WARD 6.

The following was received.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the placing in proper condition of the various parks and playgrounds located in Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, March 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum with enclosure, City Council order of March 14, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to place in proper condition the various parks and playgrounds located in Ward 6.

This is to inform you that it is our intention to place, not only the parks and playgrounds in Ward 6 in proper condition, but all parks and playgrounds throughout the city, when the weather gets a little better. At present many of the parks and playgrounds are in a very damp condition, but as soon as they dry out the foremen of the various districts will begin to have the necessary work done at these parks and playgrounds. In the meantime some work will be done on these parks and playgrounds.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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CLEANING OF SOUTH BOSTON BEACHES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the cleaning of Carson Beach, the Strandway, and City Point beaches in South Boston after the winter season.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, March 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum with enclosure, Council order dated March 14, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to clean up all the South Boston beaches, including the Carson, Strandway, and City Point beaches in South Boston, from the debris, rubbish, and glass now on the beach as a result of the winter season.

From time to time, particularly after the heavy winter storms, a certain amount of driftwood and rubbish float up onto the South Boston beaches. Many times, a few days later, with the high tide and the wind blowing off shore, much of this material drifts some place else. However, instructions have been given to have our men clean up these beaches from time to time. On or about the first of June, which is prior to the opening of the bathing season, a general clean-up is given to all the beaches in the department.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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**CAR SERVICE BETWEEN ARBORWAY
AND EGGLESTON STATIONS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the continuation of the present streetcar service between Arborway and Eggleston Stations.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In connection with order of March 14, 1949, relative to continuing present streetcar service between Arborway and Eggleston, the Board of Trustees has directed me to advise you that the service provided was far in excess of any traffic.

We are, at the present time, however, continuing car service, in part, between Arborway and Eggleston Stations.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

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**SURFACE CAR LINES FROM ARBORWAY
STATION.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the continuation in operation of the surface car lines between Arborway Station and Mattapan square, and also between Arborway Station and Cummins Highway and Washington street, Roslindale.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the order of March 21, 1949, relative to car lines between Arborway and Mattapan Station and also between Arborway Station and Cummins Highway and Washington street, Roslindale, the Board of Trustees has directed me to advise you that in order to conserve excess mileage now actually operated, according to figures which we have, it was believed that the frequent joint cross-town line with a good main car line would give the better service.

We are carefully studying the matter, for it is always possible to maintain lines on reduced service, which we thought did not render as good service as the plan we contemplated.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

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**TRACKLESS TROLLEY SYSTEM ON
EGGLESTON LINES.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the installing of a trackless trolley system on the Eggleston-Dudley and Eggleston-Arborway lines.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the order of March 21, 1949, the Board of Trustees has directed me to advise you that we have already studied the possibility of trackless trolleys on the Eggleston-Dudley line, but, in view of the fact that only that line would use the west loop, the heavy reconstruction cost necessary to remodel the west loop makes the plan financially impossible.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

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**RESURFACING OF CERTAIN WARD 13
STREETS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the resurfacing with granolithic of the sidewalks on Magnolia street and other streets in Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface with granolithic sidewalks Magnolia street and other streets in Ward 13, and this will advise you that the installation of granolithic sidewalks on this street will be put on list of streets to be given consideration for this type of work during the current year.

I would, however, suggest that Councilor Hannon request, in a subsequent order in City Council, the names of the other streets in Ward 13 that he is interested in, in order that this department may have more definite information.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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**ACCEPTANCE OF LAWRENCE
STREET, WARD 22.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of December 20, 1949, concerning the accepting and laying out of Lawrence street, Ward 22, as a public way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of December 22, 1948, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Shanley, requesting that this Board accept and lay out Lawrence street, Ward 22, as a public way, I submit herewith a report submitted to this Board by our chief engineer, which is self-explanatory:

"This private way extends 520 feet from Portsmouth street to Waverly street, Brighton. At the corner of Portsmouth street, both lots are occupied with dwellings facing Portsmouth street. At Waverly street, one corner lot is occupied with a dwelling facing Waverly street. Otherwise, this street abuts only vacant land.

"Construction of a 40-foot public way on this location would cost approximately \$12,000. Laying out is not recommended at this time."

In accordance with our chief engineer's recommendation, the Board is reluctant to act in the matter at the present.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ALLEYWAY RUNNING FROM 109
NONANTUM STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of January 24, 1949, concerning the making of the alleyway running from 109 Nonantum street through to 82 Tremont street a public way in Ward 22, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of January 27, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Shanley, I beg to advise that a report submitted by our chief engineer regarding the making of the alleyway running from 109 Nonantum street through to 82 Tremont street a public way, sets forth the following facts:

"At this location exists a narrow dangerous footpath over private land for a distance of about 200 feet. It appears to be used as a short cut to the streetcar stop by residents of the vicinity of Nonantum street, Brayton Way and Brayton road. The northerly section of this path has been known as Tremont place for many years.

"To lay out this path as a public way would necessitate the taking of an 8-foot strip of privately owned land at the lot line between two dwellings on Nonantum street. Each of these dwellings is within 10 feet of the lot line, being within 20 feet of each other. Also, it would be necessary to take the privately-owned land known as Tremont place. Land-takings and consequential damage to the remaining property would approach \$5,000, and the laying out would require the construction of retaining walls, steps and walkways, costing in the vicinity of \$5,000 additional."

The Board believes that the costs of this improvement are quite heavy at the present time and has taken the matter under advisement for further study in the future.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ACCEPTANCE OF PLEASANT
STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of January 24, 1949, concerning the laying out and construction of Pleasant street, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of January 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Bryan, requesting that this Board lay out, accept, and construct Pleasant street, West

Roxbury district, as a public way, I beg to advise that the Board will give this request favorable consideration as soon as a new petition is filed and signed by at least two thirds of the property owners on this way.

The new petitions to which reference is made were forwarded to all Councilors only recently.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ACCEPTANCE OF EMMONSDALE ROAD,
WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of January 24, 1949, concerning the accepting, laying out, and construction of Emmonsdale road, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of January 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Bryan requesting this Board to lay out, accept, and construct Emmonsdale road as a public way, I beg to advise that the Board will give this request favorable consideration as soon as a new petition is filed by at least two thirds of the property owners on this way.

Petitions to be utilized in the future were forwarded recently to all Councilors.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ACCEPTANCE OF GOULD STREET,
WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 29, 1949, concerning the accepting and laying out of Gould street, Ward 22, as a public way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of December 15, 1948, enclosing Council order of December 13, 1948, introduced by Councilor Shanley, requesting that this Board accept and lay out Gould street, Ward 22, as a public way, the following report was submitted to the Board by our chief engineer:

"This private way extends approximately 240 feet from Litchfield street to Antwerp street. It is 31 feet wide at one end and less than nine feet wide at the other. On one side three lots are occupied, but only one dwelling faces the proposed street. Land on the other side is undeveloped.

"Construction of a 40-foot public way on this location would require the taking of 4,774 square feet of privately-owned land and would cost in the vicinity of \$6,000."

As per the chief engineer's recommendation, the Board does not feel that this project should be initiated at the present time.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ACCEPTANCE OF NORTH AVENUE,
WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 29, 1949, concerning the acceptance, laying out, and construction of North avenue, Ward 20, as a public highway, for the safety of travel.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of January 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Bryan, requesting this Board to accept, lay out and construct North avenue, Ward 20, as a public way, I beg to advise that the Board will give this request favorable consideration as soon as a new petition is filed and signed by at least two thirds of the property owners on this way.

The new petitions to which reference is made were forwarded to all Councilors only recently.

Very truly your,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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PROPOSED BUDGET REDUCTIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 1, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I have communicated with the various departments of the city where budgets have been cut and have requested that they prepare their case in writing to resubmit it to the City Council now considering the annual budget. I am satisfied after reading them over that the hudget cuts are unwarranted and cannot be justified.

This is particularly true of the Fire Department which must function for the protection of human lives and property and which would be seriously hampered if the recommended cuts were adopted.

It is equally true of the Library Department where a grave injustice would result to a person desirous of securing library books. Some years ago we embarked on a policy of establishing two branch libraries each year in various parts of the city with a view ultimately to having a branch library in every ward in the city. It was abandoned in the interest of economy some 12 years ago and I have recently revived it, and believe for the benefit of the people the item should be restored.

In the matter of public celebrations I beg to direct your attention to the fact that it will be necessary to either curtail or to refrain from providing money for veterans' organizations and other important organizations that have been invited to convene in Boston this year, and for whom commitments have been anticipated covering the amount requested. Conventions offer a prolific source of revenue to the business houses of the city and do much to advertise what Boston has to offer.

In the matter of the Assessing Department, in the opinion of real estate men and the officials of forward-looking cities, the block system of assessing land should as a matter of equity be adopted. Some years ago in a previous administration the city spent, over a period of two years, upwards of \$100,000 for the creation of the block system, but with succeeding administrations it was discontinued. I believe it should be restored and the money provided as requested. The report of the City Auditor with reference to this department is beyond dispute.

In the matter of the Health Department, cuts that are made would bear most heavily upon the poor and those in need of protection of their health, or those who are required to go for free examinations and advice to the health units.

Cuts that have been made in the Park Department will seriously impair the efficiency of what is regarded as the best Park Department of its size in the nation.

In the matter of the Police Department, the Police Commissioner, who is a most capable administrator, contends that the reduction in his hudget as recommended should not be adhered to for the reason that contracts have been executed covering the amount requested.

In the matter of the Public Buildings Department, certain of the items are made necessary by state legislation, including safety holts on windows, emergency lighting, and fire escapes. This is an item over which the Superintendent of Public Buildings has no control, and for which the money must be provided.

In the matter of Care and Custody of Suffolk Court House, I beg to say the Court House is administered by a commission over which we have hut limited control, and the hudget cuts might seriously impair the value of the structure which represents an investment of upwards of \$5,000,000.

The anticipated increase in the number of persons committed by the Penal Institutions Department makes necessary a restoration of the cuts made in this department if it is to function properly.

The Public Works Department cuts, I am quite sure after a review of the reasons set forth by the Public Works Commissioner, cannot be justified, and in my judgment, should be restored if the work of this department is to proceed properly as the work involves the health and well-being of not only the citizens of Boston hut the thousands who daily use our streets, water, sewerage, and other services rendered by the Public Works Department, and for which the appropriation requested had been materially reduced by me in the hudget submitted to the City Council.

I might say that department estimates this year were some \$15,000,000 in excess of 1948 and were reduced by me more than \$10,000,000 and I am satisfied that the budget as submitted by me, after careful preparation by the Budget Commissioner, with the aid of the City Auditor, myself, and department heads, represents the minimum requirements of all departments and for the best interest of the city.

Substantially all of the items that have been reduced should be restored at once.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM FINANCE
COMMISSION.

Finance Commission,
Boston, April 1, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Finance Commission has been notified by oral message this afternoon that you have requested the members of the Finance Commission and the Secretary to appear forthwith before you. The only information given as to this request, first by the City Messenger and later by an Assistant City Messenger, is that it has something to do with your discussion of the municipal hudget.

It is not the duty or the practice of the Finance Commission to appear personally before the City Council to give information. It has the duty under the charter to investigate any and all matters relating to municipal administration "that may appear to the Commission to require investigation."

In the performance of its duty the Commission must necessarily commit its findings to writing. It has, from its inception in 1909, followed that practice. The Commission consists of five men. One individual cannot speak for the Commission unless specifically authorized.

The Commission has always been willing to cooperate with the city government within the stated limitation. If the Commission has information which it considers proper to reveal to the city government, it has always been willing to transmit it. However, in the nature of things, its communications must be in writing.

If you care to send us a communication seeking specific information, the Commission will consider it, and if it deems it proper will make answer in writing.

Respectfully submitted,
THE FINANCE COMMISSION,
by JOSEPH K. COLLINS, Chairman.

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Coun. RAMSEY in the chair.

BUDGET FOR 1949.

The Council took up under unfinished business the appropriations and tax orders for the year 1949.

The Council voted to take up the proposed reductions in the budget as recommended in the report of the Executive Committee, accepted on March 28, 1949, as follows:

Art Department: Reduction of \$500 in Item B-39. The recommendation to reduce was passed, yeas 15, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Yerxa—15.

Nays—Councilors Kinsella, Lane, Sullivan, Wenzler—4.

The budget of the Art Department, as amended, was passed, yeas 16, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Wenzler—4.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

Assessing Department: Reduction of \$200 in Item B-1—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$22.50 reduction in Item B-3—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$20 reduction in Item B-4—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$30 reduction in Item B-5—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$66 reduction in Item B-10—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$20 reduction in Item B-37—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$18 reduction in Item B-42—the recommendation to reduce was rejected; \$490 reduction in Item B-39—the recommendation to reduce was passed, yeas 12, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—8.

Voting Present—Councilor Hannon—1.

Reduction of \$2,500 in Item D-1. Coun. KINSELLA moved the previous question. The motion for the previous question was carried, yeas 13, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Yerxa—13.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—8.

Reduction of \$2,500 in D-1—the recommendation to reduce was carried, yeas 12, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—8.

Coun. CHASE moved that C-9 be reduced \$963.50 and that C-10 be reduced \$140. The motion was lost. The budget of the Assessing Department, as amended, was passed, yeas 14, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Wenzler—6.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division: Reduction of \$1,139.89 in D-1—the recommendation to reduce was passed.

Coun. RAMSEY in the chair.

The budget of the Auditing Department, as amended, was passed, yeas 12, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Shanley, Wenzler—6.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

President HURLEY in the chair.

The budget of the Boston Retirement Board, as submitted by the Mayor, was passed, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

The budget of the State-Boston Retirement Board, as submitted by the Mayor, was passed, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

Public Works Department, Bridge Service: Reduction of \$5,000 in Item B-39—the recommendation to reduce was passed, yeas 11, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Shanley, Wenzler—8.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

Ferry Service: Reduction of \$15,000 in B-39—the recommendation to reduce was passed, yeas 11, nays 8.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Shanley, Wenzler—8.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

The motion to reduce Item B-39, Ferry Service, by \$15,000 was lost, yeas 2, nays 17:

Yeas—Councilors Chase, Cook—2.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—17.

Voting Present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

Reduction of \$5,000 in D-3, Ferry Service—the recommendation to reduce was rejected, yeas 9, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack—9.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—11.

Coun. YERXA moved that D-3, Ferry Service, be reduced \$3,000. The motion was lost, yeas 10, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—10.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

On motion of Councilor Cook, the foregoing vote was reconsidered, yeas 16, nays 4.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Sullivan, Wenzler—4.

The question again came on reducing D-3, Ferry Service, \$3,200, and the motion was lost, yeas 10, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Paving Service: Reduction of \$2,000 in B-39—the recommendation to reduce was passed.

Sanitary Division: Reduction of \$25,000 in C-4—the recommendation to reduce was passed, yeas 12, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Sullivan, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—9.

Coun. COFFEY moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was lost, yeas 9, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—9.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—10.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

Coun. COFFEY moved to adjourn until Monday at 2 p. m. The motion was lost.

Coun. CHASE moved that Sanitary Service, B-19, be reduced \$1,000,000. The motion was lost, yeas 1, nays 20:

Yeas—Councilor Chase—1.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, as amended by Councilors Linehan, the Council voted at 6.45 p. m. to take a recess for one hour. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 8.45 p. m.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that Item B-19, Sanitary Service, be reduced by \$111,882.60. The motion was passed, yeas 11, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Wenzler—8.

Coun. RAMSEY moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was passed. The question then came on the reduction of B-19, Sanitary Division, by \$111,882.60, and the motion was passed, yeas 11, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Wenzler—9.

Coun. CHASE moved to reduce Item B-20 by \$186,000. The motion was lost, yeas 2, nays 16:

Yeas—Councilors Chase, Cook—2.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—16.

Voting Present—Councilors Sullivan, Yerxa—2.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved to reduce Item B-20 by \$57,000. The motion was passed, yeas 12, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Cantwell, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Wenzler—8.

Coun. COOK moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion for reconsideration was defeated, yeas 8, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Cantwell, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Wenzler—8.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Sullivan, Yerxa—11.

Voting Present—Councilor Shanley—1.

Coun. HANNON moved that the remaining reductions as recommended by the Executive Committee in its report of March 28, 1949, be passed. Coun. KINSELLA moved that, before the vote was taken, the Clerk read the balance of the recommendations of the Executive Committee as to reductions. The motion was passed. The Clerk read the remaining recommended reductions as follows:

City Maintenance

City Council: B-39, \$200; C-17, \$200; D-1, \$500.

Fire Department: B-39, \$10,000; C-7, \$2,500; C-13, \$5,000; C-16, \$20,000; C-17, \$1,000; D-11, \$2,000; D-13, \$5,000; E-1, \$4,000; E-10, \$5,000; E-13, \$5,000.

Health Department: B-39, \$5,000.

Library Department: B-8, \$5,000; B-39, \$35,000; C-9, \$2,000; C-10, \$50,000; D-1, \$1,000; D-16, \$600; E-13, \$5,000.

Mayor, Office Expenses: Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, \$19,000.

Park Department: B-6, \$10,000; B-14, \$6,000; B-39, \$25,000; B-42, \$20,000; C-4, \$3,000; C-7, \$1,000; E-13, \$10,000.

Police Department: B-39, \$10,000.

Public Buildings Department: B-39, \$70,000; C-7, \$5,000.

Public Works Department (Sewer Division): B-8, \$5,000.

Public Works Department (Water Division): B-39, \$25,000; B-42, \$5,000.

Street Laying-Out Department: D-1, \$500.

Board of Real Estate Commissioners: A-2, \$3,400; B-4, \$400; B-18, \$2,000; B-39, \$4,000; B-42, \$2,000; D-1, \$300.

Special Appropriation.

Snow Removal, \$175,000.

County Maintenance.

Suffolk County Court House, Custodian: B-39, \$4,000; C-7, \$4,500.

County Buildings: B-39, \$5,000.

Penal Institutions Department (House of Correction): B-8, \$1,000; B-39, \$2,500; C-7, \$2,500; D-3, \$5,000; D-16, \$500; E-1, \$1,000.

Revenue Departments and Accounts.

Printing Department: B-8, \$300; B-39, \$500; D-3, \$1,000; E-13, \$12,000.

Special Appropriation.

Departmental Stationery and Postage, \$20,000.

Coun. HANNON'S motion that the remaining reductions as recommended by the Executive Committee be passed was carried, yeas 11, nays 10.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Coun. CHASE moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. Coun. COFFEY moved the previous question, and the motion was passed, yeas 11, nays 10.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

The question then came on Councilor Chase's motion for reconsideration. The motion for reconsideration was lost, yeas 10, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—11.

Coun. HANNON moved that the budget, as submitted by the Mayor and as amended, be passed. Coun. COOK moved the previous question. The motion for the previous question was lost, yeas 10, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Voting Present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

The question then came on the passage of the budget, as submitted by the Mayor, and as amended.

The budget, as submitted by the Mayor, and as amended, was passed, yeas 20, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

On motion of Councilor Cook, the Council voted to adjourn at 10.35 p. m., to meet on Monday, April 4, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 4, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Ansel presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Sixty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear May 2, 1949:

Christie Cerullo, Ward 1; Joseph F. Hickey, Ward 1; John W. F. Hughes, Ward 1; Edmund Days Jones, Ward 1; Gerald T. O'Brien, Ward 2; George A. Joseph, Ward 3; John James Repetto, Jr., Ward 3; Howard E. Campbell, Ward 4; Walter C. Campbell, Ward 4; John A. MacRae, Ward 4; Charles A. Fassett, Ward 5; Sol Kruminis, Ward 5; David B. Hunter, Ward 6; Joseph E. Talbot, Ward 7; Walter H. Buck, Ward 8; William E. A. McLaughlin, Ward 8; James T. Bolger, Ward 9; Ernest Lee, Ward 9; John T. Vater, Ward 10; James Cummings, Ward 11; Gustaf J. Westberg, Ward 11; Johnstone Wright, Ward 11; Gerald Feeley, Ward 12; George A. St. Martin, Ward 12; Norman Munroe, Ward 13; Frederick Paylor, Ward 13; Michael J. Shea, Ward 13; Myer S. Miller, Ward 14; Samuel Rothman, Ward 14; Frank Serser, Ward 14; Saul Taylor, Ward 14; Richard P. Bonnell, Ward 15; William Francis Noone, Ward 15; George L. Pettipaw, Ward 15; Lauchlan R. Currie, Ward 16; John J. O'Sullivan, Ward 16; Albert P. Wilson, Ward 16; Arthur Carlson, Ward 17; William A. Cooney, Ward 17; Robert J. Downey, Ward 17; Francis T. Murphy, Ward 17; Julius H. Porter, Ward 17; Stanley W. Lenoski, Ward 18; John F. Nolen, Ward 18; David J. Ross, Ward 18; William J. Donnelly, Ward 19; Patrick F. Iarrobino, Ward 19; John E. O'Donnell, Ward 19; Charles Hennrikus, Ward 20; Walter H. O'Connell, Ward 20; Fred Polito, Ward 20; James P. Travers, Ward 20; W. Russell Cupit, Ward 21; Edward A. Donovan, Ward 21; Harold S. Franklin, Ward 21; Ernest Howarth, Ward 21; Harry Hurwitz, Ward 21; Jacob Klaff, Ward 21; Bernard J. Klein, Ward 21; John W. Severin, Ward 21; Nicholas Spiro, Ward 21; Arthur C. Beck, Ward 22; Stanley Copen, Ward 22; Jerome J. Lipson, Ward 22.

One hundred sixty-four traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear May 2, 1949:

Edwin L. Ciunci, Ward 1; John W. Dooley, Ward 1; Harold K. Emmons, Ward 1; Louis P. Grifone, Ward 1; Joseph J. Vilar, Ward 1; George I. Carmody, Ward 2; Casper R. Fabiano, Ward 2; Patrick E. Fleming, Ward 2; Joseph J. Kozak, Ward 2; John J. Leonard, Ward 2; William J. Mugner, Ward 2; Dennis F. O'Leary, Ward 2; Walter Wardwell, Ward 2; James F. Arena, Ward 3; Fernando Bakdasari, Ward 3; Ralph F. Como, Ward 3; Robert S. Floyd, Ward 3; Peter George, Ward 3; Nicholas J. Giso, Ward 3; Christopher G. Karis, Ward 3; Ignazio Piazzu, Ward 3; John Zinkowski, Ward 3; Albert L. Carlson, Ward 4; Thomas P. Cronin, Ward 4; Henry W. Ford, Ward 4; Walter P. Luderer, Ward 4; John D. Preston, Ward 4; Thomas F. Nail, Ward 4; Robert H. Binney, Ward 5; William

Spanier, Ward 5; John F. Webster, Ward 5; Thomas F. Cunavan, Ward 6; John J. Jordan, Ward 6; Edward J. MacInnis, Ward 6; Daniel J. McAvoy, Ward 6; Claude E. Sabulis, Ward 6; George Allen, Ward 7; Edward P. Bowman, Ward 7; Alphonse R. Ferent, Ward 7; Charles C. Gallagher, Ward 7; James E. Gannon, Ward 7; Abraham Gilman, Ward 7; Roger L. LeClair, Ward 7; Woodrow J. Madison, Ward 7; George W. McCormack, Ward 7; Robert J. McNabb, Ward 7; Carl I. Nielsen, Ward 7; John C. Pester, Ward 7; Arthur W. Porter, Ward 7; Francis X. Bowler, Ward 8; Robert J. Igoc, Ward 8; Rudolph H. Sissa, Ward 8; Frank Antuori, Ward 9; John Carmos, Ward 9; Warren Langford, Ward 9; John R. McGillivray, Ward 9; John J. Waldron, Ward 9; Charles L. Doyle, Ward 10; Edmund G. Doyle, Ward 10; John F. King, Jr., Ward 10; William A. Moore, Ward 10; Malcolm D. Palmer, Ward 10; Joseph T. Rothwell, Ward 10.

Irving Gordon, Ward 11; William J. Hines, Ward 11; Thomas W. Love, Ward 11; Barry A. McCartin, Ward 11; John Mitchell, Ward 11; Joseph J. O'Toole, Jr., Ward 11; Arthur W. Pridham, Ward 11; Oddous A. Barber, Ward 12; Edward Baum, Ward 12; John S. Brannon, Ward 12; Edward A. Condon, Ward 12; Wilfred J. Embleton, Ward 12; Edgar W. Jones, Ward 12; Robert Kanter, Ward 12; John Joseph MacGillivray, Ward 12; Abraham Small, Ward 12; Fred A. Bartoloni, Ward 13; John W. Driscoll, Ward 13; Joseph M. Gavin, Ward 13; Alfred P. Ljunggren, Ward 13; Joseph J. McCarthy, Ward 13; Joseph Nelles, Ward 13; Louis Hooke, Ward 14; William Kingsdale, Ward 14; Max M. Milstein, Ward 14; Edward Webber, Ward 14; Harry Wine, Ward 14; Joseph F. Croak, Ward 15; John F. Curtin, Ward 15; Henry V. Doherty, Ward 15; Francis J. Foley, Ward 15; Maynard W. Gray, Ward 15; James A. Iannelli, Ward 15; Joseph McDonald, Ward 15; John Mulhern, Ward 15; Murdock M. MacQuarrie, Ward 16; Edward P. McGillicuddy, Ward 16; Adam J. Yagman, Ward 16; David Berman, Ward 17; George E. Driscoll, Ward 17; George A. Kelleher, Ward 17; Frederick J. Lyons, Ward 17; William L. Mahoney, Ward 17; Hugh McTigue, Ward 17; Edmund J. Andrews, Ward 18; Irving H. Brager, Ward 18; James A. Broderick, Ward 18; Percy L. Dodd, Ward 18; Thomas J. Doyle, Ward 18; William Greenwood, Ward 18; Elliot L. Higgins, Ward 18; Murray A. Hopkins, Ward 18; Walter I. Huff, Ward 18; Francis X. Neagle, Ward 18; Ernest W. Robery, Ward 18; Richard E. Sawyer, Ward 18; William P. Shea, Ward 18; Albert Spoon, Ward 18; Louis Strasberg, Ward 18; Robert H. Whiton, Ward 18; Robert C. Wylie, Ward 18.

Thomas J. Brett, Ward 19; Benedetto Federico, Ward 19; John W. Hagman, Ward 19; Warren Johansen, Ward 19; Thomas S. King, Ward 19; Thomas P. O'Brien, Ward 19; M. Edward Sullivan, Ward 19; Louis F. Wall, Ward 19; Charles J. Wild, Ward 19; George A. Barrett, Ward 20; David F. Currie, Ward 20; Michael S. Dwyer, Ward 20; Asa K. Hailey, Ward 20; Ernest A. Johnson, Ward 20; Walter W. Gabrielson, Ward 20; Joseph G. Kerrigan, Ward 20; Howard J. Landers, Ward 20; Albert J. O'Keefe, Ward 20; Gerald H. Preston, Jr., Ward 20; Richard E. Roder, Ward 20; William G. Schmidt, Ward 20; John E. Shields, Ward 20; Clarence W. Bradway, Ward 21; Herbert A. Cain, Ward 21; Morris Greenbaum, Ward 21; Josiah J. Lippitt, Ward 21; George E. Lonnes, Ward 21; Harvey McKillop, Ward 21; Walter M. Mitchell, Ward 21; William L. Olson, Ward 21; Daniel Clarence Pitcher, Ward 21; Louis Polakoff, Ward 21; Morris Rosin, Ward 21; Nathan Simons, Ward 21; Henry Smith, Ward 21; Anthony Barletta, Ward 22; George C. Cummings, Ward 22; William C. Sawin, Ward 22; Leonard J. Sullivan, Ward 22; William P. Walsh, Ward 22.

GYMNASIUM IN NEW HOSPITAL BUILDING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the inclusion of ample space in the proposed new building for a gymnasium for the doctors and nurses of the hospital.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor,

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, March 23, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on March 25, the following order of the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to include ample space in the proposed new building for a gymnasium for the doctors and nurses of the hospital."

The Trustees voted to take this under advisement.

Sincerely yours,
J. W. MANARY,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR MARTIN E. FLAHERTY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of March 23, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of West Broadway and B street, Ward 6, in honor of Sergt. Martin E. Flaherty, who was killed in action in Sicily, August 4, 1943.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 1, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 30, enclosing Council order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the intersection of West Broadway and B street, South Boston district, be named in honor of the late Martin E. Flaherty, I beg to advise that this intersection has already been named in honor of Edward Mulhern, thereby preventing the Committee to Memorialize Veterans from acting in the matter.

If another intersection is designated by the councilor that has not already been named, the Committee shall be most pleased to give the same its consideration at the next meeting, scheduled for the middle of May.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON SOUTHAMPTON STREET TO FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the enclosed communication from the Fire Commissioner of the City

of Boston. Likewise, I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works.

It is necessary that the accompanying order be adopted as speedily as possible by the City Council, so that work may proceed at the earliest possible date on the construction of the new Fire Department Headquarters and Maintenance Garage Building near the junction of Southampton street and Massachusetts avenue, Roxbury.

I accordingly recommend the adoption of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor,

City of Boston,
Fire Department, March 30, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with communication dated March 23, 1949, from Mr. John J. Tobin, Assistant Corporation Counsel, it is required that your Honor submit the attached order prepared by the Law Department to the City Council.

The parcel of land in question will become part of other land now under the jurisdiction of the Fire Department for use in connection with the construction of the new Fire Department Headquarters and Maintenance Garage Building.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 14, 1949.

Mr. Russell S. Codman, Jr.,
Commissioner, Fire Department.

Dear Sir:

Relative to the transfer of land under the jurisdiction of this department to your department, said land located near the junction of Southampton street and Massachusetts avenue, please be advised that I have no objection to this transfer and approval of same is hereby granted.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately seventy-five thousand nine hundred five (75,905) square feet, situated on the southerly side of Southampton street in the Roxbury district; and

Whereas, The Fire Commissioner has requested that the said parcel of land be made available for Fire Department purposes; and

Whereas, The Commissioner of Public Works, having charge of said land, has no further use for said parcel of land, now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the parcel of land containing approximately seventy-five thousand nine hundred five (75,905) square feet, situated on the southerly side of Southampton street in the Roxbury district, is hereby transferred from care, custody, and control of the Commissioner of Public Works to the care, custody, and control of the Fire Commissioner, to be used for Fire Department purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN MEMORY OF VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 1, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith 29 orders for the naming of various intersections in our city in honor

of veterans of World War II who have passed on to their eternal reward

I can think of no better way to pay respect to their memories than to publicly preserve their names.

These orders are the result of requests made by members of your Honorable Body, and have been recommended by the Committee to Memorialize Veterans.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor,

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Huckins street, Ward 8, be named Harry J. Aharonian square, in honor of Harry J. Aharonian, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dudley and Dennis streets, Ward 8, be named John J. Conti square, in honor of John J. Conti, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dudley street and Woodward avenue, Ward 8, be named George D. Foley square, in honor of George D. Foley, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Spencer street, Aspinwall road, and Talbot avenue, Ward 17, be named J. Alfred Devine square, in honor of J. Alfred Devine, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Broadway and P street, Ward 6, be named Richard V. Mooney square, in honor of Richard V. Mooney, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Fourth and M streets, Ward 6, be named Walter T. Hannigan square, in honor of Walter T. Hannigan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Glenway street, Ward 14, be named Kermit I. Rose square, in honor of Kermit I. Rose, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Broadway and Farragut road, Ward 6, be named William S. McIntyre square, in honor of William S. McIntyre, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Seventh and F streets, Ward 6, be named John J. McHale square, in honor of John J. McHale, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of La Grange street and Vermont street, Ward 20, be named Ralph W. McIsaac square, in honor of Ralph W. McIsaac, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of School and Washington streets, Ward 11, be named Cornelius F. O'Leary square, in honor of Cornelius F. O'Leary, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Washington street and Wellsmere road, Ward 18, be named Joseph S. and John W. Zappala square, in honor of Joseph S. and John W. Zappala, late veterans of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Park and Centre streets, Ward 20, be named Paul M. Dooley square, in honor of Paul M. Dooley, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Belgrade avenue and Iona street, Ward 20, be named Robert F. Cruickshank square, in honor of Robert F. Cruickshank, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Fifth and K streets, Ward 6, be named Leonard E. Landry square, in honor of Leonard E. Landry, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Michigan avenue and Old road, Ward 14, be named Aaron Weiner square, in honor of Aaron Weiner, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Neponset avenue and Minot street, Ward 16, be named John E. Maloney square, in honor of John E. Maloney, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Fifth and E streets, Ward 6, be named William F. Sloan square, in honor of William F. Sloan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Washington and Stimson streets, Ward 20, be named John M. Corcoran square, in honor of John M. Corcoran, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of McBride and South streets, Ward 11, be named Edward P. Dunning square, in honor of Edward P. Dunning, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dorchester avenue, Faulkner and Lincoln streets, Ward 16, be named Edwin L. Metcalf square, in honor of Edwin L. Metcalf, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Fourth and I streets, Ward 6, be named Louis A. Graceffa square, in honor of Louis A. Graceffa, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dunboy street and Perthshire road, Ward 22, be named Frederick S. Wilson square, in honor of Frederick S. Wilson, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Third and I streets, Ward 6, be named James A. Ferrara square, in honor of James A. Ferrara, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Columbine street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14, be named Joseph H. Miller square, in honor of Joseph H. Miller, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Orchard and Centre streets, Ward 19, be named James L. Maguire square, in honor of James L. Maguire, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Eighth and I streets, Ward 7, be named Walter S. Godinho square, in honor of Walter S. Godinho, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Monadnock, Virginia, and Bird streets, Ward 13, be named John R. Cavanaugh square, in honor of John R. Cavanaugh, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Hampden, Norfolk, and Yeoman streets, Ward

8, be named Daniel E. Hurley square, in honor of Daniel E. Hurley, late veteran of World War II.

The orders were severally passed under suspension of the rule.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Pasquale Bono, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

William E. Coughlin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Charles Day, for compensation for injuries caused by collision of police and fire trucks.

Hugh P. Doherty, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mary D. Foran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Patten street.

Mary S. Gartland, to be reimbursed for collapse of water boiler at 8 Merlin street, caused by broken water hydrant.

John J. Gibbons, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

George Gifford, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Samuel K. Greenberg, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Louis A. Kerrigan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Esther Langer, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Bickford and Centre streets.

Doris Lever, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Richard S., Jr., and Marcia J. Low, for compensation for damages caused by an alleged defect at 101 Southampton street.

Lauchie K. MacKenzie, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 793 Centre street.

George J. Maitland, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 132 and 134 Bowdoin street.

John J. McNamara, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Harvey I. Meyers, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

William H. Napfen, for compensation for damage to car by truck of School Committee.

Vincent Shea, for compensation for injuries caused by car of Police Department.

Donald E. Smith, to be reimbursed for broken tooth at City Hospital.

Kenneth D. Stuart, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

United Mutual Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Thomas Wall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Ziman Realty Company, for compensation for damage to property at 88 Mt. Vernon street, caused by city vehicle.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received, viz.:

Sister Catherine Mary, Jordan Hall, April 23, 27, and 28.

Mary Campbell, Jordan Hall, June 7.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notices were received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures by Boston Housing Authority, viz.:

Veterans' Housing Project, Arborway and Morton street, West Roxbury, 121 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$1,702,459.

Ledge excavation, River street, (36) Veterans' Housing Project, \$3,603.89.

Waterproofing three cellars at 2 and 14 Bluefield terrace and 50 Ridgeview avenue, River Street Veterans' Housing Project, at cost not to exceed \$250 per house.

Veterans' Housing Project, Farragut road, East Fifth street, East Sixth street, South Boston, 66 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$920,312.

Veterans' Housing Project, P street, Columbia road, and East Sixth street, South Boston, 43 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$599,572.

Severally placed on file.

ERECTION OF POLE BY MTA.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for erection, maintenance, and use of pole on northeasterly side of Northampton street, northwest of Tremont street.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF BONDS.

The surety bond of the Boston American League Baseball Company was received and approved by the Council.

The surety bond of the National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., was received and approved by the Council.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Boston American League Baseball Company (referred March 21) for license for Sunday sports at Fenway Park—recommending that license be granted.

The report was accepted and the license was granted under usual conditions.

2. Report on petition of National League Baseball Club (referred March 28) for license for Sunday sports at Braves Field—recommending that license be granted.

The report was accepted and the license was granted under usual conditions.

3. Report on petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company (referred August 2, 1948) for license to operate motor vehicles on Neponset avenue to Adams street, over Adams street to Dorchester avenue, over Dorchester avenue to Dover street, over Dover street to Albany street, over Albany street to Broadway, and on Broadway to the terminal of Almeida's Bus Service—recommending that license be granted.

The report was accepted, and the license was granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment of Harold J. Mahoney (referred March 28) as Constable without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1949, *vice* Frank Bonney—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Beades and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, nays 0, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on the message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred March 28) establishing salary of Health Commissioner at \$8,500—recommending that the ordinance ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the ordinance was passed.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

REQUESTED REMOVAL OF PUBLIC
WORKS COMMISSIONER.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to remove from office the Public Works Commissioner for being incompetent, declaring that, on one portion of his budget, representing \$2,500,000, it was none of his business what the contractors' bids were.

The order was rejected.

President HURLEY in the chair.

INVESTIGATION BY FINANCE COMMISSION OF ASH AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission is hereby requested to investigate the reasons why low bidders on ash and refuse removal were not granted the city contracts and the reasons why there was so much secrecy in the awarding of the contracts; and be it further

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission is hereby requested to investigate the reasons why this administration insists on refusing to construct an incinerator in accordance with plans prepared.

The order was rejected.

SALE OF LAND AND BUILDING ON
CANAL STREET.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey, the Council voted to take No. 1 on the Calendar from the table, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land and building at 53-55 Canal street by public auction at upset price of \$90,000.

On February 28, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 3.

The question came on giving the order its second and final reading. The order was rejected (15 votes being required for passage) yeas 10, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Brynn, Hannon, Keenn, Tracy—5.

NAMING OF SOUTH BOSTON HOUSING
PROJECT CIRCLE IN MEMORY OF
DISABLED VETERANS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through

his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of a circle in the new South Boston housing project in honor of the disabled veterans of World Wars I and II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SIDEWALK, EAST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Commissioner of Public Works, Robert P. Curley, be requested to replace the dirt sidewalk with asphalt on East Third street, between O and P streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF ARC LIGHTS,
WARD 3.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on Dover street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, and also on Dover street, between Harrison avenue and Albany street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF PEDESTRIAN
LIGHTS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install push-button traffic lights at the intersection of South Huntington avenue, Moraine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS,
WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at Lamartine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAYGROUND AT CANTERBURY AND
POPLAR STREETS.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

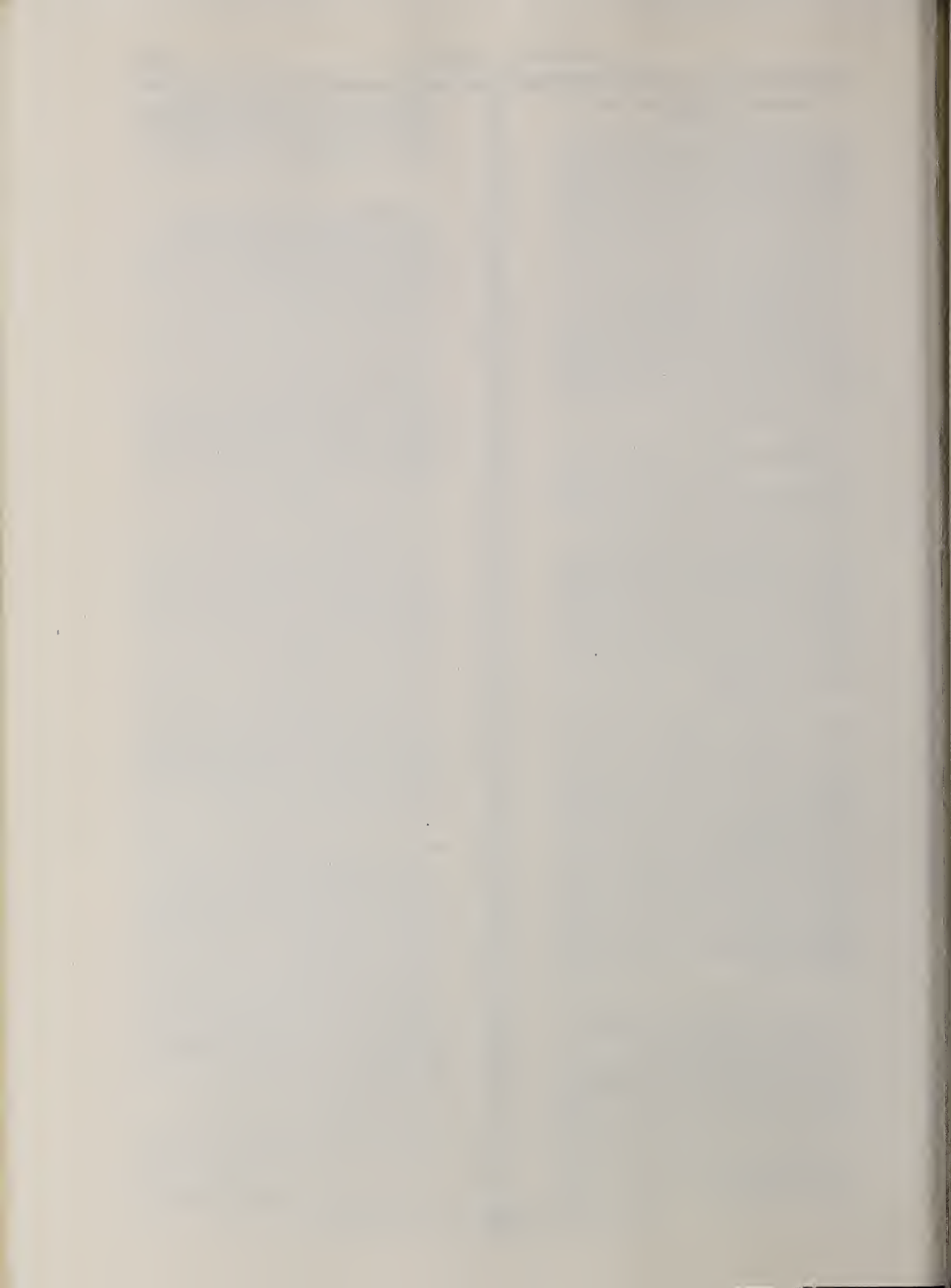
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to obtain the land at the junction of Canterbury and Poplar streets, Ward 19, for the establishment of a playground.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.20 p. m., to meet on Monday, April 11, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 11, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Keenan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES WITH TAX BILLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 5, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Assessors, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the enclosing with the real estate tax bills for 1949, a list of all departments operated by the City of Boston, together with the amount expended by each department.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Assessing Department, March 28, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In re Council order of March 21, to "enclose with real estate tax bill for 1949," certain tax information and expenditures, the following statement is respectfully submitted for the consideration of his Honor the Mayor and the City Council.

This Board of Assessors as at present constituted is informed that in previous years, though not an annual practice, there has been included with the property tax bills a separate leaflet which has informed the taxpayer with reference to various phases of city administration, as reflected in the tax rate. For example, in one of these years, there was included a graph depicting the per dollar expenditure amount of each of the departments under the control of the Mayor, and similar information in the same form of expenditures in departments not under the control of the Mayor.

There is annually prepared in the Assessing Department a comparison of tax rate elements, including valuations by wards, gains and losses thereunder, appropriations and rate reduction elements due to income from city, school, or state sources, and in view of the fact that this table is available at the time of the declaration of the tax rate, it is possible that a condensation thereof might be included in the tax bill notice.

In view of the volume of property tax bills in Boston, approximating 130,000 bills, it should be borne in mind, if this type of public information is included with the tax bill notice, that it be minimized as to the information included, due to printing costs if an elaborately printed and detailed form were included.

The Board of Assessors will be pleased to cooperate in this matter with a view to acquainting the general taxpaying public with any information that clarifies the tax rate, or the expenditures which are represented therein.

Very truly yours,
PETER J. ALLEN,
Principal Assessor.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS IN WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the replacing of the five-cent parking meters with penny parking meters in Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, March 31, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Re: Council Order Dated March 28, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Replace the Five-Cent Parking Meters with Penny Parking Meters in Ward 22.

The suburban meters in the Roslindale area have been changed from straight nickel operation to penny-nickel operation. This change is still in the experimental stage and we are observing its operation.

The decision of the commission regarding the feasibility of making similar changes in other suburban sections will depend on the results of the present experiment in Roslindale.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF CAR TRACKS FROM DORCHESTER AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the removal of car tracks from Dorchester avenue, where trackless trolleys are now being operated, before resurfacing the street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
April 6, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With your two letters dated March 9, you sent to us orders of the City Council requesting the Metropolitan Transit Authority to remove its car tracks from streets where trackless trolleys are now being operated, as follows:

Dorchester avenue, between Fields Corner and Ashmont Stations.

Hancock street, Dorchester, between Columbia road and Bowdoin street.

Bowdoin street, Dorchester, between Hancock street and Geneva avenue.

Geneva avenue, Dorchester, between Grove Hall and Park street.

These orders have since been discussed with Mr. Richard Dwyer, Division Engineer of the City of Boston Public Works Department, who advises that the City of Boston proposes to resurface all of these streets this year by covering over the existing tracks. This has been the general practice in Boston and other cities when resurfacing streets in which car tracks have been abandoned, and the results have been satisfactory. If required to remove the tracks, it would cause unnecessary expense to the Metropolitan Transit Authority and also increase the cost to the city by being

required to install a complete new substructure for its paving in the areas from which the tracks would be removed.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

SIGNS FOR BUSES ON SAVIN HILL-ANDREW STATION LINE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning signs for buses on the Savin Hill-Andrew Station line.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
April 6, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Since the receipt of your letter of March 24, with order of the City Council requesting the Trustees of the MTA to communicate with his Honor the Mayor in connection with obtaining proper buses for the Savin Hill bus line, Councilor Hannon, who introduced the order, has been contacted and it has been ascertained that the order has reference to the matter of signs for four buses on the Savin Hill-Andrew Station line. The matter will be taken care of immediately.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

DEEDING OF "JAMAICA CAR YARD" TO CITY BY MTA.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the deeding of the land known as the "Jamaica Car Yard" to the City of Boston, in order that it may be developed into a modern playground area.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
April 5, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

The order of the City Council of March 28, 1949, "Requesting the MTA to deed to the City of Boston the land known as the 'Jamaica Car Yard' in order that it may be developed into a modern playground area" was taken up at the Board meeting and I was directed to advise that in view of the financial situation surrounding the MTA it would not be possible for the Authority to proceed other than in the normal manner in connection with the disposal of land assessed at \$150,000.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF OLDFIELD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of January 31, concerning the laying-out and acceptance of Oldfield street, from Normandy street to the end of Oldfield street, as laid out by the Board of Street Commissioners.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of February 2, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Ansel, requesting this Board to lay out and accept Oldfield street, from Normandy street to the end of Oldfield street, as a public way, the following report was submitted by our Chief Engineer:

"Oldfield street extends from Columbia road approximately 1,125 feet northerly to Normandy street. From Columbia road 430 feet is now public. Except for two dwellings immediate adjacent to the public part, the remaining 695 feet has no buildings facing thereon. Construction would cost approximately \$20,000."

Because of the above circumstances, the Board feels that no further consideration should be given this project at the present time.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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EXTENSION OF DILLINGHAM STREET, WARD 13.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning the extension and laying-out as a public way of Dillingham street, Ward 13, for a distance of approximately 200 feet.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of February 9, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Hannon, requesting that Dillingham street, Ward 13, be extended and laid out as a public way for a distance of approximately 200 feet, the following report was submitted by our Chief Engineer:

"The extension of Dillingham street, approximately 200 feet, would benefit only four dwellings which now have access to the public way over a narrow irregular strip of land. However, to accomplish this extension would require the taking of 6,000 square feet of privately owned land. It has been suggested to the interested abutters that the necessary land must be dedicated to street purposes before consideration can be given to this request."

In view of the above circumstances, the Board is reluctant to act in the matter until such time as the abutters to whom reference is made come to some agreement.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE,
WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the acceptance, laying-out, and construction as a public highway of Glendale terrace, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 9, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Shanley, requesting that Glendale terrace, Ward 22, be accepted, laid out, and constructed, as a public highway, I beg to advise that the following report was submitted by our Chief Engineer:

"Glendale terrace, a private way, extends 450 feet westerly from Crescent avenue, also a private way. The first 150 feet of the length, is only 16½ feet wide, the remaining distance is about 30 feet wide; five dwellings face directly on this way; one other is located on a corner lot at the junction of Crescent avenue, Glendale terrace, and Brayton road. Before consideration can be given to the laying out of this way, it is recommended that an additional strip of land approximately 13½ feet wide by 150 feet long, owned by W. H. and L. F. Elliott, and situated on the southerly side of said way opposite Nos. 5 and 9, be dedicated to street purposes."

Because of the above circumstances, the Board is reluctant to act in the matter at the present time until something definite has been heard from the owners of the strip of land in question.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF ELLSWORTH STREET,
WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the laying-out of Ellsworth street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 11, its paving and acceptance as a public highway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 9, enclosing copy of Council order introduced

by Councilor Tracy, requesting that Ellsworth street, Jamaica Plain, be accepted as a public highway, I beg to advise that a survey and plan are now being made for a hearing to be held on or about May 27, 1949. It is estimated that construction will cost approximately \$7,500.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF LINWOOD ROAD,
WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the accepting and laying-out of Linwood road, Ward 16, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 30, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 16, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Beades, requesting this Board to lay out and accept Linwood road, Ward 16, as a public way, I beg to advise that the Board will give this request favorable consideration as soon as new petition is filed and signed by at least two-thirds of the property owners on this way.

The new petitions to which reference is made were forwarded to all Councilors only recently.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF ROSEWOOD ROAD AND
HAUTEVALE STREET, WARD 18.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying-out of Rosewood road and Hautevale street, Ward 18, as public highways.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 16, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Cantwell, requesting that Rosewood road, Hyde Park district, and Hautevale street, West Roxbury district, be accepted and laid out as public highways, I beg to advise that Hautevale street is now being surveyed and a hearing on the same may be scheduled on or about June 30, 1949. In the matter of Rosewood road, it is estimated that construction would cost in the vicinity of \$5,000, and the Board has recommended the acceptance. Just how soon a hearing might be scheduled

is difficult to ascertain because of the many other projects now being considered.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

NAMING OF JAMES A. FERRARA SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your orders of February 28 and March 7, concerning the naming of the square at I and East Third streets, Ward 6, in honor of Pvt. James A. Ferrara, of the 83rd Field Artillery Battalion, who was killed in action on November 21, 1944, in Germany.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,

April 5, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your communications of March 3 and March 9, 1949, enclosing Council orders of February 28 and March 7, introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the intersection of I and East Third streets, South Boston district, be named in honor of the late James A. Ferrara, I beg to advise that by a vote of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans under date of March 24, 1949, and later by an order of the City Council, approved by his Honor the Mayor, this square was so named.

However, upon further checking our records, it was found that this particular intersection was already named Joseph Fasano Square, thereby voiding the original vote of this Board. It is suggested that you submit another location for James A. Ferrara, after which time action will be again taken by the committee.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF STANLEY C. MOSIULIS SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 4, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of West Fifth and C streets, Ward 6, in honor of Pvt. Stanley C. Mosiulis, Company G, P. R. F., U. S. Army, who was killed in action in North Africa on March 28, 1943.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,

April 1, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of March 30, enclosing Council order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the intersection of West Fifth and C streets, South Boston district, be named in honor of the late Stanley C. Mosiulis, I beg to advise that the

next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans will not be held until on or about May 12, at which time your request will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

LOCKS ON SOUTH BOSTON PROJECT APARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 8, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the installing of different locks on each apartment in the South Boston projects, so that the same key will not fit the doors of several apartments as at present.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,

April 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Keying System, B and D Street Development, South Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 30, 1949, in which you speak of the City Council order of March 28, on the above subject. In the order it is stated that the same key fits the doors of several apartments.

For your information and that of the Council no tenant is given a key that will open the apartment door of another tenant.

There have been cases in the past where proper maintenance and operation called for certain master keys to be in the possession of the management at the development which opened a number of different doors.

The Authority has reduced the number of such keys in its new development in South Boston, and such keys are under strict supervision.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACTION ON ORDER RE ZEIGLER STREET LAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Attention: Committee on Public Lands.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the accompanying communication submitted by the Metropolitan Transit Authority requesting early action upon an order authorizing delivery of a deed from the City of Boston to the Metropolitan Transit Authority of about 1,180 square feet of land within the limits of Zeigler street, Roxbury, for the sum of \$6,000.

It is necessary that this order be approved so that the city may collect the balance of the payment for land-taking.

Accordingly, I request early approval of the pending order.

Sincerely,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,

March 29, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

It appears in the *City Record* for January 24, 1949, page 23, that your Honor requested the City Council to pass an order authorizing the delivery of a deed from the city to the

Metropolitan Transit Authority of about 1,180 square feet of land, formerly within the limits of Zeigler street, Roxbury, for the sum of \$6,000; and that the order was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Your request was made in pursuance of an agreement by the Metropolitan Transit Authority with the city that, if the Board of Street Commissioners should pass an order for the discontinuance of the northerly part of Zeigler street from Washington street easterly to Warren street, subject to various reserved rights for water and sewer pipes and their adjuncts and for the structures of public utility companies existing therein, the Metropolitan Transit Authority would, upon such recording, pay to the city the sum of \$14,000 and defend any action at law or in equity which may be brought against the city by any party claiming to own the fee in any part of Zeigler street described in said order of discontinuance; with the understanding that, after said recording, your Honor would request the City Council to pass an order authorizing said deed.

The order for discontinuance was duly passed, approved by your Honor, and recorded. The agreement of the Metropolitan Transit Authority and a certified check for \$14,000 were delivered to the city.

The work of enlarging the enclosed transfer area of the Dudley Street Terminal cannot be properly completed until after the delivery of the deed above referred to.

Yours very truly,
 METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY,
 EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

APPROPRIATION FROM CEMETERY
 FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 11, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

In the preparation of the 1949 budget, provision was made, as in previous years, that \$60,000 of the maintenance expenses of the Cemetery Division of the Park Department should be charged against income of the Cemetery Fund. Before this income can be utilized, it is necessary that an appropriation be made.

I accordingly submit herewith, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 117 of the Acts of 1913, an order providing for the appropriation from the income of the Cemetery Fund in the sum of \$60,000, the same to be utilized in meeting maintenance expenses of the Cemetery Division, and respectfully recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Park Department, April 5, 1949.
 Hon. James M. Curley,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners on February 23, 1949, you are respectfully asked to issue an order on the City Council that the sum of \$60,000 be appropriated from the income of the General Cemetery Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commission for Cemetery Division maintenance and improvement.

This sum may be appropriated under the provisions of chapter 117 of the Acts of 1913.

When making up the budget estimates of the Cemetery Division for the year 1949, it was indicated that the amount of \$60,000 could be deducted from the A-1 item (Permanent Employees) if permission were given to use

\$60,000 for maintenance and improvement of our cemeteries from the income of the General Cemetery Fund.

Respectfully yours,
 JOHN J. MURPHY,
 Chairman, Board of Park Commissioners.

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 117, Acts of 1913, the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Cemetery Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioner for Cemetery Division maintenance and improvement.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS
 AND TAX ORDER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 11, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order, containing items previously reduced in the annual budget by your Honorable Body, for the following departments:

Park Department.....	\$75,000 00
Fire Department.....	59,500 00
Library Department.....	98,600 00
	\$233,100 00

As indicated in the following detailed explanations, the reductions made by your Honorable Body will not only seriously hamper the operation of these three important departments but in some instances will necessitate an absolute shutdown in departmental services and activities. In the belief that you were not fully aware of the serious situation created by the reductions made, I present the following detailed analysis from the departments involved to support my recommendation that the supplemental appropriation order herewith submitted be approved.

PARK DEPARTMENT.

Recently the City Council reduced certain items in the Park Department budget for 1949. We have a department which maintains and operates 225 pieces of property, totaling 3,400 acres, with 100 buildings and structures. These properties must be reasonably maintained, and this can't be done unless sufficient funds are appropriated.

Much care was used in the preparation of this Park Department budget, so as to try and give to the people reasonable service and provide safety on these properties. We can't abandon them—they are necessary. The budget is made up of items, each one with a definite idea so as to carry on the department work; a cut of one item means that something has to suffer. In some cases it would mean a reduction in service that the people have been accustomed to, and in some cases it could be a matter of public safety. I feel it is my job to bring out these facts, because with reduced funds something is bound to suffer.

I believe that conditions warrant that a supplementary budget should be submitted to the City Council for at least some of the reduced items. The items reduced and the amounts needed so as to make it necessary to function are as follows:

B-6, Hire of Teams and Auto Trucks:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$17,500 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$14,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$4,000 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$13,435 00

Three trucks were used most of the year, obtained from outside sources. We, as a de-

partment, have at many times need of trucks in an emergency, as the department men work a 40-hour week. We find that with a tree down across a street and certain other emergencies that we can get sometimes quicker results with outside help. Unless we are able to hire outside trucks it will mean more emergency overtime at time and one-half, and the cost per hour of the city drivers' compensation will be close to the cost per hour for the hired truck, including driver, and in some cases a slowdown in the service rendered. It is important that the public be served with the shortest possible delay. I am asking \$10,000 in a supplementary budget.

B-14, Repairs to Motor Vehicles:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$18,000 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$16,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$10,000 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$17,274 12

Although our motor equipment is newer and better than two years ago, it is still one year older than last year. We have to plow snow from and keep open approximately 60 miles of park roadways, which is the main cause of automobile repairs. Our roadways have never been blocked in any snowstorms, at any time in history. This record I want to hold, but it will be difficult unless the equipment is maintained. I am asking that the \$6,000 be restored in the supplementary budget.

B-39, General Repairs:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$175,000 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$125,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$100,000 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$114,530 19

Many times this is one of the forgotten items of the budget. Too often the plan is to build something and wait until it falls down before it is restored. All of the restoration work done on structure properties such as buildings, walls, and bridges in the park system comes under this item. Unless the allotment on this item is increased we should either close or abandon some of our structures.

I recommend that the amount of \$25,000 be restored in a supplementary budget.

B-42, Miscellaneous Services:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$80,000 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$65,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$45,000 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$62,620 61

This item includes the replacement of damaged concrete walks and the tree work in Boston. Forgetting the repairing of walks will increase the number of injuries to the people and add to the hospital costs. Forgetting or cutting down of the tree work would be disastrous. At the present time we have 200,000 or more trees in city parks, playgrounds, public property, and streets; 75,000 of these trees are elms. In 1947 we found 17 trees and in 1948, 80 trees infested with the Dutch elm disease. The healthy trees must be protected. It is our duty to keep the disease from spreading. Boston cannot stand losing too many of its elms. Boston Common has 700 trees, 500 of which are elms. If many of these trees become infested, under the law and to protect the other trees they must be removed and burned. That would cost so much more money than requested it would not even be close. I request that the amount of \$20,000 be submitted on a supplementary budget.

C-4, Motor Vehicles:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$30,385 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$12,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$9,000 00

The \$12,000 allowed by the Mayor would be used for the purchase of two passenger cars, one industrial tractor to replace a 1936 model now in use, one Snow King tractor, and one

5-ton gasoline roller (the roller to be replaced is over 15 years old). If this item is further cut, as suggested by the City Council, in the amount of \$3,000, then we will of necessity have to eliminate the purchase of the tractor which is vitally needed and should replace the one that is 15 years old. I am asking that the \$3,000 be restored to the supplementary budget.

C-7, Furniture and Furnishings:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$3,600 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$2,500 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$1,500 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$1,882 45

The following is the way this amount is to be expended:

Furniture for new golf house at	
Franklin Park.....	\$400 00
Rubber mats for Wright Golf	
Course Clubhouse.....	\$400 00
New supply of turkish towels must	
be purchased for L Street Solar-	
ium at cost of.....	\$600 00

We have just completed a new golf house at the No. 1 tee of the Franklin Park Golf Links. We can't open it without furniture. The rubber mats at George Wright Golf Course are in such poor condition that someone could trip and fall, injuring themselves; they must be replaced. These expenses are in addition to our regular charges for this item, covering ash barrels, matting for gymnasiums, toilet fixtures, lockers, etc. I request \$1,000 in a supplementary budget.

E-13, Miscellaneous Materials:

Park Department Request for	
1949	\$65,000 00
Allowed by Mayor.....	\$60,000 00
Allowed by City Council.....	\$50,000 00
Expenditures for 1948.....	\$57,461 11

This is one of the important items in our budget, covering the purchase of brick, cement, lumber, paint, automobile and mower parts, and miscellaneous materials of all characters. Outside of the general repair item it is the largest one on our regular budget. Toweling from which we make our small towels used at the bathhouses and beaches is purchased from this budget item, and this alone costs \$25,000. We must have a larger appropriation than allowed by the City Council, and accordingly we are asking that \$10,000 be restored and placed in a supplementary budget.

Anyone sincere in his job would like to please everyone; many times we would like to say yes, but sometimes we have to say no. We can say yes only when there are ample funds to carry on the work. Properties and structures that are used should be given periodic attention; it is a matter of safety as well as service. Only last week it was found necessary to close off a bridge in the Back Bay due to its weakened condition. The cost of repairing this bridge would ordinarily come out of Budget Item B-39, General Plant Repairs; this is one of the items that was reduced by the City Council. A supplementary budget will shortly follow for restoration and repairs for this bridge. Public safety requires that certain structures be kept in safe condition.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Item B-39, General Repairs, was reduced by \$10,000 from \$65,000. During the year 1948, \$66,987.82 was expended in this item. A reduction of \$10,000 will mean curtailment of much important work such as laying of underground fire alarm signal cable, repairs to fireboats, fire alarm boxes, and 59 Fire Department buildings. Many fire alarm boxes are knocked down each year by motor vehicles, and street and sidewalk excavations and installation of new posts must be done by outside contractors. Three fireboats must undergo annual repairs in order to maintain them in first-class operating condition for protection of valuable waterfront property.

Under Item C-7, Furniture and Furnishings, the amount of \$2,500 was cut from an allowance of \$12,000. In 1948, \$11,355.14 was expended in this item. The largest expenditure out of this item is used for sheets, pillow slips, spreads, blankets, mattresses, etc., used in 53 department stations. With an increase in personnel of approximately 650 men, more of these articles are required. All furniture and furnishings for Fire Department buildings are purchased through this item. Reduction of the amount requested will make it impossible to properly supply needed equipment mentioned above.

Item C-13, Tools and Instruments, was reduced by \$5,000. We have already purchased required fire hose in the amount of approximately \$30,000. Also, in accordance with chapter 337, it will be necessary to purchase 170 self-contained gas masks for safety of firemen, at a cost of approximately \$24,000. Also necessary for proper operation of the department are six life nets, play pipes, fog nozzles, fire extinguishers, etc. Any reduction whatsoever in the amount of \$72,050 requested will greatly hamper operation of the fire-fighting force.

Item C-16, Wearing Apparel, was reduced by \$20,000 from \$70,000. A contract in the amount of \$49,508 has already been awarded for firemen's uniform clothing. This contract does not include 400 rubber fire coats which will cost approximately \$4,500. In addition it will be necessary to expend money for officers' and privates' uniform caps, badges, devices, insignia, etc. It was necessary to expend \$88,767.44 in this item during 1948.

C-17, Miscellaneous Equipment, was reduced by \$1,000. It appears that \$9,000 allowed by your Honor is the absolute minimum amount with which we can purchase required fire alarm box posts and parts, hose couplings, gas mask and inhalator cylinders, fire alarm test posts, etc. Storage batteries for the fire alarm signal system must also be purchased through this item.

D-11, Gasoline, Oil and Grease, was reduced by \$2,000. In 1948, \$43,531.48 was expended in this item. The amount of gas, oil and grease used is largely dependent on the number of runs made by the apparatus and the pumping hours required at fires. Because of the increased number of responses to fires and other emergencies the consumption of gasoline has been increasing steadily since 1940. It is necessary for the department to use highest gas in all its motor apparatus because of the poor performance of regular gas in past years. It is reasonable to expect an increase of at least \$2,000 in this item over the amount spent in 1948.

D-13, Chemicals and Disinfectants, was reduced by \$5,000 from the total of \$19,000 allowed by your Honor. Under this item \$14,000 will be expended for liquid carbon dioxide and liquid foam. Several of our new hose wagons are equipped with transit tanks for carrying CO₂, which is used in extinguishing oil, electric, and other types of fires which are difficult to extinguish with water. With the carbon dioxide purchased by the department we also recharge all our CO₂ extinguishers. Quantities of liquid foam for extinguishing oil and gasoline fires, especially in connection with airplane, tank truck, and oil reservoir fires, must be purchased for use during the year 1949. Expenditures for sulphuric acid, bicarbonate of soda, and foamite for recharging of fire extinguishers are also chargeable to this item, and approximately \$3,000 will be expended in 1949 for these supplies.

E-1, Building, was reduced by \$4,000 from the amount of \$19,000 allowed by your Honor. Lumber, plumbing and steamfitting supplies, building hardware, paint, bricks, cement, etc., which are used by our mechanics for repairs and proper maintenance of all Fire Department buildings, are purchased through this

item. As many of our fire stations are old, constant repairs are required to keep them in livable and safe condition. During 1948, \$19,160 was expended in this item, and at least \$19,000 will be needed for our minimum requirements during 1949.

E-10, Electrical. This item was reduced \$5,000 from the amount of \$30,000 allowed by your Honor. The sum of \$30,386 was expended in this item during the year 1948. Practically all the materials purchased are for repair and maintenance of the fire alarm signal system, including underground cable, fire alarm box globes, radio parts, electric lamps, wiring cord, etc. It appears that any reduction in this item will severely handicap the proper functioning of the fire alarm system; also the maintenance of electrical equipment and installations in all Fire Department buildings.

E-13, Miscellaneous Materials, was reduced \$5,000 from the amount of \$60,000 allowed by your Honor. The major expenditure in this item is to pay for automobile parts used in the repair and maintenance of all Fire Department motor vehicles. Practically all of our ladder trucks are old, and constant and extensive repairs are required in order to maintain them in operating condition. Out of a total of 17 ladder trucks ordered in 1947 and 1948, only two have been delivered. As we make all our own batteries, we must expend a considerable sum for the purchase of battery parts each year, also auto wheels and drive chains, auto paint, and rope. The sum of \$57,934 was expended in this item during 1948, and at least \$60,000 will be required to cover our minimum needs in 1949.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

B-8, Light, Heat and Power.

1947 Expenditures.....	\$47,629 74
1948 Expenditures.....	\$55,154 33
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$52,000 00
1949 Allowed by Mayor.....	\$52,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$47,000 00

As a result of the extremely cold months at the beginning of the year 1948, the total amount expended in 1948 for light, heat and power amounted to \$55,154.33. In preparing the 1949 budget it was estimated that the cold winter of last year cost the Library approximately \$3,000 over and above what would have been spent had the winter been normal. In the year 1948 many new modern lighting installations were made in the Central Library building, which resulted in an increase in our electric light account over the amount expended in 1947. The amount requested for light, heat and power, therefore, was set at a minimum figure of \$52,000. The Library now faces a \$5,000 deficit in this item.

B-39, General Repairs:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$51,986 73
1948 Expenditures.....	\$73,898 50
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$142,100 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor (plus \$10,000 for roof repair).....	\$100,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council (plus \$10,000 for roof repair)	\$65,000 00

As a result of the \$35,000 cut in this item, the following planned work cannot be undertaken this year:

Painting the following branch libraries:

West Roxbury Branch Librnry	\$2,800 00
Charlestown Branch Librnry	2,800 00
Hyde Park Branch Librnry	2,700 00
Parker Hill Branch Librnry	1,800 00
Jeffries Point Branch Librnry	1,600 00
	<hr/> \$11,700 00

Improving lighting in the Central Library building:

Sargent Murals.....	\$5,000 00
Open Shelf Department	4,000 00
Periodical Reading Room	1,500 00
	<u>\$10,500 00</u>

Improving lighting in the branch libraries:

East Boston Branch Library	\$1,500 00
North End Branch Library	1,500 00
Mattapan Branch Library	1,200 00
Brighton Branch Library	800 00
South Boston Branch Library	500 00
Jeffries Point Branch Library	400 00
	<u>\$5,900 00</u>

Necessary repairs to branch libraries:

Hyde Park Branch Library	\$1,200 00
East Boston Branch Library	1,000 00
Brighton Branch Library	1,000 00
Parker Hill Branch Library	400 00
	<u>\$3,600 00</u>

Roof repairs to branch libraries:

Mattapan Branch Library	\$1,300 00
Brighton Branch Library	1,000 00
East Boston Branch Library	1,000 00
	<u>\$3,300 00</u>

C-9, Office:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$7,624 98
1948 Expenditures.....	\$18,216 68
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$20,000 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor.....	\$19,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$17,000 00

In the years 1945 and 1946 the total amount of money spent for the purchase of office equipment was \$354.74, and in the year 1947 only \$7,624.98 was spent. In order to replace worn-out typewriters, filing and catalog cases, desks, and chairs a minimum of \$19,000 is required in this item. If funds for all equipment required by all units of the Library had been included, the amount requested originally would have been in the amount of \$54,579 instead of the \$20,000 as requested. In order to spread the replacements over a period of years, an absolute minimum figure of \$20,000 was requested.

C-10, Books:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$118,533 62
1948 Expenditures.....	\$119,000 00
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$200,000 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor.....	\$150,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$100,000 00

From the sum of \$150,000, as allowed by his Honor the Mayor, to a revised figure of \$100,000, the statement was apparently put forth that such a reduction ought properly to be made in this item since the Library has trust funds from which it could divert the income to the purchase of books, if only it would. Since there appears to be a misunderstanding in respect to this, I wish respectfully to state that the income from the Library's trust funds is already being devoted to the purchase of books up to 90 per cent or more of its total amount. The fact is that the book purchases of the Central Library in Copley square are supported almost entirely from the income of these trust funds, which can be used in most instances only for the special purposes or the special collections of the Central Library. The funds appropriated by the city for books (C-10),

on the other hand, are devoted up to 95 per cent of their entirety to the purchase of books for the 30 branch libraries throughout the city. Thus, to reduce the budget item for books from \$150,000 to \$100,000 would have the direct result of penalizing the citizens of Boston in the sections where they actually live, namely, in the individual wards of the city. It is important that there be recognized also the fact that, even with the full amount of \$150,000 as allowed by his Honor the Mayor, the city will be appropriating in 1949 actually no more than it was appropriating 20 years or so ago. However, because of an increase of almost 35 per cent in the cost of books over the last few years, even \$150,000 in 1949 is today equal in purchasing power to little more than \$100,000 20 years ago in 1929.

D-1, Office:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$15,728 86
1948 Expenditures.....	\$16,561 60
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$20,000 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor.....	\$18,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$17,000 00

The largest single expense chargeable against this item is postage. In preparing the budget it was estimated that approximately \$5,300 would be spent for the purchase of stamps, postal cards, etc. As a result of the recent increase in postal rates for certain classes of mail the amount to be spent for postage probably will exceed \$6,000. There will thus remain only \$11,000 to purchase all the other office supplies needed by the Library. The restoration of the \$1,000 cut of the City Council would offset the increase in postal rates and prevent a deficit in this item.

D-16, Miscellaneous Supplies:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$3,041 29
1948 Expenditures.....	\$3,369 33
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$3,400 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor.....	\$3,400 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$2,800 00

Because of the increase in the cost of miscellaneous supplies, the amount spent in both 1947 and 1948 exceeded the amounts actually appropriated. There has been no marked decrease in cost of supplies, and, unless there is restored the \$600 cut of the City Council, this item will definitely have a deficit at the close of the year.

E-13, Miscellaneous Materials:

1947 Expenditures.....	\$13,946 06
1948 Expenditures.....	\$15,915 09
1949 Departmental Estimate.....	\$20,000 00
1949 Allowance by Mayor.....	\$18,000 00
1949 Allowance by City Council.....	\$13,000 00

This account is the one for the purchase of materials to be used in the repair and re-binding of books by the Library's own Book-binding Department. In 1948 the expenditures in this account totaled \$15,915.09. Because of the increases in the cost of binding and printing materials the sum of \$20,000 was requested for this item in 1949. His Honor the Mayor reduced this sum to \$18,000, which was only \$2,000 more than the total amount spent in 1948. To further reduce this amount by another \$5,000, to a figure of \$13,000, will mean that fewer books can be made available to the citizens of Boston in their branch libraries, because fewer books will actually be repaired and rebound and thus sent back into active service in the branch libraries.

Consideration and passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body is hereby recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council,

relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$10,000	
39. General Repairs.....	\$10,000	
C. Equipment		28,500
7. Furniture and Furnishings	2,500	
13. Tools and Instruments....	5,000	
16. Wearing Apparel.....	20,000	
17. Miscellaneous Equipment	1,000	
D. Supplies		7,000
11. Gasoline, Oil and Grease,	2,000	
13. Chemicals and disinfectants	5,000	
E. Materials		14,000
1. Building	4,000	
10. Electrical	5,000	
13. Miscellaneous Materials,	5,000	
	<u>\$59,500</u>	

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$40,000	
8. Light, Heat and Power....	\$5,000	
39. General Repairs.....	35,000	
C. Equipment		52,000
9. Office	2,000	
10. Library	50,000	
D. Supplies		1,600
1. Office	1,000	
16. Miscellaneous Supplies....	600	
E. Materials		5,000
13. Miscellaneous Materials... ..	5,000	
	<u>\$98,600</u>	

PARK DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$61,000	
6. Hire of Teams and Auto Trucks	\$10,000	
14. Motor Vehicle Repairs and Care.....	6,000	
39. General Repairs.....	25,000	
42. Miscellaneous Services... ..	20,000	
C. Equipment		4,000
4. Motor Vehicles.....	3,000	
7. Furniture and Furnishings	1,000	
E. Materials		10,000
13. Miscellaneous Materials,	10,000	
	<u>\$75,000</u>	
Grand Total.....	<u>\$233,100</u>	

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$50,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1948 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provisions for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the pur-

pose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$50,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 7, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$50,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	<u>\$50,000</u>
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When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of \$50,000, be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	<u>\$50,000</u>
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Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby appoint the following-named persons as constables of the City of Boston for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond.

The commissions of constables authorized to serve civil process not named herein expire on April 30, 1949, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1949, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS UPON FILING BONDS.

Harry Abrevaya, 18 Hornn Way, Ward 10;
Joseph Ackman, 27 Willmore street, Wrd 18;
Donald M. Abigian, 241 Columbus avenue, Ward 5; Henry Atwood, 28 Melbourne street, Ward 16; Samuel C. Baker, 25A Wabou street, Ward 12; William J. Baker, 33 Oneida

street, Ward 3; Irving E. Bennett, 20 Deckard street, Ward 12; Alfred Blaustein, 23 Fernboro street, Ward 14; Abram Bornstein, 625 Warren street, Ward 12; George W. Brooker, 258 Park street, Ward 20; Louis Buttiglieri, 191 London street, Ward 1; James A. Canton, 169 Glenway street, Ward 14; Forrest P. Chauncey, 40 Queensberry street, Ward 5; Sidney Cohen, 70 American Legion Highway, Ward 14; John M. Crawford, 27 Washington street, Ward 2; Henry G. Dahlquist, 15 Regan road, Ward 17; John Andrew D'Arcy, 10 Bynner street, Ward 10; Telemaco Del Sette, 65 Highland street, Ward 11; Edward A. DeSimone, 1130 Saratoga street, Ward 1; James E. Desmond, 7 Mapleton street, Ward 22; Patrick J. Donovan, 27 Lorette street, Ward 20; William J. DuRoss, 462 Gullivan Boulevard, Ward 16.

Herman M. Finer, 12 Willowwood street, Ward 14; Roland W. Golden, 36 Regent street, Ward 12; Ahner Goldkrand, 48 Wenonah street, Ward 12; Meyer Goldstein, 27 Long avenue, Ward 21; Salvatore Grassa, 11 Copeland street, Ward 12; Abraham M. Hecht, 3 Morse street, Ward 14; Edward G. Hession, 34 Thetford avenue, Ward 17; David B. Kaplan, 93 Lawrence avenue, Ward 14; Max Kaplan, 55 North Russell street, Ward 3; Arnold Klevens, 106 Millet street, Ward 17; Bronis Kontrim, 120 Marine road, Ward 7; Mark H. Krafzur, 447 Norfolk street, Ward 14; Nathan Kravitsky, 306 Washington street, Ward 14; Louis Levendorf, 421 Warren street, Ward 12; Maurice Levine, 40 Wolcott street, Ward 14; Anthony Luono, 355 Saratoga street, Ward 1; William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Ward 18; Frank J. Macchia, 770 East Fourth street, Ward 6; Salvatore Maffei, 11 Orient avenue, Ward 1; Andrew Martin, 154 Stanwood street, Ward 14; Isie Martin, 12 Ashton street, Ward 14; Thomas F. McArdle, 250 Gullivan Boulevard, Ward 17; Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Ward 18; Norman W. Menzies, Jr., 17 New street, Ward 1; Frank A. Mitchell, 7 Bruce street, Ward 16.

Michael W. Ober, 48 Ballou avenue, Ward 14; Ralph Ober, 48 Ballou avenue, Ward 14; Louis H. Oppenheim, 7 Mt. Hood road, Ward 21; Andrew J. Palermo, 18 Bloomfield street, Ward 17; Hector Palladino, 12 Greenough lane, Ward 3; Phillip S. Phillips, 829 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; George N. Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11; George Woodrow Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11; Louis B. Ransome, 890 Albany street, Ward 8; Henry Thomsom Reid, 118 Redlands road, Ward 20; Louis Richmond, 111 Waumbek street, Ward 12; Frank A. Roche, 20 Lexington street, Ward 1; Edward J. Rockett, 15 Worcester square, Ward 8; William T. Ross, 4 Abbottsford street, Ward 12; Angelo M. Russo, 108 Farquhar street, Ward 20.

Hyman Sandler, 31 Wales street, Ward 14; Philip Scarnici, 90 Homer street, Ward 1; Jacob E. Schrank, 227 Harvard avenue, Ward 21; Joseph P. Schrank, 227 Harvard avenue, Ward 21; Maurice A. Shapiro, 316 Washington street, Ward 14; Frank Shaw, 12 Codman street, Ward 17; Edward W. Sheehan, 26 Burgoyne avenue, Ward 16; Richard W. Sheehan, 559 Ashmont street, Ward 16; Sidney Sheinfeld, 166 Rosseter street, Ward 14; Isaac Shulman, 128 Devon street, Ward 14; Joseph L. Shurtleff, 39 Union Park street, Ward 8; Joseph Simansky, 77 Nightingale street, Ward 14; Henry J. D. Small, 14 Windermere road, Ward 13; Leon Small, 194 Normandy street, Ward 14; Clifford L. Smith, 56 Edison Green, Ward 13; Paolo Stancato, 130 Prince street, Ward 3; Jerome Suvalle, 19 Owen street, Ward 18.

Benjamin J. Tackeff, 52 Columbia road, Ward 14; William Tatel, 172 Seaver street, Ward 12; Joseph Todisco, 149 Paris street, Ward 1; Rudolph L. Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Ward 9; Roman J. Vasil, 11 Granada avenue, Ward 18; David Weir, 259 Beacon street, Ward 5; Sidney Williams, 37 Winthrop street,

Ward 12; Louis Yacker, 1063 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; Morris Youman, 5 Pama Gardens, Ward 22; Theodore J. Zaborski, 21 Hubbardston road, Ward 13.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CONSTABLES CONNECTED WITH OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby appoint the following-named persons as constables of the City of Boston for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949, not authorized to serve civil process, and to serve without bond.

The commissions of constables not named herein expire on April 30, 1949, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1949, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Constables Connected with Official Positions.

James Amato, 39 Somerset street, Ward 3; Martin A. Brennan, 239 Harvard avenue, Ward 21; William Campbell, 11 Olney street, Ward 15; Charles A. Cantwell, 609 River street, Ward 18; John P. Carey, 46 St. John street, Ward 19; George F. Casey, 1334 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; Owen Clarke, 26 Dalrymple street, Ward 11; Joseph C. Coffey, 451 Meridian street, Ward 1; Edward F. Collins, 330 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 19; Jeremiah A. Daley, 14 Concord street, Ward 2; Sabino D'Alto, 115 Princeton street, Ward 1; James W. Daly, 46 Stanton street, Ward 17; Vito Dellaria, 185 Havre street, Ward 1; George A. Douglas, 1387 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; Joseph L. Duffey, 30 Algonquin street, Ward 17; James E. Finigan, 10 Burr street, Ward 19; George W. Fitzgerald, 200 Weld street, Ward 20; Cornelius T. Fitzpatrick, 345 Neponset avenue, Ward 16; Joseph Floccher, 47 Allen street, Ward 3; Owen P. Flynn, 5 Henry Sterling square, Ward 6; Walter D. Flynn, 1156 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; Thomas H. Glynn, 15 Harvard terrace, Ward 21; Leo G. Grappocio, 47 Auburn street, Ward 3; Charles B. Gray, 14 Pleasant Hill avenue, Ward 17; Joseph J. Henaghan, 8 Harvard avenue, Ward 14; Thomas F. Hogan, 377 Dudley street, Ward 8; Russell Howard, 101 Cabot street, Ward 9.

Harry Kelly, 23 Chambers street, Ward 3; Robert Kelly, 1 Ingleside street, Ward 13; James J. Kenney, 1634 Tremont street, Ward 10; Carl H. Kohlus, 1463 Centre street, Ward 20; Louis J. Lanata, 44 Rexford street, Ward 18; Robert J. Lawler, 24 Halifax street, Ward 19; Albert Leary, 43 Bowdoin street, Ward 3; Charles J. Lennon, 101 Anawan avenue, Ward 20; Raymond M. Lindsay, 197 Kelton street, Ward 21; Lawrence Linehan, 5 Peterborough street, Ward 5; Lloyd J. MacLean, 142 West street, Ward 18; Harold J. Mahoney, 774 East Sixth street, Ward 6; Leo P. Marshall, 4 Dudley place, Ward 9; Bernard J. McCabe, 52 Woodard road, Ward 20; Aloysius McGarry, 30 Ederly road, Ward 4; Edwin J. McGowan, 51 M street, Ward 6; Charles J. McGrath, 46 Columbia road, Ward 14; John J. McManus, 191 Parsons street, Ward 22; Antonio M. Mele, 40 Staniford street, Ward 3; James J. Murphy, 7 Myrtle place, Ward 12; John A. Murphy, 1634 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; Edward J. Murray, 197 Manthorne road, Ward 20; Thomas F. Murray, 223 Amory street, Ward 11; Edward H. Nelligan, 1721 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; George A. Nelson, 224 Bunker Hill street, Ward 2; John F. O'Brien, 1156 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21; John T. O'Brien, 11 Estrella street, Ward 10; David T. O'Con-

nor, 1617 Tremont street, Ward 10; Timothy G. O'Neill, 91 Claybourne street, Ward 17; Lewis Polak, 327 Seaver street, Ward 14; Louis Reppucci, 282 North street, Ward 3; Barney Rubin, 318B Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; Peter J. Salem, 1 Ringgold street, Ward 3; Alfred Santososso, Jr., 33 Thatcher street, Ward 13; Carl B. Solone, 254 North street, Ward 3; Frederick A. Sullivan, 36 Raven street, Ward 13; William J. Sullivan, 12 Bothwell road, Ward 22; Louis Taylor, 38 Intervale street, Ward 12; Thomas Walsh, 57 Mt. Ida road, Ward 15; Francis A. Winnett, 296 Bunker Hill street, Ward 2.

Supervisor of Licensed Minors.

Timothy F. Regan, 543 Boylston street, Ward 5.

Animal Rescue League.

Archibald MacDonald, 710 East Sixth street, Ward 6.

Massachusetts S. P. C. A.

Harry L. Allen, 180 Walnut avenue, Ward 12.

Van Drivers Appointed by the Court.

George H. Bradley, 205 Billings street, Atlantic; Raymond F. Green, 496 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

APPOINTMENT OF MINOR OFFICERS
PAID BY FEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 6, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I make the following appointments of minor officers paid by fees for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949.

The appointments of all such officers not named herein are hereby revoked from and after April 30, 1949.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

The following-named persons to be Weighers of Coal for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Philip Adelman, Benjamin H. Adler, John F. Anglin, Newton E. Atwood, Frederick J. Barthel, Eustis E. Beattie, Peter J. Bella, Thomas E. Birmingham, Inez E. Blades, Samuel Bloch, James J. Briody, Mary G. Brooks, Robert A. Bruce, William A. Burkard, Joseph R. Burkart, Walter E. Burke, William J. Buttler, Simon Canty, Biagio Carabello, Barbara Casey, Edmund F. Casey, John E. Cassidy, Frank H. Chadwick, Harold C. Chase, D. Russell Cheney, Sara L. Cleary, Paul G. Coblenzer, Robert Cody, Hyman Cohen, Howard W. Colby, Theodore W. Combis, Ethel T. Concrece, Girard V. Condon, Walter W. Conly, Daniel W. Connors, Joseph R. Crawford, Charles L. Crowe, Daniel J. Crowley, John P. Custis, James P. DeSalvo, John P. Doherty, James H. Dowd, Curtis P. Drummond, John Farrar, Albert J. Fawcett, Edward J. Fogarty, Reed Freeman, Edward J. Gaffney, Maurice J. Gallivan, Edward T. Giblin, Sylvia Goldman, George R. Gorman, Morris Green, William J. Grund, Roland M. Gustin.

Charles F. Haggerty, George J. Hamilton, Jr., Herman E. Hare, Edward G. Hawkins, Corey A. Henth, Ammon B. Heckler, Walter Henderson, Paul J. Hohmann, Edwin E. Houston, Thomas E. Hughes, Mary M. Hynes, Paul V. Innis, Thomas T. N. Irwin, Mildred Isenberg, Frances M. Jones, Della F. Joyce, Anna J. Jurek, John F. Kane, William F. Kane, Hyman Kawndler, John B. Kenney, Agnes C. Kelly, John T. Kilcy, Morris Kristal, Robert W. Lang, Abraham Lavien, Ida B. Lavien, Walter W. Lehman, Harold E. Levine, Robert Levine, Samuel A. Levine, Adele Levitt, Albert Levitt, Arnold Levitt, George E. Lewis,

Edward H. Liner, Sidney M. Liner, Nathaniel C. Lord, Irving R. Lunin, Samuel Lurie, Edward D. MacDonald, Ralph G. Magin, James L. Maher, Frances E. Marriott, William E. McDermott, George F. McFadden, Thomas E. McGinty, Leo F. McIsaac, Hugh L. McKenzie, John R. McSorley, Edward W. Meade, Florence Madiste, Homer L. Mohr, Samuel Morse.

David A. Nagle, Andrew B. Noel, Ernest W. Noel, Hermogenes G. Nogueira, Dorothy Novick, Louis Novick, Catherine E. O'Brien, Lawrence F. O'Connor, Henry J. Olsiewski, Henry E. Olson, Mary E. O'Malley, Frank L. O'Neill, Paul H. O'Shea, Charles Paisner, Charles D. Parrott, Charles H. Payne, Katherine R. Pink, Maurice F. Quinlan, Abraham J. Rabinovitz, Helen C. Riley, Francis R. Ringer, William J. Rode, Eric A. Rosdahl, Charles Sacks, Florence L. Sanford, Joseph M. Santis, Charles Schoen, George L. Sharkey, Joseph W. Sheehan, Bernard J. Shine, Frank Sirk, John L. Smith, Samuel Smith, Samuel Snider, Charles Stearns, Lillian Stone, John D. Strong, Sven Swenson, Alvin C. Tamkin, Solomon Tamkin, Alberta M. Toolan, Sarah Tucker, Peter Villani, Albert A. Walsh, Frank J. Walsh, Chester K. Wickes, Julius Wilensky, Alexander B. Wiley, Harry L. Williams, Mary F. Willis, John L. Woods, Ida Zaks, John Zanstuck, Anna Zwick, Louis Zwick.

The following-named persons to be Measurers of Wood and Bark for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Robert Cody, George L. Keefe.

The following-named persons to be Measurers of Grain for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Mark H. Devlin, Francis J. Dewey, John Galloway, William J. Leonard.

The following-named persons to be Weighers of Beef for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Chester D. Black, William F. Callahan, James P. Conroy, William J. Raulinaitis.

The following-named persons to be Measurers of Leather for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Harold R. Caro, Edward R. Maxwell, Roscoe D. Waterhouse.

The following-named person to be a Gauger of Liquids for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Charles P. Newton.

The following-named persons to be Weighers of Goods for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1949:

Ellsworth M. Adams, Cyril Applebaum, Ermante J. Balboni, Curtis I. Balduf, Patrick J. Baldwin, William J. Burrett, Edward L. Barry, Frederick L. Bell, John L. Berrill, George F. Berry, Frederick A. Bigwood, Thomas E. Birmingham, Robert N. Black, Harry A. Bloom, Charles O. Boynton, John E. Brenner, Theron W. Briggs, Mary G. Brooks, Robert A. Bruce, John F. Buckley, L. Nathan Buker, Joseph P. Bulman, Collingswood Burgess, Joseph R. Burkart, Walter E. Burke, Robert J. Byrnes, John Cahill, Charles J. Cannata, Rosario Capillo, Biagio Carabello, Bror T. Carlson, Barbara Casey, Robert J. Casey, D. Russell Cheney, Walter H. Chick, Frederick J. Chipman, Walter J. Chipman, William S. Cleaves, Robert Cody, Samuel Cohen, Howard W. Colby, Ethel T. Concrece, Daniel W. Connors, Walter G. Connors, Joseph B. Corbett, Coleman Costello, James V. Cox, Dennis Crowe, Thomas F. Culkean, Thomas A. Curley.

Alden G. DeConroy, John J. Delaney, Jr., Joseph E. Dohy, Frank DeMarco, Paul Dennis, Stephen P. Devine, Mark H. Devlin, Alexander Dick, Arthur J. Duffy, Walter F. Duggan, Patrick R. Dunn, Martin H. Dunne, Paul T. Edwards, Walter F. Edwards, Paul G. Ehlert, Carlton W. Ellms, Carlton W. Ellms, Jr., David C. Emond, Frederic H. Engdahl, Edward A. Fay, Thomas J. Fay, Edward A.

Finnerty, Daniel Fitzgerald, Patrick Flaherty, John F. Flanagan, Lucius H. Floyd, Alfred N. Foley, John W. Fraize, Reed Freeman, Charles J. Freygang, Edwin H. Fritz, Maurice J. Gallivan, Percy W. Goodwin, Fred J. Graham, Jr., Fred J. Graham, Sr., Robert W. Graham, Morris Green, Melvin M. Gross, William J. Grund, William Guerra, Roland M. Gustin, Harry Halperin, James F. Halpin, Albert E. Hapgood, J. Hardie Henderson, Walter Henderson, John E. Henry, Campbell S. Higgins, Harold E. Hines, John H. Holmes, Charles V. Hurley, Harold E. Huskaam.

C. Bruce Ilsley, Gilbert C. Jackson, Arthur E. Johnson, Anna J. Jurek, Michael Kane, Patrick D. Kane, Peter F. Kane, William F. Kane, James Keane, Milton Keleishik, Joseph P. Kelly, John W. Kennedy, Norman P. Kennedy, Joseph P. Kenney, James F. Kiely, Edward D. Landry, Charles W. Lenaghan, William J. Leonard, George S. Lockhart, James J. Lordan, Joseph Lordan, Samuel Lurie, Chester A. MacCullagh, Joseph K. MacEachern, Daniel J. MacKay, William K. MacMillan, Michael J. Mahoney, William F. Maloney, Alphonse S. Marchant, Horton I. Marlor, Kevin J. McAvoy, Bernard A. McKinney, John C. McLeod, Earl P. McMillen, John R. McSorley, William D. McVey, Homer L. Mohr, Stephen J. Molloy, Paul F. Moran, James H. Muldoon, William H. Muldoon, James F. Nee, John A. Needham, Charles P. Newton, Donald H. Nickerson, Catherine E. O'Brien, William F. O'Connor, James J. O'Halloran, Joseph J. O'Hearn, George M. O'Kane, Mary E. O'Malley, Paul H. O'Shea, Otto Otterson, Charles D. Parrott, John F. Perry, Abraham J. Rabinovitz, Charles Rabinovitz, Russell B. Rae, Carl A. Rauscher, William B. Reagan, George W. Rechel, Joseph C. Regan, Seymour Remis, James W. Reynolds, George Roberts, William E. Roberts, Francis A. Rogers, Eric A. Rosdahl, Waino Rosengren, Richard J. Ryan, James D. Scheele, Samuel N. Schlesinger, Charles Schoen, Clifford L. Sennott, Raymond P. Severance, Donald Sherlaw, Michael Shoohigh, Philip C. Shute, Philip K. Shute, Frank Sirk, Howard Smith, Holly J. Steves, Noble R. Steves, Garrett L. Sullivan, John J. Sullivan, Philip A. Taylor, Eugene Thompson, Gerald D. Thurston, Anthony S. J. Tomasello, Charles J. Toye, Arthur F. Tyler, Jr., Francis A. Viscione, Patrick J. Walsh, Israel A. Weiner, Elinor D. Welch, George E. White, Francis J. White, Sr., Howard A. White, Thomas E. White, John M. Wilder, Mary F. Willis, Cyril A. Wood, Benjamin W. Wright.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Anthony J. Arrigo, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Congress street.

Cecilia M. Butt, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Gladstone street.

James J. Collieran, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mary M. Devlin, for compensation for damage to property at 72 Bernard street, Dorchester, caused by roots of trees growing into drain.

Helena Doherty, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 187 Main street.

R. Dubiel, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Minetta F. Eastman, for compensation for damage to car by police ambulance.

James F. Ellis, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Margaret M. Farley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 27 Ridgeway Lane.

Joseph Flavin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mary L. Hennessey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 3935 Washington street.

Anne F. Kieckebusch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Dudley street and Pevear place.

Margaret E. Manning, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

Ralph L. Mullen, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

New Reservoir Taxi, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Manuel E. Pinkus, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by fire apparatus.

Charles Sesser, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Doris Udden, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Leaven road.

Executive.

Petition of Mary A. Cheevers to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John S. Cheevers, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Talbot Bowldrome, by Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester, Ward 14, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, April 19, 23, and 30.

INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM FINANCE COMMISSION.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following: Ordered, That the Finance Commission of the City of Boston, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to answer the following questions submitted by the Boston City Council:

1. Why did the Finance Commission fail to make a report to the Boston City Council relative to the ash and garbage removal contracts for the year 1949 since there was an increase in excess of \$100,000 in the 1949 contract over 1948.

2. If the Boston Finance Commission did not make a survey of the 1949 ash and garbage removal contracts, in view of the excessive increase, why didn't they make such survey?

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TAKING OF CHILDREN TO STATION HOUSE FOR MISDEMEANORS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following: Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Police Commissioner to instruct his division officials that no child under twelve years of age be brought to the station house for the commission of a misdemeanor, but rather that the child be brought to his home, or his name be taken and his parents notified.

Referred to the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN SCHOOL-YARDS, ETC.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner, Chairman of the Recreation Board, the School Committee and its Recreational Officials, to sit down with the Police Commissioner relative to the establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds and the proper posting of regulations in each of these play areas.

Referred to the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

EXTERMINATION OF RODENTS BEFORE DEMOLISHING BUILDINGS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Building Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to inform the City Council if he has the authority, under the law, to require that all buildings to be torn down be first exterminated of all rodents, in order that the immediate neighborhood of said building may not be infested with these obnoxious animals; and if no such authority now exists, what recommendation the Building Commissioner makes with regard to this unhealthy and dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF ANTHONY J. VACCARO SQUARE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Western avenue and North Harvard street, Allston, in honor of Pfc. Anthony J. Vaccaro who lost his life on December 19, 1944, while in the service of the United States during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ERECTION OF "STOP" SIGNS, SAVIN AND WARREN STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the erection of "Stop" signs at Savin and Warren streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ERECTION OF "ONE WAY" SIGN, WARREN AND INTERVALE STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the erection of a "One Way" sign at the corner of Warren and Intervale streets, Roxbury.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FENCING IN N. Y., N. H. & II. RR. TRACKS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be requested to fence the areas around Ballou avenue and Mt. Bowdoin street to avert serious tragedies to children who now have access to such areas.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF CAR TRACKS IN SECTION OF DORCHESTER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the MTA be requested to study the advisability of immediately removing the tracks in the Grove Hall, Talbot avenue, and Washington street areas in the Dorchester district which streets are now being used by trackless trolleys, so that these streets can be immediately resurfaced to meet the heavy traffic and provide a plan for safety zones consistent with the well-being of the general public.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FRANKLIN FIELD DIAMOND FACILITIES.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to provide proper diamond facilities in Franklin Field.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT NORFOLK AND MORTON STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commissioner be requested to study the advisability of placing traffic signals and pedestrian lights at Norfolk and Morton streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Intercolonial Bowling Hall, Arthur F. Stuart (referred March 14) to operate bowling alley on the Lord's Day—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

TENEAN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to take steps to immediately clear up Tenean Beach, not only to remove rocks, stones, etc., and to put on new sand but also to repair the bath-house and park area adjacent to the beach.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WIDENING OF DARLING STREET, WARD 10.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to widen Darling street, at the junction of Calumet street in Ward 10, by filling in and surfacing the vacant lot at the corner of Darling and Calumet streets, which vacant lot is city-owned.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLANTING OF TREES, THOMAS PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to plant twelve trees around the flagpole on Thomas park, South Boston, adjacent to the monument.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**INSTALLATION OF MASTER ANTENNA
ON EACH HOUSING PROJECT.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a master antenna on each housing project because of the increased use of television sets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**INVESTIGATION OF LAUNDRY, BURKE
STREET.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate the wet wash laundry in the rear of 49 Burke street, Ward 6, which is in competition with a laundry operated by a disabled veteran at 250 Dorchester street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROLLER AT AQUARIUM, CITY POINT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to keep a roller at the aquarium, City Point, so that it will be available for use whenever necessary to keep the softball field in suitable condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PART OF UNITY STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Unity street one way, from Tileston to Charter streets, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF CERTAIN VACANT LOTS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to notify owners of vacant lots in the West, South, and North Ends of Boston where garbage and other refuse has been deposited, to immediately clean up their lots which are a menace to the health of the public.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**IMPROVED LIGHTING FACILITIES ON
GREEN STREET.**

Coun. McCORMACK and TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of Green street, from Centre to Washington streets, Wards 19 and 11, with a view to installing better lighting facilities on this street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SANDING OF WARD 7 BEACHES.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Park Commissioner to place additional medium grain sand on the L Street beaches and all other South Boston beaches in Ward 7 before the bathing season begins.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**ACCEPTANCE OF BATEMAN PLACE,
WARD 7.**

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Bateman place, Ward 7, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COLUMBUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Park Commissioner to lay out soft and hard ball diamonds and construct backstops on Columbus Park, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**CONSTRUCTION OF FENCE AROUND
VACANT LOT, WARD 7.**

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the proper city department to construct a fence around the vacant lot located at the corner of G and East Eighth streets, Ward 7, which lot in its present deplorable condition is a menace and hazard to the public.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, April 25, 1949, at 2 p. m.

**SUMMER PARKING OF CARS ON
STREETS.**

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commissioner be requested to study the advisability of the people in the suburban area of Boston being able to park their cars in front of their homes between April 1 and October 31.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO KANE SQUARE.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commissioner be requested to study the advisability of making the circle at Hancock and Bowdoin streets, known as Kane square, a one-way rotary circle.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALARIES OF MTA TRUSTEES.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler the Council voted to take from the table No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Resolution favoring legislation to reduce salaries of the Trustees of the MTA.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Rules.

**ROPING OFF STREETS FOR B. A. A.
MARATHON.**

Coun. YERXA and LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off streets for the annual

B. A. A. Marathon, April 19, the cost of same to be charged to Flags, Ropes, Stakes, etc.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL 133.

Coun. ANSEL and COOK offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council record themselves in favor of Senate Bill 133 which provides for antidiscrimination clause in the applications for colleges and educational institutions in this commonwealth which provides an act to secure fair educa-

tional practices, equality of educational opportunities and to eliminate and prevent discrimination in education because of race, religion, color, or national origin.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councillor Cook the Council voted to adjourn at 3.44 p. m., to meet on Monday, April 25, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Wednesday, April 13, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 a. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Cantwell.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 11, 1949.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you attend a special meeting of the City Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, School street, on Wednesday, April 13, 1949, at 11 a. m.

This meeting is called to consider imperative needs of three departments of the city, namely, the Fire Department, the Library Department, and the Park Department, and other business which might come before that Honorable Body.

I sincerely trust that you will make a special effort to attend.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Daniel W. Tierney, Jordan Hall, May 6.

Jean Paige, Jordan Hall, May 31.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

OLD CONVALESCENT HOME, DORCHESTER.

A communication was received from the Old Dorchester Post No. 55, American Legion, favoring surrendering by City of Boston of land of Old Convalescent Home on Dorchester avenue to the Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul, for establishment of Carney Hospital in Dorchester.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of the following provisional appointments:

William J. Gleason, 421 Geneva avenue, Dorchester, inspector of housing and sanitation, effective April 11, 1949.

John Van Wart, 4 Gay Head street, Jamaica Plain, inspector of housing and sanitation, effective April 13, 1949.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by Boston

Housing Authority of \$504.67 for changing and installing gas mains at Arborway Veterans' Housing Project.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received by the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held April 20, 1949, at 11.30 a. m., at its hearing room on petition of Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company for authority to issue evidence of indebtedness in aggregate amount of \$100,000 and to borrow amounts not exceeding in the aggregate \$225,000 from Plant Replacement Fund assets.

Placed on file.

ROPING OFF DUDLEY STREET AND ELIOT SQUARE.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to rope off Dudley street and Eliot square, Roxbury, on Tuesday, April 19, 1949, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 12 noon, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 50, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 50 of the Acts of 1949, entitled, "An Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Land on Myrtle Street in the City of Boston from the School Department to the Park Department of said City," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET.

Coun. COFFEY moved that the order (referred April 11) for supplementary appropriations in the Fire, Library, and Park Departments be recalled from the Executive Committee.

The motion was lost.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council took a recess at 11.33 a. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 5.20 p. m.

SALE OF OLD CONVALESCENT HOME, DORCHESTER.

Coun. BEADES and KEENAN offered the following:

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land containing approximately 373,289 square feet, situated on the easterly side of Dorchester avenue and adjacent to Dorchester Park in the Dorchester district. This parcel of land was acquired by purchase and the deed thereof is dated April 19, 1890, and is recorded with the Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Book 1930, page 548;

Whereas, This parcel of property was formerly used by the Hospital Department of the City of Boston as a convalescent home for women; and

Whereas, The use of this parcel of property for hospital purposes has been abandoned and the Trustees of the City Hospital have

by a vote passed on May 16, 1941, authorized the disposal of this parcel of property; and

Whereas, This parcel of property is no longer needed for public purposes; therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to sell this parcel of land hereinafter described for the price of one dollar (\$1) to the Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul, Carney Hospital, purchasers at the time of sale, by a written instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston conveying this parcel of land subject to the following exception and reservation. The parcel of land hereinbefore authorized to be sold and conveyed shall be subject to the express exception and reservation that the City of Boston, its successors and assigns shall have the right and easement necessary for the maintenance, construction and operation of sewer works in the location designated on the plan hereinafter referred to. The parcel of land herein authorized to be sold and conveyed is bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by the easterly line of Dorchester avenue seven hundred twenty-four and 80-100 (724.80) feet, northerly by lines now or formerly of John J. White, Mary C. Harrington, Patrick Barry, et al., and Margaret W. Barry, one hundred eighty-nine and 70-100 (189.70) feet, easterly by lines now or formerly of Margaret W. Barry, Peter Kelley, et al., Mary C. Murray, and John F. Caskins, et al., two hundred six and 60-100 (206.60) feet, easterly by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park) by two measurements, two hundred eight and 03-100 (208.03) feet and six hundred twenty-six (626.00) feet, southerly by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park) seven hundred fifty-four and 30-100 (754.30) feet, containing 373,189 square feet of land more or less. The said parcel of land, all of the above measurements, and the location of the right and easement of the City of Boston for sewerage works are shown on the plan marked "City of Boston, Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester, March 31, 1944, William J. Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department" on file in the office of said Department, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Coun. BEADES moved suspension of the rule and passage of the order.

The rule was suspended, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

Assigned for fourteen days for final action.

REQUESTED SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED NEW FIRE CODE.

Coun. BEADES, KEENAN and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately submit to the City Council the proposed new fire code in order that the Council may take proper action on the matter.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REGRET AT DEATH OF MICHAEL P. CANTWELL.

President HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its deep regret and offers its sympathy to Councilor Michael Herbert Cantwell because of the untimely death of his father, Michael P. Cantwell.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

INCREASED EMPLOYEES, CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the trustees of the City Hospital to increase the number of employees in the City Hospital in proportion to the increase in the number of patients.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 11) for supplementary appropriations in the Fire, Library, and Park Departments—recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella to suspend Rule 6 of the Rules of the City Council, the motion was lost, yeas 2, nays 16:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Keenan—2.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Voting present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

On motion of Councilor Hannon to reduce Item B-39 from \$10,000 to \$5,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

The appropriation of \$10,000 in Item B-39 was passed, yeas 13, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—5.

The appropriation of \$2,500 in Item C-7 was passed, yeas 15, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—15.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Hannon, Yerxa—3.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item C-13 was passed, yeas 12, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—5.

Voting present—Councilor Bryan—1.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reduce Item C-16 from \$20,000 to \$10,000, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

The appropriation of \$20,000 in Item C-16 was passed, yeas 13, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—5.

The appropriation of \$1,000 in Item C-17 was passed, yeas 12, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—5.

The appropriation of \$2,000 in Item D-11 was passed, yeas 12, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item D-13 was passed, yeas 16, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—16.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa to reduce Item E-1 from \$4,000 to \$3,000, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

The appropriation of \$4,000 in Item E-1 was passed, yeas 13, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—5.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the Council voted to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, at 7.20 p. m. The members re-assembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 7.50 p. m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item E-10 was passed, yeas 17, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item E-13 was passed, yeas 12, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—6.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item B-8 was passed, yeas 11, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

On motion of Councilor Carey it was voted to reduce Item B-39 from \$35,000 to \$25,000. Yeas 12, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Keenan, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Shanley, Wenzler—6.

Coun. KINSELLA moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was lost, yeas 6, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Shanley, Wenzler—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Keenan, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Yerxa—13.

Item B-39 as amended was passed, yeas 16, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, Wenzler—3.

The appropriation of \$2,000 in Item C-9 was passed, yeas 11, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

On motion of Councilor Carey it was voted to reduce Item C-10 from \$50,000 to \$25,000. Item C-10 as amended was passed, yeas 11, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Wenzler, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan—7.

The appropriation of \$1,000 in Item D-1 was passed, yeas 10, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

Voting present—Councilor Bryan—1.

The appropriation of \$600 in Item D-16 was rejected, yeas 8, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—8.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—9.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reduce Item E-13 from \$5,000 to \$3,000, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—11.

The appropriation of \$5,000 in Item E-13 was passed, yeas 14, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—14.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—4.

PARK DEPARTMENT.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reduce Item B-6 from \$10,000 to \$5,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

The question then came on passage of Item B-6 for \$10,000, and the item was rejected (two-thirds vote being required for passage), yeas 11, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack—6.

Voting present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey it was voted to reconsider the foregoing vote. The appropriation of \$10,000 in Item B-6 was again rejected (two-thirds vote being required for passage), yeas 11, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack—6.

Voting present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

On motion of Councilor Carey to reduce Item B-14 from \$6,900 to \$3,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa it was voted to reduce Item B-14 from \$6,000 to \$5,000. The appropriation in Item B-14, as amended, was passed, yeas 16, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Keenan—2.

On motion of Councilor Hannon to reduce Item B-39 from \$25,000 to \$13,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reduce Item B-39 from \$25,000 to \$20,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

On motion of Councilor Chase to reduce Item B-39 from \$25,000 to \$5,000, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—12.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa it was voted to reduce Item B-39 from \$25,000 to \$22,500.

On motion of Councilor Chase to reduce Item B-39 from \$25,000 to \$7,000, the motion was lost, yeas 5, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Linehan, McCormack—5.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—13.

Voting present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

The appropriation in Item B-39, as amended, was passed, yeas 18, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa to reduce Item B-42 from \$20,000 to \$15,000, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey to reduce Item B-42 from \$20,000 to \$17,500, the motion was lost, yeas 4, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Hannon, Ramsey, Tracy—4.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—13.

Voting present—Councilors Lanigan, Yerxa—2.

The appropriation of \$20,000 in Item B-42 was rejected (two-thirds vote being required for passage), yeas 12, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase, Linehan, Yerxa—4.

Voting present—Councilors Bryan, Hannon, McCormack—3.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey it was voted to reconsider the foregoing vote.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reduce Item B-42 from \$20,000 to \$16,000, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Chase, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—13.

On motion of Councilor Coffey it was voted to reduce Item B-42 from \$20,000 to \$18,000. Yeas 13, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack—6.

The appropriation in Item B-42, as amended, was rejected (two-thirds vote being required for passage), yeas 12, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting present—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Yerxa—6.

The appropriation of \$3,000 in Item C-4 was passed, yeas 18, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

The appropriation of \$1,000 in Item C-7 was passed, yeas 18, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

On motion of Councilor Hannon to reduce Item E-13 from \$10,000 to \$7,500, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

Voting present—Councilor Chase—1.

On motion of Councilor Hannon it was voted to reconsider the foregoing vote.

On motion of Councilor Hannon to reduce Item E-13 from \$10,000 to \$7,500, the motion was lost.

The appropriation in Item E-13 for \$10,000 was passed, yeas 17, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted to adjourn at 10.36 p. m., to meet on Monday, April 25, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Thursday, April 21, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hannon, McCormack, Sullivan, Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.

Mr. John B. Hynes,
City Clerk, Boston.

Dear Sir:

The signing by His Excellency the Governor of Senate Bill 1616 (chapter 191, Acts of 1949), making provision for the removal of houses at East Boston in the line of transit development work, should be acted upon without delay, and it is desirable that your Honorable Body assemble at the Council Chamber on Thursday, April 21, at 1 p. m., to consider this matter; also the question of providing the necessary money for the reconstruction of the bridge on Charlesgate West which has been closed to public travel due to the necessity for immediate replacement, and such other matters that may come before your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

FIRE ALARM BOXES AT VETERANS' HOUSING PROJECTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 13, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department, relative to your order of February 28, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of all the veterans' housing developments in Ward 18, with a view to installing sufficient fire alarm boxes to cover the area.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Fire Department, April 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Pursuant to City Council order dated February 28, requesting the Fire Commissioner to make a survey of all veterans' housing in Ward 18 relative to installation of fire alarm boxes, I directed the Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Division to submit a report to determine the need for additional fire alarm boxes. Attached herewith is copy of report from Superintendent O'Banion.

With the amounts allowed in the 1949 budget, the department intends to install approximately 40 new fire alarm boxes throughout the city, 20 of which would be placed in the areas as designated on page 1 of the report.

With regard to the over-all requirements of the city, i.e., the installation of 400 to 500 additional boxes in order to comply with National Fire Protection Association standards, this would necessitate a program covering several years.

The cost for installation of a new fire alarm box is approximately \$200 per box when attached to a pole connected to overhead wires, and \$300 for a post box with underground connections. In addition, there is the cost of installing the under-

ground conduits, and this cost would vary depending upon the amount of underground work to be done.

In the cases of the temporary housing developments on Franklin Field, Alsen Village and Columbia Park, the fire alarm boxes installed in these areas were paid for by the contractors. I presume the City of Boston would have to pay the installation charges, however, in the cases of the permanent housing zones for veterans.

It is also proposed to install two fire alarm boxes in the Hancock Village development during 1949.

Respectfully yours,

RUSSELL CODMAN, Fire Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Fire Alarm Division, April 12, 1949.

From: A. L. O'Banion, Superintendent, Fire Alarm Division.

To: Russell S. Codman, Jr., Fire Commissioner.
Subject: Installation of Fire Alarm Boxes in Ward 18.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your instructions I have made a survey of Ward 18 for the purpose of installing additional fire alarm boxes, especially in connection with fire protection to new housing groups in this ward.

Like other sections of the city, there are many locations where fire alarm boxes should be installed in order to provide the protection as recommended by the National Fire Protection Association. In order to provide protection to these areas and the new housing groups in this ward, it will require the installation of approximately 25 additional fire alarm boxes.

The principal areas where fire alarm boxes should be installed are as follows:

Faraday Street-Wolcott Road Section . . .	2 Boxes
Truman Highway Section	3 Boxes
Turtle Pond Parkway Section	2 Boxes
Neponset Valley Parkway Section	2 Boxes
Poplar Street-West Street Section	6 Boxes
River Street Section, Mattapan	5 Boxes

There are also other streets and areas in this ward where the distance to fire alarm boxes is greater than recommended by the National Fire Protection Association. A survey of these other streets is being continued, so that additional fire alarm boxes will be added in other sections in this ward as required.

There are also other sections in the city with a more dense population and more hazardous building construction where the distribution of fire alarm boxes is poor and below recommendations of the National Fire Protection Association.

The installation of fire alarm boxes depends upon a number of factors: the appropriation of sufficient money to purchase boxes (C-3); fire alarm posts (C-17); cross arms (C-17); conduit, wire, and cable (E-10); appropriation in Budget Item B-39 for contract work to install underground conduit; and the allowance of a sufficient force of men on the construction force to perform the work of extending the fire alarm system as well as maintaining and repairing the present system.

For many years the appropriations for the purchase of fire alarm boxes, posts, and cables have been reduced, so that very few boxes have been added during the past ten years; and the replacement of cables has been neglected, so that a large per cent of the man hours available has been required to constantly repair the present system to keep it in operating condition.

It is recognized that the fire alarm box is the primary connecting link between the public and the Fire Department. Regardless of the amount of apparatus available it is first necessary to get the alarm to the Fire Department. The fire alarm box is the safest, quickest, most reliable, and most positive means of calling the Fire Department.

In 1852 the City of Boston installed the first electric fire alarm telegraph system in the world, with 48 miles of wire and 45 fire alarm boxes. Today we have 1,824 fire alarm boxes connected by a network of approximately 2,000 miles of underground circuit wires and approximately 200 miles of overhead circuits.

The National Fire Protection Association has set up standards of box distribution for proper fire protection. In order to meet the minimum of these requirements the City of Boston should install 400 to 500 additional fire alarm boxes throughout the city.

Besides the installation of public fire alarm boxes on the streets, an effort should be made to get private and parochial schools and hospitals to install fire alarm boxes within the premises in order to provide better fire protection.

A. L. O'BANTON,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 13, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic signals at the intersection of Columbus avenue and New Heath street, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 7, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Columbus Avenue and New Heath Street, Roxbury.

Dear Sir:

The traffic in Columbus avenue is very heavy in both directions. The volume crossing Columbus avenue in New Heath street is, however, so light that we do not believe it would justify the installation of a stop-and-go traffic signal.

Our records show that five motor vehicle accidents involving personal injuries have occurred at this intersection since January 1, 1947. An analysis of these accidents reveals that it is questionable whether the operation of a traffic signal would have avoided any one of them.

For the above reasons it is my opinion that the matter of installing a traffic signal at this intersection should be deferred until such time as other more dangerous locations have been signalized.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE-WAY STREETS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 13, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the making of Charlotte street, Esmond street, and Wales street, in the Dorchester district, Ward 14, into one-way streets for the safety of its residents.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 7, 1949, Requesting that Charlotte Street, Esmond Street, and Wales Street Be Made One-Way Streets.

Dear Sir:

In reference to the subject Council order, please be advised that at a recent meeting of this commission Esmond street was made one way from Bradshaw street to Harvard street.

Wales street runs from Blue Hill avenue to Talbot avenue. There is no suitable parallel street to take care of the traffic that would be diverted from Wales street if it was made a one-way street.

Charlotte street runs from Blue Hill avenue to Bradshaw street and is one of many other similar residential streets in this area.

I do not believe that anything should be done toward making these streets one way without first considering the entire area, including Glenway street and other parallel streets in this vicinity.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS, WARD 8.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 13, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the erecting of "Stop" signs at the junction of Hampden, Norfolk, and Yeoman streets, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 7, 1949, Requesting the Erection of "Stop" Signs at the Junction of Hampden, Norfolk, and Yeoman Streets, Ward 8.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our records show that no motor vehicle accidents involving personal injuries have occurred at the subject intersection since January 1, 1947.

Hampden street is fairly heavily traveled, but the volume of cross traffic in Norfolk and Yeoman streets is negligible. Furthermore, motorists approaching the intersection are afforded adequate sight distance in practically every direction.

It is my opinion that conditions do not warrant the erection of "Stop" signs.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 13, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights at Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue and Harvard street and Washington street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 7, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Talbot Avenue and Blue Hill Avenue and Harvard Street and Washington Street.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that an investigation by the engineers of this department has led to the following conclusions concerning the subject Council order:

1. The intersection of Angell street, Blue Hill avenue, Harvard street, and Talbot avenue cannot be controlled by automatic traffic signals. However, plans are being considered for channelizing this square.

2. Our accident files show that the intersection of Bowdoin street, Bowdoin avenue, Harvard street, and Washington street is not a high accident frequency location. Accordingly, we believe that the signalization of this intersection should be deferred until other more serious accident intersections can be taken care of.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, in further reply to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Columbia road and Quincy street, Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 14, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 21, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Columbia Road and Quincy Street, Ward 15.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to the subject Council order, the engineers of this department have submitted a report which indicates a need for traffic signals at the above location.

Accordingly, this intersection will be included in a list to be given consideration when and if funds are made available for additional signals.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF "NO PARKING" SIGNS,
WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the removal of "No Parking" signs from Morton street and Blue Hill avenue to Landor road, and from Morton street to Lucerne street, Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 14, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 28, 1949, Requesting the Removal of "No Parking" Signs from Morton Street and Blue Hill Avenue to Landor Road, and from Morton Street to Lucerne Street, Ward 14.

Dear Sir:

The intersection of Blue Hill avenue and Morton street is a very difficult location to control traffic. We have a three-period time, plus a pedestrian period, and the bad parking conditions in Blue Hill avenue and in Morton street have forced us to place the present parking prohibition in these streets so as to get better traffic release into the intersection.

In a former recommendation it was suggested that parking meters be installed in Blue Hill avenue from Landor road northerly.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PUSH-BUTTON TRAFFIC LIGHTS,
WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the installing of push-button traffic lights at the intersection of South Huntington avenue, Moraine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 8, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated April 4, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Push-Button Traffic Lights at the Intersection of South Huntington Avenue, Moraine and Boylston Streets, Ward 19.

Dear Sir:

The engineers of this commission will make a study of the above location, and upon receipt of their report consideration will be given to the installation of the lights requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith further answer from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the installation of push-button traffic lights at the intersection of South Huntington avenue, Moraine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 14, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 4, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Push-Button Traffic Lights at the Intersection of South Huntington Avenue, Moraine and Boylston Streets, Ward 19.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to subject Council order, the engineers of this department have submitted a report which indicates a need for pedestrian push-button signals.

Accordingly, this intersection will be included among the intersections to be given consideration when and if funds are made available for additional signals.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Severally placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights at Lamartine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 8, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 4, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Lamartine and Boylston Streets, Ward 19.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our engineers will make a study of the above location, and upon receipt of their report consideration will be given to the installation of the signals requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE-WAY SIGN, WARREN AND
INTERVALE STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of

April 11, 1949, concerning the erection of a one-way sign at the corner of Warren and Intervale streets, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 18, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting That a One-Way Sign at the Corner of Warren and Intervale Streets, Roxbury, Be Erected.

Dear Sir:

In response to the subject Council order, please be advised that our engineers will make a study of the request contained therein. Upon receipt of their report I will notify you of their recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE-WAY ROTARY CIRCLE AT KANE SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the advisability of making the circle at Hancock and Bowdoin streets (Kane square) a one-way rotary circle.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 18, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting That a Study Be Made as to the Advisability of Making the Circle at Hancock and Bowdoin Streets (Kane Square) a One-Way Rotary Circle.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our engineers will make a study of the request contained in the subject Council order.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE WAY FOR PART OF UNITY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith report of the Traffic Commission, the same constituting a reply to order adopted by your Honorable Body under date of April 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, April 14, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting This Commission to Make Unity Street One Way from Tileston Street to Charter Street, Ward 3.

Dear Sir:

The engineers of this department will make a study of traffic conditions in Unity street and, upon receipt of their report, the matter will be taken up at a meeting of the full board for action.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

UTILIZING CITY-OWNED LAND FOR PARKING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 14, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I beg to forward herewith reply received from the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, constituting their answer to the order adopted by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
April 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

Your letter of April 8 received, requesting a report as to the advisability of utilizing small lots taken by the city for parking.

This department has, from time to time, rented lots for parking purposes, and we would be very pleased to rent any lot which we have for a small rental fee for parking purposes, pending the sale of these properties when a customer is obtained who desires to purchase the same.

Many of our sales of vacant land in the residential sections have been sales to abutters of our property who desire it just for the purpose of parking cars in conjunction with their own property. These lots, of course, are small ones and are scattered widely throughout the city.

This office is ready at all times to assist any individual who desires to rent city-owned property for parking purposes.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLAY AREA, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 12, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the laying-out of a play area in the vicinity of Kenton road and Gartland street in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 11, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Commission to lay out a play area in the vicinity of Kenton road and Gartland street in Ward 11, Jamaica Plain.

I have looked over this particular location in regard to creating another play area. There is a certain little colony between Washington street and Forest Hills street that is fairly heavily settled and without any play area without crossing some of the heavily traveled streets.

There is a low area at the corner of Kenton road and Gartland street which appears to be privately owned. It is probably the location suggested by Councilor Tracy. It would be necessary first for the city to obtain this property. Then it would have to be filled in, fenced in, surfaced, and equipment placed there. Although a play area in this colony would have much merit, at the present time, with the reduction in the city's budget, it would seem as though we should spend what little we have in trying to maintain the properties we now have. The location is only about one third of a mile to Franklin Park and about one half of a mile to the Murphy Playground on Carolina avenue.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the obtaining of land at the junction of Canterbury and Poplar streets, Ward 19, for the establishment of a playground.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 11, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 4, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to obtain the land at the junction of Canterbury and Poplar streets, Ward 19, for the establishment of a playground.

During the past ten years this site has been considered many times for a playground. It is a logical location. It is about half way between Healy Playground and Fallon Field and would serve a well-populated area. It contains about 250,000 square feet and has good possibilities.

However, at the present time, with a reduction in the city's budget, it is debatable if we should consider taking additional land for playground purposes, particularly since the budget, which was made wholly for the maintenance of the properties we now have, has been cut.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SANDING OF SOUTH BOSTON BEACHES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the placing of additional medium grain sand on the L Street beaches and all other South Boston beaches in Ward 7 before the bathing season begins.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 18, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to place additional medium grain sand on the L Street beaches and all other South Boston beaches in Ward 7 before the bathing season begins.

It has been the custom in the past to place sand on any of these beaches where it was deemed necessary. We do not place additional sand on every beach every year. Some years additional sand is placed at L Street; other years Marine Park and Columbus Park might get the additional sand.

This furnishing and spreading of sand on the bathing beaches is another one of those contractual items where the work must be done by contract. Again, this is one of the items, under which this type of work is done, which the City Council decided we should economize on or cut down on.

Sometime after the middle of May every consideration will be given to this City Council order, but I feel that the only way in which some of these things can be carried out is to grant the amount of money that is requested for such items so that such work can be carried out.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BASEBALL DIAMOND, FRANKLIN FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the providing of a proper diamond in Franklin Field.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 18, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to provide proper diamond facilities in Franklin Field.

We have been somewhat delayed in doing this work, due to the uncertainty of the amount to be allotted in the budget for work of this type. With our own men we can always do some work on the baseball diamonds, but any sizable amount of work would have to be done under contract.

You can rest assured that we will give this City Council request every consideration and will do as much as we possibly can within the funds allocated.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

KEEPING OF ROLLER AT AQUARIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949;
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the keeping of a roller at the Aquarium, City Point, so that it will be available for use whenever necessary to keep the softball field in suitable condition.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 18, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to keep a roller at the Aquarium, City Point, so that it will be available for use whenever necessary to keep the softball field in suitable condition.

I wish to state that we will do our best to keep this field rolled. However, I feel it is not advisable to leave a roller at this location all year. It would be out in the open, and after hours a certain amount of damage would be done to the roller. Also, with the number of rollers we have in the department for the number of locations, it would not be possible to assign one roller to this particular place. We will try to give the best service possible at this location.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

COLUMBUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the laying-out of soft and hard ball diamonds and the construction of back stops on Columbus Park, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 18, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to lay out soft and hard ball diamonds and construct back stops on Columbus Park, Ward 7.

Last year we attempted to regrade and reseed that portion of Columbus Park which had been used for war gardens for the past five or six years. It certainly will be necessary to do something at Columbus Park so as to provide better facilities for baseball and softball playing.

There is not much doubt but we need additional back stops and some of the others need to be repaired. Only a certain amount of work can be done with city help. Much of this work has to be done under contract.

This year material cuts were made in certain of the contractual items of the Park Department budget, the intent being to minimize on the amount of work to be done in the way of putting some of these places in good condition. Consideration will be given to the request of the City Council, and as much as possible will be done. It will be governed to some degree by the amount of money that has been allocated for such type of work.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TENEAN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the cleaning up of Tenean Beach, removal of rocks and stones, and putting on new sand; also repairing of the bathhouse and park area adjacent to the beach.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 18, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to take steps to immediately clear up Tenean Beach—not only to remove rocks, stones, etc., and to put on new sand, but also to repair the bathhouse and park area adjacent to the beach.

It is our usual custom, after the winter season, to remove stones that have gathered at the beaches. We usually start such work shortly after Memorial Day and complete it before the opening of the bathing season on June 15. It has been found advisable to do this work just a few weeks before the opening of the bathing season, as many times we have heavy rainstorms during April and May. The sanding of the beaches is usually done during the first two weeks of June, at which time the stones are removed.

This year some of these construction items, or items under which we do such work under contract, have been materially reduced. One of these items, B-42, was cut by the City Council in the amount of \$20,000, or more than 30 per cent of the amount submitted to the Council.

Every consideration will be given to placing the bathhouse in condition for the opening of the season; also the park area adjacent to the beach. Again, this work will be deferred until sometime between May 15 and June 15, so that we will have completed the repairs to the bathhouse just about in time for the opening of the bathing season, at which time we will move our personnel into the house.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT, PRINCE STREET, WARD 3.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of an arc light opposite 124 Prince street, Ward 3, in front of the John DeFilippo Playground.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 18, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an arc light opposite 124 Prince street, Ward 3, in front of the John DeFilippo Playground, and this will advise you that a lamp has been ordered installed at this location.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the installing of additional street lighting facilities on Glen road, Glenside avenue, Sigourney street, Rocky Nook terrace, and Forest Hills street, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 18, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install additional street lighting facilities on Glen road, Glenside avenue, Sigourney street, Rocky Nook terrace, and Forest Hills street, Ward 11, and this will advise you that a survey of these streets will be made by the Edison Company with a view to improving conditions, if necessary.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

LIGHTING, ST. JAMES TERRACE, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the installing of electric lights of sufficient size on St. James terrace, Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 18, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install electric lights of sufficient size on St. James terrace, Ward 12, and this will advise you that the Lighting

Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this location with a view to installing the lights as requested.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CHANGE FROM GAS TO ELECTRIC LIGHTING, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the changing of the gas lights on Easton, Raymond, Riverdale, Arden, and North Harvard streets to electric lights.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Public Works Department,
 April 18, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
 Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Street Lighting Department change the gas lights on Easton, Raymond, Riverdale, Arden, and North Harvard streets to electric lights, and this will advise you that a survey will be made by the Edison Company with a view to changing over from gas to electric lamps as requested.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAVING OF WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 11, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the repaving of Washington street, from Grove Hall to Codman square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Public Works Department,
 April 11, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
 Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works include Washington street, from Grove Hall to Codman square, on his list of streets for repaving this year, and this will advise you that same will be placed on the list to be given consideration for construction this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF VACANT LOTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 18, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the notifying of owners of vacant lots in the West, South, and North Ends of Boston, where garbage and other refuse has been deposited, to immediately clean up their lots which are a menace to the health of the public.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Health Department, April 15, 1949.
 Hon. James M. Curley,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your memorandum of April 13, enclosing City Council order, dated April 11, requesting his Honor the Mayor to request the Health Commissioner to notify owners of vacant lots in the West, North, and South Ends of Boston, where garbage and other refuse has been deposited, to immediately clean up their lots.

Prior to April 1, the Health Department planned a clean-up program for the City of Boston. In order that this campaign should be as effective as possible, Superintendent Fallon of the Police Department, Deputy Chief Bowers of the Fire Department, Timothy O'Leary of the Public Works Department, and Joseph A. Cahalan, Deputy Commissioner of the Health Department, Division of Housing and Sanitation, met in my office. Plans were formulated for an intensive program, which is now under way. Inspectors from the Health Department are serving legal notices on owners of land in all sections of the city where insanitary conditions exist, in order that they may be remedied, and this campaign will continue until this is accomplished.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
 Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CHARLESGATE WEST BRIDGE REPAIRS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 20, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the accompanying communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, setting forth that an emergency makes necessary the sum of \$70,000 to be provided for alterations and repairs to the Charlesgate West Bridge in the Back Bay Fens, and I respectfully recommend the immediate consideration and adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Park Department, April 20, 1949.
 Hon. James M. Curley,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Charlesgate West Bridge in the Back Bay Fens over the Boston and Albany Railroad tracks has been closed on account of its weakened condition for the past two weeks. Inspection made by the department under the direction of a consulting engineer indicates that we will have to make major alterations and repairs.

Five of the seven main plate girders for lengths of about 20 feet over the main tracks will have to be replaced. The cross I-beams in most cases will have to be restored with new I-beams and additional I-beams installed. All the wooden stringers and planking will have to be replaced with new timber, and a new road surface over this planking floor will have to be constructed.

The proposed plan and design of strengthening the bridge will, when completed, allow a 20-ton live load. The original bridge built in 1882 was designed for a 16-ton live load.

This bridge is on the main parkway connecting the Back Bay Fens with Commonwealth avenue. It cannot be closed too long, as it seriously ties up traffic in this busy section. It is estimated that the cost for the alterations and repairs will be \$70,000.

I respectfully request that a special appropriation be made available for this purpose so that the work may proceed without further delay.

Respectfully,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

PARK DEPARTMENT.

Charlesgate West Bridge, Alterations and
Repairs..... \$70,000

The rule was suspended, and the order was
passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell,
Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hurley, Keenan,
Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey,
Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.
Nays—0.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 191, ACTS OF
1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In connection with the extension of the rapid transit facilities in the East Boston district of the City of Boston, it is necessary to relocate certain buildings in East Boston in order that these facilities may be completed. Legislation was proposed which would permit the Transit Department to arrange for the relocation of these buildings, the necessary funds to be borrowed outside the limit of indebtedness of the city. The Legislature recently passed chapter 191, a copy of which is herewith attached, authorizing the Transit Department to proceed with this project, provided this act is accepted by the Mayor and Council.

According to the attached communication from the Chairman of the Transit Department, the progress of construction of the rapid transit facilities in East Boston has reached a point where the land on which the buildings in question are now situated is immediately required for the completion of the rapid transit route.

I therefore respectfully recommend that chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, an order for which is attached hereto, be accepted without delay by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Transit Department, April 20, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

The Transit Department of the City of Boston is in receipt of chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Relocate Certain Buildings in the East Boston District of Said City and to Borrow Money Outside the Debt Limit to Meet the Cost of Such Relocation."

The purpose of this act is outlined in section 1— to avoid as far as practicable during the present housing emergency in Boston and elsewhere the demolition of dwelling units soon to be acquired in East Boston for transit purposes under chapter 692 of the Acts of 1945 as amended.

Provision is made for acquisition, either by eminent domain or by purchase, gift, or otherwise, of land on which existing dwelling units may be relocated.

The Transit Department under the provisions of the act will arrange for the removal of these dwelling units from their present location to the new location and to put them in condition for continued occupancy thereafter.

The disposal of the dwelling units upon completion of their removal will be:

(a) By private sale to the person who owned the building immediately prior to its acquisition by the city; or

(b) By private sale to any person residing in the building at the time of the acquisition by the city; or

(c) By sale to the highest bidder at a public auction.

The terms and conditions of the sale are contained in said section 1 and generally provide that the city will be reimbursed for all costs resulting from the acquisition of the land and the removal of the buildings.

Under section 2 of the act the City Treasurer is authorized to borrow from time to time such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding \$250,000, and may issue bonds and notes therefor which shall bear on their face the words "City of Boston, Housing Relocation Loan, Acts of 1949."

The indebtedness incurred under the act is outside the statutory debt limit.

The Transit Department has no authority until the effective date of this act to proceed with the detail of acquiring these houses for housing relocation.

The progress of construction of the rapid transit facilities in East Boston has reached a point where the land on which the buildings in question are now situated is immediately required for the completion of the rapid transit route.

This act can only take full effect upon its acceptance during the current year by vote of the City Council, subject to the provisions of the City Charter, but not otherwise.

There is obvious urgency for immediate acceptance of chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949.

Respectfully,
MALCOLM E. NICHOLS, Chairman.

CHAPTER 191.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred
and Forty-nine.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO
RELOCATE CERTAIN BUILDINGS IN THE EAST
BOSTON DISTRICT OF SAID CITY AND TO
BORROW MONEY OUTSIDE THE DEBT LIMIT
TO MEET THE COST OF SUCH RELOCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of avoiding, so far as practicable, during the period of public exigency, emergency and distress now existing on account of the acute shortage of housing in Boston and many other cities and towns of the commonwealth, the demolition of dwelling units on land heretofore or hereafter acquired in the East Boston district of the city of Boston for the purposes of chapter six hundred and ninety-two of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-five, as amended, the transit department of the city of Boston, acting in the name and behalf of said city, may acquire by eminent domain under chapter seventy-nine or chapter eighty A of the General Laws or by purchase, gift or otherwise in said city one or more parcels of land entirely or almost entirely unoccupied by buildings and, by itself, its agents or servants or by independent contractors, remove thereto any or all buildings with dwelling units standing on land heretofore or hereafter acquired for the purposes of said chapter six hundred and ninety-two, as amended. If the price proposed to be paid for a parcel of land for the aforesaid purposes is more than twenty-five per cent in excess of its average assessed valuation during the previous three years, said land shall not be acquired by purchase hut shall be taken by eminent domain. Any building legally in existence prior to its relocation shall retain its legal status without any alteration which might be required pursuant to provisions of law relating to the new site. Upon completion of the removal of a building under this act, said transit department shall proceed, without further authority than that contained in this act, to dispose of the building and the lot upon it has been relocated in one or more of the following ways:—(a) By private sale to the person who owned the building immediately prior to its acquisition by the city, at a price equal (1) to the approximate cost to the city of the removal of the building and of the acquisition of the lot upon which the building has been relocated, or (2) to the approximate cost to the city of the original acquisition of the building and of the land upon which it then stood, whichever is higher; or (b) By private sale to any person residing in the building at the time of its acquisition by the city, at a price equal (1) to the approximate cost to the city of the removal of the building and of the acquisition of the lot upon which the building has been relocated, or (2) to the approximate cost to the city of the original acquisition of the building and of the land upon which it then stood, whichever is higher; or (c) By sale to the highest bidder at a public auction at which said transit department may reserve the right to reject all bids below an amount fixed by said transit department. The proceeds from all sales under this act shall be paid into a special account set up on the books of the city and known as the

"Housing Relocation Fund" and shall be used solely for the payment of indebtedness incurred under this act, together with interest thereon; provided, however, that if the amount in the fund at any time exceeds the total amount of indebtedness incurred under this act and then outstanding, together with interest thereon, the excess may be used for general municipal purposes.

SECT. 2. To meet the costs and expenses incurred by said transit department under section one of this act, the treasurer of said city, without further authority than that contained in this act, shall borrow from time to time, as requested by said transit department, such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding in the aggregate two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and may issue bonds and notes therefor, which shall bear on their face the words "City of Boston, Housing Relocation Loan, Act of 1949." Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan, and such loans shall be payable in not more than three years from their dates. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall be in excess of the statutory limit, but shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be subject to all laws relative to the incurring of debt by said city.

SECT. 3. This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance during the current year by vote of the city council of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise.

House of Representatives, April 14, 1949.

Passed to be enacted,

TIMOTHY P. O'NEILL, Jr., Speaker.

In Senate, April 14, 1949.

Passed to be enacted,

CHESTER A. DOLAN, Jr., President.

April 18, 1949.

Approved.

PAUL A. DEVER, Governor.

Ordered, That chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Relocate Certain Buildings in the East Boston District of Said City and to Borrow Money Outside the Debt Limit to Meet the Cost of Such Relocation," be, and hereby is, accepted.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the rule was suspended, and the order was passed.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received, viz.:

Adolphe Robicheau, Boston Conservatory Auditorium, April 23 and 25.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES FROM PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY.

Notice was received from the Port of Boston Authority of hearing to be held at office of the Authority on April 26, at 10.30 a. m., on application of Winde-McCormick Lumber Company and/or Hardwood Terminal Warehouse Realty Trust for license to fill in and over the tidewaters of Mystic River in City of Boston.

Notice was received of hearing to be held April 26, at 11 n. m., on petition of New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for license to lay, maintain, and operate one armored submarine telephone cable in and over the tidewaters of Fort Point Channel in City of Boston.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held April 29, at 10.15 a. m., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval by department of construction, maintenance, and use of an alteration and addition to existing locations for railway tracks in Brighton avenue, Brighton.

Placed on file.

MTA POLE LOCATION.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of pole location granted Metropolitan Transit Authority for erection, maintenance, and use of one pole on easterly side of Blue Hill avenue, south of West Cottage street.

Placed on file.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE.

Notice was received from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court of assignment by Chief Justice of Daniel J. Cavan as judge of the Appellate Division for Northern District for period expiring September 30, 1951.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 197, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 197 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Civil Service Status of Egress and Zoning Inspectors in the Building Department of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

DEATH OF RABBI STEPHEN S. WISE.

Coun. ANSEL, COOK, SHANLEY, RAMSEY, BEADES, CANTWELL and LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extends its sincere sympathy and condolence to the family of the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, for many years head of the Free Synagogue in New York, an outstanding American citizen, and one of the founders of the Zionist organization of America, and who, as President of the American Jewish Congress, constantly fought to attain the priceless heritage of human rights for freedom-loving peoples throughout the world, and whose dream of a free State of Israel has become a reality; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

The rule was suspended and the resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

NAMING OF HYMAN BELSKY SQUARE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Morton street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Hyman Belsky, who lost his life on November 30, 1944, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED EXPENDITURES FOR REMOVAL OF EAST BOSTON HOMES.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to inquire into the proposed expenditures for removal of homes affected by the extension of the East Boston subway and to report to the City Council their findings within seven days. The order was rejected.

CONGRATULATIONS TO VERY REVEREND LOUIS B. PASTORELLI.

Coun. LANIGAN and COFFEY offered the following:

Whereas, Fifty years ago the honor and distinction of being the first Boston-born boy of Italian extraction to enter the Roman Catholic Josephite Order of Missionaries was conferred upon Louis B. Pastorelli; and

Whereas, During the fifty years since his ordination this young Boston Italian boy has risen to the heights of being the Superior of the Josephite Fathers for a period of twenty-six years, and later rector of St. Joseph's Seminary at Washington, D. C.; and

Whereas, The Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli, S. S. J., now holds the elevated position of Director Emeritus of St. Joseph's Seminary; and

Whereas, In celebration of his fifty years of priestly service in the Missionary Order of the Josephite Fathers, and in commemoration of the anniversary of his ordination, the high personal tribute and official blessing of the Archbishop of Boston, Richard J. Cushing, was bestowed upon the Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli on April 19, 1949, at St. James Church in Boston; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, the Catholic clergy and the citizenry of Boston, particularly those of Italian extraction, desire to join with Archbishop Cushing in extending to the Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli, on this occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination, their congratulations and best wishes and their pride in the accomplishments of this Boston boy of humble beginning who has risen to the heights in his

chosen profession by his devotion to duty and brought honor to Boston and its people; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli forthwith.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

USE OF CERTAIN WARD 6 STREETS AS PLAY AREAS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to set aside certain streets in Ward 6 as play areas for the children of the district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council adjourned at 2.22 p. m., to meet on Monday, April 25, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 25, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Cantwell, Carey, and Sullivan. The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950: William E. Connors, 5 Dawes terrace, Dorchester.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950: Francis X. Nuzzo, 38 Kemble street, Boston; Gilman F. Silva, 38 Kemble street, Boston.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

"STOP" SIGNS, SAVIN AND WARREN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order dated April 11, 1949, concerning the installation of "Stop" signs at Savin and Warren streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, April 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting the Installation of "Stop" Signs at Savin and Warren Streets.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a traffic count was made at the subject intersection and the recommendation of the engineers was that no "Stop" signs be erected at this junction, due to the fact that the volume of traffic was not any heavier on Savin street than on any of the other streets entering into Warren street.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, NORFOLK AND MORTON STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the placing of traffic signals and pedestrian lights at Norfolk and Morton streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Traffic Commission, April 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, requesting that a Study Be Made of the Advisability of Placing Traffic Signals and Pedestrian Lights at Norfolk and Morton Streets.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our engineers will make the study requested in the subject Council order.

However, the intention of the order is not apparent, because there are traffic signals installed at this intersection at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RECREATION BUILDING, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the obtaining of a centrally located site for the erection of a recreation building in Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, April 18, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of March 30, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to seek a centrally located site for the erection of a recreation building in Ward 22, Brighton.

I still feel that the centrally located section of Brighton—not only Ward 22, but all of Brighton—is that portion of Brighton that is usually called Brighton Center, in the general neighborhood of Cambridge street, Chestnut Hill avenue, and Market street. Any site for a municipal building or recreation center, in my opinion, should be accessible from the four directions. It should be fairly close to public transportation. The question of where to have such a building, even in this portion of Brighton, would come down to where would the location be and is there any city land available in that general neighborhood.

At the corner of Chestnut Hill avenue and Academy Hill road there is a plot of land called Brighton square. It is city-owned and contains about 25,000 square feet. It is about opposite the Brighton Court House, very close to Brighton Center. However, at the present time there is a restored building on the adjacent lot and operating as a municipal building. At one time it was a fire house. The Public Buildings Department made general alterations and repairs to the structure. It is now open for the use of the public.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

EXTERMINATION OF RODENTS BEFORE RAZING OF BUILDINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Building Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the extermination of rodents in all buildings which are about to be razed.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Building Department, April 14, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This department has no authority to enforce the order of the City Council, dated April 11, 1949, requiring that rodents be exterminated in all buildings which are about to be razed. Jurisdiction in abating such a nuisance clearly rests with the Health Department.

I agree that the condition is obnoxious and even dangerous and, if the Health Commissioner so desires, I shall be glad to cooperate with him by

giving him notice of the filing of applications for razing buildings, so that he may take appropriate action.

Very truly yours,
 JOHN J. MAHONEY,
 Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, SANITARY SERVICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

The Public Works Commissioner has informed me this day that the City Auditor has notified him that he cannot approve payment for garbage or ash removal and disposal until such time as the necessary money to cover the cost of outstanding contracts has been made available.

I can think of a no more serious calamity to befall the city than to have an accumulation of garbage and ashes throughout every area of the city, which would be detrimental to the health of our citizens, and I accordingly recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Very truly yours,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
 Sanitary Service.**

- B. Contractual Services..... \$168,882 60
- 19. Removal of Waste..... \$111,882 60
- 20. Disposal of Waste..... 57,000 00

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order, containing items previously reduced in the annual budget by your Honorable Body, for the following departments:

- Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests..... \$19,000
- Park Department..... 30,000

In the belief that you were not fully aware of the serious situation created by the reductions made, I present the following detailed analysis from the departments involved to support my recommendation that the supplemental appropriation order herewith submitted be approved.

CONVENTIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

The reduction of \$19,000 in this appropriation left a total appropriation of only \$20,000 against an expenditure of \$46,650 in 1947 and an allowance of \$40,000 in 1948. Under the circumstances it will be necessary to curtail money to provide for veterans' organizations and other organizations that have been invited to convene in Boston this year and for whom commitments have been anticipated covering the amount requested. In this connection, your attention is directed to an editorial in the Boston Post of April 1, 1949, referring to this reduction as being "penny-wise and pound-foolish."

PARK DEPARTMENT.

- B-6, Hire of Teams and Auto Trucks:
 Park Department Request for 1949.. \$17,500 00
 Allowed by Mayor..... 14,000 00
 Allowed by City Council..... 4,000 00
 Expenditures for 1948..... 13,435 00

These trucks, used most of the year, were obtained from outside sources. We, as a department, have at many times need of trucks in an emergency, as the department men work a 40-hour week. We find that with a tree down across a street and certain other emergencies that we can get sometimes quicker results with outside help. Unless we are able to hire outside trucks it will mean more emergency overtime at time and one-half, and the cost per hour of the city drivers' compensation will be close to the cost per hour for the hired truck, including driver, and in some cases a slow-down in the service rendered. It is important that the public be served with the shortest possible delay. I am asking \$10,000 in a supplementary budget.

I recommend that the amount of \$25,000 be restored in a supplementary budget.

B-42, Miscellaneous Services:

- Park Department Request for 1949.. \$80,000 00
- Allowed by Mayor..... 65,000 00
- Allowed by City Council..... 45,000 00
- Expenditures for 1948..... 62,520 61

This item includes the replacement of damaged concrete walks and the tree work in Boston. Forgetting the repairing of walks will increase the number of injuries to the people and add to the hospital costs. Forgetting or cutting down of the tree work would be disastrous. At the present time we have 200,000 or more trees in the city parks, playgrounds, public property, and streets, and 75,000 of these trees are elms. In 1947 we found 17 trees and in 1948, 80 trees infested with the Dutch elm disease. The healthy trees must be protected. It is our duty to keep the disease from spreading. Boston cannot stand losing too many of its elms. Boston Common has 700 trees, 500 of which are elms. If many of these trees become infested, under the law, and to protect the other trees, they must be removed and burned. That would cost so much more money than requested it would not even be close. I request that the amount of \$20,000 be submitted on a supplementary budget.

Consideration and adoption of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body is recommended.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

**CITY MAINTENANCE.
 SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.**

- Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests..... \$19,000

PARK DEPARTMENT.

- B. Contractual Services..... \$30,000
- 6. Hire of Teams and Auto Trucks..... \$10,000
- 42. Miscellaneous Services 20,000

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Joseph J. Benson, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 95 Westglow street, Dorchester, caused by leak in water pipe.

Boston Cab Company, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Arthur J. Cullinane, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Frank A. Dowler, for compensation for damage to property at 25 Alpheus road, Rosindale, caused by lowering level of sidewalk.

Caswald Eastmond, for compensation for damage to property at 34 Leyland street, caused by fire apparatus.

Joseph F. Fitzgibbons, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Antonio Poseo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Hyde Park Bathhouse.

Joseph F. Grocott, for compensation for damage to property at 135 Theodore Parker road, caused by falling tree.

L Street Tavern, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 195 L street, caused by water being shut off.

Louis Marcocelle, for compensation for damage to car by falling tree.

John S. Martinsen, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Alexander J. Matthew, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Murphy's Cafe, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 647 Atlantic avenue, caused by defective water main gate.

Albert S. Nickerson, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Olive C. O'Brien, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Franklin Park.

Jane V. Tierney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Freeman street.

Mary Welch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 101 Mt. Vernon street.

Eleanor F. White, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Bunker Hill street.

Anchor Insurance Company, to be reimbursed on claim of assured, P. O'Riorden Forwarding Company, for collision.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Eugene J. Murphy, Mechanics Hall, May 4.

Emma G. Newman, Recital Hall, May 6.

E. Virginia Williams, Boston Opera House, June 14.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Applications for minors' licenses were received from fifteen newsboys and one bootblack. Licenses granted under usual conditions.

DEEDS FOR SALE OF FORT STRONG.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Law Department, April 22, 1949.

John B. Hynes,
City Clerk, City Hall.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith an "Agreement of Sale" on the land and buildings of property known as Fort Strong, situated in Long Island, Boston Harbor, Boston, together with the deed for same to the City of Boston, which are documents numbered 8318 and 8319, respectively, and recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds on March 28, 1949, Book 6506, page 177, and Book 6506, page 181.

I am submitting same for your proper care and custody.

Very truly yours,
A. C. ROME,
Assistant Corporation Counsel.

The communication and deeds were placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 11) of constables authorized to

serve civil process upon filing of bond, as contained in City Document No. 45, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Kinsella. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 11) of constables without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond, as contained in City Document No. 46, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Kinsella. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

3. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 11) of minor officers paid by fees, as contained in City Document No. 44, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that the appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Byran and Lanigan. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

PROHIBITION OF USE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES BY NON-RESIDENTS.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Corporation Counsel to draw up an ordinance that will prohibit, except in certain specified cases, the use of the City of Boston's recreational facilities by nonresidents of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF LAWRENCE F. LOGAN SQUARE.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Tower street, Forest Hills, in honor of Lawrence F. Logan, who heroically sacrificed his life in the service of his country on November 12, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF WARREN D. DUNN SQUARE.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Washington street and Columbus avenue, Ward 11, in honor of Warren D. Dunn, who heroically sacrificed his life in the service of his country in the South Pacific on December 29, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF ASH REMOVAL CONTRACTS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to investigate all ash removal contracts with a view to determining whether or not the specifications are fully complied with; and be it further

Ordered, That the Finance Commission be requested to especially inquire into whether or not Article 14 of said contracts is complied with.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EXPLANATION OF INCREASES OF ASSESSMENTS IN TAX BILLS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Board of Assessors to enclose a notification and explanation with the tax bill in all cases where the assessment of a property is increased.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FENCING OFF CITY PROPERTY, WOODFORD STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Commission on Real Estate of the City of Boston to fence off the city property located between 45 and 53 Woodford street, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF JAMES PATRICK HOGAN SQUARE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the corner of West Fifth and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, in honor of Pfc. James Patrick Hogan, of the 38th Division, U. S. Army, who was killed in action at St.-Lo, France, on August 1, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF PATRICK J. O'MALLEY SQUARE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of D and West Fifth streets, Ward 6, in honor of Patrick J. O'Malley, of the Second Marine Division, who was killed in action at Saipan on June 3, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CASTLE ISLAND IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately put in proper repair the benches and walks on Castle Island and to reopen the convenience station inside the fort because the many thousands who go there have no public convenience.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF LOUIS KLAMAN SQUARE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of North Russell and Cambridge streets, Ward 3, in honor of Sergt. Louis Klamon, late veteran of the Army Air Force, who lost his life when he was blown out of an airplane in the Pacific theater of operations.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

STUDY OF PARKING SITUATION, ROXBURY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the local police authorities to study the present parking situation in the Roxbury area of Ward 14, and to further suggest to the police authorities in that area the relaxing of their tagging system.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

SAFETY BARS ON TRACKLESS TROLLEYS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the MTA be requested to install safety bars for passengers on the trackless trolleys and to suspend leather or some other material for said passengers to hold on to.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WARNING DEVICE ON TRACKLESS TROLLEYS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the MTA be requested to install some device such as a monotone buzzer on trackless trolleys, so as to warn pedestrians while the car is in motion.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

USE OF VACANT LAND FOR PARKING PURPOSES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the city utilize the vacant land in the 22 districts for parking purposes, excluding playground areas.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

BUS CONGESTION, FIELDS CORNER STATION.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Whereas, Congestion of buses entering and leaving the Fields Corner Station of the MTA is now in a confused state; and

Whereas, Due to this congestion, people of Dorchester are adversely affected; it is hereby

Ordered, That the Executive Committee of the City Council on Monday, May 2, 1949, at 3 p. m., hold a meeting to discuss this problem and that the trustees of the MTA, representatives of the Eastern Massachusetts Railway, and of the Governor, be invited to attend.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF ANDOVER ROAD, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Andover road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COMMENDATION OF BOSTON POST ACTION.

Coun. LINEHAN and COFFEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston Post be commended for its part in causing a change in the rapid transit plans in East Boston, thereby protecting the jobs of 800 persons at the A. S. Campbell Company plant in East Boston and another 800 persons at the Hunt-Spiller plant in South Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

THANKS TO GOVERNOR DEVER.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby extends its sincere thanks to his Excellency the Governor, on behalf of the people of East Boston, for his action in refusing to approve a permit for night harness racing in East Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Ansel, the Council voted at 2.48 p. m., to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.29 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred today) relative to congestion caused by buses entering and leaving Fields Corner Station—recommending passage of the order in the accompanying new draft, viz.:

Whereas, Congestion of buses entering and leaving the Fields Corner Station of the MTA is now in a confused state; and

Whereas, Due to this congestion people of Dorchester are adversely affected; therefore be it Ordered, That the Executive Committee of the City Council on Tuesday, May 3, 1949, at 11 a. m., hold a meeting to discuss this problem and that the trustees of the MTA, representatives of the Eastern Massachusetts Railway, and of the Governor, be invited to attend.

Report accepted; said order passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$19,000 for Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests and \$30,000 for Park Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 10, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Linehan, Yerxa—3.

Voting Present—Councilors Hannon, McCormack—2.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$168,882.60 for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—14.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Yerxa—2.

PERMITS FOR CARNIVALS, ETC.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to revoke any existing permits for carnivals unless the permit bears the approval of the City Councilor in whose district the affair is being conducted.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Licensing Division of the Mayor's office to issue no licenses for the operation of carnivals, bazaars, etc., without first securing the approval of the councilor in whose district the affair is to be conducted.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Talbot Bowladrome, by Sumner Ross (referred April 11), for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

REPORT BY FINANCE COMMISSION ON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Police Commissioner be requested to disregard the report by the Finance Commission that the Police Department be cut for efficiency.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSIDERATION OF HELEN SALEM AS OFFICIAL STENOGRAPHER.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That Helen Salem, of the A-1 Stenographic Service, be considered for appointment to the position of official stenographer of the Boston City Council.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR JOSEPH HOLMES, JR.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

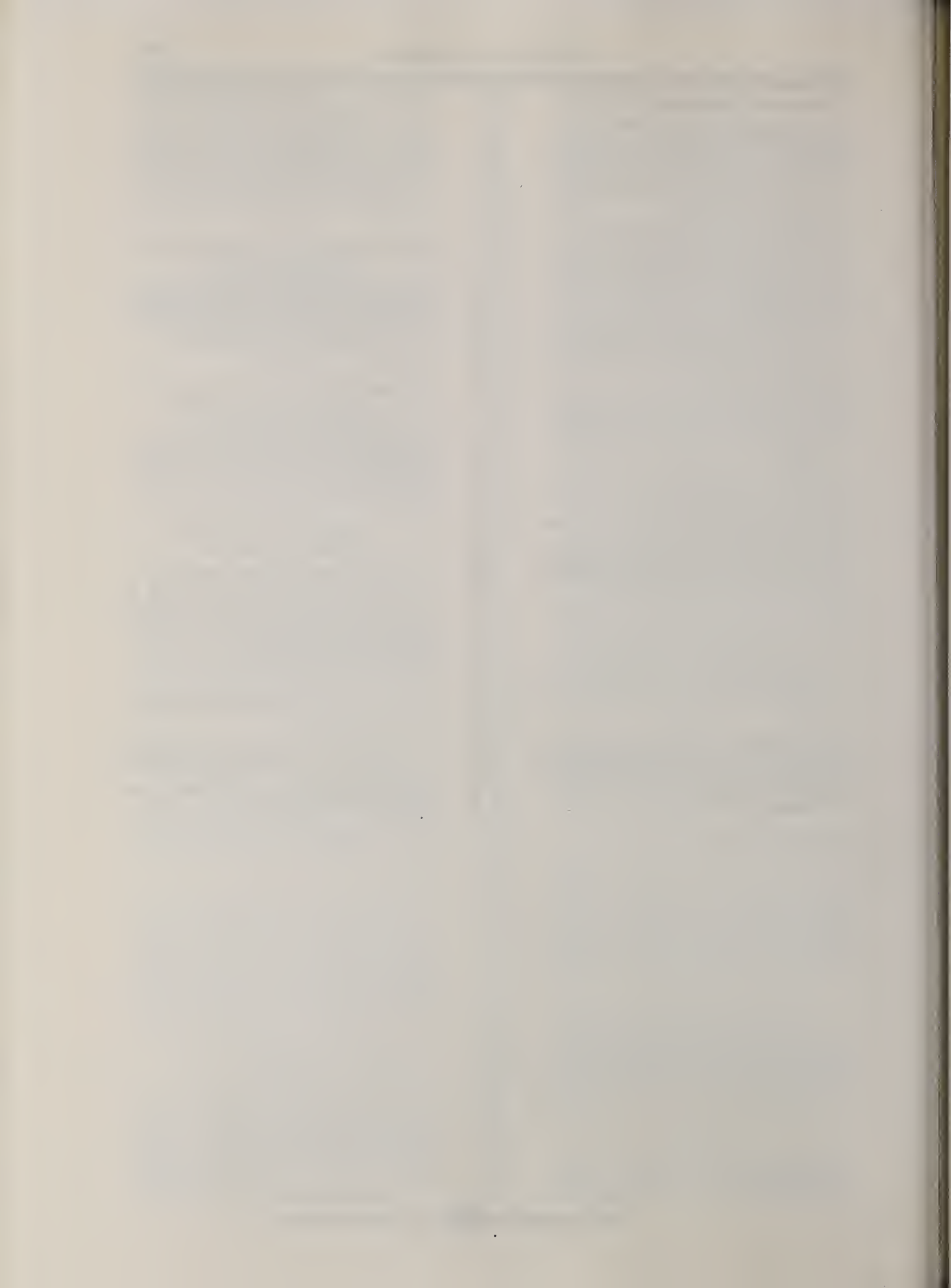
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Louder's Lane and Centre street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Sergt. Joseph Holmes, Jr., who was killed in action in the European theater in 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler, the Council voted to adjourn at 5 p. m., to meet on Monday, May 2, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Friday, April 29, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 3 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Chase, Coffey, Cook, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Linehan, Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 28, 1949.

John B. Hynes,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

A special meeting will be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Boston, on Friday, April 29, at 3 p. m., to consider an ordinance relating to the fees for certain licenses and permits and charges for certain services and work.

Licenses are issued as of May 1, and if this matter is not acted upon tomorrow it will react unfavorably to the city.

It is requested that you be present.

Sincerely,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

ORDINANCE RE FEES FOR CERTAIN
LICENSES AND PERMITS.

President HURLEY submitted the following:
City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.

An Ordinance Relating to the Fees for Certain Licenses and Permits and the Charges for Certain Services and Work.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 22 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended by chapters 2 and 3 of the second series of the Ordinances of 1947, is hereby further amended by striking out, in the second line, the words

"chapter 173 of the Acts of 1939" and inserting in place thereof the words chapter 222 of the Acts of 1949.

SECT. 2. Said section 22, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out clauses 20 and 25.

SECT. 3. Said section 22, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after clause 5 the following new clause:

5A. The fees for a license under section 119 of chapter 94 of the General Laws to carry on the business of slaughtering meat cattle, horses, mules, sheep or swine shall be a primary fee of one hundred dollars, payable at the time of the issuance of the license, and the following additional fees, payable at the close of the last business day of each month during the term of the license: Five cents for every calf, swine, sheep or goat slaughtered under the license during such month, and fifteen cents for every other animal so slaughtered; provided, however, that no additional fee shall be required for any animal slaughtered under federal inspection.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the ordinance was referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted at 3.20 p. m. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.19 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on ordinance (referred today) relating to fees for certain licenses and permits and charges for certain services and work—recommending that ordinance be passed.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

The purpose for which the meeting had been called having been accomplished, President HURLEY declared the meeting adjourned at 4.20 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 2, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., Senior Member WENZLER, in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hurley, Keenan, and Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950: Catherine McFarland, 14 Willis street, Dorchester; Edward Novick, 350 Seaver street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950: Daniel F. Burke, 48 Salem street, Reading.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

PLANTING OF TREES, THOMAS PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 29, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the planting of 12 trees around the flagpole on Thomas park, South Boston, adjacent to the monument.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 27, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 11, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to plant trees around the flagpole on Thomas park, South Boston, adjacent to the monument.

I have no particular objection to planting trees at Thomas park, but do think it is inadvisable to plant a circular row of trees around the monument because in a period of years the trees would hide the monument from the view of the public. This landmark can be seen from any high hill, from any part of the South Boston water front, and even from some parts of Dorchester.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF STREETS, WARDS 6, 18, AND 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 28, 1949, concerning the cleaning of all streets in Wards 6, 18, 19, and 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner, Public Works Department.

Subject: Order in Council.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of March 30, attaching order in Council, under date of March 28, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately clean all streets in Wards 6, 18, 19, and 20."

Reports have been received from the street-cleaning foremen in the designated wards as follows:

Wards 18 and 19—Hyde Park and Jamaica Plain districts, respectively. All the streets in these districts have been cleaned.

Wards 6 and 20—South Boston and West Roxbury districts, respectively. Much of this work has been done, and it is expected that it will be completed about the middle of May, 1949.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CITY HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 29, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston City Hospital, relative to your order of April 13, 1949, concerning the increasing of the number of employees in the City Hospital in proportion to the increase in the number of patients.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, April 25, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on April 22, the following order of the City Council was presented:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital to increase the number of employees in the City Hospital in proportion to the increase in the number of patients.

The Trustees voted to take this matter under advisement.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES W. MANARY, Superintendent.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF ANTHONY J. VACCARO SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 26, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the corner of Western avenue and North Harvard street, Allston, in honor of Pfc. Anthony J. Vaccaro, who lost his life on December 19, 1944, while in the service of the United States during World War II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 13, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Shanley requesting that the corner of Western avenue and North Harvard street, Allston district, be named in honor of the late Anthony J. Vaccaro, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said order will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF HYMAN BELSKY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 21, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the corner of Morton street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Hyman Belsky who lost his life on November 30, 1944, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 28, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 25, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Ansel, requesting that the intersection of Morton street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester district, be named in honor of Hyman Belsky, I beg to advise that this intersection is already named Harry J. Kramer square.

It is suggested that Councilor Ansel introduce another order designating an intersection not already named, at which time the Committee to Memorialize Veterans will be most pleased to give the same its consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF STREET FOR
REV. MORTIMER E. TWOMEY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of March 7, 1949, concerning the naming of a street, way, court or square in the P street and Columbia road project, in honor of the late Rev. Mortimer E. Twomey, who served as Pastor of St. Brigid's Church at City Point for many years.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
April 26, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Subject: City Council Order of March 7, 1949, Concerning Naming of a Street, Way, Court or Square, P Street and Columbia Road Project, in Honor of the Late Reverend Mortimer E. Twomey.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your communication of March 10, 1949, on the above subject.

The Authority regrets to advise you that inasmuch as both of the new developments at City Point are relatively small, all entrances will be numbered on existing streets which, therefore, allows no opportunity for assignment of new street names.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF CIRCLE, NEW SOUTH
BOSTON HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the naming of the

circle in the new South Boston Housing Development in honor of the disabled veterans of World Wars I and II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
April 26, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Subject: City Council Order of April 4, 1949, Concerning Naming of "Circle" in the New South Boston Housing Development in Honor of the Disabled Veterans of World Wars I and II.

Dear Mayor Curley:
This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 6, 1949, on the above subject.

Please be advised that while the Authority is not certain as to what "circle" the reference in the order is made it will be pleased to give every consideration to the request when names are being assigned.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INVESTIGATION OF PRIVATE CONCERNS
PURCHASING BLOOD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Department, relative to your order of April 6, 1949, concerning an investigation of all private concerns engaged in purchasing blood from the public and selling it at exorbitant prices.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, April 21, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your communication of April 6, 1949, relative to City Council order of April 4, 1949, requesting the Health Commissioner to immediately investigate all private concerns engaged in purchasing blood from the public and selling it at exorbitant prices.

The investigation of this practice was referred to Dr. Frederiek J. Bailey, Deputy Commissioner of the Division of Communicable Diseases, and attached is report which I have received from him indicating that no action is required by the Health Department pertaining to the operation of the establishment in question.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M. D.,
Health Commissioner.

Boston, April 21, 1949.
To: The Health Commissioner.
From: The Deputy Commissioner, Division of Communicable Diseases.
Subject: City Council Order re Blood Banks in Boston.

Investigation reveals but one private concern purchasing blood from the public, namely, Sharpe and Dohme, Inc., at 287 Atlantic avenue. Visits to this establishment disclose that about 200 donors a day for a five-day week donate, for which each donor is paid \$5.

No license is required for the operation of such an important activity, although there are State Health Department regulations governing transfusions.

Following removal, the blood is placed in a standard case and forwarded to Sharpe and Dohme, Philadelphia, Penn.

This is a highly organized medical outfit. The superintendent of nurses, as well as participating nurses, has had previous extensive duty in a similar capacity with the Red Cross. Medical officers are likewise well trained.

All possible precautions are carried out, six weeks must elapse, and evidence of satisfactory blood count must exist before further drawing of blood is permitted.

Safe limits of blood pressure are also required. It appears that the donors compare quite favorably with those seen at voluntary blood donor stations.

FREDERICK J. BAILEY, M. D.

Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS AT SAVIN AND WARREN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the installation of "Stop" signs at Savin and Warren streets.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting the Installation of "Stop" Signs at Savin and Warren Streets.

Dear Sir:

Our engineers will make a study of the request contained in the subject Council order. Upon receipt of their report I will notify you of their recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE-WAY ROTARY CIRCLE AT KANE SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, requesting that a study be made as to the advisability of making the circle at Hancock and Bowdoin streets (Kane square) a one-way rotary circle.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting that a Study Be Made as to the Advisability of Making the Circle at Hancock and Bowdoin Streets (Kane Square) a One-Way Rotary Circle.

Dear Sir:

Referring further to my reply to the subject Council order on April 18, please be advised that at the present time the MTA has trackless trolley wires that go to the left of this island approaching Hancock street. To set up rotary traffic at this intersection would require the rebuilding of the present island, a shift in the MTA overhead trolleys, and would cause two very awkward traffic movements: (1) a left turn from Hancock street into Bowdoin street would be difficult; (2) straight traffic in Hancock street approaching Pleasant street would be forced considerably out of line and might set up an accident hazard.

For the above reasons, it is felt that no action should be taken on the subject matter at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

FAMILY FOOD ALLOWANCES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of March

14, 1949, concerning the amount of money available for each family for food purposes, and the referring to the Public Welfare Department of all cases where there are insufficient funds available.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

School Committee, April 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on April 12, 1949, an order passed by the City Council under date of March 14, 1949, requesting the "School Committee, through your Honor, to ascertain how much money is available for each family for food purposes and where there is not sufficient money for food purposes the case shall be immediately referred to the Public Welfare Department for aid and assistance and a record shall be kept of same," was presented and placed on file.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

SALE OF LAND, DORCHESTER AVENUE, TO CARNEY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The land formerly utilized for a Convalescent Hospital in the Dorchester district, as a branch of the Boston City Hospital, is no longer required by the Hospital Department.

A proposal has been received that in the event a sale of the property to the Carney Hospital, Boston, is effected, that they are prepared to erect a hospital upon this property to be conducted along the same lines as the Carney Hospital at present at South Boston. I am further informed and assured that in the event of the establishment of the Carney Hospital in the Dorchester district, as herein set forth, that it is the purpose of the officials of the hospital to convert, upon completion of the hospital in Dorchester, the present Carney Hospital into a chronic hospital for so-called incurable cases similar to those being cared for at the Holy Ghost Hospital in Cambridge.

For a period of nearly a century the Carney Hospital in Boston has supplemented the work of the Boston City Hospital in caring for those requiring hospital treatment. This work has been of such a noble character and the needs of Dorchester for hospital facilities are such that I accordingly recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Very truly yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land containing approximately 373,189 square feet, together with the buildings thereon, situated on the easterly side of Dorchester avenue and adjacent to Dorchester Park in the Dorchester district, by virtue of a deed to the City of Boston dated April 19, 1890, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 548; and

Whereas, This parcel of property was formerly used by the Hospital Department of the City of Boston as a Convalescent Home for Women; and

Whereas, The use of this parcel of property for hospital purposes has been abandoned and the trustees of the City Hospital of the City of Boston have by a vote passed May 16, 1941, authorized the disposal of this parcel of property; and

Whereas, This parcel of property is no longer needed for public purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell the parcel of land, hereinafter described, together with the buildings thereon, for a purchase price of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to Carney Hospital, a charitable corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth, with a principal place of business in Boston, subject to the exception and reservation hereinafter set forth; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston he, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to execute and deliver a written instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, conveying this parcel of land together with the buildings thereon, subject to the following exception and reservation:

The City of Boston excepts and reserves to itself the right and easement necessary for the maintenance and construction of surface drainage sewerage works in the location designated therefor on the plan hereinafter referred to.

The parcel of land herein authorized to be sold and conveyed is bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by the easterly line of Dorchester avenue seven hundred twenty-four and 80-100 (724.80) feet; northerly by lands now or formerly of John J. White, Mary C. Harrington, Patrick Barry, et al., and Margaret W. Barry, one hundred eighty-nine and 70-100 (189.70) feet; easterly by lands now or formerly of Margaret W. Barry, Peter Kelley, et al., Mary C. Murray and John F. Caskins, et al., two hundred six and 60-100 (206.60) feet; easterly again, by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park), two hundred eight and 3-100 (208.03) feet, and six hundred twenty-six (626.00) feet; southerly by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park), seven hundred fifty-four and 30-100 (754.30) feet, containing 373,189 square feet of land, more or less.

The said parcel of land, all of the above measurements, and location of right and easement of the sewerage works are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Dorchester Ave., Dorchester, March 31, 1944, Wm. J. Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," and on file in the office of said department, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

APPROPRIATION FOR JAIL IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Special Sheriff of the County of Suffolk relative to an additional appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be expended for repairs to the jail roof which has been declared in dangerous and hazardous condition by both the Building and Fire Commissioners.

In compliance with this request there is forwarded herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
County of Suffolk, Sheriff's Office,
March 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Pursuant to our recent conversation relative to the Jail Improvement item of the Suffolk County Jail budget, I respectfully request your approval to the following changes in this item.

The installation of an automatic locking system is to be deferred for 1949 and the amount of \$30,000 allowed for this is to be supplemented by a further allowance of \$25,000 to make available the sum of \$55,000 which is to be expended for repairs to the jail roof and main ceiling above rotunda floor of the jail.

The Building Commissioner and the Fire Commissioner have declared this roof and ceiling to be structurally unsafe and have recommended immediate action to correct this dangerous and hazardous condition.

Respectfully yours,
WILLIAM J. MCMORROW, Special Sheriff.

Ordered, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

Jail Improvements..... \$25,000
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATION FOR BOSTON JUVENILE COURT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from Honorable John J. Connelly, Presiding Justice of the Boston Juvenile Court, requesting an appropriation of \$697.50 to provide for thirty (30) simultaneous sessions authorized under the provisions of chapter 248, section 1, of the Acts of 1948.

In compliance with this request there is forwarded herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of \$697.50, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Juvenile Court, March 1, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

I regret that I find it necessary to request at this time that (30) simultaneous sessions of the Juvenile Court be provided for under a Supplementary Budget. Through an oversight, this request was not included in the budget submitted heretofore for the fiscal year 1949.

It is very important that this court be provided with \$697.50, the necessary money to defray the cost of (30) simultaneous sessions so that children and parents will not have to spend long periods of time waiting until their cases are heard or disposed of.

I trust that you will act favorably upon this request.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN J. CONNELLY, Justice.

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred ninety-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$697.50) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

BOSTON JUVENILE COURT.

A. Personal Service..... \$697 50
2. Temporary Employees, \$697 50

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order containing items previously reduced in the annual budget by your Honorable Body, as follows:

Police Department..... \$10,000
Public and County Buildings Departments..... 80,000
Suffolk County Courthouse, Custodian, 8,500
House of Correction..... 12,500

\$111,000

The heads of the above departments have requested restoration of these reductions because they believe these reductions to be unwarranted. I am presenting below specific reasons for restoration of these reductions from the department heads to support my recommendation that the supplementary appropriation order herewith submitted be approved.

Police Department, \$80,000. This reduction in the 1949 police allowance relates to Item B-39 (General Repairs). Under this item, \$80,000 was allowed after very careful consideration by the Budget Commissioner and the Mayor. A contract was executed on March 26, 1949, in the amount of \$12,980 for major repairs to Police Department boats, which must come from this particular item, and this reduction will not permit the department to function in a proper and efficient manner. Before the Police Department budget was presented, all unnecessary expenses were eliminated.

Public and County Buildings Departments, \$80,000. The reduction of \$80,000 in the budgets of the Public and County Buildings Departments will seriously impair the proper functioning in the matter of repairs to the various municipal buildings and the furnishing of office equipment to the various city departments and district courts. The buildings under the control of this department are of vital importance to the community. They house such activities as public health and baby clinics, dental clinics, libraries, gymnasiums, assembly halls, ward rooms, and shower-bath facilities. In a word, the things that go to make up a better and fuller life are given free by the City of Boston from the municipal buildings under the control of this department. Some of our municipal buildings are very old and require expensive repairs.

Suffolk County Courthouse, Custodian, \$8,500. Based on previous experience, this reduction could possibly prevent proper maintenance and repairs on a structure, the value of which represents an investment of upwards of \$5,000,000, thus resulting in an increased cost in repairs the following year. It would also prevent replacement of worn-out and obsolete equipment in the Registry of Deeds, Registry of Probate, and Juvenile Court which is necessary to take care of the increase in service to the public in this department.

House of Correction, \$12,500. The reductions effected in this budget are of extreme importance to the proper housing, security, health, comfort and well-being of the inmates of this institution. The population of the House of Correction has increased 20 per cent in 1948 over that of 1947, and a further increase may be expected this year. This reduction, if not restored, will seriously jeopardize the proper functioning of the House of Correction.

Consideration and passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body is hereby recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$10,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$10,000

PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$70,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$70,000
C. Equipment.....	5,000
7. Furniture and Furnishings.....	5,000
	<u>\$75,000</u>

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

SUFFOLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CUSTODIAN.	
B. Contractual Services.....	\$4,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$4,000
C. Equipment.....	4,500
7. Furniture and Furnishings.....	4,500
	<u>\$8,500</u>

COUNTY BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$5,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$5,000

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT, HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$3,500
8. Light, Heat and Power.....	\$1,000
39. General Repairs.....	2,500
C. Equipment.....	2,500
7. Furniture and Furnishings.....	2,500
D. Supplies.....	5,500
3. Fuel.....	5,000
16. Wearing Apparel.....	500
E. Materials.....	1,000
1. Building.....	1,000
	<u>\$12,500</u>
GRAND TOTAL.....	<u>\$111,000</u>

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS OR PERMANENT PAVING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Works has submitted to me a request for loan authorization for the Construction of Public Ways or Permanent Pavement amounting to two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000).

Believing this to be necessary for the purposes outlined, I respectfully recommend to your Honorable Body the approval of the loan order herewith submitted, together with the order providing for the so-called down-payment required under the provisions of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

I respectfully call your attention to the fact that the unencumbered balance in the loan appropriation for street work is insufficient to carry out the street construction program of the current year, and it will be necessary to make a new appropriation for the purpose. This program comprises the construction of streets as ordered by the Board of Street Commissioners and the reconstruction of highways and streets which, because of their condition, need to be rebuilt.

In order that funds for carrying out this program may be on hand, I respectfully request that you ask the City Council to provide a loan of \$2,500,000 under the title of Public Ways, Construction of.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the Construction of Public Ways or Permanent Pavement, and that, to meet said appropriation, the city treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 44, section 7 of the General Laws, the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$159,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Public Ways, Construction of..... \$159,000
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

LOAN FOR SEWER CONSTRUCTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Works has submitted to me a request for loan authorization for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes and for sewage disposal amounting to one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

Believing this to be necessary for the purposes outlined, I respectfully recommend to your Honorable Body the approval of the loan order herewith submitted, together with the order providing for the so-called down-payment required under the provisions of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I respectfully request that your Honor ask the City Council to provide a loan appropriation of \$1,000,000 under the provisions of clause 1 of section 7, chapter 44 of the General Laws, and under the provisions of chapter 393 of the Acts of 1906, for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes and for sewage disposal, under the title of Sewerage Works. The appropriation of this sum at this time is, in my opinion, absolutely necessary to provide funds for the program of this department for the current year.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 1 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes and for sewage disposal, and that to meet said appropriation, the city treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 44, section 7 of the General Laws, the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$159,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Sewerage Works..... \$159,000
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Collector requesting an additional

appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to provide sufficient funds for the employment of temporary employees in connection with the sending out of demands for unpaid excise, real estate, and personal tax bills.

In compliance with this request there is forwarded herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Collecting Department, April 7, 1949,
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Due to recent retirements and deaths in this department, plus extended sick leave of one week, plus the increase of vacation periods due to length of service in this department, plus the five-day work week and the late receipt of 1948 tax bills, which were finally sent out in March, a revision of the amount of money allowed for temporary help shows a warranted increase for temporary work of \$15,000.

At the present time the department is engaged in sending out demands for unpaid excise, real estate and personal taxes. This work would have been finished two months ago under ordinary circumstances, but the delay in receiving bills, plus the 10 per cent increase in registrations of automobiles, requires additional help; 132,901 persons registered cars, trucks or buses in Boston in 1948, therefore, we request a supplementary appropriation for \$15,000 to cover the cost of this work.

Very truly yours,
DANIEL F. DONOVAN, City Collector.

Ordered, That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service..... \$15,000
2. Temporary Employees, \$15,000

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners requesting an additional appropriation of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to provide for the premium on the fire insurance policy on the Houghton & Dutton Building which expired on March 1, and the renewal premium of which was not included in the budget estimates for 1949.

In compliance with this request, there is submitted herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
April 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Bonding and Insurance, Budget Item B-12.
My dear Mr. Mayor:

This department requested an appropriation of \$5,100 to cover its needs for the coming year for bonding and insurance. This appropriation was allowed in the budget. When submitted, it was felt that this would cover the necessary bonding and insurance requirements of the department. Through an oversight we failed to take into con-

sideration that the fire insurance policies on the Houghton & Dutton Building expired on March 1, 1949. The policies have been rewritten and the insurance on the Houghton & Dutton Building alone amounts to \$7,372.92. By having the fire insurance policies written for a three-year period, there is a savings to the city of \$1,061.20.

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that an additional appropriation of \$4,000 be made to cover the department's bonding and insurance requirements for the coming year.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

B. Contractual Services..... \$4,000
2. Bond and Insurance Premiums, \$4,000

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners requesting an appropriation of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to make necessary repairs to the roof of the Houghton & Dutton Building.

In compliance with this request, there is submitted herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Board of Real Estate Commissioners,

May 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

We are receiving constant complaints from the Public Buildings Administration of the Federal Works Agency regarding the roof of the Houghton & Dutton Building. Patching and repairing of this roof is only temporary as leaks are continually developing after each rain-storm, and it will be necessary to put a new roof on the entire building.

An effort has been made to ascertain when this building was last re-roofed, and there are no records in this department to show that any work was performed on the roof after the city became the owner. From information that has been obtained from other city departments, it is estimated that the present roof was laid down about 1906.

This building is under lease to the United States Government and other tenants at an annual rental of \$88,000, and our leases provide that the city shall maintain the structural condition of the premises. The responsibility is on the city to maintain this roof. It is estimated that a new roof will cost about \$12,000, and that this work should be performed at this time. Therefore, it is requested that an appropriation be made of \$12,000 to cover the cost of a new roof on the Houghton & Dutton Building.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

Houghton & Dutton Building, Roof
Repairs, etc..... \$12,000

The orders were severally referred to Committee on Appropriations.

PETITIONS RECEIVED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Edward Barnett, for compensation for damage to car by car of Public Works Department.

William H. Bell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Sumner N. Card, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Estelle Carney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.

Dora Cohen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 27 Garden street.

Eugenie J. Cormier, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 14 Charlesgate West.

Roberto Cotechia, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Portland and Hanover streets.

John J. Doherty and Paul R. Harvey, to be reimbursed for execution issued against them.

Adam Dowgos, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

James Gibbons, for compensation for damage to car caused by defective gates at parking area, Superior Court House.

Laura P. Griffin, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Joseph R. Hagan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Dorothy Haley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at L and Emerson streets.

Zelda Handler, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Mary H. Hannon, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Public Works Department.

Margery Hassell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Fourth and L streets.

Michael K. Laham, for refund on permit for sale of ice cream.

Neil M. Murphy, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Edward J. Schofield, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Yette Schultz, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 70 Day street, caused by water being shut off.

Clara B. Shaw, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 9 Park street.

William Smaldone, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Marion street.

Helena M. Sobel, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 75 Brainerd road.

Louise Wills, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Summer Street Bridge.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Glenville Bowling Alleys, Herbert L. Randall, 2 Glenville terrace, Ward 21, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

Executive Committee.

Petition of Passionist Missionary Society of Boston for permit to extend burial lot at 159 Washington street, Brighton.

Petition of Catherine M. Coto to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Joseph A. Cote, late member of Police Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received:

Edith L. Leavis, Jordan Hall, June 13.

Maria Paporello, Jordan Hall, June 3.

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, May 13, 14 and 21.

Lillafrances Viles, Hyde Park High School, May 14.

Ruth M. McShane, South Boston Municipal Building, June 22.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Robert P. Bellows, 8 Park street, Boston, Commissioner of Art Department, for term ending April 30, 1954.

J. Joseph Callahan, 33 Moraine street, Jamaica Plain, member of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1952.

William B. Carolan, 216 Tremont street, Boston, member of Board of Sinking Funds Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Mrs. Margaret J. Gookin, 356 Seaver street, Dorchester, member of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Louis P. Leonard, 144 Hanover street, Boston, member of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Earl McMann, 113 Deforest street, Hyde Park, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment, for term ending April 30, 1954.

P. Edward Murray, 16 Chilton road, West Roxbury, member of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1952.

John O. Stubbs, 53 State street, Boston, member of Board of Sinking Funds Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Severally placed on file.

CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council:

Donald M. Ahigan, Henry Atwood, Samuel C. Baker, Alfred Blaustein, Abram Bornstein, Louis Buttiglieri, Sidney Cohen, James A. Canton, John M. Crawford, James E. Desmond, William J. DuRoss, Meyer Goldstein, Salvatore Grassabronis Kontrim, Mark H. Krafur, Nathan Kravitsky, Maurice Levine, Salvatore Maffei, Frank A. Mitchell, Joseph W. McCleary, Ralph Ober, Hector Palladino, Phillip S. Phillips, George N. Pierce, Louis Richmond, Frank A. Roche, Edward J. Rockett, William T. Ross, Frank Shaw, Edward W. Sheehan, Richard W. Sheehan, Isaac Shulman, Joseph L. Shurtleff, Joseph Simansky, Clifford L. Smith, Jerome Suvaille, Benjamin J. Tackeff, William Tatel, Rudolph L. Trent, Roman J. Vasil, Louis Yacker.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notices were received from the State Housing Board of approval of following expenditures by Boston Housing Authority:

General contract on Victory Road Veterans' Housing Project, \$495,397.

Veterans' Housing Project on Adams street, Victory road, and Train street, Dorchester, consisting of 49 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$582,210.

Veterans' Housing Project in Washington street area, Hyde Park, consisting of 126 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$1,515,984.

Veterans' Housing Project, in Favre street area, Mattapan, consisting of 28 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$333,274.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF SALVATORE SACCARDO.

Notice was received from the Health Department of appointment of Salvatore Saccardo, provisionally appointed as inspector of housing and sanitation, at \$2,300 per year.

Placed on file.

SALE OF LAND IN DORCHESTER.

On motion of Councilor Beades, it was voted to take up under unfinished business No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land in Dorchester to the Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul, Carney Hospital, for \$1.

On April 13, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 20, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannock, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.
Nays—0.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Bryan presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Fifty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear June 6, 1949:

Joseph A. Ambrose, Ward 1; Francois J. Pisano, Ward 1; Philip A. Rubbico, Ward 1; Eugene Takach, Ward 1; James P. Murray, Ward 2; Daniel H. Stover, Ward 2; Benjamin Blackman, Ward 3; James P. Deary, Ward 3; Joseph R. Mantra, Ward 3; Carmelo L. Rocuzzo, Ward 3; Joseph I. Riley, Ward 4; Bernard J. Rooney, Jr., Ward 4; Frank N. Williams, Ward 4; William C. Branchard, Ward 5; Otto T. Gilmore, Ward 5; Harold W. Albano, Ward 6; Donald H. Broughton, Ward 6; Arthur W. Brissendon, Ward 7; James B. Flynn, Ward 7; Robert F. Kelly, Ward 7; Joseph E. Slaney, Ward 7; Jasper Yovino, Ward 7; Anthony J. Meads, Ward 8; John Dwyer, Ward 9; Ignatius C. Fadale, Ward 9; John S. Sessler, Ward 10; Leon Leavitt, Ward 12; Halsworth D. Randolph, Ward 12; Joseph S. Sano, Ward 12; John Couris, Ward 12; George A. MacDougall, Ward 13; Coleman H. McDonough, Ward 13; Martin McDonough, Ward 13; Edward A. Perkins, Ward 13; William J. Mills, Jr., Ward 14; Benjamin Rosenberg, Ward 14; Frank Sternberg, Ward 14; Maurice G. Flahive, Ward 15; George W. Coolen, Ward 16; John P. Houghton, Ward 17; Benjamin R. Haskell, Ward 18; Francis J. Pasek, Ward 18; William J. Tighe, Ward 18; John Currie, Ward 19; William H. Slattery, Ward 19; John J. Woods, Ward 19; Alfred B. Belyca, Ward 20; Robert L. Fielding, Ward 20; Herbert C. Jennings, Ward 20; John P. Rinn, Ward 20; Henry C. Coffey, Ward 21; Harry B. Cohen, Ward 21; Charles E. Smart, Ward 21; John A. Browne, Ward 22; Michael J. Gargan, Ward 22; John L. Hannon, Ward 22; John J. Lewis, Ward 22; John J. Rooney, Ward 22.

One hundred forty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear June 6, 1949:

Frank Chiango, Ward 1; Joseph Drago, Ward 1; John A. Gallagher, Ward 1; Henry B. Lane, Ward 1; Charles J. Napier, Ward 1; John E. Rose, Ward 1; Albert D. Woodside, Ward 1; William Aughan, Ward 2; Walter M. Campbell, Ward 2; Michael E. McCarthy, Ward 2; John P. Sheehan, Ward 2; Joseph A. Glorioso, Ward 3; Arthur J. Lee, Ward 3; Frank T. Quaratiello, Ward 3; Anthony Vitale, Ward 3; William John Carter, Ward 4; Michael Crechis, Ward 4; Patrick Doherty, Ward 4; Harry Dorfman, Ward 4; Arthur J. Economou, Ward 4; George C. Goodwin, Ward 4; William L. Guinan, Ward 4; Ernest Jordan, Ward 4; Azareg Malakian, Ward 4; John L. Peterson, Ward 4; Urban C. Whipple, Ward 4; Wilfred L. Brownell, Ward 5; James Cummings, Ward 5; Jack Gottlieb, Ward 5; Charles F. Knuepfer, Ward 5; Sarlie Krede, Ward 5; Edward Rose, Ward 5; Roy C. Wagner, Ward 5; Frederick H. Hanson, Ward 6; Cornelius J. Keeley, Ward 6; Ernest P. Patrick, Ward 6; Nicholas J. Shaughnessy, Ward 6; Peter A. V. Tardo, Ward 6; William T. Wilson, Ward 6; John N. Brooks, Ward 7; John Fini, Ward 7; Thomas J. Fitzgerald, Ward 7; John L. Horgan, Ward 7; William H. Norris, Ward 7; Francis J. Perkins, Ward 7; Bernard Leo Renzett, Ward 7; Alexander B. Strachan, Ward 7; Daniel Hartnett, Ward 8; Vernon L. McKeen, Ward 8; John P. Sullivan, Ward 8; Wilhelm Willems, Ward 8; Mark Burnett, Ward 9; Salvatore Chiampa, Ward 9; Einar Michael Christophensor, Ward 9; Philip Heggie, Ward 9; Patrick J. Hughes, Ward 9; Bernard F. Lannon, Ward 9; Arthur W. Richards, Ward 9.

Arthur Bulgaris, Ward 10; Vito Chaino, Ward 10; Daniel R. Curley, Ward 10; Henry G. Ellsworth, Ward 10; Eugene F. Ferris, Ward 10; Thomas J. Quinn, Ward 10; John Sullivan, Ward 10; Francis J. Dunbar, Ward 11; Samuel Gordon, Ward 11; Isaac Herman, Ward 11; Robert Ramsey, Ward 11; George W. Burke, Jr., Ward 12; James H. Burt, Ward 12; David Louis

Fernandez, Ward 12; Irving Glick, Ward 12; James J. Murphy, Jr., Ward 12; Michael Wynnan, Ward 12; Hermon I. Freedman, Ward 13; Bernard M. Knowles, Ward 13; Joseph Mamaty, Ward 13; Harry J. Partridge, Ward 13; Joseph E. Rakus, Ward 13; Charles Ratoff, Ward 13; Max Albert, Ward 14; Albert Deitch, Ward 14; Michael Dobro, Ward 14; Albert Dolph, Ward 14; David Furman, Ward 14; Jacob Kaplan, Ward 14; Samuel Bor Kittner, Ward 14; Maurice Sandler, Ward 14; Abraham Stern, Ward 14; John C. Ballein, Ward 15; Edward J. Hurley, Ward 15; Bartholomew J. Tesorero, Ward 15; Allan R. Andreason, Ward 16; Timothy J. Corbett, Ward 16; John F. McTieruan, Ward 16; Archie Porter, Jr., Ward 16; Arthur W. Warren, Jr., Ward 16; Thomas B. Biggar, Ward 17; Stanley Gillerist, Ward 17; Archibald McKell, Ward 17; Frank Moekapetris, Ward 17; Francis E. Murphy, Ward 17; John J. Wade, Ward 17; William H. Bowden, Ward 18; Alfred F. Burlone, Ward 18; Oke William Carlson, Ward 18; Thomas F. Cunnally, Ward 18; Martin A. Hunt, Ward 18; Frank Kannegieser, Ward 18; William Sulinski, Ward 18; John J. Duane, Ward 19; Michael J. Killion, Ward 19; William L. MacLeod, Ward 19; Robert S. Marison, Ward 19; John E. McFadden, Ward 19; John J. O'Mara, Ward 19; Walter J. Chipman, Ward 20; Edward A. Cloney, Ward 20; Thomas J. Coughlin, Ward 20; Edmund A. Kirby, Ward 20; Charles L. MacGillivray, Ward 20; Ralph A. Maxfield, Ward 20; Everard Richardson, Ward 20; Carl W. Smith, Ward 20; Charles W. Smith, Ward 20; William Tighe, Ward 20; William J. Vayo, Ward 20; Saul G. Cohen, Ward 21; John Erickson, Ward 21; Louis H. Gold, Ward 21; Winthrop B. Haynes, Ward 21; William J. Healey, Ward 21; Thomas Natsi, Ward 21; Ralph S. O'Shea, Ward 21; Henry M. Sartoris, Ward 21; Henry R. Stevens, Ward 21; Julius M. Stock, Ward 21; George A. Andrews, Ward 22; Joseph W. Desmond, Ward 22; James H. Devlin, Ward 22; Frank J. Donahue, Ward 22; James J. Garbally, Ward 22; James Martin, Ward 22; John G. O'Keefe, Ward 22; Eugene J. Sullivan, Ward 22.

CONSTRUCTION OF VIADUCT TO LONG ISLAND.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, 1. The cost of maintaining for Long Island two ships with their personnel, wharves, repairs, and fuel, is \$200,000 yearly;

2. Cost of construction and repairs is 33% higher on Long Island than on the mainland. Construction and repair cost for the past three years has been \$896,000;

3. The difficulty in obtaining contractors to consider and estimate proposed work due to difficulty and expense in transporting materials, and the loss of working time from their men in doing the work;

4. The saving in hotel expenses for employees when boat trips are interrupted by weather conditions;

5. The savings that would be had in not being obliged to furnish full maintenance to all employees. The city makes an allowance of \$8 a week for maintenance wherein actually it costs \$15 a week for nearly 300 employees.

6. Consulting surgeons and physicians would again be interested in their services to the hospital, thus carrying out the provisions of the American Hospital Association and the American College of Surgeons. With present transportation facilities the medical profession feels that a whole day is lost to them in making a visit to Long Island Hospital;

7. Greater advantage in transporting patients from the mainland with less handling and more comfort;

8. Would promote more suitable arrangement for telephone cable and water mains which are now carried under water;

9. Would provide the use of the Edison power in an emergency when the Long Island power plant goes out of repair. This would be similar to the City Hospital.

10. Would eliminate a great deal of morale problem with the employees by permitting frequent access to the mainland. It would definitely attract a better type of employee, and encourage volunteer visiting by organizations, so necessary to the patients;

Whereas, With the recent closing of the Fort Strong property to the city, many of the buildings

on Fort Strong can be reconstructed to provide more hospital space. This property has a declared value of \$500,000 and was decided to the city with the understanding that it would be used for hospital purposes. With our present transportation services, it would be unwise to increase the size of the hospital; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record in favor of Massachusetts Senate Bill No. 649, which provides "that the City of Boston be authorized to construct and to maintain a viaduct over and across the passage of water known as the 'Back Way' in lower Boston Harbor, between Long Island and Moon Island and its approaches on both Long Island and Moon Island"; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution, with its preamble, be forwarded to the president of the Senate, speaker of the House of Representatives, and to all the members of the Massachusetts Legislative Committee on Cities, which has a hearing scheduled for May 4, 1949, in room 427, in the State House, at 10.30 a. m. on said Senate No. 649.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF DONATO LIUZZI SQUARE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Oneida street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, in honor of Lieut. Donato Liuzzi, late veteran of the U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Italy during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RETURN OF FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES TO ITALY.

Coun. LANIGAN and COFFEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, expresses its belief that the peace of the world will be encouraged and promoted if the Italian colonies that were lost to that nation during the recent war are restored to the Italian government in order that that country might proceed with its economic readjustment and thus help stabilize the uncertain conditions on the European continent; and

Resolved, That the Congress of the United States be memorialized to take appropriate action on this important matter at an early date; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Massachusetts members in Congress.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 11) appropriating \$50,000 from income of George F. Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Aysel, Bendes, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Kusella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Stanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerna—15.

Nays—0.

PREFERENCE TO VETERAN RESIDENTS OF SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to give veterans who are residents of South Boston first preference when apartments are being assigned in the new South Boston housing projects.

The order was rejected.

**NAMING OF SQUARE FOR JOHN JOSEPH
ALCORN.**

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of I and East Seventh streets, Ward 5, in honor of John Joseph Alcorn, of the United States Coast Guard, attached to the First Marine Division at Guadalcanal, who has been missing in action since 1942, and who was declared officially dead on November 1, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**PROPOSED CONTRACT WITH
ELVIRA JOHNSON.**

Coun. BRYAN and LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That, until otherwise ordered, and subject to appropriation, the City Clerk be authorized to prepare and execute a contract with Elvira Johnson for stenographic reporting of City Council proceedings at an annual rate of five thousand dollars, said contract to be substantially on the same terms and conditions as the contract formerly in force with Edward W. Harnden; said sum to be charged to the appropriation for City Council Proceedings.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

PUSH-BUTTON TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 10.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install push-button traffic lights at the corner of Heath and Bickford streets, in Ward 10.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF CHARLES F. BARRY SQUARE.

Coun. CAREY, for Councilor Tracy, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Burnett and Washington streets, Ward 11, in honor of Sergeant Charles F. Barry, late veteran of the U. S. Army, who was killed in action in France on October 17, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**PUBLIC BIDS FOR FOOD CONCESSIONS,
FRANKLIN PARK STADIUM.**

Coun. COOK and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor forbid the award of any food concessions in the Franklin Park Stadium unless said concessions are obtained through public bids.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**HANDLING OF FOOD CONCESSIONS,
FRANKLIN PARK STADIUM.**

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the School Committee and Park Department to advise as to the possibility of the School Committee or the Park Department handling all food concessions in the Franklin Park Stadium.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INCREASE OF CERTAIN PENSIONS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council favors the enactment of legislation increasing the pensions of retired non-contributory police officers and all other city employees to a rate of two-thirds of their pay when retired, and, respectfully requests

his Honor the Mayor to take whatever steps necessary to insure the passage of this legislation and final approval of the City of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

**ORDINANCE RE ISSUANCE OF CARNIVAL
PERMITS.**

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council Committee on Ordinances be directed to prepare for passage an ordinance covering the issuance of licenses for the operation of carnivals in the City of Boston, whereby all carnival permits issued in the future shall have the approval of the City Council Committee on Licenses.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 223, ACTS
OF 1949.**

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 223 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Establishing the Compensation of the Members of the City Council of the City of Boston" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.**

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred April 25) of William E. Connors, to be constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950 — recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. On the motion of Councilor Cook the appointment was referred to the Executive Committee.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 25) of Francis X. Nuzzo and Gilman F. Silva, to be Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1950 — recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Yerxa and Beades. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

**WAIVING OF CHARGES FOR OPENING
AND CLOSING OF STREETS, ETC.**

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to draft an amendment to the ordinances which will waive the charges for the opening and closing of streets and to provide for the laying of drains and entering of drains into sewers and all other conveniences which come under the control of the city in order that private real estate agencies may be encouraged to participate in a substantial housing construction program.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**TRAFFIC LIGHTS, GLENDALE STREET
AND COLUMBIA ROAD.**

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the corner of Glendale street and Columbia road, in Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

**REMOVAL OF PORTABLE SCHOOL
BUILDING, DORCHESTER.**

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to re-

move the portable school building in the rear of the Minot School on Neponset avenue, Dorchester, which has not been used for the past eight years and which now constitutes a fire hazard.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

STATIONING OF AMBULANCE IN
BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested to make arrangements to station an ambulance in Brighton for the service of all the people of Allston and Brighton.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR SCHOOLBOY
PARADE.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off the streets along the route of the Schoolboy Parade which is to be held on Monday, May 23, 1949, the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE FOR
GEORGE A. KELLY.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Huntington avenue and Greenleaf street, Ward 4, in honor of Private George A. Kelly, late veteran of the U. S. Army, who was killed in action on August 15, 1945, on Ryukyu Island in the South Pacific.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF INCREASE IN COST
OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE REMOVAL.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to investigate the reasons why there

has been an increase in cost of annual garbage and refuse removal from \$388,000 in 1941 to \$2,600,000 in 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NEW LIGHTS, L STREET BATHHOUSE
ENTRANCES.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install new electric street lights in front of each entrance to the L Street Bathhouses in South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.57 p. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman BRYAN at 4.32 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor of William E. Connors (referred today) to be constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Lanigan and Beades. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 12, nays 1, and the appointment was confirmed.

2. Report on order (referred April 21) that chapter 197, of Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Civil Service Status of Egress and Zoning Inspectors in the Building Department of the City of Boston" be accepted—recommending that same ought to pass.

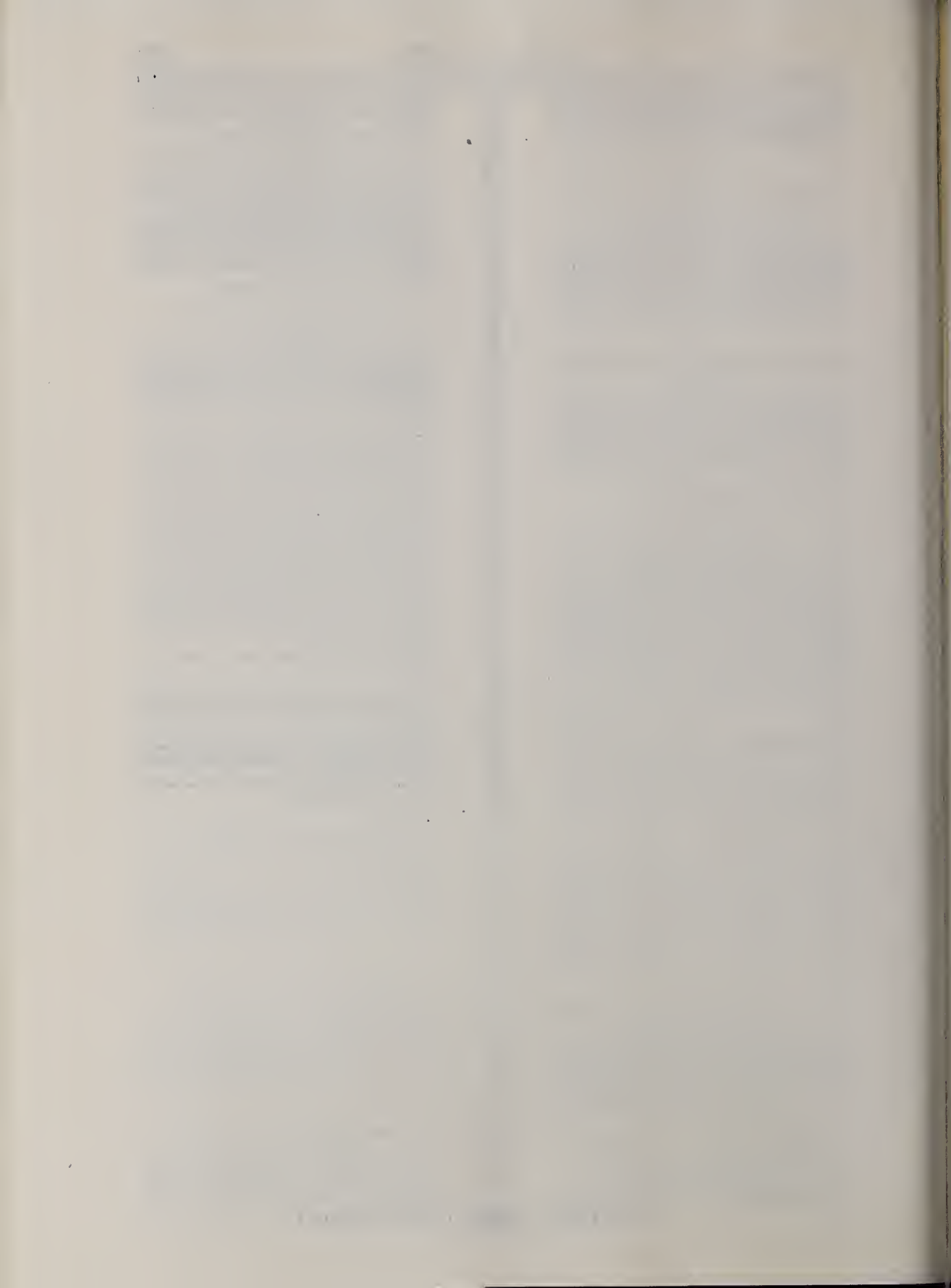
The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.39 p. m., to meet on Monday, May 9, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)





CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 9, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councillor Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

VETO OF ORDER FOR SALE OF LAND TO CARNEY HOSPITAL FOR \$1.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 5, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith without my approval the order adopted by your Honorable Body conveying certain property, the ownership of which is vested in the city, adjacent to Dorchester Park in the Dorchester District, for the sum of one dollar (\$1) to the Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul, Carney Hospital.

I beg to say that I have conferred with His Excellency, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing, as to the disposition of this land and found that he was not in agreement to transfer the property for a sum less than would be considered fair and reasonable, and a price of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the property in question was agreed upon.

Accordingly, I trust the order pending before your Honorable Body for the sale of the property that is reasonable and acceptable to the purchaser will be speedily approved, so that work may be started at the earliest date upon the erection of the institution so sorely needed in the great Dorchester section.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: Edward I. Hoffman, 395 Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury; John W. Herbert, 726 Saratoga street, East Boston.

Constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950: Alexander Pless, 71 Phillips street, Boston.

Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950: Gaspar J. LaRosa, 961 Canterbury street, Roslindale.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

TRAFFIC SIGNS, FOREST HILLS BUSINESS SECTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to the installing of a sign in the vicinity of the Forest Hills business section.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated March 28, 1949, Requesting the Traffic Commissioner to Install a Sign in the Vicinity of the Forest Hills Business Section.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held on April 28, 1949, it was voted to reject the above subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

EXTERMINATION OF RODENTS BEFORE DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the extermination of rodents in all buildings to be torn down.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, May 2, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This letter refers to Council order dated April 11, 1949, requesting the Health Commissioner to inform the City Council if he has authority under the law to require that all buildings to be torn down be first exterminated of all rodents in order that the immediate neighborhood of said buildings may not be infested with these obnoxious animals.

This matter has been referred to the Division of Housing and Sanitation, and the following report has been received from Wilfred J. Gaudreau, L.L.B., legal assistant to the Health Commissioner: "Concerning the question of the authority of the Health Commissioner to require rat extermination prior to the demolition of buildings.

"The latest statute laws relating to demolition of buildings is Chapter 446 of the Acts of 1941. There is no specific provision authorizing the Health Commissioner to require rodent extermination, as a condition precedent to the demolition of a building. The Health Commissioner can order extermination in specific instances, where inspections reveal the presence of rodents in buildings, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 111, Sections 123 and 124, by declaring such a condition to be a nuisance."

I hope that the above report will furnish the desired information.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF LOUIS KLAMAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of North Russell and Cambridge streets, Ward 3, in honor of Sergt. Louis Klamann, late veteran of the Army Air Force.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councillor Lanigan, requesting that the intersection of North Russell and Cambridge streets.

Ward 3, be named in honor of Louis Klaman, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOSEPH HOLMES, JR.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 27, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the junction of Louder's Lane and Centre street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Sergt. Joseph Holmes, Jr., who was killed in action in the European Theater in 1944.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor McCormack, requesting that the junction of Louder's Lane and Centre street, Jamaica Plain, be named in honor of Joseph Holmes, Jr., I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES PATRICK HOGAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the corner of West Fifth and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, in honor of Pfc. James Patrick Hogan of the 38th Division, U. S. Army.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communications of April 27, 1949, enclosing copies of Council orders introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the corner of West Fifth and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, be named in honor of James Patrick Hogan and the intersection of D and West Sixth streets, Ward 6, be named in honor of Patrick J. O'Malley, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said orders will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WARREN D. DUNN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your

order of April 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of Washington street and Columbus avenue, Ward 11, in honor of Warren D. Dunn, veteran of World War II, who was killed in action in the South Pacific, December 29, 1944.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Tracy, requesting that the intersection of Washington street and Columbus avenue, Ward 11, be named in honor of the late Warren D. Dunn, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF LAWRENCE F. LOGAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Tower street, Forest Hills, in honor of Lawrence F. Logan, who lost his life in the service of his country on November 12, 1945.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 29, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 27, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Tracy, requesting that the intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Tower street, Forest Hills, be named in honor of the late Lawrence F. Logan, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for on or about May 12, 1949, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

PERMITS FOR CARNIVALS, BAZAARS, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 5, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The order adopted by your Honorable Body, April 25, 1949, with reference to permits for carnivals, bazaars, etc., being required to have the approval of the Councilors of the district in which they are to be conducted, was approved by me on May 4, and the City Censor so notified to govern himself accordingly.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

CASTLE ISLAND IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 6, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of

April 25, 1949, concerning the repairing of the benches and walks on Castle Island, and the reopening of the convenience station inside the fort.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 5, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I have your memo, with enclosure, City Council order dated April 25, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to immediately put in proper repair the benches and walks on Castle Island and to reopen the convenience station inside the fort because the many thousands who go there have no public convenience.

I have had a survey made of the convenience station inside the fort at Castle Island. It is in very poor condition. Most of the trouble is due to vandalism.

The fort on the island was only turned over to the Park Department about a year ago. It had been used for war purposes since the start of World War II in 1941; however, it is the only place for a convenience station that is within the fort. Any convenience station outside the fort on the island would have to withstand, in my opinion, even more severe vandalism.

It will be necessary to spend a few thousand dollars to restore these convenience stations to proper shape. It will be given immediate consideration.

The benches around the island I have instructed our men to put in serviceable condition.

Yours very truly,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF CATCH-BASINS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 3, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of March 21, 1949, concerning the installing of catch-basins at the corner of Washington and Birchwood streets, and at the corner of Grove and Birchwood streets, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Re: Council Order, March 21, 1949, Requesting the Commissioner of Public Works to Install Catch-Basins at the Corner of Washington and Birchwood Streets, and also at the Corner of Grove and Birchwood Streets, Ward 20.

Dear Sir:

In reference to above Council order, an investigation has established the need of the new catch-basins requested, and they will be built in the near future.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF CERTAIN STREETCAR TRACKS, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the advisability of removing the tracks in the Grove Hall, Talbot avenue and Washington street areas in the Dorchester district, which streets are now being used by trackless trolleys, so that these streets can be resurfaced to meet the heavy traffic and provide

a plan for safety zones consistent with the well-being of the general public.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
May 6, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of April 13 enclosing copy of order of the City Council, requesting that study be given to the advisability of immediately removing the tracks in the Grove Hall, Talbot avenue and Washington street areas in the Dorchester district, where car service has been discontinued, would say that the matter has been discussed with Mr. Richard Dwyer, Division Engineer of the City of Boston Public Works Department, who advises that the city proposes to cover the tracks during 1949 on Washington street, Dorchester, and on Blue Hill avenue, from Dudley street to Grove Hall, and also proposes to resurface Talbot avenue, from Blue Hill avenue to Codman square.

Due to change in grade, it will be necessary for the Authority to remove the tracks on Talbot avenue in connection with work by the city, which we will arrange to do.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR PARK DEPARTMENT, CEMETERY DIVISION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from John J. Murphy, Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting an appropriation of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for the purpose of purchasing several small plots of privately owned land adjacent to Fairview Cemetery in Hyde Park in order to enlarge this cemetery.

In compliance with this request I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000), consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 2, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Reference is respectfully made to your letter of July 26, 1948, in answer to the writer's communication of July 14, 1948, with attached memorandum, relative to the proposed acquisition of several small plots of land, privately owned, adjacent to Fairview Cemetery in Hyde Park.

In your letter you stated that you were heartily in favor of the recommendation with reference to the improvement of Fairview Cemetery.

To bring this correspondence to date: Following a study by the Engineering Division of this department, attached is a list of the plots which it is proposed be acquired for the enlargement and the beautification of Fairview Cemetery. This list is different from the one submitted with the writer's letter of July 14 inasmuch as one item then listed has since been taken by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for nonpayment of taxes.

The City of Boston Law Department has recommended that inasmuch as no title to any of the proposed lots is in the City of Boston and the total assessed values run to approximately \$5,000 an appropriation of about \$8,000 should be earmarked for the acquisition of these lots.

The Board of Park Commissioners, appreciating the improvement that would come to Fairview Cemetery through the acquisition of these several parcels of land, would respectfully ask your Honor to direct that the necessary action be taken early with a view to acquiring these items.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF BOSTON.

121 Atherton Avenue
Charles W. Jones, 20 Standish road, Milton 87—1947 tax paid. This plot, consisting of 9,552 square feet, alongside of 122 Atherton avenue, which the City of Boston now owns, is assessed, we understand, for \$400.

123 Atherton Avenue.
Aloysius V. Halpin (mail to Thomas P. Halpin, Sr.) 145 Child street, Hyde Park 36—1947 tax paid. We understand there are 9,438 square feet in this plot, which is alongside of plot 122 Atherton avenue, now owned by the City of Boston, and is, we understand, assessed for \$400.

117 Atherton Avenue.
Mary A. Cross (mail to Charles D. Cross), 7 Vose avenue, Hyde Park 36. Tax sales notice May 10, 1943—tax not paid to date. This plot consists of 10,184 square feet and the latest information we have is that the assessed value is \$300.

62 St. Joseph Street.
Jane P. Dunn, 31 Lyndhurst street, Dorchester 24—1947 tax paid. This plot, consisting of 11,200 square feet, is at the corner of Atherton avenue. The lot has been assessed for \$300.

67 St. Joseph Street.
Lot "A," Doris E. Smith, 36 Outlook Drive, Lexington. Tax sale advertised on July 5, 1945—tax not paid to date. Consisting of 11,184 square feet, this plot is assessed for \$300. We know this lot is for sale. St. Joseph street begins at Atherton avenue and runs into Fairview Cemetery. The City of Boston has title to most of the land which fronts on St. Joseph street.

49 St. Charles Street.
Lot "B," Doris E. Smith, 36 Outlook Drive, Lexington. Tax sale advertised July 5, 1945—tax not paid to date. This plot, consisting of 11,200 square feet, assessed for \$300, touches Fairview Cemetery. This plot has been offered for purchase by the trustees of the estate of the late owner.

59 St. Charles Street.
Charles W. Jones, 20 Standish road, Milton 87—1947 tax paid. This plot is at the corner of St. Charles street and Atherton avenue. It consists of 12,000 square feet, and we understand the assessed value has been \$500.

There are no buildings on the above-mentioned items located on Atherton avenue, St. Joseph street, and St. Charles street.

Approach to Fairview Cemetery, where we now have more than three thousand lot and grave owners, with close to five hundred funerals annually, is made via Fairview avenue. Much of the land fronting on Fairview avenue is now owned by the City of Boston, part of Fairview Cemetery.

However, there is a parcel of property on Fairview avenue which is an eyecore to the cemetery and its approach. Reference is made to parcel at: 31 Fairview Avenue.

John J. and Eva M. Jordan. Tax sale notice sent—owes 1947 taxes. The plot, consisting of 13,012 square feet, has an old house on it in which a family now lives. This item is surrounded by city-owned land. It is understood that the plot, with the old house thereon, is assessed for \$2,000. This plot backs to St. Charles street, opposite 49 St. Charles street, above mentioned, which also touches cemetery-owned land.

It is recommended that action be initiated to acquire title to the property at 31 Fairview avenue and an arrangement can be made, if necessary, to let the present occupants remain in the house while the present housing shortage exists. Later this old house could be torn down, the cemetery extended and the approach to the cemetery on Fairview avenue very much improved.

Ordered, That the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

PARK DEPARTMENT, Cemetery Division.
Fairview Cemetery, Extension of..... \$8,000
Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATION FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I am in receipt of the attached communication from Dr. John H. Cauley, Health Commissioner, requesting a supplementary appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to provide sufficient funds for the payment of hospitalization expenses for state-settled tuberculosis cases, residents of Boston who are hospitalized at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Brighton because the facilities at the Boston City Hospital are inadequate. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts will reimburse the City of Boston for these expenses.

In compliance with this request there is submitted herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.
City of Boston,
Health Department, May 3, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
Repeatedly, there occur in the City of Boston, certain state-settled cases of tuberculosis, requiring hospitalization.

Most of the cases are hospitalized, temporarily, at the Boston City Hospital, where the facilities for their care are inadequate.

Recently, arrangements have been made with the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, in Brighton, to accept for hospitalization these state-settled cases of tuberculosis which occur in Boston. In accordance with statute, this department is required to pay for the hospitalization of such cases at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is also, by statute, required to reimburse the City of Boston for the expense of hospitalization so incurred. This reimbursement does not revert to the Boston Health Department but to the general revenue.

This arrangement is in accordance with similar methods which exist in respect to other communicable diseases, i.e., scarlet fever, measles, diphtheria, etc.

It is respectfully requested that the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) be provided in the supplementary budget in order that the obligation of the City of Boston to pay for these cases of tuberculosis hospitalized at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital be made available.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Ordered, That the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$75,000
17. Care of Persons.....	\$75,000

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

APPROPRIATION FOR CITY COUNCIL.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Messenger requesting an appropriation in the sum of seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$7,600) to provide for salary increases

granted to the City Councilors in accordance with the provision of chapter 223 of the Acts of 1949.

In accordance with this request, I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of \$7,600, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Office of City Messenger, May 5, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
Will you kindly appropriate the sum of \$7,600 for the salary increase of the Boston City Councilors, according to the order passed and approved by the City Council on May 2, 1949, and approved by your Honor on May 3, 1949.

This is in accordance with chapter 223 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Establishing the Compensation of the Members of the City Council of the City of Boston."

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM J. O'DONNELL, City Messenger.

Ordered, That the sum of seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$7,600) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

CITY COUNCIL.

A. Personal Service..... \$7,600

1. Permanent Employees..... \$7,600

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LOAN AND APPROPRIATION ORDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a loan order in the sum of \$2,960,000 for the construction of buildings by several departments of the city, together with a supplementary appropriation order in the sum of \$159,000 required under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

This loan order will be allocated as follows:

Fire Department.....	\$1,125,000
Hospital Department.....	850,000
Welfare Department.....	700,000
Library Department.....	200,000
Public Works Department.....	50,000
Park Department.....	25,000
Sanatorium Division.....	10,000
Total.....	\$2,960,000

The Fire Department requires \$1,000,000 additional to build a garage, maintenance and headquarters building for which \$1,500,000 was allocated last year. This additional sum is needed primarily because of the increased cost of the foundation determined after borings were made, and the decision to increase the size of the building. It is also contemplated to erect a fire house at the cost of \$125,000 in the Orient Heights section of East Boston.

The City Hospital proposes to build a new maintenance and repair building on the site of the present old ambulance station on Albany street at a cost of \$450,000; a one-story addition and basement to the Dowling Building for the accident section at a cost of \$300,000; an addition to the tenth floor of the Medical Building for the Neurological Service at a cost of \$60,000; and an addition at the rear of the Out-Patient Department to provide for a dental clinic at a cost of \$40,000.

The Public Welfare Department proposes to build two district offices, one at Roxbury Crossing and the other at Grove Hall, at a total cost of \$700,000.

The Library Department proposes to build two branch libraries at a cost of \$100,000 each.

The Public Works Department proposes to build a garage and office building for the Highway Division in South Boston at a cost of \$50,000.

The Park Department proposes to build an addition to the present Franklin Park garage at a cost of \$25,000.

The Sanatorium Division of the Hospital Department requires an additional \$10,000 to complete the erection of an incinerator, for which \$35,000 was authorized out of last year's Building Loan.

I respectfully recommend to your Honorable Body the approval of the orders herewith submitted.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause (3) of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million nine hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$2,960,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended by various departmental officials, under the direction of the Mayor, for construction of buildings, original equipment and furnishing thereof, and for the acquisition of such land as may be required for such purposes, and that to meet said appropriation the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 44, section 7 of the General Laws, the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$159,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

Construction of Buildings and Original Equipment and Furnishing thereof. . . \$159,000
Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PETITION OF HUDSON BUS LINES FOR LICENSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 2, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I beg to forward herewith communication received from the president of the Hudson Bus Lines. I beg to say in connection with this communication that I have discussed the possible effect on the revenue of the MTA and they have informed me that, with certain restrictions which they can agree to, they believe it would be beneficial to their lines.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

HUDSON BUS LINES,
General Offices, 70 Union Street, Medford,
Phone MY6-4430.

April 21, 1949.
530 Broadway Street, Weymouth.
Honorable Mayor and City Council,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:
As you know, we are presently providing transportation from various South Shore points to the Ashmont Station of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, under the provisions of a temporary sixty-day license issued to us by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities on April 11, 1949, ending June 9, 1949. It appears that a great many people in the various areas served find that this means of transportation is very much more convenient for them than any other means, especially with the greatly curtailed service available by the Old Colony Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad.

We desire to be in a position to continue providing this service under certificated authority from the Department of Public Utilities by the time our temporary license expires. There are

of course, various steps that have to be taken before the department can hold a hearing. Included among these precedent steps is the issuing of a local license in each community. For that purpose we hereby respectfully petition for your permission and authority to operate motor buses for the carriage of passengers for hire over the following-designated streets within the City of Boston:

On Granite avenue, between the Milton-Boston line and Gallivan Boulevard; on Gallivan Boulevard, between Granite avenue and Dorchester avenue; on Dorchester avenue, between Gallivan Boulevard and the Ashmont Station of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

We shall be pleased to hear from you. Such information as you may desire will be gladly furnished at your suggestion.

Yours very truly,

HUDSON BUS LINES, INC.,
by KENNETH HUDSON, President.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

John A. Allgaier, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

William Anderson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 8 Maple street, Roxbury.

Anna C. Barry, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Federal and Purchase streets.

Thomas Barry, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 51 Judson street.

Mary A. Bergen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 105 Dudley street.

Frederick J. Brady, for reimbursement as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Salvatore Caso, for compensation for damage to property by bar falling from roof of Paul Revere School.

Beryl E. Hagan, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Hecht Realty Company, for compensation for damage to property at 34 Woodcliff street, caused by negligent maintenance of water pipes.

May Lucas, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Reedsdale street, Allston.

John J. McKenna, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

George G. O'Shea, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 85 Leland street.

Helen G. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

C. J. Snook, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Strandway, at Columbia Circle.

Helen L. Snyder, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Paul J. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 149 Eustis street, caused by defective sewer.

Margaret Sweeney, for compensation for injuries caused by ice on sidewalk at 45-53 Summer street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company to amend license to carry passengers by motor vehicles over West Fourth street, between Dover street and Dorchester avenue; Stuart street, between Church street and Broadway; Church street, between Stuart street and Columbus avenue; Columbus avenue, between Church street and Park square, to permit compliance with one-way traffic regulations in vicinity of Park square.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received, viz.:

Boston Music School, Inc., Brown Hall, May 22.

Viola K. Breiding, Jordan Hall, June 1 and 6.

Edna C. Johnson, Brown Hall, June 19.

Kay A. McDermott, Jordan Hall, May 23 and 24

Lois E. Norris, Jordan Hall, June 11.
Mildred Kennedy, Roxbury Municipal Building,
May 27.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

POLE LOCATION.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of pole location on Church street, West Roxbury, granted to Boston Edison Company.

Placed on file.

ORGANIZATION OF OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Notice was received from the Overseers of Public Welfare of election of the following as officers of the Board: Louis P. Leonard, Chairman; P. Edward Murray, Vice-Chairman; J. Joseph Callahan, Treasurer; William G. O'Hare, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ORGANIZATION OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Notice was received from the Library Department of the election of Frank W. Buxton as president, Hon. Frank J. Donahue as vice-president, and Elizabeth B. Brockunier as clerk.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices of the following appointments by the Mayor were received:

Lee M. Friedman, 206 Bay State road, as Library Trustee for term ending April 30, 1954.

Irving Green, 63 Hillsboro road, Dorchester, member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, vice Sophie M. Friedman, resigned, for term ending April 30, 1951.

Julia Kavrakas, 10 Chapin avenue, West Roxbury, member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, vice Simon E. Hecht, resigned, for term ending April 30, 1950.

Irving Lewis, 32 Linwood street, Roxbury, member of Board of Real Estate Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1952.

John J. Murphy, 67 Avalon road, West Roxbury, member of Board of Park Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Malcolm E. Nichols, 796 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Commissioner in Boston Transit Department for term ending April 30, 1952.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

William J. Baker, Irving E. Bennett, John Andrew D'Arcy, Edward A. DeSimone, Abner Goldkrand, Abraham M. Hecht, Edward G. Hession, Max Kaplan, Norman M. Menzies, Jr., Louis H. Oppenheim, Louis B. Ransom, Leon Small, Hyman Sandler, Joseph P. Schrank, Jacob E. Schrank, Sidney Sheinfeld, Henry J. D. Small, Joseph Todisco.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

President HURLEY appointed Councilor Beades as chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, vice Councilor Kinsella, who resigned.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MICHAEL A. CAHILL.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of C and West Third

streets, South Boston, in honor of Corp. Michael A. Cahill, late member of the Seventh Armored Division, U. S. Army, who was killed in the Holland area on November 5, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELIMINATION OF SMOKE, ASH, AND CINDER NUISANCE, SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Health Commissioner for the purpose of eliminating the smoke, ash, and cinder nuisance in the South Boston district.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

NAMING OF STREET IN HONOR OF THOMAS L. BARRY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of a street, circle, way, or place in the new South Boston housing project in honor of Pvt. Thomas L. Barry, a radio operator in the U. S. Army, who was killed at Jorhat, India, on September 6, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF MILK IN PINT CONTAINERS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor communicate with the Milk Control Board of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relative to the re-establishment of the delivery and sale of milk in pint containers.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

Coun. YERXA, for the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred April 11) that no child under twelve years be brought to Police stations for commission of a misdemeanor—that same ought to pass.

Report on order (referred April 11) relative to establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds—that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company (referred today) for amendment of license to carry passengers by motor vehicles, to permit compliance with one-way traffic regulations in vicinity of Park square—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 2) of Daniel F. Burke, to be Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 2) of Catherine McFarland and Edward Novick, to be Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

MONKEY HOUSE AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to make a survey of the Franklin Park area for the housing of a monkey zoo which will provide an incentive for children of Greater Boston to use Franklin Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SIDEWALK, BLUE HILL AVENUE AND FRANKLIN PARK, ETC.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to lay an asphalt sidewalk at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Franklin Park and to make repairs on benches that are sadly needed in that area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MAX BORNSTEIN.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Abbot street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Max Bornstein, a veteran who gave his life while in the service of his country in the European Theatre of Operations.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$4,000 for Board of Real Estate Commissioners—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$12,000 for Board of Real Estate Commissioners—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$159,000 for Public Ways, Construction of—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$159,000 for Sewerage Works—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

5. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$15,000 for Collecting Department—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

6. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 11) appropriating \$60,000 from income of Cemetery Fund, to be expended under direction of Park Commissioner—recommending reference of the order to Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

7. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$25,000 for Jail Improvements—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

8. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$697.50 for Boston Juvenile Court—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

9. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) appropriating \$111,000 for supplementary budget appropriations—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

10. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 24) appropriating \$115,700 for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out the following-named streets in Ward 22 as public ways: Third street; Buffalo street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF PLAY AREA IN HONOR OF LAWRENCE T. AND EDWARD J. DESMOND.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name a play area on Faneuil street in the Oak square district of Brighton in honor of Lawrence T. Desmond and Edward J. Desmond, brothers who were killed in action while in the service of their country in Italy and France.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FAIRBANKS STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be directed to make a survey of Fairbanks street relative to eliminating heavy trucking and also to study the advisability of making it a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 245, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 245 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Subjecting the Office of Supervisor of Veterans' Graves and Registration in the City of Boston to the Civil Service Laws" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. LINEHAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of John J. Doherty and Paul R. Harvey (referred May 2) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against them on account of their acts as operators of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department, recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand eight hundred thirteen dollars and sixteen cents (\$1,813.16) be allowed and paid to John J. Doherty and Paul R. Harvey in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against them on account of their acts as operators of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Edward J. Schofield (referred May 2) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Police Department, recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred eighty-six dollars and seventy-seven cents (\$186.77) be allowed and paid to Edward J. Schofield in re-

imbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Neil M. Murphy (referred May 2) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be allowed and paid to Neil M. Murphy in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Arthur J. Cullinane (referred April 25) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department, recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of sixty dollars (\$60) be allowed and paid to Arthur J. Cullinane in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CHARLES A. BALDWIN.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of L and East Eighth streets, Ward 7, in honor of Lieut. Charles A. Baldwin, of the U. S. Air Force, who was killed recently in an airplane crash.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 159, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 159 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Land on Church Street in the City of Boston from the School Department to the Public Welfare Department of Said City," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS, CHARLES STREET.

Coun. YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install automatic traffic signals at the corner of Charles and Revere streets, Ward 5.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install automatic traffic signals at the corner of Charles and Chestnut streets, Ward 5.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS AROUND FRANKLIN PARK BIRD HOUSE

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place benches around the bird house in Franklin Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 11, 1948) for sale of land on

Dorchester avenue at public auction—that same ought not to pass.

Report accepted; said order rejected.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 4) transferring land on southerly side of Southampton street from Public Works Department to Fire Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred March 29, 1948) giving right to Boston University to build over sewer, Bay State road and Commonwealth avenue—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hamon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linahan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) for sale of land on Dorchester avenue to Carney Hospital for \$10,000—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Councilor Hamon, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 21.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install pedestrian-controlled traffic lights at 1160 Commonwealth avenue, Allston; also at the corner of Gordon and Cambridge streets, Allston; and a third set at the car stop approximately in front of 1970 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS ON COREY ROAD AND SUMMIT AVENUE.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Stop" signs on Corey road at Washington street and on Summit avenue at Corey road, Ward 21.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF MECHANIC STREET NORTH.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Mechanic Street North, extending from 229 Brighton avenue to approximately 450 Cambridge street, in the Allston section of Ward 21.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF SUMMER STREET, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Summer street, Ward 18, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF BELGRADE AVENUE EXTENSION.

Coun. BRYAN, McCORMACK and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to immediately proceed with the construction of the Belgrade Avenue extension, from South to Washington streets, Roslindale, to eliminate the bottleneck which has existed at this location for a number of years.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PERSONNEL CHANGES IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately shake up the personnel of the Health Department covering Ward 20 because of laxity in the performance of their duties.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install push-button traffic lights at the corner of May and Centre streets, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO MUDDY RIVER.

Coun. CHASE and YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to clean the pollution and scum from Muddy River in the Fenway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BRADFORD STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Bradford street, in the Ward 3 section of Boston, one-way, so that traffic will enter from Waltham street to Bradford street and thence to Shawmut avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

DRINKING FOUNTAIN IN FRONT OF ROOM 49, CITY HALL.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a drinking fountain in front of Room 49, City Hall.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.08 p. m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.15 p. m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$159,000 for Public Ways, Construction of—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Finance.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$159,000 for Sewerage Works—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$15,000 for Collecting Department,—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—15.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook, Yerxa—3.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$60,000 from income of Cemetery Fund, to be expended under direction of Park Commissioner—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

5. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$4,000 for Board of Real Estate Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—Councilor Hannon—1.

6. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$7,600 for City Council—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilor Wenzler—1.

7. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$25,000 for Jail Improvements—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook—2.

8. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$697.50 for Boston Juvenile Court—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

9. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$111,000 for supplementary budget appropriations—recommending passage of order in the following new draft:

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$10,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$10,000

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

SUFFOLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CUSTODIAN.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$4,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$4,000
C. Equipment.....	4,500
7. Furniture and Furnishings, 4,500	
	<u>\$8,500</u>

COUNTY BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$5,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$5,000

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT,
HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$3,500
8. Light, Heat and Power....	\$1,000
39. General Repairs.....	2,500
C. Equipment.....	2,500
7. Furniture and Furnishings, 2,500	
D. Supplies.....	5,500
3. Fuel.....	5,000
16. Wearing Apparel.....	500
E. Materials.....	1,000
1. Building.....	1,000
	<u>\$12,500</u>

GRAND TOTAL..... \$36,000

The report was accepted and the question came on the passage of each of the items in the order.

The appropriation of \$10,000 for the Police Department was passed, yeas 14, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook—2.

The appropriations of \$8,500 for the Suffolk County Courthouse, Custodian, and \$5,000 for County Buildings Department were passed, yeas 14, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook—2.

The appropriation of \$12,500 for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, was passed, yeas 10, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Chase, Cook, Linehan, Yerxa—5.

10. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of land on Dorchester avenue to Carney Hospital for \$10,000—recommending that the order ought to pass for the sale of the land at \$1.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councilor Keenan the order as referred was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

11. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$115,700 for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service—recommending that the order be placed on file.

The report of the committee was accepted and the order was placed on file.

DEATH OF FRANK BURTON WHITMAN.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extends its sincere sympathy and condolence to the family of Frank Burton (Burt) Whitman, who served as sports editor on Boston newspapers for 32 years and whose sudden death is a severe blow not only to his family but to the entire citizenry of Boston. The City Council prays that Divine Providence will give the members of his family the strength to sustain them in their tremendous loss.

Adopted under suspension of the rule.

WITHDRAWAL OF POLICE OFFICERS
FROM BANKS.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to withdraw all police officers who are now guarding the various banks throughout the city.

The order was rejected, yeas 4, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Hurley, Keenan, Ramsey, Sullivan—4.

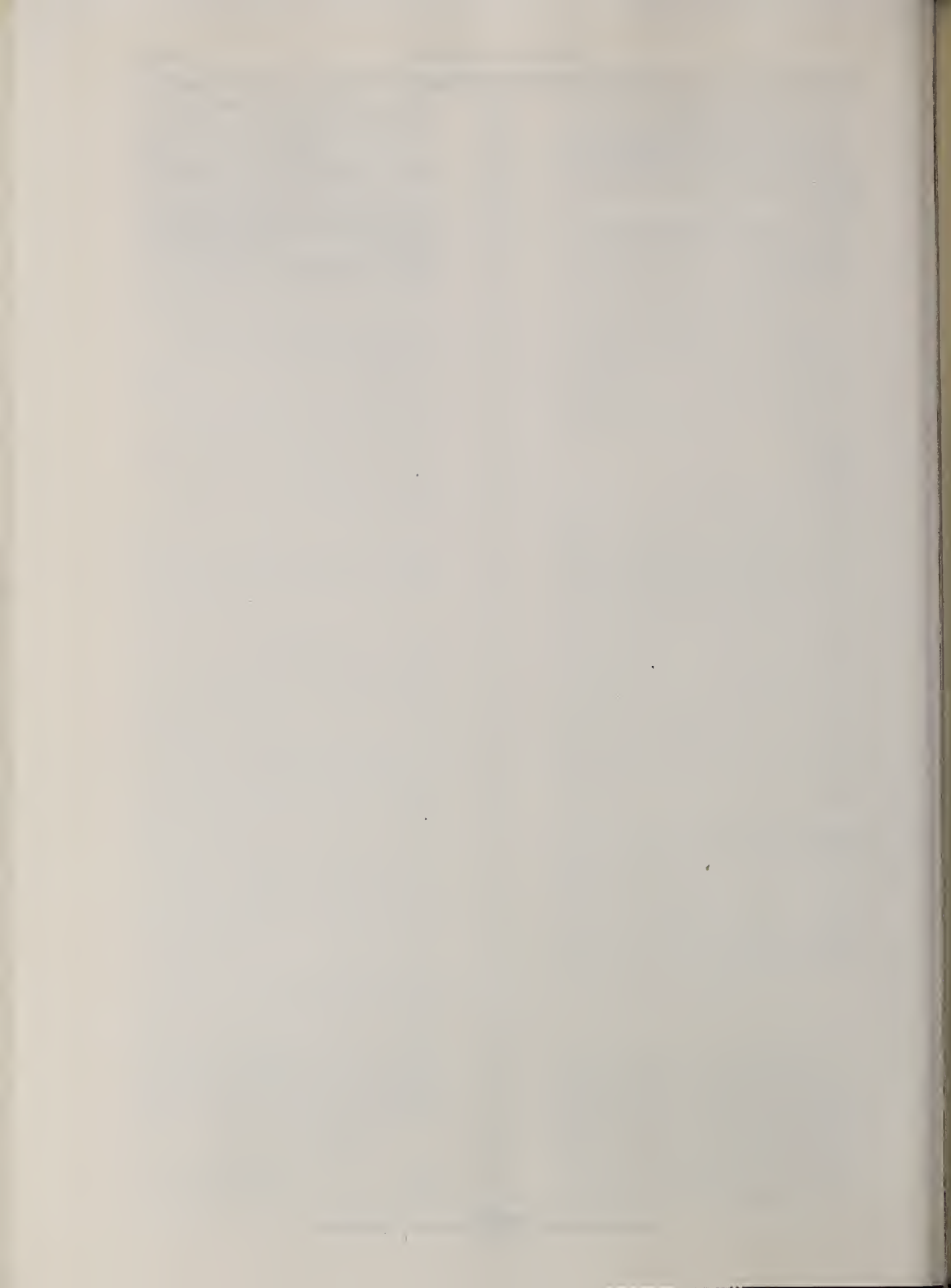
Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook, Lanigan, Linahan, Wenzler—5.

Voting present—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Kinsella, Shanley—5.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the Council voted to adjourn at 5.45 p. m., to meet on Monday, May 16, 1949, at 2 p. m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 16, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Kinsella.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: Harry Smith, 526 Massachusetts avenue, Boston. Constables, without power to serve civil process, to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950: William T. Hamilton, 90 Hancock street, Dorchester; Edward J. Anderson, 104 Walworth street, West Roxbury; Michael Penta, 59 Charter street, Boston.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950: Francis W. Sprague, 33 Knoll street, Roslindale; Carl H. Olson, 19 Knoll street, Roslindale; John J. Hickey, 236 River street, Mattapan; Randolph F. Taylor, Tileston road, Randolph, Mass.; Chester A. Ward, 55 Blue Hill terrace, Milton, Mass.

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950: Frank Caruso, 40 Stearns avenue, Medford, Mass.; Andrew G. Viglas, 1118 Dorchester street, Dorchester.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF VETERANS.

The following were received;

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 13, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith further communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Washington street and Columbus avenue in honor of the late Warren D. Dunn.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 12, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to Council order introduced by Councilor Tracy on April 25, 1949, requesting that the intersection of Washington street and Columbus avenue be named in honor of the late Warren D. Dunn, I regret to advise that at a meeting held this day of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans it was voted to take no action on this request because of the fact that this particular intersection, if named in honor of said veteran, would create some confusion as it is in the locality now known as Eggleston square.

It is suggested, however, that Councilor Tracy introduce another order in the Council, designating some other location that would not conflict with locations already named and this committee will be most pleased to take immediate action on the same.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to

your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of I and East Seventh streets, Ward 6, in honor of Joseph Alcorn.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 9, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of May 4, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the intersection of I and East Seventh streets, Ward 6, be named in honor of John Joseph Alcorn, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is to be held on Thursday, May 12, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Huntington avenue and Greenleaf street, Ward 4, in honor of George A. Kelley.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 9, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of May 4, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Chase, requesting that the intersection of Huntington avenue and Greenleaf street, Ward 4, be named in honor of George A. Kelley, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is to be held on Thursday, May 12, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Burnett and Washington streets, Ward 11, in honor of Charles F. Barry.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 9, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of May 4, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Tracy, requesting that the intersection of Burnett and Washington streets, Ward 11, be named in honor of Charles F. Barry, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is to be held on Thursday, May 12, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Oneida street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, in honor of Donato Luzzi.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 9, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of May 4, 1949, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Lanigan, requesting that the intersection of Oncida street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, be named in honor of Donato Liuzzi, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is to be held on Thursday, May 12, at which time said order will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Severally placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HEATH AND BICKFORD STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the installation of push-button traffic lights at the corner of Heath and Bickford streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 2, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Push-Button Traffic Lights at the corner of Heath and Bickford Streets.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be advised that our accident records show that there have been no accidents involving personal injuries at the intersection of Bickford and Heath streets from 1947 to date.

Traffic in Heath street is not too heavy and, in my opinion, there are other intersections throughout the city that should be given prior consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, MAY AND CENTRE STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of push-button traffic lights at the corner of May and Centre streets, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Push-Button Traffic Lights at the Corner of May and Centre Streets, Ward 19.

Dear Sir:

Our program for traffic signal installations this year includes the intersection of Centre street and Hillcroft road, which is adjacent to the intersection of Centre and May streets.

We feel that this installation will give protection to this entire area.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

MAKING OF ONE-WAY STREETS.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the making of Bradford street, in the Ward 3 section of Boston, one way so that traffic will enter from Waltham street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting that Bradford Street Be Made One Way from Waltham Street to Shawmut Avenue.

Dear Sir:

Our engineers will make a study of the above-mentioned location and you will be advised of their recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith further reply from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the erection of a one-way sign at the corner of Warren and Intervale streets, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 11, 1949, Requesting that a One-Way Sign be Erected at the Corner of Warren and Intervale Streets, Roxbury.

Dear Sir:

Further referring to the above Council order, and my reply dated April 18, 1949, please be advised that Intervale street is one way from Warren street to Blue Hill avenue.

There are no other streets leading into Intervale street between Warren street and Blue Hill avenue, and as cars are permitted to enter Intervale street from Warren street there is no need of posting any signs at this intersection.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of Fairbanks street in connection with eliminating heavy trucking, and also for the purpose of determining the advisability of making it a one-way street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order May 9, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made of Fairbanks Street Relative to Eliminating Heavy Trucking and Also to Study the Advisability of Making It a One-Way Street.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be advised that our engineers will make a study of the area mentioned and you will be notified of their recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Severally placed on file.

AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC SIGNALS,
CHARLES STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of an automatic traffic signal at the corner of Charles and Revere streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Automatic Traffic Signals at the Corner of Charles and Revere Streets.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be advised that a report from our engineers indicates that the installation of traffic signals at the above intersection would seriously disrupt the coordination of the signal system in Charles street.

It is my opinion that the matter of installing the traffic signal at this intersection should be deferred until such time as other more dangerous locations have been signalized.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of automatic traffic signals at the corner of Charles and Chestnut streets, Ward 5.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Automatic Traffic Signals at the Corner of Charles and Chestnut Streets, Ward 5.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be advised that at the present time we are preparing a list of dangerous intersections throughout the city to submit to the City Council since our funds have already been allocated and we will include the above-mentioned intersection among these locations.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Severally placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at the corner of Glendale street and Columbia road, Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 11, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 2, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at the Corner of Glendale Street and Columbia Road, Ward 15.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be advised that we are recommending the installation of traffic lights at Columbia road and Quiney street

and it is the opinion of our engineers that these proposed traffic lights would affect traffic coming out of Glendale street into Columbia road and would do away with the necessity of signaling the intersection.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS, WARD 21.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of "Stop" signs on Corey road at Washington street, and on Summit avenue at Corey road, Ward 21.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of "Stop" Signs on Corey Road at Washington Street, and on Summit Avenue at Corey Road, Ward 21.

Dear Sir:

As regards the above Council order please be informed that a study will be made of traffic conditions at the above intersections and I will advise you of the action we take.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS AT SULLIVAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of December 29, 1948, concerning proposed highway improvements at Sullivan square, Charlestown district.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 10, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of December 29, 1948, in which you enclosed a copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Kinsella, I submit herewith report received from our chief engineer which is self-explanatory:

"On April 26, 1949, Mr. P. H. Kitfield advised me that the Commissioner of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, had engaged the services of Thomas Worcester, Inc., 84 State street, Boston, as consulting engineer to design the proposed highway improvements at Sullivan square, Charlestown district."

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN SCHOOL-YARDS, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds, and the proper posting of regulations in these play areas.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I return herewith copy of order of City Council dated May 9, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner, Chairman of the Recreation Board, and the School Committee and its recreational officials to sit down with the Police Commissioner relative to the establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds, and the proper posting of regulations in each of these play areas."

I was present at a meeting of the committee of the City Council held on May 5, 1949, when the Park Commissioner, a representative of the School Committee, and the undersigned discussed the subject matter of this order.

It was agreed that these two departments would send to the Police Department a copy of their authorization to use school or park property for specific recreational purposes. Upon receipt of such information, we shall be pleased to see that their requests are enforced.

Respectfully yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN, Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TAKING OF CHILDREN TO POLICE STATION HOUSES FOR MISDEMEANORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the bringing of a child under 12 years of age to the station house for the commission of a misdemeanor.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I return herewith copy of order of City Council dated May 9, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Police Commissioner to instruct his division officials that no child under 12 years of age be brought to the station house for the commission of a misdemeanor, but rather that the child be brought to his home, or his name be taken and his parents notified.

It is not the custom of the Police Department to take children under 12 years of age to the station houses unless they are lost, or we are unable to locate someone at their homes. In that event they are turned over to a probation officer.

Respectfully yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN, Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

GASEOUS ODORS IN WARD 10.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of February 7, 1949, concerning an investigation of the gaseous odors in Ward 10.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department, May 6, 1949.
To Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
From Robert P. Curley, Commissioner of Public Works.

Subject: Council Order, Dated February 7, 1949, Requesting that the Public Works, Health, and Fire Commissioners Make Investigation to Determine Cause of Gaseous Odors in Ward 10 Section.

In compliance with the above order, an investigation was made on March 3. From the owners of the Hughes Drug Store, at 1556 Tremont street, Roxbury, it was learned that about three weeks prior to our investigation there was a gas-pipe explosion near the corner of St. Alphonse and Tremont streets. The Boston Consolidated Gas Company repaired the leak. Since repair of this leak there has been no odor discerned. Prior to explosion the odor at times was nauseating.

This report was not forwarded before this date, as we wished to make sure that the cause of the odor had been eliminated. We have received no complaint since the investigation and are now certain the cause of the complaint has been definitely cleared up.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SALE OF CITY PROPERTY TO FLAHERTY POST, NO. 30, AMERICAN LEGION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works, with reference to the transferring of the premises at 64 Marion street, East Boston, having an area of approximately 3,268 feet, together with an unused and abandoned fire house, to the Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion, Inc., for the sum of \$1.

Sincerely,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department, May 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In accordance with an order of the City Council passed at its meeting of January 30, 1939, and approved by the Mayor on February 21, 1939, the Public Works Department acquired by transfer from the Fire Department, the premises at 64 Marion street, East Boston, having an area of approximately 3,268 feet, together with an unused and abandoned fire house.

Following the transfer of this property, the Public Works Department used it for a while, and later, this department permitted the Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion, Inc., to occupy a portion of the building as its quarters. Subsequently, the Public Works Department gave up entirely the use of the building, and the Flaherty Post continued its occupancy, and for some time now has been the sole occupant of the building.

The officers of this Post have asked that the city sell the land and building to it, and as the property is of no further use, I feel that it would be to the advantage of the city to dispose of the property and to permit the Flaherty Post to fulfill its desire to own its own quarters.

At the request of this office, the Corporation Counsel has prepared an order for submission to the City Council, pertaining to the sale of these premises to the Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion, Inc., for the nominal sum of \$1. I submit this order to your Honor with the recommendation that you forward it to the City Council, requesting that the Council pass the necessary order to permit the sale of this property, as requested.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, By deed dated March 8, 1860, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 776, page 52, a certain parcel of land containing about 1,650 square feet, situated on the easterly side of Marion street in that part of Boston called East Boston, and bounded on its southeasterly side by a passageway eight feet wide and seventy-five feet deep, which is forever to remain open, was conveyed to the City of Boston; and

Whereas, By a taking approved by the Mayor of Boston, July 20, 1917, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 45, page 441, the Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston took for

fire-house purposes an adjoining parcel of land containing about 1,618 square feet; and

Whereas, The above-described premises were transferred from the care and custody of the Fire Department of the City of Boston to the Department of Public Works of the City of Boston by an order of the City Council of the City of Boston dated January 30, 1939; and

Whereas, The above-described premises, together with the building thereon, are no longer required by the Department of Public Works; it is

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to sell for a price of one dollar (\$1) the above-described premises to Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion, Inc., and to execute and deliver a written instrument, satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, to Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion, Inc.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Curtis J. Hooper, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by paint on traffic box at Arlington and Boylston streets.

Harold T. Hurley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Helen L. Joyce, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Morris, Jacob and Vivian Kuritsky, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city vehicle.

Mary B. McGann, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 33 Newburg street.

Dorothy Pepi, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cross street.

Bella Rubinovitch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 36 Harvard street.

Executive.

Petition of Mary F. Decker to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, John M. Decker, late member of Police Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles from Beacon street and Chestnut Hill avenue, via southerly side of Beacon street to Ayr road, thence via Ayr road to northerly side of Beacon street, thence via northerly side of Beacon street to corner of Chestnut Hill avenue and Beacon street, stopping at the present bus stop on southerly side of Beacon street east of Prendergast avenue to unload passengers and crossing the tracks with an empty bus via Ayr road to the existing bus terminus on northerly side of Beacon street.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Katharine D. O'Gorman, New England Mutual Hall, May 24.

W. A. Rhodes, New England Mutual Hall, May 16.

Esther Lyons Ware, Boston Conservatory, June 2.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council: Joseph Ackema, George W. Brooker, Arnold Klevens, Anthony Luongo, Andrew Martin, Frank J. Macchia, Sidney Williams, Morris Youman.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures of \$530.71 for installation of 77 additional clothes poles at Alsen Village Veterans' Housing Development.

Placed on file.

LETTER FROM VERY REVEREND LOUIS B. PASTORELLI, S.S.J.

A letter of appreciation for resolutions passed by Council was received from the Very Reverend Louis B. Pastorelli, S.S.J.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of appointment of the following:

Samuel A. Bithoney, 12 Rollins street, trustee of Statistics Department for term ending April 30, 1953.

John J. S. Fahey, 25 Edgebrook road, West Roxbury, trustee of Statistics Department for term ending April 30, 1954.

Everett F. Gray, 21 Mason street, Winchester, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment for term ending April 30, 1952.

Elisabeth M. Herlihy, 92 Hopkins road, Jamaica Plain, member of City Planning Board for term ending April 30, 1954.

Francis X. Lane, 1 Bowditch road, Jamaica Plain, member of City Planning Board for term ending April 30, 1954.

George R. McNeil, 92 Greaton road, West Roxbury, member of Board of Examiners for term ending April 30, 1952.

A. Francis O'Toole, 165 Lasell street, West Roxbury, member of Board of Appeal for term ending April 30, 1954.

Severally placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 201, ACTS OF 1949.

President HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 201 of the Acts of 1949 entitled "An Act Relative to the Compensation of Members of the Board of Appeal in the City of Boston" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FEES FOR CONCESSION PRIVILEGES AT PARKS, ETC.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council Committee on Ordinances be directed to draw up an ordinance establishing and regulating the fees paid for concession privileges at the various parks, playgrounds, beaches and gathering places under municipal control.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

INSTALLATION OF SMOOTH SURFACE, PERKINS SQUARE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a smooth surface in Perkins square, at the junction of Dorchester street, East and West Broadway, Ward 6, to cover the existing granite blocks.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BLINKER LIGHTS, P STREET AND EAST BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install blinker lights at the corner of P street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT VARIOUS STREETS IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of all narrow streets in Brighton with a view to installing "No Parking" signs about forty feet from the corners of said streets in order to give fire apparatus a chance to enter the streets in case of fire.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"SLOW" SIGNS NEAR WINSHIP SCHOOL, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs in the vicinity of the Winship School, Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MAKING OF ELKO STREET ONE WAY FROM CAMBRIDGE STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of making Elko street, Ward 22, one way from Cambridge street down.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SURVEY IN BRIGHTON- ALLSTON SECTION.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of the Brighton-Allston section of Boston with a view to synchronizing the traffic lights for the protection of pedestrians.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 293 OF ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 293 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Boston to Pension Lieutenant James F. Flahive, a member of the Fire Department of said city," be, and hereby is adopted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CERTAIN STREETS IN WARD 22 AS PLAY STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to designate certain streets in Ward 22 as play streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Safety, submitted the following:
Report on order (referred January 17) that public utility companies or others be compelled to equip manhole covers in streets and alleys of city with safety binges—that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

SURVEY OF WATER BREAKS, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make an immediate survey of water breaks in the streets and sidewalks of Ward 16 with a view to covering these breaks with an asphalt surface

if in the street and with a concrete surface if in the sidewalk, this work to be done as speedily as possible.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 9) of John W. Herbert and Edward I. Hoffman, as constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment (referred May 9) of Alexander Pless, to be constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment (referred May 9) of Gaspar J. LaRosa, to be Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Wenzler and Beades. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

PURCHASE OF LAND IN ROSLINDALE FOR PLAYGROUND.

Coun. McCORMACK and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Park Commission to purchase the land at the corner of Poplar and Canterbury streets in Roslindale, to be used for playground purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES A. FERRERA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of I and East Second streets, Ward 6, in honor of Private James A. Ferrera, of the 83d Field Artillery Battalion, who was killed in action in Germany on November 21, 1944, instead of the junction of I and East Third streets, as requested in the order introduced on March 7, 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan, the Council voted at 2.29 p.m., to take a recess. The members, reassembled and were called to order at 4.11 p.m., by Chairman SULLIVAN.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. Lanigan, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Mary A. Cheevers (referred April 11) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, John S. Cheevers—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Mary A. Cheevers, widow of John S. Cheevers, a member of the Fire Department, who died on March 12, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report accepted; said order passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$75,000 for Public Buildings Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hurley, Lanigan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—8.

Nays— Councilors Chase, Linehan, Yerxa—3.

Voting Present—Councilor Hannon—1.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) for sale of land on Dorchester avenue to Carney Hospital—recommending passage of order for sale of land at \$1 instead of \$10,000.

The report was accepted, and the order for sale of land for \$1 was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

ROPING OFF STREETS, DORCHESTER DAY ROAD RACE.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the streets along the route of the Dorchester Day road race on Saturday, June 4, 1949, and that the expense of same be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT ON CONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPLE-STORY PARKING AREAS.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That all of the City of Boston departments in charge of construction of the off-street parking areas be requested, through his honor the Mayor, to immediately make a report to the Boston City Council on the status of the construction of the multiple-story parking areas for which \$5,000,000 was authorized in 1946 to be allocated for the purpose of constructing said parking areas.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF VIADUCT TO LONG ISLAND.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, 1. The cost of maintaining for Long Island two ships with their personnel, wharves, repairs and fuel, is \$200,000 yearly;

2. Cost of construction and repairs is 33½ higher on Long Island than on the mainland; construction and repair cost for the past three years has been \$896,000;

3. The difficulty in obtaining contractors to consider and estimate proposed work due to difficulty and expense in transporting materials, and the loss of working time from their men in doing the work;

4. The saving in hotel expenses for employees when boat trips are interrupted by weather conditions;

5. The savings that would be had in not being obliged to furnish full maintenance to all employees; the city makes an allowance of \$8 a week for maintenance wherein actually it costs \$15 a week for nearly 300 employees;

6. Consulting surgeons and physicians would again be interested in their services to the hospital, thus carrying out the provisions of the American Hospital Association and the American College of Surgeons; with present transportation facilities the medical profession feels that a whole day is lost to them in making a visit to Long Island Hospital;

7. Greater advantage in transporting patients from the mainland with less handling and more comfort;

8. Would promote more suitable arrangement for telephone cable and water mains which are now carried under water;

9. Would provide the use of the Edison power in an emergency when the Long Island power plant goes out of repair; this would be similar to the City Hospital;

10. Would eliminate a great deal of morale problem with the employees by permitting frequent access to the mainland; it would definitely attract a better type of employee, and encourage volunteer visiting by organizations, so necessary to the patients;

Whereas, With the recent deeding of the Fort Strong property to the city, many of the buildings on Fort Strong can be reconstructed to provide more hospital space; this property has a declared value of \$500,000 and was deeded to the city with the understanding that it would be used for hospital purposes; with our present transportation services, it would be unsound to increase the size of the hospital; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record in favor of Massachusetts Senate Bill No. 649, which provides "that the City of Boston be authorized to construct and to maintain a viaduct over and across the passage of water known as the 'Back Way' in lower Boston Harbor, between Long Island and Moon Island and its approaches on both Long Island and Moon Island"; and he it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution along with the preamble be sent to all the 15 members of the Massachusetts Legislative Committee on Municipal Finance which holds a public hearing in Room 433 of the State House, May 17, 1949, at 11 a.m. on said Senate Bill No. 649.

Adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF HOWARD J. KANE.

Coun. LINEHAN and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Buttonwood street and Columbia road, Wards 7 and 13, in honor of PFC Howard J. Kane, Company A, 22d Infantry, 4th Division, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Germany on February 6, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$159,000 for Public Works Department, Public Ways, Construction of—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$159,000 for Public Works Department, Sewerage Works—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) for loan of \$2,500,000 for Construction of Public Ways or Permanent Pavement—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, but the order was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryn, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Cook—1.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey the foregoing vote was reconsidered. The order was again rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—14.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilors Cook, Yerxa—2.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 2) for loan of \$1,000,000 for sewerage works—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Cook—1.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHTS, WARD 8.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install 10,000 lumen lamps at the following locations in Ward 8: Newcomb street, in front of No. 11; East Lenox street, rear of Emanuel House; private way off East Lenox street, adjacent to Emanuel House.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Wenzler, at 4.58 p.m., to meet on Monday, May 23, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 23, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President HURLEY in the chair, and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950: Alfred Calabrese, 313 Congress street, Boston, Mass.

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950: Philip Adelman, 11 Longfellow road, Cambridge, Mass.; Joseph A. O'Neil, 4 Houghton street, Dorchester, Mass.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CLEANING OF POLLUTION FROM MUDDY RIVER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 20, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the cleaning of the pollution from Muddy River in the Fenway.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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City of Boston,

Park Department, May 18, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of May 9, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to take immediate steps to clean the pollution and scum from Muddy River in the Fenway.

I have instructed the foreman of this district to cut down the reeds along the banks of the river, also to stir up the water where the scum is visible.

I have written to the Public Works Commissioner asking him to request the Sewer Division to flush out the river in the general neighborhood of the Gate House opposite the Forsyth Dental College.

I feel that if all these things are carried out, this scum condition will be eliminated.

Yours very truly,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

AMBULANCE SERVICE, BRIGHTON-ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I beg to present herewith report received from the President, Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital, the same constituting a reply to an order adopted by your Honorable Body May 4, 1949.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Hospital Department, May 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

A conference was held today at the Board of Trustees' meeting with Police Commissioner Thomas F. Sullivan, concerning your communication dated May 4, 1949, with regard to the subject of ambulance service in the Brighton-Allston district, as requested by Councilor Shanley.

It was the unanimous opinion of the Trustees and Commissioner Sullivan that the ambulance service at the Brighton Police Station, consisting of one ambulance at present and one extra ambulance to be added in the near future, can adequately fulfill any demand for ambulance service in that district.

Sincerely yours,

MARTIN J. ENGLISH, M.D.,
President, Board of Trustees.

Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS ON COREY ROAD, WARD 21.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith further reply from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of "Stop" signs on Corey road, at Washington street, and on Summit avenue, at Corey road, Ward 21.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,

May 17, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, requesting the Installation of "Stop" Signs on Corey Road, at Washington Street, and on Summit Avenue, at Corey Road, Ward 21.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that a traffic survey shows that the volume of traffic at the subject intersection is not sufficient to meet the requirements of the State Department of Public Works for approval of the erection of a "Stop" sign.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN-CONTROLLED LIGHTS, ALLSTON-BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 19, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order dated May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of pedestrian-controlled traffic lights at 1160 Commonwealth avenue, Allston, and also at the corner of Gordon and Cambridge streets, Allston, and a third set at the car stop approximately in front of 1970 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,

May 17, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Pedestrian-Controlled Traffic Lights at 1160 Commonwealth Avenue, Allston; Also at the Corner of Gordon and Cambridge Streets, Allston, and a Third Set at the Car Stop Approximately in Front of 1970 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that I will have the engineers of this department make a study of the subject Council order.

Upon receipt of their report I will inform you further.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

WIDENING OF RUTHERFORD AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 19, 1949;
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order dated November 29, 1948, concerning the possibilities of widening Rutherford avenue on the southerly side, between Jenner street and City square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
May 6, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with a request originating in a City Council order dated November 29, 1948, this office has completed a survey and study of the possibilities of widening Rutherford avenue on the southerly side, between Jenner street and City square. This location is on the principal route of traffic between Boston Proper and Everett, Malden, Somerville and northwest points. The entire route through Charlestown is inadequate and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Public Works Department is presently preparing plans for widening Rutherford avenue and improving Sullivan square.

It is the recommendation of this Board that any action by the City of Boston on the proposed widening be deferred until the final plans of the Commonwealth are completed.

Very truly yours,
CHARLES E. MANION, Chairman.
Placed on file.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN SCHOOL-YARDS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds, and the proper posting of regulations in each of these play areas.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 20, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum with enclosure, City Council order of May 9, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner, Chairman of the Recreational Board, the School Committee and its Recreational Officials, to sit down with the Police Commissioner relative to the establishment of recreational facilities in schoolyards and public playgrounds and the proper posting of regulations in each of these play areas.

All of these officials met before the City Council Committee on Playgrounds a short time ago.

The summer activity, particularly the tot-lot recreation, is to be operated this year by the School Committee under the direction of Joseph McKenney, Director of Physical Education. Mr. McKenney stated that 90 schoolyards and 60 playgrounds would be opened up for recreational play for the youngsters. The recreational leaders will be obtained from the school staff of his department.

Matters were brought up about the particular use of certain playgrounds and schoolyards. It was mentioned that certain playgrounds are reserved for children up to 14 years of age. The

question was raised as to what types of games could be played on these particular areas. It was brought out that if the playground is relatively small, probably less than 200 feet square in area, a limitation had to be put on about the boys playing ball on such a playground. The reason for same is that any kind of ball playing by large boys on too small a playground usually results in many windows of adjacent properties being broken.

It was finally agreed that the School Department and the Park Department would prepare a list of play areas, and if it is necessary to put a limitation on some of the playgrounds they would be so designated to that effect. We all realize that any kind of a sign placed on a public playground remains in position for only a few days at the very most.

We agreed that the list would be prepared and everything would be done to utilize as many of the play areas of the city, whether they are on parks, playgrounds or schoolyards.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

NAMING OF PLAY AREA IN HONOR OF LAWRENCE T. AND EDWARD J. DESMOND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the naming of a play area on Faneuil street in the Oak Square district, Brighton, in honor of Lawrence T. Desmond and Edward J. Desmond, brothers, who were killed in action in World War II.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 20, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of memorandum from your office, dated May 11, 1949, with Council order attached requesting the Committee to Memorialize Veterans to name a play area on Faneuil street in the Oak Square district, Brighton, in honor of Lawrence T. Desmond and Edward J. Desmond, brothers, who were killed in action while in the service of their country in Italy and France.

The Board of Park Commissioners has been giving serious consideration to the matter of naming parks and playgrounds in the future for deceased veterans, and temporarily no new areas are being named. The Board is in the process of receiving reports from several large cities in different parts of the country, regarding their policies in the naming of park and playground areas.

In view of the fact that there are hundreds of deceased veterans, the city naturally will not have enough areas to commemorate them all, and the Board is planning to issue a special ruling relating to this matter.

In the meantime this request will be kept on file.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

ELKO STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the making of Elko street, Ward 22, one way, from Cambridge street, down.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting that Elko Street, Ward 22, Be Made One Way, from Cambridge Street, Down.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that our engineers will make a survey of traffic conditions in Elko street. Upon receipt of their recommendations I will advise you further.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, P STREET AND EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the installation of blinker lights at the corner of P street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Blinker Lights at the Corner of P Street and East Broadway, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

In response to the subject Council order, please be advised that all of the funds at the present time available to this commission for the installation of new traffic signals have been committed.

When additional funds are made available consideration will be given to installing a flashing signal at the intersection of East Broadway and P street.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

SYNCHRONIZATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS, BRIGHTON-ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning synchronization of the traffic lights in the Brighton-Allston section of Boston for the protection of pedestrians.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made of the Brighton-Allston Section of Boston with a View to Synchronizing the Traffic Lights for the Protection of Pedestrians.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the subject Council order, please be advised that it is difficult to understand the exact intention of the language of this order.

In traffic signal operation parlance synchronization means arranging a group of signals so that the timing will result in an orderly movement of vehicles through the group.

Most of the traffic signals in the Brighton-Allston area are so-called "isolated" signals, which do not lend themselves to synchronization. However, in Commonwealth Avenue and in Market Street we attempt to effect synchronized signals.

A check will be made of all of the signals to determine whether any are operating other than as planned.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

DESIGNATION OF PLAY STREETS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, requesting that certain streets in Ward 22 be designated as play streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting that Certain Streets in Ward 22 Be Designated as Play Streets.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that, in accordance with the law, all requests for play streets must originate with the School Committee.

Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF "SLOW" SIGNS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the installation of "Slow" signs in the vicinity of the Winship School, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting the Installation of "Slow" Signs in the Vicinity of the Winship School, Ward 22.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our engineers will investigate traffic conditions in the vicinity of the school and if it is found to be necessary "Slow" signs will be erected.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

HOT LUNCHES FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee of the City of Boston, relative to your order requesting the committee to include in its budget for 1949 a sufficient sum to provide hot lunches for children in the lower grades who come under the new single session arrangement.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, May 20, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on May 17, 1949, the order of the City Council

oil requesting "the School Committee, through your Honor, to include in its budget for 1949 a sufficient sum to provide hot lunches for children in the lower grades who will come under the new single session arrangement," was again discussed and after consideration by the committee was placed on file.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

INDEPENDENCE OF IRELAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The gallant fight waged by the people of Ireland for more than 700 years for the establishment of the independence of Ireland is now being considered by the House of Commons of Great Britain and it is desirable that friends of Ireland in America record themselves favorably upon this proposal for the complete independence of Ireland.

I accordingly recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution:

"Resolved, The City Council of Boston in session assembled this day having learned that the British House of Commons was considering a measure for the perpetuation of the partition of Ireland against the expressed wishes of the overwhelming majority of its people, we, of the City Council, record ourselves in opposition to the bill now being considered by the British House of Commons and are in favor of absolute and complete independence of Ireland."

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

The resolution was adopted.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I send you herewith nineteen orders for the naming of various intersections in our city in honor of veterans who gave their lives in the service of our country.

In a small way, this indicates our appreciation of their sacrifices, and it perpetuates, in fitting fashion, their memories as heroic citizens of Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Abbot street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14, be named Max Bornstein Square, in honor of Max Bornstein, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Third and C streets, Ward 6, be named Michael A. Cahill Square, in honor of Michael A. Cahill, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Maverick and Lamson streets, Ward 1, be named Edward R. Clark Square, in honor of Edward R. Clark, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Burnett and Washington streets, Ward 11, be named Charles F. Barry Square, in honor of Charles F. Barry, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Eighth and L streets, Ward 7, be named Charles A. Baldwin Square, in honor of Charles A. Baldwin, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Sixth and D streets, Ward 6, be named Patrick J. O'Malley Square, in honor of Patrick J. O'Malley, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Seventh and I streets, Ward 7, be named John J. Alcorn Square, in honor of John J. Alcorn, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Breed and Ashley streets, Ward 1, be named Patrick J. Damiano Square, in honor of Patrick J. Damiano, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Fifth and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, be named James P. Hogan Square, in honor of James P. Hogan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Huntington avenue and Greenleaf street, Ward 4, be named George A. Kelly Square, in honor of George A. Kelly, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of North Russell and Cambridge streets, Ward 3, be named Louis Klamam Square, in honor of Louis Klamam, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Hyde Park avenue and Tower street, Ward 11, be named Lawrence F. Logan Square, in honor of Lawrence F. Logan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Oneida street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, be named Donato Liuzzi Square, in honor of Donato Liuzzi, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Fifth and C streets, Ward 6, be named Stanley C. Mosiulis Square, in honor of Stanley C. Mosiulis, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Boardman and Ford streets, Ward 1, be named John M. Sacco Square, in honor of John M. Sacco, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Western avenue and North Harvard street, Ward 22, be named Anthony J. Vaccaro Square, in honor of Anthony J. Vaccaro, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Second and I streets, Ward 6, be named James A. Ferrera Square, in honor of James A. Ferrera, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Woodhaven street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 18, be named Samuel Rosenberg Square, in honor of Samuel Rosenberg, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Louder's Lane and Centre street, Ward 19, be named Joseph Holmes, Jr. Square, in honor of Joseph Holmes, Jr., late veteran of World War II.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$28,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$28,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 20, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$28,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on
January 12, 1887, Maintenance and
Improvement of \$28,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of \$28,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on
January 12, 1887, Maintenance and
Improvement of \$28,000

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

**LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC
WAYS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 23, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

On May 2, 1949, in compliance with the request of the Commissioner of Public Works, I submitted a loan order in the sum of \$2,500,000 for the construction of public ways or permanent pavement.

It is my understanding that this order was rejected when voted upon on Monday, May 16, 1949, because of the lack of the necessary two-thirds vote required under the charter. I am therefore resubmitting this loan order and respectfully recommend consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the Construction of Public Ways or Permanent Pavement, and that, to meet said appropriation, the city treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

The question came on suspension of the rule. The rule was suspended, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 1.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.
Voting Present—Councilors Cook, Sullivan, Yerxa—3.

On motion of Councilor Cook to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz:

Claims.

Carl O. Blamquist, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him.

Edward J. Dever, to be reimbursed for executions issued against him.

William H. Manix, for compensation for damage to property at 44 Halifax street, caused by leak in water pipe.

Richard R. Miranda, for compensation for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Hugh and Margaret O'Keefe, for compensation for damage to property at 10 Midland street, caused by falling tree.

James J. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Executive.

Petition of Elizabeth M. Coggins to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, James E. Coggins, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions of South Shore Coach Lines, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles from Quincy line, Neponset avenue to Adams street, to Dorchester avenue, to Broadway to Park square. From Park square, Church to Stuart street, to Broadway and over the same route from Broadway and Dorchester avenue to Quincy line.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Armando Arena, Jordan Hall, June 14.
John B. Monticone, New England Mutual Hall, June 6.

Mildred Sacco Palaza, Jordan Hall, June 17.

Rose E. Sidman, Jordan Hall, June 8.
Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council:

Henry G. Dahlquist, Patrick J. Donovan, Roland W. Golden, John Herbert, Louis Levendorf, Michael W. Ober, Andrew J. Palermo.

**NOTICE FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES
DEPARTMENT.**

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held June 2 at 10 A.M. on rates filed May 16 by Boston Consolidated Gas Company for residence heating rates. Placed on file.

**APPOINTMENT OF EDWARD J.
McMANUS, JR.**

Notice was received from the Sealer of Weights and Measures of appointment by the Mayor of Edward J. McManus, Jr., 30 Howe street, Boston, as Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures. Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notices were received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by Boston Housing Authority as follows:

Arborway veterans' housing project, extra labor and materials in providing drainage system for latent water conditions, \$2,445.25.

Washington street and Favre street veterans' housing projects, general contract, \$1,457,610.

Arborway veterans' housing project, lowering of footings and foundations at buildings C-1, D-10, \$330.86.

Bakersfield veterans' housing project, general contract, \$459,685.

Veterans' housing project, Sumner, Willis and Bakersfield streets, 40 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$532,149, superseding approval of project given June 28, 1948.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 16) of William T. Hamilton, Edward J. Anderson, and Michael Penta to be constables without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred March 28) of Richard Wilson Sheehan to be constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 16) of Harry Smith, to be constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the name of Edward J. Anderson was laid on the table for one week.

The question then came on confirmation of the appointments with the exception of the appointment of Edward J. Anderson. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Lane. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 13, nays 2, and the appointments, with the exception of the appointment of Edward J. Anderson, were severally confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 16) of Francis W. Sprague, Carl H. Olson, John J. Hickey, Randolph F. Taylor, and Chester A. Ward, to be Weighers of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 16) of Frank Caruso and Andrew G. Viglas, to be Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Wenzler and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, and the appointments were confirmed.

PERMISSION TO TRUSTEES OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY TO ERECT BUILDINGS OVER SEWER.

The Council took up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order permitting the Trustees of Boston University to erect buildings over sewer on Bay State road and Commonwealth avenue.

On May 9, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition (referred May 2) of Glenville Bowling Alleys, Herbert L. Randall, 2 Glenville terrace, Ward 21, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

2. Report on petition (referred May 16) of Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Company to operate motor vehicles from Beacon street and Chestnut Hill avenue, on Beacon street and Ayr road—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$28,000 from income of Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 16) for sale of land and building at 64 Marion street, East Boston, to Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, No. 30, American Legion—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JORDAN MARSH COMPANY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council in meeting assembled, extends to the Board of Directors of the Jordan Marsh Company their congratulations upon the dedication of their new building and extends also the sincere appreciation of the officials of the City of Boston in this expression of faith and confidence in the future of our city.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LICENSING SIDEWALK PHOTOGRAPHERS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor consider the advisability of licensing sidewalk photographers who will soon begin to populate the sidewalks of our city.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

VACATION RIGHTS TO TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES OF PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Overseers of Public Welfare to extend to those temporary employees who must be dropped from the rolls, the courtesy of any vacation rights which they may have accumulated.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONFERENCE TO COUNTERACT SURGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor call a conference of the Chamber of Commerce and the business leaders of the city to determine what, if any, steps may be taken to counteract the surge of unemployment.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan the Council voted at 3.22 P.M., to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and nineteen orders (referred today) naming various intersections in honor of deceased veterans—recommending that the orders with the exception of the order for naming of square for Samuel Rosenberg and the order for the naming of square for Joseph Holmes, Jr., ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders with the exception of the two orders above mentioned were passed.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, June 6, 1949, at 2 P.M.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, JOHN ELIOT SQUARE.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, consider the advisability of installing traffic lights in John Eliot square, Roxbury, Ward 9.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS' HOUSING ON CALF PASTURE SITE.

Coun. LINEHAN and HANNON offered the following:

Whereas, There is a large site of land at the Calf Pasture available for veterans' housing under chapter 372 or chapter 200; and

Whereas, The families of veterans now living in temporary housing in Columbia Village, in the vicinity of Calf Pasture, should be provided with permanently constructed homes on said Calf Pasture site so that they could be moved into the homes when they are completed; and

Whereas, The Calf Pasture site is beautifully located near parks, playgrounds, and beaches; therefore be it

Resolved, That the State Board of Housing be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to approve the request of the Boston Housing Authority for construction of homes for veterans on the so-called Calf Pasture site under the provisions of chapter 372 or chapter 200.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION TO REGULATE RUNNING OF FRANKLIN PARK STADIUM.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to establish a commission of three, one from the Park Department, one from the School Department, and one public-spirited citizen to supervise and regulate the running of the Franklin Park Stadium.

Referred to Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS IN CERTAIN WARD 14 AREAS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make a survey of Mascot street, Jones avenue, Ballou avenue, Lawrence avenue, Quincy street, Intervale street, Devon street, Supple road, Pasadena road, Glenway street, McLellan street and Gleason street for the purpose of providing electric lights in those areas of Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASPHALT TENNIS COURTS, FRANKLIN FIELD.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make a

survey of the advisability of placing two asphalt tennis courts in Franklin Field in Ward 14 section of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF HYMAN BELSKY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Harvard street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Hyman Belsky, who lost his life on November 30, 1944, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGN, HENDRY AND BOWDOIN STREETS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a flashing beacon or "Stop" sign at the intersection of Hendry and Bowdoin streets, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COLEMAN STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey as to the possibility of making Coleman street one way from Quincy to Hendry streets, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT AT BROOKLINE AVENUE AND DEACONESS ROAD.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light at the corner of Brookline avenue and Deaconess road in Ward 4.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF DIAMOND AND FIELD IN HONOR OF GEORGE J. ROPER.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the baseball diamond and football field in Dorchester Park in honor of the late Captain George J. Roper, a life-long resident of this section and who constantly made use of the facilities of this particular section of the park in his youth, who was killed in action near Botrop, Germany, on April 8, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

DORCHESTER TOWN FIELD BLEACHERS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make an immediate survey of the bleachers located on the Dorchester Town Field with a view to taking immediate steps to replace the broken seats which are in a deplorable condition and have become dangerous to the well-being of those who attend the baseball games at this field.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF BUILDING ON THOMAS STREET, JAMAICA PLAIN.

Coun. McCORMACK and TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the superintendent of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to sell to the Jamaica Plain Overseas

Veterans' Association, Inc., the building on Thomas street, Jamaica Plain, which they are now leasing from the City of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
EDWARD J. McLAUGHLIN.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Rowe and Seymour streets, Ward 19, in honor of Sergeant Edward J. McLaughlin, of the United States Army, who was killed in the Pacific theater on November 8, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF MANCHESTER STREET,
WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Manchester street, Ward 18, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MAKING OF ONE-WAY STREETS, WARD 21.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Nottinghill road, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Carol avenue, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Melvin avenue, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Park Vale avenue, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Quint avenue, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Guilford street, Ward 21, a one-way street, entering from Pomeroy street.

The orders were severally passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS ON ALLSTON STREET,
WARD 21.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Stop" signs on Allston street, at Kelton street, in Ward 21.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
JOHN S. O'BRIEN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend that the junction of Faneuil and Arlington streets, Ward 22, be named

the John S. O'Brien Square, in honor of Pfc. John S. O'Brien, late member of the Combat Engineers, who was killed in Holland on October 3, 1944.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
EDWARD J. HOGAN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Breck avenue and South Crescent Circle in honor of Lieut. Edward J. Hogan, late member of the 82d Airborne Division, who was killed in Sicily on October 21, 1943.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING OF SIDEWALKS, HARRIET
STREET, WARD 21.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace granolithic sidewalks on Harriet street, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARES IN HONOR OF
VETERANS.

Coun. LINEHAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of L street and Marine road, South Boston, in honor of Pvt. Stephen J. Cotugno, of Company F, 320th Infantry, 35th Division, who was killed in action in Brin, France, on November 8, 1944.

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of D street and West Broadway, Ward 6, in honor of Lieut. James P. Rogers, of the United States Army Air Corps, who was killed when his plane crashed in Houston, Texas, on September 25, 1943.

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of West Ninth and Lark streets, South Boston, in honor of Pvt. Daniel F. McDonough, Jr., who lost his life in the battle of the Bulge, Germany, on January 7, 1945, while with the 66th Division, First Army.

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of K and East Second streets, Ward 6, in honor of Sfc. William C. Wallace, of the United States Navy, who lost his life when his ship was torpedoed by a Japanese plane off Guadalcanal on August 13, 1943.

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of C and West Third streets, Ward 6, in honor of Corp. Michael E. Cahill, late member of the Seventh Armored Division, United States Army, who was killed in the Holland area on November 5, 1944, instead of Corp. Michael A. Cahill as passed in the order of May 9, 1949.
Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

PETITIONS FOR NAMING OF SQUARES IN
HONOR OF VETERANS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That before orders be introduced requesting the naming of squares in honor of

veterans, a petition shall be filled out by the nearest of kin stating the name, branch of service, and date that said veteran was killed, and that said petition shall be filed by the councilor in whose district the square is located or, if in two districts, by both councilors.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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 ASSIGNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL
 ATTACHÉ TO PRESS TABLE.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the President be requested to assign an attaché of the City Council permanently to the press table.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

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 Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

FREE ACCESS OF PRESS TO
 COUNCIL ORDERS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the President of the City Council be overruled and that the members of the press be allowed free access to the orders on the City Clerk's desk as in the past in order to assure accurate coverage of City Council orders.

On motion of Councilor Linehan the order was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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 On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council adjourned at 5.10 P.M., to meet on Monday, June 6, 1949, at 2 P.M.

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Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

Date	Description	Amount
1880	Jan 1	100
1881	Feb 1	200
1882	Mar 1	300
1883	Apr 1	400
1884	May 1	500
1885	Jun 1	600
1886	Jul 1	700
1887	Aug 1	800
1888	Sep 1	900
1889	Oct 1	1000
1890	Nov 1	1100
1891	Dec 1	1200
1892	Jan 1	1300
1893	Feb 1	1400
1894	Mar 1	1500
1895	Apr 1	1600
1896	May 1	1700
1897	Jun 1	1800
1898	Jul 1	1900
1899	Aug 1	2000
1900	Sep 1	2100
1901	Oct 1	2200
1902	Nov 1	2300
1903	Dec 1	2400

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 6, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Carey, Keenan, and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 5, 1949:

Sylvester Cbeffro, Ward 1; Walter E. Morton, Ward 1; Alfred R. Rubino, Ward 1; Bernard Friel, Ward 2; Joseph G. Kirk, Ward 2; John E. Scadding, Ward 2; Anthony Napoli, Ward 3; Robert F. Parady, Ward 5; Albert Smith, Ward 8; Arthur C. Nilson, Ward 11; Samuel Tucker, Ward 12; Hyman Newman, Ward 14; Leonard E. Hill, Ward 16; Samuel Katz, Ward 17; Joseph P. Amendola, Ward 18; Joseph P. Boucher, Ward 18; Anthony F. Jordan, Ward 18; James A. Schindler, Ward 18; Carl H. Bergquist, Ward 20; Whitney D. Clark, Ward 20; Ronald J. MacDonald, Ward 22; Joseph H. Quinn, Ward 22.

Fifty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 5, 1949:

Philip J. Hunt, Ward 1; Ernest Rizzo, Ward 1; Biagio Frustaglia, Ward 3; Frank Ganbale, Ward 3; Henry Anthony Natale, Ward 3; Anthony J. Murray, Ward 4; Peter R. Glynn, Ward 5; Robert T. Marshall, Ward 5; Richard F. Duffey, Ward 6; Michael Farina, Ward 6; Patrick F. Moynihan, Ward 6; Albert J. Naudziunas, Ward 6; Timothy Neely, Ward 6; Russell A. Holman, Ward 7; Peter W. Perella, Ward 8; William J. Wade, Ward 9; Hugh J. Bonner, Ward 10; Norman Hale, Ward 10; Edward J. Kitterick, Ward 10; Arthur J. McCarthy, Ward 10; George D. Petros, Ward 10; Francis J. Bertrand, Ward 11; Philip Helman, Ward 11; John Krauklis, Ward 11; George B. Freeland, Ward 12; Walter F. Curran, Ward 13; William H. Metzger, Ward 13; John M. Mikalauski, Jr., Ward 13; Herman Abrams, Ward 14; Hyman Brown, Ward 14; Robert R. Gair, Ward 14; Maurice Marshallman, Ward 14; William F. Tolland, Ward 14; Samuel F. Prescott, Ward 15; James Grigor, Ward 16; Michael Hallran, Ward 16; Daniel M. Leary, Ward 16; Earle W. Warren, Ward 17; Thure A. Albion, Ward 18; Joseph P. Coarr, Ward 18; Raymond G. Gaumont, Ward 18; Frank P. Greenwood, Ward 18; Joseph Kutney, Ward 18; Donald W. Streeter, Ward 18; James A. White, Ward 18; Matthew Brannelly, Ward 19; Arthur Herdt, Ward 19; Norman C. Fairweather, Ward 20; George Glover, Ward 20; Eric L. Lawson, Ward 20; Harold L. Meek, Ward 20; Stewart Cooper, Ward 21; Gerald B. Hill, Ward 21; William L. Phillips, Ward 21.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

James W. Shirton, 261 Franklin street, Boston, Mass., as Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

FENCING OF CITY PROPERTY,
WOODFORD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the fencing off of city property located between 45 and 53 Woodford street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
May 26, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I am in receipt of your memorandum of April 26, with Council order of April 25, regarding the fencing off of city-owned property between 45 and 53 Woodford street, Dorchester.

At the present time there is no money in the budget to provide fences on city-owned property under the care of this department, but if money can be made available, we will be glad to try to find a way to take care of the matter.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Placed on file

BENCHES AROUND FRANKLIN PARK
BIRDHOUSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the placing of benches around the birdhouse in Franklin Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 26, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of May 9, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to place benches around the birdhouse in Franklin Park.

A few years ago there were portable concrete benches located on the piazza around the birdhouse. They were on two sides of the birdhouse: one side facing the flying cage, and the other side facing the elephant house.

I will make arrangements to install four of these benches, the same number that were there before, in the approximate location they were at that time.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ROSLINDALE PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the purchase of the land at the corner of Poplar and Canterbury streets, in Roslindale, for playground purposes.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 25, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of May 16, 1949, requesting the

Park Commission to purchase the land at the corner of Poplar and Canterbury streets, in Roslindale, to be used for playground purposes.

First, I had looked up the records of the lots that would be necessary for a playground and found as follows: the total area of the two vacant lots is approximately 279,015 square feet. The total assessed value of the two vacant lots is \$12,800. It is the usual custom to add 25 per cent to the assessed valuation as being the approximate cost for estimating the purchasing of private property. The assessed valuation plus 25 per cent would, therefore, equal \$16,000. This figure does not include the cost of developing the land for playground purposes and for the other necessary equipment, fences, etc.

I am referring the entire matter, including your request, to his Honor the Mayor.

Very truly yours,
 JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

**RESURFACING OF CERTAIN STREETS,
 WARD 15.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, May 27, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of March 14, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Charles street, Drayton avenue, Dahlgren street, and Westwood street, in Ward 15.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Public Works Department,
 May 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
 Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Charles street, Drayton avenue, Dahlgren street, Westwood street, Ward 15, and please be advised as follows:

Charles street, Drayton avenue, Dahlgren street are public ways and will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction this year.

Westwood street, from Richfield street to Wilrose street, is a public way and will also be placed on the list to be given consideration for construction this year.

However, that portion of Westwood street, from Wilrose street to the dead end, is a private way and, before any construction work in this portion of Westwood street can be performed by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department, same will have to be laid out and construction ordered by the Board of Street Commissioners, Room 401, City Hall Annex, Boston.

Very truly yours,
 ROBERT P. CURLEY,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PLAY AREAS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, May 26, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee of the City of Boston, relative to your order of April 2, 1949, concerning the setting aside of certain streets in Ward 6 as play areas for the children of the district.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 School Committee, May 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on May 17, 1949, the following order passed by the City Council under date of April 21, 1949, was presented:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to set aside certain streets in Ward 6 as play areas for the children of the district."

This order was referred to the committee by your office.

The committee has asked me to state that before any action may be taken, it will be necessary for the councilor to specify the streets he desires to have set aside for play areas.

Very truly yours,
 LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949, municipalities are authorized to borrow for the purpose of meeting appropriations made or to be made for public welfare and veterans' benefits. In view of the substantial increase in appropriations for these purposes provided in the 1949 budget, I feel it desirable to utilize the authority contained in this act. I therefore submit a loan order in the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000), this amount representing the remaining unused debt incurring power of the city, and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949, a loan in the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) be, and hereby is, authorized for use only for meeting appropriations made or to be made for public welfare, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, upon request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of the city to said amount.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF
 \$3,212,962.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

In recent years the compensation of state and municipal employees has lagged behind the rates paid in private industry. In recognition of this fact a number of Massachusetts municipalities have this year provided general increases for their employees. Governor Dever has submitted a general increase proposal to the Legislature, and I am reliably informed action on this recommendation will be taken this week by the Legislature. I feel that the employees of the City of Boston are entitled to similar consideration, and I am forwarding, herewith, a supplementary appropriation order for a permanent increase of \$300 per annum, to be effective July 1, 1949.

This appropriation order totaling \$3,212,962 covers amounts required for other purposes and is allocated as follows:

General Increase.....\$2,016,257
 Increased Telephone Charges..... 74,205

(This sum is necessary to pay telephone bills for the balance of the year, due to the cancellation by the Telephone Company of the 33 1/2 per cent discount allowed municipalities and the further increase in rates of 4 per cent.)

Rental of Bookmobile..... 4,500

(This sum was requested by the Library Trustees to make available a traveling branch library covering those sections of the city not having a branch library.)

Services of Bond Counsel..... 3,000

(To retain bond counsel as requested by the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds to protect holders in connection with the present legislation relative to the MTA.)

Hospital Department..... 115,000

(To provide sufficient funds for the replacement of linen; the additional cost of meals due to the increased number of patients and employees to be fed; and for additional medical supplies needed for the proper care of the sick.)
 General Relief.....\$1,000,000
 (The case load of general relief was increased from 3,266 cases in May, 1948, to 4,252 cases at the present time, and in the opinion of the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare, this additional sum is necessary. After appropriation this sum will be charged to the Municipal Relief Loan in accordance with the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949.)

Total.....\$3,212,962

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached supplementary appropriation order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
 JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates of the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for; and that the expenditures for Revenue Departments be met from the income of such departments and that any expenditures in excess of the income be met from taxes.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

ART DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$75
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$75

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$22,600
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$19,600
 2. Temporary Employees.. 3,000

AUDITING DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$5,100
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$5,100

Central Payroll Division.

A. Personal Service.....\$1,650
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$1,650

BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD.

A. Personal Service.....\$3,150
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$3,150

BOSTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION.

A. Personal Service.....\$15,750
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$13,950
 2. Temporary Employees.. 1,800

B. Contractual Services.....480
 13. Communication.....480

\$16,230

BUDGET DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$600
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$600

BOARD OF APPEAL.

A. Personal Service.....\$2,800
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$2,800

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

A. Personal Service.....\$150
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$150

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$3,150
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$3,150

CITY COUNCIL.

A. Personal Service.....\$1,800
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$1,650
 2. Temporary Employees.. 150

CITY PLANNING BOARD.

A. Personal Service.....\$1,500
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$1,500

COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$8,250
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$5,250
 2. Temporary Employees.. 3,000

ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$11,850
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$8,850
 2. Temporary Employees.. 3,000

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$330,000
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$330,000
 B. Contractual Services.....5,760
 13. Communication.....5,760
 \$335,760

Electrical Inspection Division.

A. Personal Service.....\$12,850
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$12,850
 B. Contractual Services.....240
 13. Communication.....240
 \$13,090

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$10,000
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$10,000
 B. Contractual Services.....645
 13. Communication.....645
 \$10,645

HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

A. Personal Service.....\$382,500
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$375,000
 2. Temporary Employees.. 7,500
 B. Contractual Services.....12,000
 13. Communication.....12,000
 C. Equipment.....25,000
 7. Furniture and Furnishings.....25,000
 D. Supplies.....90,000
 2. Food and Ice.....75,000
 5. Medical, Surgical, Laboratory.....15,000
 \$509,500

Sanatorium Division.

A. Personal Service.....\$15,000
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$15,000
 B. Contractual Services.....960
 13. Communication.....960
 \$15,960

INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

A. Personal Service.....\$2,850
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$2,850

Child Welfare Division.

A. Personal Service.....\$3,750
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$3,750

Long Island Hospital.

A. Personal Service.....\$30,000
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$30,000
 B. Contractual Services.....960
 13. Communication.....960
 \$30,960

Steamers.

A. Personal Service.....\$3,750
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$3,750

Eastern Avenue Wharf.

A. Personal Service.....\$600
 1. Permanent Employees.. \$600

LAW DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$10,350
1. Permanent Employees..	\$10,200	
2. Temporary Employees..	150	
		960
B. Contractual Services.....		960
13. Communication.....	960	
		\$11,310

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$85,650
1. Permanent Employees..	\$85,650	
B. Contractual Services.....		6,660
10. Rent, Taxes and Water,	4,500	
13. Communication.....	2,160	
		\$92,310

LICENSING BOARD.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$2,400
1. Permanent Employees..	\$2,400	

MAYOR, OFFICE EXPENSES.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$3,150
1. Permanent Employees..	\$3,150	

PARK DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$91,900
1. Permanent Employees..	\$88,000	
2. Temporary Employees..	3,900	
		1,920
B. Contractual Services.....		1,920
13. Communication.....	1,920	
		\$93,820

Cemetery Division.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$8,850
1. Permanent Employees..	\$8,850	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		\$9,090

POLICE DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$400,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$400,000	
B. Contractual Services.....		12,000
13. Communication.....	12,000	
		\$412,000

PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$32,550
1. Permanent Employees..	\$32,550	
B. Contractual Services.....		13,440
13. Communication.....	13,440	
		\$45,990

Market Division.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$1,200
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,200	

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.		
Central Office.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$10,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$10,000	
B. Contractual Services.....		6,720
13. Communication.....	6,720	
F. Special Items.....		1,000,000
9. Dependent Aid.....	1,000,000	
		\$1,016,720

Temporary Home.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$1,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,500	

Wayfarers' Lodge.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$750
1. Permanent Employees..	\$750	

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.		
Central Office.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$1,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,500	

Bridge Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$37,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$32,000	
2. Temporary Employees..	5,000	
		240
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		\$37,240

Ferry Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$12,450
1. Permanent Employees..	\$11,100	
2. Temporary Employees..	1,350	
		120
B. Contractual Services.....		120
13. Communication.....	120	
		\$12,570

Lighting Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$450
1. Permanent Employees..	\$450	

Paving Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$72,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$72,000	
B. Contractual Services.....		960
13. Communication.....	960	
		\$72,960

Sanitary Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$100,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$100,000	
B. Contractual Services.....		1,200
13. Communication.....	1,200	
		\$101,200

Sewer Service.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$23,800
1. Permanent Employees..	\$23,800	
B. Contractual Services.....		480
13. Communication.....	480	
		\$24,280

REGISTRY DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$6,000
1. Permanent Employees..	4,800	
2. Temporary Employees..	1,200	

SINKING FUNDS DEPARTMENT.		
B. Contractual Services.....		\$3,000
28. Expert.....	\$3,000	

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$12,750
1. Permanent Employees..	\$10,050	
2. Temporary Employees..	2,700	

STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$1,050
1. Permanent Employees..	\$750	
2. Temporary Employees..	300	

STREET LAYING-OUT DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$10,950
1. Permanent Employees..	\$10,950	

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$4,650
1. Permanent Employees..	\$4,050	
2. Temporary Employees..	600	

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$5,250
1. Permanent Employees..	\$5,250	

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$3,000
1. Permanent Employees..	\$3,000	

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.		
A. Personal Service.....		\$2,100
1. Permanent Employees..	\$2,100	

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

SUFFOLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CUSTODIAN.

A. Personal Service.....	\$22,500	\$22,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$22,500	
B. Contractual Services.....		2,040
13. Communication.....	2,040	
		<u>\$24,540</u>

COUNTY BUILDINGS.

A. Personal Service.....	\$7,200	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$7,200	

JAIL.

A. Personal Service.....	\$13,050	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$13,050	
B. Contractual Services.....		360
13. Communication.....	360	
		<u>\$13,410</u>

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,650	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,650	
B. Contractual Services.....		24
13. Communications.....	24	
		<u>\$1,674</u>

SUPERIOR COURT, CIVIL SESSION, GENERAL EXPENSES.

A. Personal Service.....	\$150	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$150	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$390</u>

SUPERIOR COURT, CIVIL SESSION, CLERK'S OFFICE.

A. Personal Service.....	\$14,550	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$14,550	
B. Contractual Services.....		720
13. Communication.....	720	
		<u>\$15,720</u>

SUPERIOR CRIMINAL COURT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$14,550	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$14,550	
B. Contractual Services.....		1,320
13. Communication.....	1,320	
		<u>\$15,870</u>

PROBATE COURT.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$720	
13. Communication.....	\$720	

MUNICIPAL COURT, CITY OF BOSTON.

A. Personal Service.....	\$22,132	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$22,132	
B. Contractual Services.....		1,680
13. Communication.....	1,680	
		<u>\$23,812</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$900	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$900	
B. Contractual Services.....		120
13. Communication.....	120	
		<u>\$1,020</u>

EAST BOSTON DISTRICT COURT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,350	
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,350	
B. Contractual Services.....		144
13. Communication.....	144	
		<u>\$1,494</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, SOUTH BOSTON DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,050	\$1,050
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,050	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$1,290</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, DORCHESTER DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,650	\$1,650
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,650	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$1,890</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, ROXBURY DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$3,600	\$3,600
1. Permanent Employees..	\$3,600	
B. Contractual Services.....		720
13. Communication.....	720	
		<u>\$4,320</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, WEST ROXBURY DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,500	\$1,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,500	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$1,740</u>

MUNICIPAL COURT, BRIGHTON DISTRICT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$750	\$750
1. Permanent Employees..	\$750	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$990</u>

BOSTON JUVENILE COURT.

A. Personal Service.....	\$750	\$750
1. Permanent Employees..	\$750	
B. Contractual Services.....		48
13. Communication.....	48	
		<u>\$798</u>

DISTRICT COURT OF CHELSEA.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,500	\$1,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,500	
B. Contractual Services.....		240
13. Communication.....	240	
		<u>\$1,740</u>

REGISTRY OF DEEDS.

A. Personal Service.....	\$18,100	\$18,100
1. Permanent Employees..	\$17,600	
2. Temporary Employees..	500	
B. Contractual Services.....		480
13. Communication.....	480	
		<u>\$18,580</u>

INDEX COMMISSIONERS.

A. Personal Service.....	\$2,100	\$2,100
1. Permanent Employees..	\$2,100	

MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE, NORTHERN DIVISION.

A. Personal Service.....	\$1,200	\$1,200
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,200	
B. Contractual Services.....		360
13. Communication.....	360	
		<u>\$1,560</u>

MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE, SOUTHERN DIVISION.

A. Personal Service.....	\$600	\$600
1. Permanent Employees..	\$600	
B. Contractual Services.....		144
13. Communication.....	144	
		<u>\$744</u>

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, AUDITING DEPARTMENT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,650
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,650

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, BUDGET DEPARTMENT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,050
1. Permanent Employees..	\$1,050

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, SHERIFF.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$150
1. Permanent Employees..	\$150

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, TREASURY DEPARTMENT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$150
1. Permanent Employees..	\$150

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT. Office Expenses.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$2,400
1. Permanent Employees..	\$2,400
B. Contractual Services.....	120
13. Communication.....	120
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	\$2,520

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$19,350
1. Permanent Employees..	\$19,350
B. Contractual Services.....	720
13. Communication.....	720
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	\$20,070

REVENUE DEPARTMENTS
AND ACCOUNTS.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$4,050
1. Permanent Employees..	\$4,050
B. Contractual Services.....	240
13. Communication.....	240
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	\$4,290

CITY RECORD, PUBLICATION OF.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$300
1. Permanent Employees..	\$300

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. Water Division.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$21,500
1. Permanent Employees..	\$20,000
2. Temporary Employees..	1,500
B. Contractual Services.....	1,200
13. Communication.....	1,200
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	\$22,700

SUMNER TRAFFIC TUNNEL.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$16,950
1. Permanent Employees..	\$15,300
2. Temporary Employees..	1,650
B. Contractual Services.....	120
13. Communication.....	120
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	\$17,070

COLLECTING DEPARTMENT. Water Division.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$6,900
1. Permanent Employees..	\$6,900

RECAPITULATION.

CITY MAINTENANCE	\$2,994,960
COUNTY MAINTENANCE.....	166,742
TOTAL	\$3,161,702
REVENUE DEPARTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS,	51,260
GRAND TOTAL.....	\$3,212,962

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

James F. Allison, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Massachusetts and Columbus avenues.

Edward Ambrogna, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Anthony and Catherine Bataitis, for compensation for damage to property at 511 Washington street, Dorchester, by city employees.

Edward J. Bennett, doing business as Stevens Motor Sales, for refund on automobile dealer's license.

Boston Herald Traveler Corporation, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Peter Calimeris, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by city truck.

Hayes & Coffey, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Frank Costa, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Jacob M. Daum, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Luke B. Donelan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Brighton avenue and Cambridge street.

John J. Green, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Josephine Harrington, for compensation for damage to property at 58 Lake street, Brighton, during sidewalk construction.

Margaret Kean, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 240 Parker Hill avenue, Roxbury.

Andrew G. Lofgren, for compensation for damage to property at 130 Keystone street, West Roxbury, during construction of street.

James J. Lynch, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Thomas P. Lyons, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Robert A. Mais, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Catherine V. Maloney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at L street and Emerson street.

Donald C. Marr, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Peter J. McDonald, for refund on milk license.

William F. O'Melia, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Calumet street, Roxbury.

Charles L. O'Reilly, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Arthur J. Reidy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Josephine Roman, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Charles H. Schramm, for compensation for damage to car by city employee.

Daniel Scully, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 24 Rangeley street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Samuel Shuman, for compensation for damage to cab by city truck.

Walter Stearns, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John P. Sullivan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 185 West Canton street.

Edward Varnum, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 118 Charles street.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions were received for children under 15 to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

- South End Music School, Brown Hall, June 8.
- Stanley E. Brown, Jordan Hall, June 22.
- Boston Music School, Inc., Huntington Hall, June 12.

Sarah Katzen, Recital Hall, June 12.
Hazel Boone, Jordan Hall, June 15.
Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Edward I. Hoffman and William H. Lynch, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of plans, layout, estimated cost, proposed method of financing and detailed estimate of expenses and revenue of veterans' housing project in North Avenue area, West Roxbury, consisting of 22 dwelling units at an estimated cost of \$260,213.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES E. MANION.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Charles E. Manion, 11 Egan Way, Brighton, as member of Board of Street Commissioners for term ending the first Monday in January, 1952.

Placed on file.

NOTICES FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to replace guard rails in subways and on Elevated.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for relocation of double track on Brighton avenue, Brighton.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority of plan showing proposed design for use of 85-pound tee rail as guard rail in track rails on Elevated structure, from Everett Terminal to Forest Hills.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held June 6, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Almeida Bus Lines, Inc., for operation of motor vehicles for carriage of passengers for hire from New Bedford to Boston.

Placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, offered the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 23) of Joseph A. O'Neil and Philip Adelman as Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950 — recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 23) of Alfred Calabresa, to be Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950 — recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cantwell and Wenzler. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Hudson Bus Lines (referred May 9) for permit to operate motor vehicles between Milton line at Granite avenue; on Gallivan Boulevard, between Granite avenue and Dorchester avenue; on Dorchester avenue, between Gallivan Boulevard and Ashmont Station of Metropolitan Transit Authority — recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; said license granted under usual conditions.

REDUCTION IN CERTAIN APARTMENT RENTALS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby favors the establishment locally of Federal regulations similar to those now in effect in New York which permit a 10 per cent reduction in rentals of apartments where owners fail to do necessary painting and redecorating; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Massachusetts members of Congress in Washington.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

VIADUCT ACROSS BOSTON HARBOR.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, There is presently pending before the General Court of Massachusetts a bill "To Authorize the City of Boston to Construct and to Maintain a Viaduct Over and Across the Passage of Water Known as the 'Back Way' in Lower Boston Harbor, between Long Island and Moon Island, and its Approaches on Both Long Island and Moon Island" (House No. 2564); and

Whereas, Said bill provides that indebtedness incurred under said bill, if enacted, shall be inside the statutory limit of indebtedness; and

Whereas, It is the sense of the City Council and Mayor of Boston that such indebtedness should be outside said limit so that the construction of the aforesaid viaduct, which will substantially reduce the cost of transportation to the city's institutions on Long Island, will not be contingent upon the availability of funds inside said debt limit;

Resolved, That the General Court of Massachusetts be, and hereby is, respectfully petitioned to amend said bill so that indebtedness incurred under said bill, if enacted, shall be outside the statutory limit of indebtedness.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON VETERANS' HOUSING.

By unanimous consent of the Council, Councilor Linehan made a statement regarding recent report of Finance Commission on veterans' housing.

President HURLEY in the chair.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 377, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 377 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Pensions of Laborers Employed by the City of Boston and Retired Under a Certain Special Law," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF THOMAS F. MCGARRY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of E and West Third streets, Ward 6, in honor of Pfc. Thomas F. McGarry, of the 331st Infantry, 83d Division, who was killed in the Battle of the Bulge on December 10, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ANTONIO J. PASSANISI.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of K and East Sixth streets,

Ward 6, in honor of Pfc. Antonio J. Passanisi, late member of the Medical Corps, 161st Medical Division, United States Army, who was killed in action at Nettuno, Italy, on December 14, 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS, BROOKLINE AVENUE AND DEACONESS ROAD.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install pedestrian traffic signals at the corner of Brookline Avenue and Deaconess road, in front of the Deaconess Hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SCHOOLBOY PARADES TO FINISH AT NEW STADIUM.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor take up with the School Committee the advisability of ending all future schoolboy parades in the new schoolboy stadium, with a climax of appropriate entertainment, etc., for the marchers, their families, and friends.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PROMPT REPLY TO COUNCILORS' ORDERS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the department heads of the City of Boston to extend to councilors the courtesy of a prompt reply on all matters referred to them, either by Council order, councilor's letter, or by the councilor's contact through the Mayor's office.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN TUBERCULAR CASES AT BOSTON SANATORIUM.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to direct the officials of the Boston Sanatorium in Mattapan to set aside a room for such tubercular cases as become mentally and physically uncontrollable and under no conditions to permit any of the patients there to be confined in a police station overnight.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PARKING OF AUTOMOBILES, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey in the Wellington Hill section and throughout the Ward 14 area for the purpose of authorizing the parking of automobiles on one side of the streets in that area and to work out such a plan with the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FRANKLIN FIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to immediately fill in the holes in Franklin Field, cut the grass

particularly around the baseball diamonds and to try to place the three baseball diamonds in condition and to further make equipment available in school yards in Ward 14 so that the children will have a place to play in the summer months.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF EDWARD SHURIN.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Jones and Ballou avenues, Ward 14, in memory of Pfc. Edward Shurin, of the United States Army, who was killed in action in Belgium on January 17, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION RE RECENT EMPLOYEES OF TRANSIT DEPARTMENT.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Boston Transit Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately submit to the City Council the names and addresses of all persons who have entered the employ of the Transit Department since April 15, 1949; also the term of their appointment and the rating of the job to which they have been assigned.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councilor Bryan the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, the Council voted to take up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the calendar, viz.:

2. Order for loan of \$1,000,000 for construction of sewers.

On May 16, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 1.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Cook—1.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS OR PERMANENT PAVEMENT.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, the Council voted to take up, under unfinished business, No. 4 on the calendar, viz.:

4. Order for loan of \$2,500,000 for construction of public ways or permanent pavement.

On May 23, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 1.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Cook—1.

SALE OF LAND TO CARNEY HOSPITAL.

On motion of Councilor Beades the Council took up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land in Dorchester to the Carney Hospital for \$1.

On May 16, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passaga, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—19

Nays—0.

APPOINTMENT OF EDWARD J. ANDERSON AS CONSTABLE.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the Council voted to take from the table No. 5 on the calendar, viz.:

5. Appointment by the Mayor of Edward J. Anderson to be Constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

The question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 15; yeas 14, nays 1, and the appointment was confirmed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIAM EDWARD BOYDEN, JR.

Coun. LANE and SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square directly in front of the entrance to the new St. Ignatius Church on Commonwealth avenue, at Lake street, in Ward 21, in honor of Lieut. William Edward Boyden, Jr., of the United States Army Air Corps, who was killed in action on December 8, 1944, in the European theatre of operations.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WASHINGTON STREET AND MONASTERY ROAD.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a pedestrian-controlled traffic light outside of St. Gabriel's Monastery, at the junction of Washington street and Monastery road, in Ward 21, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FENCING OF PROPERTY, ALPINE STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the proper department be instructed by his Honor the Mayor to construct a fence or other safeguard around the hole left by the City of Boston after tearing down the house at 7 Alpine street, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

OPERATION OF PRIVATE BUS LINES ON HUNTINGTON AVENUE.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the Council voted to take from the table No. 6 on the calendar, viz.:

6. Order to invite petition by private bus lines to operate on Huntington avenue, between Brigham Circle and Park square.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the order was referred to the Committee on Licenses.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CHARLES BARRY HAILER.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the

square at the intersection of Baker and Spring streets, Ward 20, in honor of Ssc. Charles Barry Hailer, of the United States Navy, who was killed in action on August 10, 1942.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE PAYMENT TO HAROLD J. WALKINS.

President HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the City of Boston to pay certain compensation to Harold J. Walkins, a member of the Police Department, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE PAYMENT TO JOSEPH A. BUCCIGROSS.

President HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the City of Boston to pay certain compensation to Joseph A. Buccigross, a member of the Police Department, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

MAP OF BOSTON IN MUNICIPAL REGISTER.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the trustees of the Statistics Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to insert a map of the City of Boston in the Municipal Register.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FULL USE OF LOANS UNDER CHAPTER 372, ACTS OF 1946.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, Two-family homes under the veterans' housing program is the best investment in housing for the City of Boston, therefore be it

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to use the remainder, if there is any, of the \$20,000,000, borrowed under chapter 372 of the Acts of 1946, for the purpose of constructing two-family homes for veterans of World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey the Council voted to take a recess at 3.25 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.03 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$12,000 for Board of Real

Estate Commissioners, Houghton & Dutton Building, roof repairs, etc.—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 12, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—0.

MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTORS TO
WARD 22 DISTRICT.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the purpose of assigning motor vehicle inspectors to the Ward 22 district of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIR OF FENCES BY RAILROADS,
ALLSTON AND BRIGHTON.

Coun. LANE and SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the officials of the Boston & Albany and the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be requested to repair the fences in Ward 21 and Ward 22 in Allston and Brighton for the safety of the children in those districts.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Sullivan, at 4.12 P.M., to meet on Monday, June 13, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 13, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan, Kinsella, Lane.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments, viz.:
Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: James William McIntosh, 199 East Cottage street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950: Joseph N. Coleman, 22 Thurlow street, West Roxbury.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

NAMING OF SQUARES IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 2, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I forward herewith three orders for the naming of squares for deceased veterans of World War II, and I respectfully request that your Honorable Body adopt these orders in order that the City of Boston may properly perpetuate the memories of these gallant veterans.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Board of Street Commissioners,
May 20, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

At a meeting held this day of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, it was voted unanimously to rescind its previous vote in the naming of the following intersection which is already named:

Boardman and Ford streets, East Boston—John M. Sacco Square (already named Thomas J. Giblin Square; another location to be suggested by Councilor Coffey). Vote of May 12, 1949.

It was also voted unanimously to designate the following intersections in honor of the following World War veterans:

Commonwealth avenue and Lake street, Brighton—William E. Boyden, Jr., Square.

West Fourth and B streets, South Boston—Martin E. Flaherty Square.

Columbia road and Buttonwood street, Dorchester—Howard J. Kane Square.

Notice of the above votes is being forwarded to you for the approval of your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Commonwealth avenue and Lake street, Ward 22, be named William E. Boyden, Jr., Square, in honor of William E. Boyden, Jr., late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Fourth and B streets, Ward 6, be named Martin E. Flaherty Square, in honor of Martin E. Flaherty, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Columbia road and Buttonwood street, Ward 7, be named Howard J. Kane Square, in honor of Howard J. Kane, late veteran of World War II.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF STREET IN NEW SOUTH BOSTON PROJECT IN HONOR OF THOMAS L. BARRY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the naming of a street, circle, way, or place in new South Boston Housing development in honor of Pvt. Thomas L. Barry.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,

June 1, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of May 9, 1949, Requesting the Naming of a Street, Circle, Way or Place in the New South Boston Housing Development in Honor of Private Thomas L. Barry.

Dear Mayor Curley:

Your recent letter concerning the above-referenced request has been placed before the Authority.

Please be assured that the name of Pvt. Thomas L. Barry together with other names of veterans which have been submitted will receive every consideration of the Authority when names are being chosen for these thoroughfares.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ELKO STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated May 16, 1949, concerning the making of Elko street, Ward 22, one way from Cambridge street down.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

June 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting that Elko Street, Ward 22, Be Made One Way from Cambridge Street Down.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on May 27, 1949, it was voted to make Elko street, Brighton, one way from Cambridge street to Sparhawk street.

This rule will become effective on June 13, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS, JUNCTION OF BLUE HILL AVENUE AND FRANKLIN PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the laying of an asphalt sidewalk at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Franklin Park, and the repairing of benches that require it.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 3, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of May 9, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to lay an asphalt sidewalk at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Franklin Park and to make repairs on benches that are sadly needed in that area.

I have made arrangements to repair all the benches in that area, as outlined.

I have received an estimate of the cost of laying the asphalt walk, as outlined by the Council, which will total approximately \$1,600.

I will discuss this matter with his Honor the Mayor.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

FRANKLIN PARK MONKEY ZOO.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of the Franklin Park area for the housing of a monkey zoo.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 3, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from the office of the Mayor dated May 11, 1949, with attached City Council order requesting the Park Commissioner to make a survey of the Franklin Park area for the housing of a monkey zoo, which will provide an incentive for children of Greater Boston to use Franklin Park.

In 1912 a temporary monkey house was erected near the Refectory Building near Blue Hill avenue at Franklin Park. It was supposed to be a temporary structure built entirely of wood.

Due to its type of construction and the extent of its use as a monkey house, with its continual washing down of floors and walls to try to keep the place relatively clean, much of the woodwork and sills of the structure became rotted.

After using it up until sometime during the period of World War II it certainly was, due to its age and condition, anything but a vermin-proof structure. During World War II, due to the fuel shortage, the government refused to allocate the necessary fuel for this use.

In order to open this old house, it would be necessary to make some major changes and alterations and restorations and after they were made we would still have an old wooden structure of no particular credit to the city.

Under the law, it would be necessary to install or cut through the wall another means of egress as at present it only has one way of getting in and out of the structure.

The heating system works and in general everything would have to be restored. I have received figures from contractors on the cost of the restoration and construction work at the monkey house which is estimated at \$7,000. I have also received an estimate for the purchase of monkeys and baboons which would amount to approximately \$5,000. The total cost of the request of the City Council, therefore, would be \$12,000.

I appreciate that the children are interested in an exhibit of monkeys. However, I feel that the city should consider at the proper time the erection of a fireproof modern monkey house at the Zoological Garden, one of which we can all feel proud.

At the present time, with such a serious shortage of housing for our people, it does not sound as if we should consider a monkey house.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

FRANKLIN FIELD TENNIS COURTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of a survey in connection with placing two asphalt tennis courts in Franklin Field, in Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 3, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order, dated May 23, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to make a survey of the advisability of placing two asphalt tennis courts in Franklin Field in the Ward 14 section of Boston.

At the present time there are fourteen of the tennis courts in Franklin Field that are constructed of asphalt. As they are laid out in batteries of seven, and in this case there are two batteries of seven, totaling fourteen courts, the construction of two additional courts would mean that we would have to do two courts of the next battery of seven in asphalt.

I estimate the cost of constructing two courts of asphalt, to replace the present clay courts, at \$3,200.

I will discuss this matter with his Honor the Mayor at an early date.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF DORCHESTER PARK FIELD IN HONOR OF GEORGE J. ROPER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the naming of the baseball diamond and football field in Dorchester Park in honor of the late Capt. George J. Roper, who was killed in action in World War II, in Germany.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 1, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your memo of May 25, with attached order of the City Council requesting that a section of Dorchester Park be named after the late Capt. George J. Roper.

The Board of Park Commissioners at the present time is in the process of formulating a process with regards to the naming of playgrounds and play areas. We have solicited information from various large cities in the country as to the naming of areas for veterans, and, with the many requests now coming in for naming parks and playgrounds, it has been deemed advisable to have a set policy.

Accordingly, this matter will be kept on file until a definite policy is established.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

DORCHESTER TOWN FIELD BLEACHERS

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of

May 23, 1949, concerning the replacing of the broken seats in the bleachers of the Dorchester Town Field.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 3, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of May 23, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to make an immediate survey of the bleachers located on the Dorchester Town Field with a view to taking immediate steps to replace the broken seats, which are in a deplorable condition and have become dangerous to the well-being of those who attend the baseball games at this field.

I have issued a service order to have these bleacher seats repaired and replaced where necessary, which should take care of this City Council order.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS,
WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the repairing of streets and sidewalks broken by the Water Division in Ward 16.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 6, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office,
Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I return herewith, letter of May 16, relative to Council order of the same date, relative to streets and sidewalks in Ward 16.

Arrangements have been completed and work will start at once on the repairing of streets and sidewalks broken by the Water Division in the repairing of leaks in water mains.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL,
WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Department, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning personnel of the Health Department covering Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, May 25, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
This will acknowledge your communication of May 16 to which was attached a copy of the following order from the City Council passed on May 9, 1949:

"Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately shake up the personnel of the Health Department covering Ward 20 because of laxity in the performance of their duties.

In City Council, May 9, 1949. Passed.
Attest: J. B. HYNES, City Clerk."

As a result of this communication, a survey of the activities of the Health Department in Ward 20 has been made.

I am confident that you are very familiar with the activities of the Health Department in all sections of the city. It is possible, however, that the City Council is not aware of the various activities which are carried on in all wards, Ward 20 being no exception. The activities of the Health Department in Ward 20 could be well illustrated by a résumé of the activities which occurred in the final week of April of this year.

During the week specified the Health Department collected 98 samples of milk from all sections of Ward 20, and a chemical and bacteriological analysis of these samples was made in the laboratory. The report of the Milk Inspector of the City of Boston indicates that the milk was entirely satisfactory chemically as well as bacteriologically.

During that week routine collections of water samples were taken and analyzed by the Bacteriological Laboratory to ascertain that the water being supplied to that section of the city was safe for drinking and proper for commercial purposes.

The Food Division of the department maintained routine food inspection service which included the examination of eating and drinking establishments, markets, bakeries, and other food establishments. Reports were submitted on all the locations visited. Bacteriological smears were taken of dishes, glasses, silverware, and kitchen utensils. The bacteriological reports of those smears showed satisfactory results, and, with the exception of some minor suggestions, all inspections of the Food Division were satisfactory.

For many years, the Division of Housing and Sanitation of the Health Department has been particularly concerned about sanitary conditions in Ward 20. Especially during recent years, the department has been alarmed about mosquito nuisances in the Charles River section of West Roxbury. Water samples have been collected from the marsh land to determine the presence of larvae in order that an estimate might be made of the mosquito population with a view to instituting control measures. In order to reduce the mosquito population in the summer of 1949, a portion of this area which showed infestation with larvae was sprayed by airplane within the last 30 days. If further tests show the necessity for more extensive air spraying with mosquitoicide, additional treatment will be applied. By cooperating with the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project, not only was this project area brought under effective treatment, but likewise the adjoining area in West Roxbury.

A trailer camp, known as the Boston Trailer Park, is located in this section of the city. For sometime the city has been confronted by an acute housing shortage. Because of this, many citizens, especially veterans, have been forced to occupy trailer camps. The Health Department has regulations which set forth the health requirements for maintenance of trailer parks. Numerous inspections of this particular trailer park have been made by members of the inspection service of the Health Department. In addition to the inspections by our own district personnel, the Consultant Sanitarian of the Boston Health Department, Dr. Murray P. Horwood, professor in the Sanitary Engineering School of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, examined the location in the spring of 1949. The following conclusion was submitted by Dr. Horwood in a detailed report on the Boston Trailer Park.

"In conclusion, I would say, that the Boston Trailer Park was found to be in remarkably satisfactory sanitary condition at the time of this inspection, and that it would be unwise and undesirable in view of the existing housing shortage to compel many of the families using Boston Trailer Park to find accommodations elsewhere. I believe that such action would be unwarranted and would not be justified on the basis of protecting or promoting public health. With the additional toilet and shower facilities that the new utility building will provide, the essential sanitary needs of the population using Boston Trailer Park will be more adequately met. An effort should be made at the same time to stimulate the owners and operators to provide additional toilet facilities to meet the requirements of the Boston regulations. It is my judgment, however, that a lenient attitude on the part of the Boston

Health Department in this matter would be justified, since the existing flush toilets are supplemented by temporary arrangements inside of each trailer; and, since no public health nuisance or menace was observed under the conditions existing, consider the question whether people should be encouraged to live in trailers in a given trailer park for prolonged periods of time, such as three to nine years. Surely such people should be encouraged to find more permanent housing facilities. However, this represents a matter of social policy rather than one that affects public health."

Since this report was submitted, a new building with additional toilet and lavatory facilities has been completed at the Boston Trailer Park. The Boston Trailer Park has also made application to the Boston Health Department for a license to station additional trailers in excess of the number which is now authorized. Satisfactory reports have been received from both the Fire Department and the Police Department. Up to the present time, however, the report from the Building Department has not been received. It is understood that prior to approval by the Building Department it is essential for the applicant to submit a detailed plot plan. Because of the acute housing shortage in Boston and the inability of veterans to obtain housing, the Health Department has taken a tolerant attitude relative to this Boston Trailer Park. Further, the reports received from the various departments of the City of Boston do not indicate that any insanitary or other conditions existed which might impair the health of the occupants of the trailer park or the community in general.

As of May 19, 1949, Acting Deputy Commissioner Joseph A. Cahalan submitted to me the following report:

"A survey of this area in question (Ward 20) has been made by Chief Inspector Donovan, Supervisor Berrigan, as well as Inspector Campbell, all trained public health personnel. Their investigation revealed no indication of laxity concerning the abatement of nuisances."

In addition to the activities of the Division of Housing and Sanitation, the Division of Communicable Diseases of the Health Department carried on its routine activities. It is interesting to note that in the final week of April, 1949, in Ward 20, eight cases of scarlet fever were isolated; eight cases of scarlet fever were released from isolation; one case of chicken pox was diagnosed. Visits were made to four individuals who were bitten by dogs, and recommendations were made relative to anti-rabic treatment. One newborn child was seen in consultation for a question of infection of the eyes, and one inspection of a boarding home for children was made by this division.

The Nursing Division of the Boston Health Department carried on routine nursing activities in this area. The following is an abstract of the work accomplished.

Home visits by—Miss MARIE CROWLEY, Miss KATHRYN ALEKEL (supervised by Miss N. R. KIBUR).

Child hygiene visits	29
Communicable disease visits	9
Tuberculosis visits	40
Total	78

Two well baby conferences—DR. GLAZIER, DR. LESTER KAHN.

- 45 children seen by physicians
- 10 new babies
- 35 old babies (visited conference before this date)
- 35 mothers received advice
- 10 infants received physical examinations
- 25 infants immunized against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus
- 8 vaccinated
- 3 vaccination readings

Miss NETTIE R. KIBUR—Supervising Nurse

The following nurses assisted the physicians, took histories, weighed and measured 45 children: Mrs. L. DONAGHUE, Miss M. CROWLEY, Miss K. ALEKEL, Mrs. F. CONNICK (Tuesday conference), Miss A. DERVAN (Tuesday conference).

During the week of April 25—No Tuberculosis Clinic held.

During the week in question the Laboratory Division of the Boston Health Department supplied serological and bacteriological services to physicians and citizens of Ward 20. There

has never been any period of time within the recollection of the Health Commissioner when the services furnished by this division were the object of criticism.

The Division of Tuberculosis has furnished services to the people of Ward 20, and the incidence of tuberculosis in this section of the city is indicative of the high quality of the services which have been rendered.

The Health Education Service of the Boston Health Department has not been negligent in its obligation to furnish inhabitants of Ward 20 with health education. Health education articles were found not only in the Boston papers but in the West Roxbury Transcript under date of April 28, 1949.

During the week cited as an example for a typical week of activities of the Health Department in West Roxbury, Dr. Francis X. Walsh, the Director of Accident Prevention of the Boston Health Department, and Dr. Roy Lindgren, in charge of the Tuberculosis Division of the Health Department, spoke at the West Roxbury Community Council.

An order of the City Council requesting shake up of the personnel in the department is of concern to the Health Department. It is to be regretted that this action has been requested by the City Council. Since every division of the Health Department has been active in Ward 20, to shake up the personnel of the department in this section would require complete redistribution of the personnel of the entire department. The reassignment of personnel at the present time would disrupt the organization of the Health Department. Most of the personnel who have been assigned to this section of the city are individuals that have been in the employ of the city for a great many years, and have been basically trained in the work which they are performing. They have given long and satisfactory service and have conscientiously carried on their work for a period of many years. Their achievements have been beneficial, not only for this area but for the city as a whole.

The criticism which was leveled at the department will stimulate the administration of the department to aggressive action, in order that the highest health standards will be maintained, not only in Ward 20 but in the entire city.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D., M.P.H.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ORDINANCE CONCERNING SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND BOARDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 13, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In order that department heads and various officials whose compensation is regulated by ordinance may participate in the general salary increase which is to be effective July 1, 1949, it is necessary to amend section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947. I submit herewith a draft of a proposed amendment and recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston.
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.
An Ordinance Concerning Salaries of Officers and Boards.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 5. The following-named officers shall, while in the service of the city, receive the following salaries yearly, and proportionally for any portion of the year, which shall, unless otherwise provided by ordinance, be in full for all services which such officers are authorized or required by statute

or ordinance to perform, and shall be subject to the deduction of any and all sums due to the city from such officers. They shall receive as such salaries:

The mayor, twenty thousand dollars.

The members of the city council — the president, thirty-five hundred dollars, and each of the other members three thousand dollars.

The assessors — the chairman, seventy-five hundred dollars; each of the four principal assessors' six thousand dollars; each of the five deputy assessors, fifty-five hundred dollars; each first assistant assessor, fifteen hundred dollars for street work and preparation therefor, and fifteen hundred dollars for services on dooming board and work on abatements and investigations.

The budget commissioner, seventy-five hundred dollars.

The building commissioner, nine thousand dollars.

The city auditor — auditor, eighty-four hundred dollars; secretary of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county auditor, nine hundred dollars. Total, ten thousand dollars.

The city clerk, eight thousand dollars, and the assistant city clerk, not more than six thousand dollars.

The city collector, eighty-five hundred dollars.

The city registrar, sixty-five hundred dollars.

The city treasurer — treasurer, seventy-four hundred dollars; treasurer of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county treasurer, nine hundred dollars. Total, nine thousand dollars.

The corporation counsel, ten thousand, five hundred dollars.

The election commissioners, the chairman, seventy-five hundred dollars, the other three commissioners each sixty-five hundred dollars.

The fire commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars.

The health commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars.

The institutions commissioner, eight thousand dollars.

The park commissioners, the chairman, eighty-five hundred dollars.

The penal institutions commissioner, seven thousand dollars.

The public works commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars; the engineer in charge of the water division not more than seventy-seven hundred dollars, and the engineers in charge of the other divisions, each not more than seven thousand dollars.

The sealer of weights and measures, fifty-five hundred dollars; the chief deputy sealer, such salary, not exceeding thirty-eight hundred dollars, and the other deputy sealers such salary, not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars, as may be fixed by the sealer of weights and measures with the approval of the mayor.

The director of veterans' services and soldiers' relief commissioner, seven thousand dollars.

The statistics trustees, the chairman, forty-five hundred dollars.

The street commissioners, the chairman, seventy-five hundred dollars, and the other two commissioners each sixty-five hundred dollars.

The superintendent of printing, eight thousand dollars.

The superintendent of public buildings, seven thousand dollars.

The superintendent of supplies, eight thousand dollars.

The traffic commissioners, the chairman, eight thousand dollars.

The transit commissioners, the chairman, ninety-five hundred dollars, and the other two commissioners each eight thousand dollars.

The officers connected with the city council — the clerk of committees, sixty-three hundred dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, forty-nine hundred dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-three hundred dollars; the city messenger, sixty-three hundred dollars; the first assistant city messenger, forty-three hundred dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-three hundred dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each three thousand dollars; the document man, thirty-eight hundred dollars; the assistant document man, three thousand dollars.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

RESCISSION OF PART OF LOAN FOR NEW CITY HALL PLANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 13, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Auditor which is self-explanatory. In accordance with the recommendation made by the City Auditor, I submit the accompanying order and request its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department, June 8, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Under date of December 12, 1935, a loan order in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) was approved for the preparation and plans and specifications for a new city hall. In 1937, bonds of the city in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) were issued under this authorization and payments for architects' services totaling \$30,036 were made, leaving an unexpended cash balance of \$19,964. On December 8, 1939, this balance was transferred by the City Council, thus wiping out the unexpended cash balance.

Since 1937 the balance of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) which was not issued has been carried on the records of the city. Since the possibility of this remaining authorization ever being used is remote, I feel it desirable to rescind this unused authority and thus clear the financial records of an item that no longer has any significance. I recommend that the City Council be requested to take the necessary action to accomplish this end.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX, City Auditor.

Ordered, That the right to borrow money for new City Hall plans, etc., approved by the Mayor on December 12, 1935, be limited to \$50,000 and that the authorization to borrow in excess of said amount for said purposes be, and the same hereby is, rescinded.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

SALE OF FIREBOAT "ANGUS J. McDONALD."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Fire Commissioner in which he requests authority to sell the Fireboat "Angus J. McDonald" at public auction at an upset price of \$750.

This boat was built in the year 1895 and, with the acquisition by the Fire Department of more modern marine fire-fighting equipment, it is no longer of any use to the Fire Department.

I recommend passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, June 7, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I respectfully request that your Honor arrange to have an order introduced into the City Council authorizing the Fire Commissioner to dispose of, at public auction to the highest bidder, old Fireboat Engine 31 "Angus J. McDonald," which is now deactivated.

The boat was built in the year 1895 and is no longer of use to the Fire Department.

An upset price of \$750 should be placed on the boat.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, Jr., Fire Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be, and hereby is, authorized to sell, at public auction after duly advertising the time and place of sale, Fire-boat Engine 31 "Angus J. McDonald," no longer needed for public purposes, at an upset price of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750).
Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPLIES TO COUNCILORS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Replying to the order adopted by the City Council on June 6, 1949, reading as follows:
"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the department heads of the City of Boston to extend to councilors the courtesy of a prompt reply on all matters referred to them, either by Council order, councilor's letter, or by the councilor's contact through the Mayor's office,"

I beg to state that I have this day requested the various departments to comply with the same.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

William E. Carney, for compensation for damage to property at 72 Washington street, Charlestown.

Roy E. Davis, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Boston Traffic Commission.

Henry L. Ford, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Brighton avenue.

Ernest J. Griffin, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Edward J. Hanrahan, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Eugene F. Lally, to be reimbursed for money expended in defending position before Civil Service Commission.

Louis Levin, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Edwin J. McLaughlin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mae E. Mitchell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 75 Franklin street.

Joseph E. Quinteliani, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Robert N. Raymond, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of William H. Reilly by city car.

Executive.

Petition of Margaret Laskey, to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, Jerome F. Laskey, late member of Police Department.

Loretta M. Sullivan, to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, Eugene J. Sullivan, late member of Police Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received, viz.:

Mildred Holmes, Jordan Hall, June 23.

Ina Braithwaite, Recital Hall, June 23.

Gertrude Dolan, Jordan Hall, June 9, 16, and 24.
Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Harry Abrevaya, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICE FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of plan for proposed newsstand and inspectors' and warders' booth at Dudley Street Station, east loop.
Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by Boston Housing Authority of \$1,568.73, covering cost of additional footage on original caissons at Columbia Road Veterans' Housing Project, in accordance with Proceed Order No. 3 issued by State Housing Board.
Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Coun. RAMSEY, vice chairman, Committee on Finance, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) for loan of \$2,960,000 to be expended by various departmental officials under direction of Mayor for construction of buildings, equipment and furnishings thereof—that same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on rejection of the order. On motion of Councilor Hannon, the order was laid on the table.

SALE OF PROPERTY TO LIEUT. LAWRENCE J. FLAHERTY POST NO. 30., A.L.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council took up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land and building on Marion street, East Boston, to Lieut. Lawrence J. Flaherty Post No. 30, A.L., for \$1.00.

On May 23, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 6) of James W. Shirton, as Weigher of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Wenzler and McCormack. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 13, nay 1, and the appointment was confirmed.

HEALTH UNIT FOR BRIGHTON-ALLSTON.

Coun. LANE and SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect a health unit in the Brighton-Allston section of Boston, Wards 21 and 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF PAUL EVANS WALSH.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the junction of

Linden and Ashford streets, Ward 21, in honor of Pfc. Paul Evans Walsh, who was killed in Bataan on April 3, 1942.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LOTHROP STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make Lothrop street a one-way street going in a westerly direction, in order to alleviate a dangerous traffic hazard in case of fire.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MILTON LEVINE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Landor road and Blue Hill avenue in honor of Flight Officer Milton Levine, who lost his life on June 6, 1944, in the E.T.O. 8th Air Force while in the service of his country in World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INTERVALE STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make Intervale street a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON HEWINS STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor be requested to put a "Slow—Children" sign at Hewins street, and Columbia road and at Hewins street and Erie street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TREE PLANTING, HEWINS STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to plant three trees in front of 24 Hewins street that were destroyed by the hurricane.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF JOYCE ROAD, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Joyce road, Ward 18, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and supplementary appropriation order (referred June 6) appropriating \$3,212,962 for various city and county departments—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted. On motion of Councilor Cook, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted at 2.32 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor Shanley at 3.20 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and three orders (referred today) for naming of squares for deceased veterans of World War II—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) that Fire Commissioner be authorized to sell at public auction Fireboat Engine 31 "Angus J. McDonald" at upset price of \$750—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on petition of Passionist Missionary Society of Boston (referred May 2) to extend their present cemetery at 159 Washington street, Brighton—recommending passage of following order:

Ordered, That permission be hereby granted to the Passionist Missionary Society to use for burial purposes a parcel of land containing 2,500 square feet, located on their property at 159 Washington street, Brighton; said parcel being an extension of the lot authorized to be used for said purposes by an order of the City Council passed May 22, 1922, and being shown on a plan made by J. F. Hennessey, dated February 10, 1949, and filed herewith.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on message of Mayor and supplementary appropriation order (referred today) appropriating \$3,212,962 for various city and county departments—recommending passage of the order as submitted by the Mayor with the exception of a reduction of 20 per cent in all items for B-13.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councilor Hurley, it was voted to pass the supplementary appropriation order as submitted by the Mayor, yeas 7, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—7.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Cook, Tracy, Yerxa—4.

5. Voting Present—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Hannon, McCormack—5.

The question then came on the passage of the order as submitted by the Mayor, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—15.

Nays—Councilors Cook, Yerxa—2.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS CONNECTED WITH CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following: Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

Section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

The officers connected with the City Council—the clerk of committees, sixty-eight hundred dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-two hundred dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-six hundred dollars; the city messenger, sixty-eight hundred dollars; the first assistant city messenger, forty-six hundred dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-six hundred dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-three hundred dollars; the document man, forty-one hundred dollars; the assistant document man, thirty-three hundred dollars.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

ARC LIGHT NEAR 715 EAST BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light in the near vicinity of 715 East Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIR OF MARINE PARK BENCHES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to repair all the benches in the Marine Park area that are broken and in a dilapidated condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESTORATION OF REBATE TO CITY BY NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor intercede for the City of Boston in having the 33½ per cent rebate that was previously given by the New England Telephone Company restored.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Edward J. Dever (referred May 23) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$128.97) be allowed and paid to Edward J. Dever in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Adam Dowgos (referred May 2) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor ambulance belonging to Boston Sanatorium—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of seventy dollars (\$70) be allowed and paid to Adam Dowgos in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor ambulance belonging to the Boston Sanatorium, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Thomas P. Lyons (referred June 6) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be allowed and paid to Thomas P. Lyons in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of John J. Green (referred June 6) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars and sixty-three cents (\$30.63) be allowed and paid to John J. Green in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Robert A. Mais (referred June 6) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred eighty-nine dollars and thirty cents (\$189.30) be allowed and paid to Robert A. Mais in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Carl O. Blaumquist (referred May 23) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred seventy-six dollars and thirty cents (\$276.30) be allowed and paid to Carl O. Blaumquist in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN J. O'BRIEN.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of South street and Asticou road, Ward 19, in honor of Capt. John J. O'Brien, of the United States Army, who was killed in action in France on August 28, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PURCHASE OF VOTING MACHINES.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to investigate the reasons why the City of Boston contracted with the Shoup Machine Company for 694 voting machines at a price of \$60 more per machine than was offered by the lowest bidder.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan, the Council voted at 4.24 P.M. to adjourn, to meet on Monday, June 20, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Thursday, June 16, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Chase, Keenan, and Kinsella.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR THE MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

John B. Hynes,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

You are urgently requested to attend a special meeting of the Boston City Council, to be held at the Council Chamber on Thursday, June 16, at 1 P.M., for the purpose of taking immediate action upon the order authorizing the borrowing of \$2,000,000 to meet appropriations already made for Public Welfare, and to consider such other matters as may come before the meeting.

Sincerely,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

BUNKER HILL DAY CELEBRATION.

President HURLEY announced that tomorrow, June 17, at 1 P.M., cars would leave City Hall to carry the Councilors who wished to attend the Bunker Hill exercises in Charlestown.

MATTERS PENDING BEFORE COUNCIL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I deem it desirable to direct your attention to matters now pending before your Honorable Body which relate to the 1949 tax rate and on which immediate action is desirable in order that the assessors may not be unduly delayed in the declaration of the tax rate.

WELFARE LOAN.

In 1948, appropriations for the Public Welfare Department totaled \$13,754,632. Of this total your Honorable Body authorized that \$1,350,000 be financed by the issuance of a loan, thus leaving \$12,404,632 to be raised in the tax levy. This year appropriations voted by your Honorable Body for the Welfare Department totaled \$16,068,115.30. In order to reduce for tax levy purposes this total to an amount comparable with that provided in last year's tax levy, I recently recommended that a loan order of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) be authorized under the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949. Adoption of this order will in no way increase the appropriations of the Public Welfare Department but will be used solely to reduce the tax levy burden for welfare.

Adoption of this order will require two readings by your Honorable Body. Subsequent to such action, the order must be sent to the Emergency Finance Board at the State House for approval. It is essential, therefore, in order that the amount involved may be available for tax rate purposes, that a first reading be given immediately to this order, with a second reading to follow at next Monday's meeting, after which consideration by the Emergency Finance Board will be requested.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

In order to make additional bed space available at the City Hospital, the Health Commissioner several weeks ago made arrangements for the transfer of state-settled tubercular patients confined at the City Hospital to the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Brighton. Since this arrangement was not contemplated at the time of the submission of the 1949 Health Department budget to your Honorable Body, it was necessary to provide for the expense involved by a supplementary appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000). Under the arrangement worked out by the Health Commissioner, the city is required to pay the bills rendered by the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, but, since all patients involved have state settlements, the Health Department will subsequently be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for the expense of hospitalization so incurred. It is essential that this supplementary appropriation be provided before the declaration of the tax rate.

CEMETERY APPROPRIATION.

In order to provide for the enlargement and further development of Fairview Cemetery in Hyde Park, an appropriation of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) was recommended several weeks ago to permit the purchase of several small plots of privately owned land adjacent to this cemetery. Because the availability of land for cemetery purposes within the city is strictly limited, it would seem desirable to make use of this opportunity to secure space which can be readily utilized for development of cemetery facilities. Failure to take action prior to the declaration of the tax rate in this matter will preclude what would appear to be a desirable step.

DOWN PAYMENT ON BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LOAN.

Under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws it is necessary, in connection with the adoption of loan orders within the debt-incurring power of the city, to provide for each purpose an amount equivalent to ten cents (\$0.10) on the valuation of the preceding year. Under date of May 9, in connection with a recommendation that a loan order be authorized for various building construction projects, an appropriation order to be raised by taxes in the sum of one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars (\$159,000) was submitted to your Honorable Body. In the event your Honorable Body is not ready to take action on the loan order, I suggest that the appropriation order to be raised in the tax levy be approved so that the assessors may make provision for the same in the computation of the tax rate.

Since it is essential that the 1949 tax rate be declared at the earliest possible date, I trust that your Honorable Body will give favorable action to the matters herein set forth.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan it was voted that the loan order (referred June 6) for \$2,000,000 for Public Welfare be taken from the Committee on Finance.

The question came on giving the order its first reading.

The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lano, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

Assigned for final action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$8,000 for Park Department, Fairview Cemetery, extension of—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councilor Cantwell.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$75,000 for Health Department, B, Contractual Services, 17, Care of Persons—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 9) appropriating \$159,000 for Construction of Buildings—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS, ETC.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan it was voted to take from the table No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for loan of \$2,960,000 for Construction of Buildings, Equipment and Furnishings.

The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—Councilor Beades—1.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITION REFERRED.

The following petition was received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Executive.

Petition of Grace M. O'Donnell to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, James J. O'Donnell, late member of Police Department.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by Boston Housing Authority of \$13,706.55 for additional caisson work necessary at Columbia Road Veterans Housing Project.

Placed on file.

TRANSIENT VENDOR'S LICENSE.

Notice was received of the issuance by the City Clerk of a transient vendor's license to Jack Woods, for sale of furnishings and antiques at 36 Lorraine street, Roslindale. A bond in the sum of \$500 was received and approved.

Severally placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 393, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 393 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Salaries of the Board of Assessors of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

SALARIES OF POLICE MATRONS AT HOUSE OF DETENTION FOR WOMEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Police Department, June 14, 1949.

Mr. John B. Hynes,
City Clerk, Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with provisions of chapter 147, section 19, General Laws (Ter. Edit.), concurrent approval is requested of the Honorable City Council in establishment of annual basic salaries paid to certain employees of the House of Detention of this department, listed as follows:

POSITION	Present Annual Basic Rate.	New Annual Basic Rate.
Chief matron.....	\$2,550	\$2,850
Assistant chief matron...	2,350	2,650
Assistant matron.....	2,250	2,550
Permanent intermittent assistant matron.....	2,250	2,550

Very truly yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That in concurrence with the Police Commissioner the salaries of matrons at the House of Detention for Women be established as follows:

Chief matron at \$2,850 a year, to take effect as of June 29, 1949.

Assistant chief matron at \$2,650 a year, to take effect as of June 29, 1949.

Assistant matron at \$2,550 a year, to take effect as of June 29, 1949.

Permanent intermittent assistant matron, at \$2,550 a year, to take effect as of June 29, 1949.

The communication was placed on file and the order was passed under suspension of the rule.

HEARING RE FEES FOR ICE CREAM VENDORS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Council Committee on Ordinances be directed to hold a public hearing on the establishment of proper fees for ice cream vendors' licenses, said hearing to be held next week.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on ordinance (referred June 13) establishing salaries of officers connected with the City Council—that same ought to pass, corrected by striking out the words "whole of said section" and inserting the words "clause concerning salaries of officers of the city council."

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a thorough investigation and report back to his Honor the Mayor and the City Council relative to the specific requirements, if any, in the Old Age Assistance regulations, in order to ascertain whether or not it is necessary to sign off to the local Welfare Department certain equity in the applicant's property in order to obtain Old Age Assistance, and be it further

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel likewise report to the Mayor and Council whether or not

it is necessary for a property owner to mortgage his property before he can obtain Old Age Assistance.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING BEACHES OF POLLUTION.

Coun. LINEHAN and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Health Department of the City of Boston, through his Honor the Mayor, immediately in cooperation with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, do

everything possible to adopt ways and means to help clean up the pollution in the water in the South Boston and Dorchester beaches.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan, the Council voted to adjourn at 1.55 p.m., to meet on Monday, June 20, 1949, at 2 p.m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

Date	Description
1890	Jan 1
1891	Feb 1
1892	Mar 1
1893	Apr 1
1894	May 1
1895	Jun 1
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1897	Aug 1
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1899	Oct 1
1900	Nov 1
1901	Dec 1
1902	Jan 1
1903	Feb 1
1904	Mar 1
1905	Apr 1
1906	May 1
1907	Jun 1
1908	Jul 1
1909	Aug 1
1910	Sep 1
1911	Oct 1
1912	Nov 1

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 20, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councillor Keenan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

REPAIR OF FENCES BY BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston & Albany Railroad, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the repairing of fences in Wards 21 and 22, in Allston and Brighton, for the safety of the children in those districts.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston & Albany Railroad
(New York Central Railroad Company, Lessee)
344 South Station,
Boston, Mass., June 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your communication dated June 8, enclosing a copy of the order of the City Council of June 6.

I have asked our Maintenance of Way Department to make any repairs that may be necessary to the fences in the Allston-Brighton district, and have their assurance that this will be done promptly.

Yours very truly,
GEORGE H. FERNALD, Counsel.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF ARC LIGHTS,
WARD 3.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the installing of an arc light on Dover street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, and also on Dover street, between Harrison avenue and Albany street, Ward 3.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an arc light on Dover street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, and also on Dover street, between Harrison avenue and Albany street, Ward 3, and this will advise you that the Edison Company has been requested by the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department to make a survey of this area with a view to these improvements, if necessary.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

LIGHTING SURVEY, GREEN STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of Green street, from Centre to Washington streets, Wards 19 and 11, with a view to installing better lighting facilities on this street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works make a survey of Green street, from Centre to Washington streets, Wards 19 and 11, with a view to installing better lighting facilities on this street, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department has requested the Edison Company to make a survey of this area with a view to improving conditions, if necessary.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF LUMEN LAMPS,
WARD 8.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the installing of 10,000 lumen lamps at the following locations in Ward 8:

Newcomb street, in front of No. 11.
East Lenox street, rear of Emanuel House.
Private way off East Lenox street, adjacent to Emanuel House.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install 10,000 lumen lamps at the following locations in Ward 8:

Newcomb street, front of No. 11.
East Lenox street, rear of Emanuel House.
Private way off East Lenox street, adjacent to Emanuel House.

The Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of these locations with a view to improvements, if necessary.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT, BROOKLINE AVENUE AND
DEACONESS ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith Public Works Department communication replying to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the installing of an arc light at the corner of Brookline avenue and Deaconess road, in Ward 4.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an arc light at the corner of Brookline avenue and Deaconess road, in Ward 4, and this will advise you that there is an existing large street lamp at this location at the present time.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET LIGHTING SURVEY, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of Mascot street, Jones avenue, Ballou avenue, Lawrence avenue, Quincy street, Intervale street, Devon street, Supple road, Pasadena road, Glenway street, McLellan street, and Gleason street, for the purpose of providing electric lights in those areas of Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works make a survey of Mascot street, Jones avenue, Ballou avenue, Lawrence avenue, Quincy street, Intervale street, Devon street, Supple road, Pasadena road, Glenway street, McLellan street, and Gleason street, for the purpose of providing electric lights in those areas of Ward 14, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department has requested the Edison Company to make a survey of these streets with a view to changing over from gas to electric street lamps.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS, ENTRANCES TO L STREET BATHHOUSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith Public Works Department communication, concerning your order of recent date, requesting the installation of new electric street lights in front of each entrance to the L Street Bathhouses in South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install new electric street lights in front of each entrance to the L Street Bathhouses in South Boston, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will send an order to the Edison Company for the installation of these lamps immediately.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

WIDENING OF DARLING STREET, WARD 10.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 15, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 11, 1949, concerning the widening of Darling street, at the junction of Calumet street in Ward 10, by filling in and surfacing the vacant lot at the corner of Darling and Calumet streets, which vacant lot is city owned.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
June 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 3, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Carey, requesting that the Street Commissioners widen Darling street at the junction of Calumet street, I beg to advise that the Board of Real Estate Commissioners has been requested to reserve the city-owned land, required to widen Darling street.

Would advise that blueprints are now being prepared by the Engineering Division and a public hearing should be held within the next 60 days.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF ANDOVER ROAD, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 15, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying out of Andover road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
June 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of April 26 requesting that Andover road, West Roxbury, be accepted as a public way, I beg to advise that in view of the fact that there is only one dwelling that would be directly benefited, coupled with the fact that the cost of construction will approximate \$6,500, the Board is reluctant to act in the matter at the present time.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIAM EDWARD BOYDEN, JR.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 15, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection directly in front of the entrance to the new St. Ignatius Church on Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21, in honor of William Edward Boyden, Jr.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
June 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of June 8 enclosing copy of City Council order introduced by Councilors Lane and Shanley, requesting that the intersection directly in front of the entrance to the new St. Ignatius Church on Commonwealth avenue, at Lake street, in Ward 21, be named in honor of William Edward Boyden, Jr., I beg to advise that the Committee to Memorialize Veterans voted on May 20 to name this intersection as requested.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

WARNING DEVICE ON TRACKLESS TROLLEYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 15, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of April 25, 1949, concerning the installing of a buzzer on trackless trolleys to warn pedestrians while the car is in motion.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
June 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Consideration has been given by our Trustees to the request contained in order of the City Council received with your letter of April 27 for the installation of some device such as a monotone buzzer on trackless trolleys so as to warn pedestrians while the vehicle is in motion.

It would cost more than \$25,000 to install such a device on our present number of trackless trolleys, and the Trustees are of the opinion that it would be a nuisance and not practical.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, LAMARTINE AND BOYLSTON STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of April 4, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at Lamartine and Boylston streets, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 4, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Lamartine and Boylston Streets, Ward 19.

Dear Sir:

We have delayed answering the subject Council order until we had a chance to make a complete traffic survey of the area.

While this intersection is admittedly a dangerous one, it is the opinion of the engineers of this department that it cannot be successfully signalized. However, plans have been drawn up for the erection of "Slow" signs in all the streets entering the intersection, and we hope that by the installation of these signs the hazards at this intersection may be lessened.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SURVEY OF FAIRBANKS STREET.

The following was received.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of Fairbanks street, relative to eliminating heavy trucking, and also to study the advisability of making it one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made of Fairbanks Street, Relative to Eliminating Heavy Trucking, and also to Study the Advisability of Making It One Way.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to above Council order, please be advised that a traffic volume count was made on Fairbanks street on Thursday, June 2, 1949, between 8 A.M. and 6 P.M.

A total of 500 cars went through this street in 10 hours in both directions—82 trucks under 2½ tons capacity and 5 trucks of over 2½ tons capacity.

Under the Traffic Rules and Regulations we can only exclude trucks that have a capacity of over 2½ tons, and, with the very few trucks that use this street and which are over 2½ tons capacity, it would seem to me not worth while.

We do not feel that conditions in this street warrant the adoption of a one-way rule.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN-CONTROLLED TRAFFIC LIGHTS, ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the installation of pedestrian-controlled traffic lights at 1160 Commonwealth avenue, Allston, and also at the corner of Gordon and Cambridge streets, Allston, and at the car stop approximately in front of 1970 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Pedestrian-Controlled Traffic Lights at 1160 Commonwealth Avenue Allston, also at the Corner of Gordon and Cambridge Streets, Allston, and a Third Set at the Car Stop Approximately in Front of 1970 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to the above Council order, the following is the report of our engineer:

"Respectfully advise that 1160 Commonwealth avenue is just one car stop east of Harvard avenue, which is a signalized intersection. I believe that this signal should have some effect on the Commonwealth avenue traffic in this area and would not advise the installation of a light until a great many other places with a more serious accident hazard are taken care of.

"A survey was made several years ago at the intersection of Cambridge and Gordon streets. Traffic from Gordon street was extremely light and our suggestion at that time was the erection of 'Slow' signs to advise motorists of the approach to this intersection.

"It is our intention to recommend the installation of traffic lights at Cambridge and Warren streets. It is my opinion that the erection of these

lights will break traffic up into trains in Cambridge street and will make a safer crossing at Gordon street.

"At 1970 Commonwealth avenue there is a car stop which is used primarily by the people living in a large apartment house adjacent to this car stop. It is our intention to recommend the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of Commonwealth avenue and Wade street. We believe that the signaling of this intersection will have beneficial effect at the car stop in front of 1970 Commonwealth avenue."

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON VARIOUS STREETS IN BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the surveying of all narrow streets in Brighton with a view to installing "no parking" signs about 40 feet from the corners of said streets in order to give fire apparatus a chance to enter the streets in case of fire.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 13, 1949:

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made of All Narrow Streets in Brighton with a View to Installing "No Parking" Signs about 40 Feet from the Corners in Order to Give Fire Apparatus a Chance to Enter the Streets in Case of Fire.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time the regulations of the Boston Traffic Commission prohibit the stopping and standing of vehicles within 20 feet of an intersection. If this regulation is strictly enforced by the Police Department, the apparatus of the Boston Fire Department will have no difficulty in entering any narrow street in the Brighton area.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"SLOW" SIGNS, WINSHIP SCHOOL, WARD 22.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.

To the City Council:
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the installation of "Slow" signs in the vicinity of the Winship School, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 16, 1949, Requesting the Installation of "Slow" Signs in the Vicinity of the Winship School, Ward 22.

Dear Sir:

In further answer to subject Council order, please be advised that an investigation of the area mentioned shows that at the present time the Traffic Commission maintains a "Look Out for Children" sign in Chestnut Hill avenue, also a "School Zone" sign. These two signs cover both the Winship School and the Bennett School.

It is the opinion of the engineers that these signs adequately protect the area and no further

signs are necessary. I concur in the engineers' recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

QUINT AVENUE AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Quint avenue, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Quint Avenue, Ward 21, Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that a survey was made of this area which would indicate that the volume of traffic in Quint avenue is not sufficient to justify the establishment of a one-way street. In addition, there is serious objection from the pastor of the church in Quint avenue who has informed this department that such a move would seriously interfere with his church functions.

For the foregoing reasons I respectfully recommend that no action be taken on the subject Council order at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

NOTTINGHILL ROAD AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Nottinghill road in Ward 21 a one-way street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Nottinghill Road in Ward 21 Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to subject Council order, please be advised that our engineer reports that Nottinghill road is a long circuitous street and the making of this street one way would put some of the residents to considerable difficulty in going to and from their homes.

I suggest that before any action is taken a petition be submitted by a majority of the residents of this street to have it made one way.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

PARK VALE AVENUE AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of

May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Park Vale avenue in Ward 21 one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Park Vale Avenue in Ward 21, Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to subject Council order, please be advised that similar requests have been made on several occasions and on each occasion has been turned down by this Commission because they feel that Park Vale avenue has an outlet from Brighton avenue to Glenville avenue that helps lessen the congestion and the traffic demands at the intersection of Brighton avenue and Harvard avenue.

For the foregoing reason, I respectfully suggest that no action be taken on the subject Council order at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, JOHN ELIOT SQUARE.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated May 23, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights in John Eliot square, Roxbury, Ward 9.
Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting Consideration of the Advisability of Installing Traffic Lights in John Eliot Square, Roxbury, Ward 9.

Dear Sir:
Referring further to subject Council order, please be advised that the engineers of this department together with Captain Russell of Police Division 10, whose district covers this area, have thoroughly gone into the question of the advisability of establishing lights in John Eliot square. It was their considered opinion that, as the result of the establishment of one-way streets in this area, there is no need at this time of installing traffic lights. Furthermore, Captain Russell has informed this department that all crossings in the vicinity of the Timilty School are covered by police officers during the school period and it is his intention to continue this practice throughout the school year.

For the foregoing reasons I recommend that no action be taken on the subject Council order at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT, WASHINGTON STREET AND MONASTERY ROAD.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the installation of a pedestrian-controlled traffic light outside of St. Gabriel's Monastery, at the junction of Washington street and Monastery road, in Ward 21.
Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated June 6, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Pedestrian-Controlled Traffic Light Outside of St. Gabriel's Monastery, at the Junction of Washington Street and Monastery Road, in Ward 21.

Dear Sir:
In reply to above Council order, please be advised that we are in the process of making a survey of traffic conditions at the junction of Washington street and Monastery road. I will advise you further upon completion of the survey.
Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

AUTOMOBILE PARKING, WARD 14.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated June 6, 1949, concerning the making of a survey in the Wellington Hill section and throughout Ward 14 for the purpose of authorizing the parking of automobiles on one side of the streets.
Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated June 6, 1949, Requesting That a Survey Be Made in Wellington Hill Section and Throughout Ward 14 for Purpose of Authorizing the Parking of Automobiles on One Side of the Streets.

Dear Sir:
Further referring to above Council order, please be advised that the engineers of this department have made exhaustive surveys of this area. However, since it embraces so many streets, I feel that the Council order should be reworded so that specific streets would be named, so that the commission may take proper action.
Respectfully yours,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHT, BROOKLINE AVENUE AND DEACONESS ROAD.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the installation of a pedestrian traffic signal at the corner of Brookline avenue and Deaconess road.
Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated June 6, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Pedestrian Traffic Signal at the Corner of Brookline Avenue and Deaconess Road.

Dear Sir:
The above intersection is on our list of proposed installations, and we hope to have the signals installed by this fall.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF PORTABLE SCHOOL
BUILDING, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of May 2, 1949, concerning the removal of the portable school building in the rear of the Minot School on Neponset avenue, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, June 9, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on May 31, 1949, the following order passed by the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the Boston School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the portable school building in the rear of the Minot School on Neponset Avenue, Dorchester, which has not been used for the past eight years and which now constitutes a fire hazard."

On recommendation of the Board of Apportionment, the School Committee agreed to transfer the portable to the yard of the Harriet A. Baldwin School where additional accommodations will be needed. The structural engineer reported that the portable building does not constitute a fire hazard.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

AMENDMENT OF COMPENSATION AND
CLASSIFICATION PLANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith for consideration by your Honorable Body the attached proposal by the Budget Commissioner of certain changes in the "Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County."

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, June 20, 1949.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Honorable Dear Sirs:

Rule 7, "Amendment of the Compensation Plan" of the "Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County" provides, "Whenever in his judgment the compensation for any class or group of classes, as provided in the compensation plan, is in need of revision, the Budget Commissioner shall report such fact, in writing, to the City Council, together with his reasons therefor and with revised schedules of compensation for such class or classes and also for any related class the compensation for which would be thrown out of due relation by the adoption of such revised schedules. Any proposed amendment shall become effective upon approval by the City Council, subject to the provisions of the City Charter."

Under the provisions of the above rule, it is proposed to increase the fixed salary of \$4,700 annually of the Sheriff and Jailer to a fixed salary of \$7,000 annually. Consideration of this amendment is offered on the basis of the fact that the salary of \$4,700 annually for the Sheriff of Suffolk County is extremely low when compared with Middlesex County, which pays \$6,900, and Worcester, Essex, and Hampden Counties, which pay \$6,300, all with full maintenance. Under the circumstances the recommended salary of \$7,000 is more commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the Sheriff of Suffolk County.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That the fixed salary as now set forth for the Sheriff and Jailer in the "Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County" be, and the same hereby is, revised by striking out the words and figures "Annual, \$4,700" and substituting therefor "Annual, \$7,000," so that the same shall read:
Fixed Salary, annual, \$7,000.
Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

SALARY INCREASE TO COUNTY
EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the enclosed communication from the Budget Commissioner requesting authorization to grant the \$300 annual increase to county employees who come under the County Compensation and Classification Plans for the officers and employees of Suffolk County, and I recommend passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, June 20, 1949.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

Authority of the Mayor and City Council is necessary in order to grant the \$300 increase to employees of Suffolk County who come under the Compensation and Classification Plans for the officers and employees of Suffolk County.

In order to accomplish this there is forwarded herewith an order authorizing a \$300 annual increase to all employees included in said plan.

This authorization is necessary so that there will be no delay in granting the increase to the county employees entitled to the same. However, the granting of this increase will later necessitate a revision of the ranges of compensation provided in the County Compensation and Classification Plans. In the meantime, the enclosed order will permit us to accomplish our purpose.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That pending a revision of the County Compensation and Classification Plans for the officers and employees of Suffolk County, a \$300 annual increase to employees under said plan is hereby authorized, beginning June 29, 1949, and July 1, 1949, respectively.

The order was passed under suspension of the rule.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Annie Bloom, to be reimbursed for collapse of water boiler at 7 Coleus park, during installation of water meter.

Ruth and Charles Busa, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city car.

Thomas J. Carroll, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Francis Gindin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Joy street.

Mary Kaplan, for compensation for damage to property at 15 Fenelon street during installation of water meter.

Elizabeth Lowney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Court square.

Marsha E. Montague, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Chestnut Hill avenue.

Jennie Peluso, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Frank A. Qualls, for reimbursement as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Eugene F. Reilly, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Talbot avenue.

John R. Riordan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Madison street and Washington street.

Mary A. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 35 Wendover street caused by leak in water main.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Lillian A. Laurano for children under 15 years of age to appear at East Boston High School on June 27, 1949.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Mary W. Cauley, Director, Household Science and Arts, that she was author of book, "The Science and Art of Homemaking," authorized for use as a textbook by the School Committee.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Public Utilities Department of hearing to be held July 27 at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over Weld street, between Maple street and Corey street; over Corey street, between Weld street and Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, and between Corey street and Independence Drive.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE.

President HURLEY called up, under unfinished business, viz.:

Order for loan of \$2,000,000 for Public Welfare. On June 16, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanc, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20. Nays—0.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 426, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. HANNON and KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 426 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to Compensation for Overtime Service in Certain Cases by Police Officers of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ROBERT KNOX HEALEY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of O street and East Broadway in South Boston in honor of Pfc. Robert Knox Healey, 1 Company, 3d Battalion, 22nd Marines, Sixth Division, who lost his life at Okinawa on June 18, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SMOKE NUISANCE, ETC., IN SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to immediately investigate the conditions in South Boston in regard to the smoke, cinder, coal dust, and ash nuisance for the purpose of eliminating the same.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAINTING OF TRAFFIC LINES, SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to place white lines at Perkins square and at the Broadway Station and white lines at all the intersecting streets from Broadway Station to Perkins square because of the many people that were injured in that area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS, SOUTH BOSTON BEACHES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Department be requested to place all the water fountains in the City Point area in good condition, that the convenience station at City Point be open till 10 P.M., that arc lights be replaced on the beach near the bathhouse, and that arc lights be placed near Kelly's Landing and the bathhouse, because it is a dark area of over 300 feet.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE SEWAGE DISPOSAL NEEDS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, LANIGAN and SHANLEY offered the following:

Whereas, Thousands of persons from Brighton and the South, North, and West End sections of Boston depend solely upon the bathing facilities of Brighton and Charlesbank beaches on the Charles River during the summer months;

Whereas, Each summer these beaches have to be closed because of the heavy pollution of the waters from sewage seepage into the Charles River;

Whereas, The danger of infection threatens thousands of children daily during the summer months because of the polluted waters and the inability to maintain a 24-hour watch at the beach to prevent bathing;

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston favors passage of legislation, House Bill No. 86, providing for sewage disposal needs of the North and South Metropolitan Sewerage Districts, in order that the danger from beach pollution may be eliminated—and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Legislature and its Ways and Means Committee.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

INCREASED INSURANCE ALLOWANCE FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston favors passage of legislation, House Bill No. 1415, increasing the insurance allowance for recipients of Old Age Assistance from \$500 to \$1,000.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

MALT BEVERAGES SOLD AT BRAVES FIELD.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, a conference be held with the officials of the Boston National League Ball Park for the purpose of conveying to them the wishes of the members of the Boston City Council and the Brewery Workers Union Locals 14 and 122 of Boston that they give consideration to brewers of ale and beer, who have their places of business in Boston, in the purchase of malt beverages to be sold at Braves Field.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THE NEXT MEETING.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that, when the Council adjourn, it be to meet on Thursday, June 30, at 2 P.M. The motion was lost, yeas 4, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Sullivan—4.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—12.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 431,
ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 431 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Further Providing for the Construction by the State Department of Public Works of Certain Recreation Areas in the East Boston District of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF CATCH-BASINS AND
SEWERS, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the cleaning of all catch-basins and sewers in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BUS LINE, DUDLEY STREET-EGLESTON
SQUARE.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to substitute a bus line for the present street-car surface line between Dudley street and Egleston square.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
SAFETY.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Safety, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred May 9) that Mayor confer with Health Commissioner for purpose of eliminating smoke, ash, and cinder nuisance in the South Boston district—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

BUZZER SYSTEM ON TRACKLESS
TROLLEYS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Safety be requested to hold a meeting on the matter of installing a monotone buzzer system on all trackless trolleys throughout the city, and that representatives of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be invited to attend same.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

INSTRUCTORS AT TENEAN BEACH
PLAYGROUND.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign instructors to the Tenean Beach Playground for the summer season.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TENEAN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately install on the Tenean Beach Playground slides, swings, and any other modern equipment that is now being used on playgrounds throughout the city.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BAND CONCERT, MARINE PARK,
JULY 4.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Director of Public Celebrations be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for a band concert at Marine Park, South Boston, on July 4.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Wenzler, at 4 P.M., to meet on Monday, June 27, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 27, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

RESURFACING OF PERKINS SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your order of May 16, 1949, concerning the installing of a smooth surface in Perkins square, at the junction of Dorchester street, East and West Broadway, Ward 6, to cover the existing granite blocks.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 20, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install a smooth surface in Perkins square, at the junction of Dorchester street, East and West Broadway, Ward 6, to cover the existing granite blocks, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for resurfacing this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

FRANKLIN FIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner, relative to your Council order of June 6, 1949, concerning the filling in of holes in Franklin Field, cut the grass particularly around the baseball diamonds and try to place the three baseball diamonds in condition and to further make equipment available in schoolyards in Ward 14 so that the children will have a place to play in the summer months.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 21, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Commissioner to immediately fill in the holes in Franklin Field, cut the grass particularly around the baseball diamonds and

try to place the three baseball diamonds in condition and to further make equipment available in schoolyards in Ward 14 so that the children will have a place to play in the summer months.

I have made arrangements to have the grass cut at Franklin Field, also to have all the holes filled in so that the baseball diamonds will be in a playable condition.

About the equipment for the schoolyards in Ward 14, this matter should be taken up with Joseph McKenney, Director of Physical Education of the Boston public schools.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TREE PLANTING, HEWINS STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your Council order of June 13, 1949, concerning the planting of three trees in front of 24 Hewins street that were destroyed by the hurricane.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 21, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated June 13, 1949, requesting the Park Department to plant three trees in front of 24 Hewins street that were destroyed by the hurricane.

This request will be taken care of in the late fall at which time the Tree Division will be planting new trees.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

FENCING OF PROPERTY ON ALPINE STREET, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, relative to your Council order of June 6, 1949, concerning the construction of a fence or other safeguard around the hole left by the City of Boston after tearing down the house at 7 Alpine street, Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
June 22, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I am in receipt of your memorandum of June 8 with Council order of June 6, 1949, regarding the construction of a fence around the vacant land at 7 Alpine street, Roxbury, Ward 12.

The City of Boston does not own this property by virtue of foreclosure.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BRADFORD STREET AS ONE-WAY
STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 9, 1949, concerning the making of Bradford street one way, from Waltham street to Shawmut avenue.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 9, 1949, Requesting that Bradford Street Be Made One Way, from Waltham Street to Shawmut Avenue.

Dear Sir:
Further referring to the above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted that Bradford street be made one way, from Waltham street to Shawmut avenue, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CAROL AVENUE AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Carol avenue one way from Commonwealth avenue to Allston street.

Sincerely,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Carol Avenue in Ward 21 Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:
Further replying to subject Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Carol avenue one way from Commonwealth avenue to Allston street, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

COLEMAN STREET AS ONE-WAY
STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Coleman street in Ward 15 one way from Quincy street to Hendry street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made as to the Advisability of Making Coleman Street in Ward 15 One Way from Quincy Street to Hendry Street.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Coleman street one way from Quincy street to Hendry street, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

GUILFORD STREET AS ONE-WAY
STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Guilford street one way from Pomeroy street to Saunders street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Guilford Street, Ward 21, Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to subject Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Guilford street one way from Pomeroy street to Saunders street, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

MELVIN AVENUE AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the making of Melvin avenue, Brighton, one way from Allston street to Commonwealth avenue.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting that Melvin Avenue in Ward 21 Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:
Further replying to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Melvin avenue, Brighton, one way from Allston street to Commonwealth avenue, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGN, HENDRY AND BOWDOIN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of May 23, 1949, concerning the installation of a flashing beacon or "Stop" sign at the intersection of Hendry and Bowdoin streets, Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Flashing Beacon or "Stop" Sign at the Intersection of Hendry and Bowdoin Streets, Ward 15.

Dear Sir:
Further referring to the above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Bowdoin street a "Stop" street at Hendry street, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGN, KELTON STREET AT ALLSTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to the making of Kelton street a "Stop" street at Allston street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 23, 1949, Requesting "Stop" Sign in Allston Street at Kelton Street, Ward 21.

Dear Sir:
Further replying to subject Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of this Commission held on June 16, 1949, it was voted to make Kelton street a "Stop" street at Allston street, effective beginning June 27, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS, MARINE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your Council order of June 13, 1949, concerning the repairing of all benches in the Mariac Park area that are broken and in a dilapidated condition.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 21, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of June 13, 1949, requesting the Park Department to repair all the benches in the Marine Park area that are broken and in a dilapidated condition.
I have made arrangements to have these benches repaired.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 24, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I send you herewith 17 orders for the naming of various intersections in our city in honor of veterans who gave their lives in the service of our country.

In a small way, this indicates our appreciation of their sacrifices, and it perpetuates, in fitting fashion, their memories as heroic citizens of Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
June 16, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

At a meeting held this day of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, it was voted unanimously to designate the following intersections in honor of the following World War Veterans:

Brighton Avenue and Linden Street, Brighton—Paul Evans Walsh Square.
Londor Road and Blue Hill Avenue, Dorchester—Milton Levine Square.
South Street and Asticou Road, Jamaica Plain—John J. O'Brien Square.
C and West Third Streets, South Boston—Michael E. Cahill Square. (Recently voted by this committee as Michael A. Cahill Square.)

Rowe and Seymour Streets, Jamaica Plain—Edward J. McLaughlin Square.

Jones and Ballou Avenues, Dorchester—Edward Shurin Square.

Baker and Spring Streets, West Roxbury—Charles Barry Hailer Square.

K and East Sixth Streets, South Boston—Antonio J. Passanisi Square.

E and West Third Streets, South Boston—Thomas F. McGarry Square.

D Street and West Broadway, South Boston—James P. Rogers Square.

Antrim and Bennington Streets, East Boston—John M. Sacco Square.

West Ninth Street and Lark Street, South Boston—Daniel F. McDonough, Jr., Square.

L Street and Marine Road, South Boston—Stephen J. Cotugno Square.

Faneuil and Arlington Streets, Brighton—John S. O'Brien Square.

Breck Avenue and South Crescent Circuit, Brighton—Edward J. Hogan Square.

K and East Second Streets, South Boston—William C. Wallace Square.

Harvard Street and Blue Hill Avenue, Dorchester—Hyman Belsky Square.

Notice of the above vote is being forwarded to you for the approval of your Honorable Body at an early date.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

—
Ordered, That the space at the junction of Brighton avenue and Linden street, Ward 21,

be named Paul Evans Walsh Square, in honor of Paul Evans Walsh, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Landor road and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14, be named Milton Levine Square, in honor of Milton Levine, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of South street and Asticou road, Ward 19, be named John J. O'Brien Square, in honor of John J. O'Brien, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of C and West Third streets, Ward 6, be named Michael E. Cahill Square, in honor of Michael E. Cahill, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Rowe and Seymour streets, Ward 19, be named Edward J. McLaughlin Square, in honor of Edward J. McLaughlin, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Jones and Ballou avenues, Ward 14, be named Edward Shurin Square, in honor of Edward Shurin, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Baker and Spring streets, Ward 20, be named Charles Barry Hailer Square, in honor of Charles Barry Hailer, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of K and East Sixth streets, Ward 6, be named Antonio J. Passanisi Square, in honor of Antonio J. Passanisi, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of E and West Third streets, Ward 6, be named Thomas F. McGarry Square, in honor of Thomas F. McGarry, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of D street and West Broadway, Wards 6 and 7, be named James P. Rogers Square, in honor of James P. Rogers, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Antrim and Bennington streets, Ward 1, be named John M. Sacco Square, in honor of John M. Sacco, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Ninth and Lark streets, Wards 6 and 7, be named Daniel F. McDonough Square, in honor of Daniel F. McDonough, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of L street and Marine road, Wards 6 and 7, be named Stephen J. Cotugno Square, in honor of Stephen J. Cotugno, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Faneuil and Arlington streets, Ward 22, be named John S. O'Brien Square, in honor of John S. O'Brien, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Breck avenue and South Crescent Circuit, Ward 22, be named Edward J. Hogan Square, in honor of Edward J. Hogan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of K and East Second streets, Wards 6 and 7, be named William C. Wallace Square, in honor of William C. Wallace, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Harvard street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward

14, be named Hyman Belsky Square, in honor of Hyman Belsky, late veteran of World War II.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR CARE OF GRAVES OF VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Chapter 115, section 22, of the General Laws provides that the Mayor shall appoint a citizen, preferably a war veteran, who shall be charged with the duty of suitably keeping and caring for the graves of those who have served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States in time of war.

The provisions of this statute have been complied with and with the approval of your Honorable Body, funds for the maintenance of this activity have been made available. The last order transferring the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Contingent Fund was passed by your Honorable Body on May 24, 1948.

The funds now available will shortly be expended, and, believing this activity should be continued, there is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be charged to the Contingent Fund. Your consideration and passage of this order is respectfully recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of his Honor the Mayor, for the care of graves of soldiers, sailors, and marines, as provided in chapter 115, section 22, of the General Laws, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Harry Smith having been duly approved by the City Treasurer was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICES FROM PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 5, at 10 A.M., on petition of Hudson Bus Lines, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles in the City of Boston, on Granite avenue, between the Milton-Boston line and the Gallivan Boulevard; on the Gallivan Boulevard, between Granite avenue and Dorchester avenue; on Dorchester avenue, between the Gallivan Boulevard and Ashmont Station of Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 5, at 10 A.M., on petition of Middlesex and Boston Street Railway Company for certificate of public convenience and necessity for operation of motor vehicles from corner of Beacon street and Chestnut Hill avenue, southerly side of Beacon street to Ayr road; on Ayr road to northerly side of Beacon street; northerly side of Beacon street to corner of Chestnut Hill avenue and Beacon street.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Notice of hearing was received from State Department of Public Safety of hearing on

oil storage by Lillian Bazinet at 51-55 Hampden street, Ward 8.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE EMERGENCY FINANCE BOARD.

Copy of vote of State Emergency Finance Board approving loan of \$2,000,000 for public welfare purposes.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at Arborway veterans' housing project of \$1,629, for tile and stone drainage work.

Placed on file.

RENT REGULATIONS.

A communication was received from Congressman John McCormack relative to rent regulations.

Placed on file.

ELECTION BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Notice was received from School Committee of election of Joseph V. Comerford and Joseph Lee as members of the Board of Recreation, for term ending December 31, 1950.

Placed on file.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Doris B. McIntyre for certain children under 15 years of age to appear at Jordan Hall on June 29, 1949.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Donald J. Beaton, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

James T. and Ethel J. Burke, for compensation for damage to property at 82 Fairmount street, Dorchester, caused by negligence of employees of Water Department.

Charlotte Calder, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at sidewalk, Fields Corner Station.

William C. Dunn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Frederick D. Emery, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Employers' Fire Insurance Co., for compensation for damage to car of Kenneth A. Page by car of Fire Department.

William N. Gladstone, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Simon K. Greene, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Elm street.

Marian Hallinan, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at 193 Sydney street.

Charles S. Hawkins, for compensation for damage to property at 514 Talbot avenue, during installation of water meter.

Steve Jaworowsky, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Henry Lowell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Frank A. Moss, for compensation for damage to truck caused by an alleged defect at 38 Commercial street.

Joseph V. Riley, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

William R. and Katherine Scollins, for compensation for damage to property at 16 Bate-man street, Roslindale, caused during widening of street.

Edward T. Upton, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Julia E. Walsh, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Robert W. Donovan, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, WEST STREET AND CENTRAL AVENUE.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following: Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install automatic traffic signals at the junction of West street and Central avenue, Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION ON REPORT OF ASSOCIATION OF BASEBALL ACTIVITIES, PARK LEAGUE.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following: Ordered, That the chairman of the Park Commission, John J. Murphy, and the members of the Board of Directors of the Boston Park Department Association of Baseball Leagues, be requested to make an immediate investigation of conditions in that association with a view to determining why the Monsignor Chittick Baseball Club of Hyde Park is being discriminated against by certain disgruntled persons associated with that organization; and be it further

Ordered, That officials of this association and Chairman Murphy investigate the failure of two clubs to play scheduled games with the Chittick Club during the past week; and be it further

Ordered, That supervising officials of this association suspend any and all clubs which refuse to play scheduled games.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred June 20) amending County Compensation and Classification Plan by increasing the salary of Sheriff and Jailer—recommending that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, and said order passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Coun. McCORMACK, for the Committee on Rules, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred April 25) for appointment of Helen Salem as official stenographer of City Council and order (referred May 2) for appointment of Elvira Johnson as official stenographer of City Council—recommending passage of the orders in the following new draft:

Ordered, That the City Council proceed with the election of an official stenographer.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed. On motion of Councilor Cook to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was carried. Coun. Cook moved to amend the order to provide that the contract with the official stenographer terminate December 31, 1949. Coun. Linehan moved to amend the amendment of Councilor Cook by providing that the contract with the official stenographer

be for an indefinite period with the right of the City Council to appoint another official stenographer at any time. On motion of Councilor Coffey to lay the order on the table, the motion was lost, yeas 9, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—9.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy—10.

Voting Present—Councilor Ansel—1.

The question then came on Councilor Linehan's motion to amend the amendment of Councilor Cook, and the motion was lost. Coun. Coffey moved that the order be tabled for one week, and the motion was lost.

The question then came on Councilor Cook's motion to amend, and the motion was lost.

The order to proceed with the election of an official stenographer was passed. The roll was called, with the following result:

For Elvira Johnson: Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack—12.

For Alfred Holland: Councilors Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Shanley, Wenzler—5.

For Helen Salem: Councilors Ramsey, Tracy—2.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

Elvira Johnson was declared elected as official stenographer of the City Council.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella it was voted that Elvira Johnson be appointed for the term ending July 1, 1950.

On motion of Councilor Linehan it was voted that the City Clerk be authorized to prepare and execute a contract with Elvira Johnson for stenographic recording of City Council proceedings substantially on the same terms and conditions as the contract with the late Edward W. Harnden.

2. Report on order (referred May 23) to overrule decision of President concerning access by members of the press to certain orders, and the order (referred May 23) that attaché of City Council be assigned to press tables—recommending passage of the orders in the following new draft:

Ordered, That the representatives of the press be permitted to examine petitions, communications, orders, etc., in custody of the clerk of the City Council, provided such examination does not interfere with the duties of said clerk, or interfere with the proceedings of the City Council; and be it further

Ordered, That the members of the press be given the liberty of interviewing members of the City Council on the Council floor during the Council session.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

The report of the committee was accepted.

RECESS.

Chairman SHANLEY declared a five-minute recess at 3.57 P.M. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.11 P.M.

The foregoing orders were referred to the Committee on Rules.

INVESTIGATION OF LOW-FLYING PLANES OVER EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Airport Authority to investigate low-flying planes in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, KNEELAND AND TYLER STREETS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an automatic traffic signal at the corner of Kneeland and Tyler streets, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances Wednesday, June 29, at 11 A.M.

NAMING OF CIRCLE IN HONOR OF CHARLES F. BOUCHARD.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the circle at the junction of Washington and Dudley streets, Roxbury, in honor of Sergt. Charles F. Bouchard, who lost his life on April 20, 1945, in Germany, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan it was voted that when the Council adjourned it would be to meet again on Thursday, June 30, 1949, at 11 A.M.

TRANSFER OF PART OF COLUMBIA ROAD TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That all of that part of Columbia road, beginning at the intersection of Boston street and Edward Everett square and running to Blue Hill avenue, now under the custody and control of the Board of Park Commissioners, be transferred to the care, custody and control of the Public Works Department.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ANDREW J. MACDONNELL, JR.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Centre and Hastings streets, Ward 20, in honor of Staff Sergt. Andrew J. Macdonnell, Jr., of the United States Air Force, who was killed in a bombing mission over Vienna in 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF EDWARD A. WALSH.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Maple and Weld streets, Ward 20, in honor of Capt. Edward A. Walsh, of the United States

Marines, who was killed at Cherry Point Air Station, North Carolina, June 26, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
ELMER J. PEARL.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Birch and Corinth streets, Ward 20, in honor of T/5 Elmer J. Pearl, of the United States Army, who was killed in action September 22, 1944, in France.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT VARIOUS STREETS,
WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be requested to make a survey to install painted "Stop" signs at all intersecting streets leading into the following streets: Faneuil street, Arlington street, Everett street, Washington street, North Harvard street, Market street, and Western avenue in Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PAUL A. GUNN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Spurr street and Western avenue, Allston, in honor of Pfc. Paul A. Gunn, who lost his life on February 11, 1945, in the European theatre while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING THELMA ROAD AND
AGAWAM STREET.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Thelma road and Agawam street, in Ward 16.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BAND CONCERTS, FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. ANSEL and COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Park Commissioner be requested to arrange for band concerts on Sundays during July and August at the Franklin Park bandstand.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENT OF STREETCAR SERVICE BETWEEN EGLESTON SQUARE AND ARBORWAY.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to improve the streetcar service between Egleston square and the Arborway by

increasing the number of cars on Sundays in order that elderly people living in this vicinity may use the same for transportation to and from church services.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, CENTRE STREET,
CEDAR STREET AND FORT AVENUE.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be requested to install traffic lights and signals at Centre street, Cedar street, and Fort avenue in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN ARC AND
GAS LIGHTS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the arc light in front of 324 West Broadway; also to replace the gas lamp which was knocked down in front of 470 East Third street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHT, SUMMER AND EAST
FIRST STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to install a blinker light at the corner of Summer and East First streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION ON INSTALLATION OF
COFFEE MACHINES, CITY HALL.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Department of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to advise the City Council as to whether or not the city is getting any revenue from the installation of coffee machines in City Hall and other public buildings.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COUNTING OF PARKING METER RECEIPTS BY BANK OFFICIALS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the counting of nickels from the parking meters by bank officials in the presence of traffic authorities.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Edward J. Hanrahan (referred June 13, 1949) for amount of execution against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending the passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of fifty-five dollars twenty-two cents (\$55.22) be allowed and paid to Edward J. Hanrahan in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Thomas J. Carroll (referred June 20, 1949) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department—recommending the passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be allowed and paid to Thomas J. Carroll in reimbursement for amount of

execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

On motion of Councilor McCormack, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.50 P.M., to meet on Thursday, June 30, 1949, at 11 A.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Thursday, June 30, 1949.

Regular adjourned meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Chase, Keenan, Linehan, and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Gerald T. Halligan of 41 Melville avenue, Dorchester, to be a weigher of goods for the term ending April 30, 1950. Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

LIST OF JURORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners stating that list of persons qualified to serve as jurors (Document No. 43, 1949), prepared by the Election Commissioners and filed with the City Clerk on June 28, contains 8,726 names.

Placed on file.

LIST OF INHABITANTS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS JURORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk, June 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the list of inhabitants qualified to serve as jurors, prepared by the Election Commissioners and printed in City Document No. 43, was filed with me on June 28, 1949. It contains 8,726 names.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, City Clerk.

Placed on file.

PREPARATION OF NAMES ON JURY LIST FOR BALLOT BOX.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed to cause the names of the Jury List (City Document No. 43), when transmitted to him by the Election Commissioners, to be written each on a separate ballot, and said ballots to be properly folded and placed in the box provided for the purpose.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice of hearing was received from Port of Boston Authority on petition of Beacon Piping Company for license to maintain a pier, walkway, and marine railway as now built in and over tide-waters of Dorchester Bay.

Placed on file.

POLE LOCATION.

Copy of order dated June 23, 1949, was received from Metropolitan District Commission granting to the Boston Edison Company pole location at Church street, West Roxbury.

Placed on file.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted at 11:34 A.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 11:58 A.M.

LAYING OF CORNERSTONE OF NEW TRAFFIC BUILDING.

President HURLEY read a communication from Boston Traffic Commission relative to the laying of the cornerstone of the new Traffic Building on Wednesday, July 6, 1949, at 10 A.M., to which all the members of the Council were invited.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred June 27) relative to appropriation of \$10,000 from Contingent Fund for care of graves of soldiers, sailors, and marines—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

2. Report on order (referred June 27) relative to counting parking meter money—recommending that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order was rejected.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred June 16) for loan of \$2,960,000 for construction of buildings, etc.—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost.

4. Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred June 27) for naming of 17 squares in honor of deceased veterans—recommending that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ROBERT LAWRENCE ORTENDAHL.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Centre and Grovo streets, Ward 20, in honor of Pvt. Robert Lawrence Ortendahl, of the United States Army, who was killed in action in Italy, October 31, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF HAUTEVALE STREET, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Street Commissioner be requested to accept and lay out Hautevale street, from Clarondon street to the dead end.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ENFORCEMENT OF PARK DEPARTMENT BASEBALL LEAGUE RULES.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Board of Park Commissioners—John Murphy, Theodore Haffenreffer, and Joseph Lee—carry out their duties and enforce the Park Department

Baseball League rule which provides that a team in the league which refuses to play scheduled games be suspended.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey, it was voted that when the Council adjourned it be to meet on Monday, July 18, 1949, at 2 P.M.

TRAFFIC SURVEY, NEPONSET CIRCLE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Chairman of the Metropolitan District Commission, the Chairman of the Boston Traffic Commission, the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the Trustees of the Eastern Massachusetts Railway immediately to make a survey of conditions on Neponset Circle, with a view to constructing either an overpass or an underpass to the loading platform of the husses now in existence on the circle itself. Immediate action is necessary, in order to protect the lives and safety of the users of both of these services who must cross heavily traveled thoroughfares in order to board the husses, and because the lives and safety of the people are greatly endangered by the present conditions.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURVEY OF WARD 14 FOR PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make an immediate survey in the Ward 14 section of any land that is available and acceptable for the immediate construction of a housing unit, said unit to be constructed under the \$200,000,000 state financing plan.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SCHOOLYARD EQUIPMENT, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately make equipment available in schoolyards in the Ward 14 section to be used as playgrounds during the summer season.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LAMPS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make an immediate survey of Wildwood street, Ballou avenue, Jacobs street, Willowood street,

Clarkwood street, Hosmer street, Deering road, Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, for the immediate replacement of gas street lamps with modern electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, I STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of I street, from East Fourth street to Columbia road, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, EAST SIXTH STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Sixth street, from L street to Farragut road, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF JOHN ELIOT SQUARE, JULY 3 AND 4, 1949.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to rope off John Eliot square, Ward 9, on the evenings of July 3 and July 4, between the hours of 8 and 11 P.M., the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Department of School Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to pitch the floor of the Brighton High School Auditorium so that people sitting in the back of the hall may be able to see what is going on in the front of the hall.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Cantwell, at 12.20 P.M., to meet on Monday, July 18, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.**Proceedings of City Council.****SPECIAL MEETING.**

Friday, July 8, 1949.

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was called by the City Clerk for Friday, July 8, 1949, at 12 o'clock noon.

The call for the meeting was as follows:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall, July 6, 1949.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Friday, July 8, 1949, at 12 o'clock noon.

By order of the Court.

J. B. HYNES, City Clerk.

Subject: To Draw Jurors.

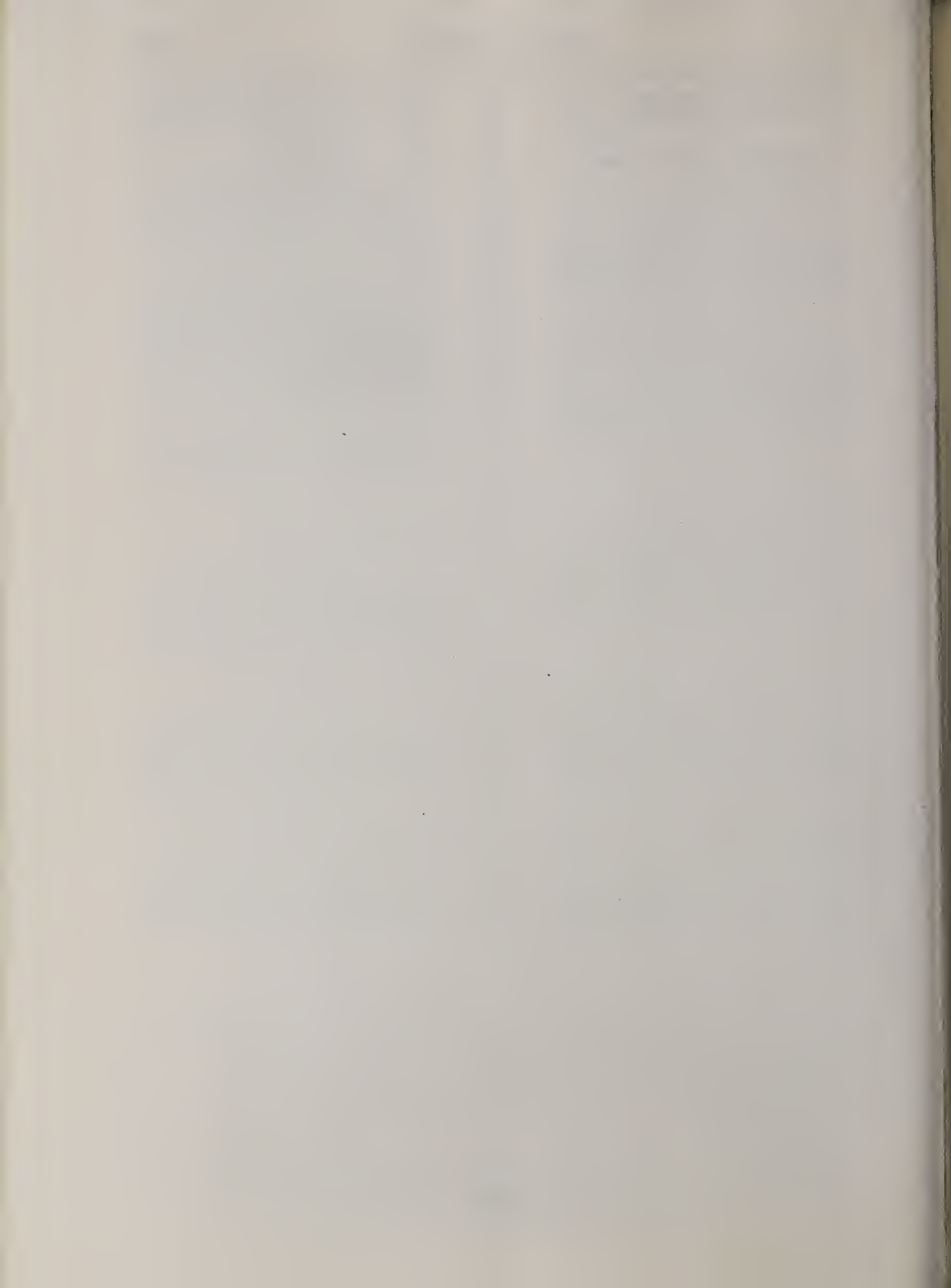
President HURLEY called the Council to order at 12 o'clock noon, and the roll was called to ascertain the presence of a quorum, with the following result:

Present—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hurley, Keenan, Linchan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

Less than a quorum being present, the Council stood adjourned at 1 o'clock P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Monday, July 11, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Chase, Keenan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall, July 8, 1949.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chambers, City Hall, on Monday, July 11, 1949, at 1 o'clock P.M.

By order of the Court.

J. B. HYNES,
City Clerk.

Subject: To Draw Jurors.
Placed on file.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Kinsella presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Fifty-three traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear August 1, 1949:

George Goodwin, Ward 1; Cornelius F. Hickey, Ward 1; Philip A. Magnifico, Ward 1; Alfred J. Pace, Ward 1; George W. Storin, Ward 1; Arthur A. Egan, Ward 2; Robert W. Niethold, Ward 2; James Joseph Perkins, Ward 2; Arthur T. Bent, Ward 3; Martin Welby, Ward 3; Peter C. Drengberg, Ward 4; Joseph Gatto, Ward 4; Frank H. Roberts, Ward 4; John J. Humphreys, Jr., Ward 5; Joseph Bianculli, Ward 6; Joseph F. Crowley, Ward 7; Stanley G. Kroll, Ward 7; Henry W. Fudge, Ward 8; James J. Sammon, Ward 8; Joseph E. Dorgan, Ward 9; Sylvester Hinds, Ward 9; William N. Oldham, Ward 9; Patrick E. Connors, Ward 10; James Flynn, Ward 10; William J. Gorman, Ward 10; Arthur G. Bryan, Ward 11; William R. Shade, Ward 11; David B. Knopf, Ward 14; Joseph Steiman, Ward 14; Albert Wax, Ward 14; William W. Healy, Ward 15; Frank W. Jackson, Ward 15; Michael H. Kenealy, Ward 15; Daniel J. McLaughlin, Ward 15; Walter A. Stenhouse, Ward 15; William J. Phillips, Ward 16; James C. Green, Ward 17; Joseph J. DelloCorno, Ward 18; Joseph E. Holland, Ward 18; Joseph J. Ivens, Ward 18; Nelson A. Nielsen, Ward 18; Sydney T. Heap, Ward 19; John F. Kelly, Ward 19; Henry B. Shamlian, Ward 19; William J. Hulbig, Ward 20; Robert C. Maynard, Ward 20; Edward W. Miller, Ward 20; Abner R. Moore, Ward 21; Louis C. Dick, Ward 22; James E. Fay, Ward 22; Alfred E. Marsh, Ward 22; Joseph B. Miller, Ward 22; W. Frederick Murray, Ward 22.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, Chairman Sullivan declared the meeting adjourned at 1.30 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

Date	Description
Jan 1	Balance forward
Jan 5	To Cash
Jan 10	By Cash
Jan 15	To Cash
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Apr 5	To Cash
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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 18, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. LANIGAN in the chair.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950:

John Anthony McStowe, Jr., 622 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, Mass.

Jacob Benjamin Rosenthal, 9 Hansborough street, Dorchester, Mass.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950:

William J. Tibbetts, 42 Radcliffe road, Somerville, Mass.

Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1950:

Ernest A. White, 513 Cross street, Malden, Mass.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

TENEAN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of June 20, 1949, concerning the installation on Tenean Beach Playground of slides, swings, and any other modern equipment that is now being used on playgrounds throughout the city.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 5, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated June 20, 1949, requesting the immediate installation on Tenean Beach Playground of slides, swings, and any other modern equipment that is now being used on playgrounds throughout the city.

It would be at least four weeks before we could get this equipment delivered. I realize that this location has some possibilities as a summer playground for young tots. However, in the off season of the year, this playground—which is so far from a residential section, would not be used very much by the young children unless they were accompanied to it by older persons.

I am endeavoring to see if I can speed up the delivery of the playground equipment. However, I do not think it advisable to install this equipment at this playground in August and have it used for perhaps about one month and then not used again until next June, with the possibility of having it destroyed or defaced during the off period of the year.

Please be assured that I will give this matter serious consideration, but our first problem is to have the equipment delivered.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS, SOUTH BOSTON BEACHES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of June 20, 1949, concerning the placing of all the water fountains in the City Point area in good condition and the Convenience Station at City Point being opened until 10 P.M., and that arc lights be replaced on the beach near the bathhouse and that arc lights be placed near Kelly's Landing and the bathhouse because it is a dark area of over 300 feet.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 29, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated June 20, 1949, requesting the placing of all the water fountains in the City Point area in good condition and the Convenience Station at City Point shall be open until 10 P.M., and that arc lights shall be replaced on the beach near the bathhouse and that arc lights be placed near Kelly's Landing and the bathhouse because it is a dark area of over 300 feet.

The Park Department plumbers are continually keeping in working order these fountains along the South Boston waterfront. It must be kept in mind that it takes only a short time for a child to place a pebble or stone in the top of the opening, thus putting the fountain out of order. It then becomes necessary for a plumber to remove the head of the fountain so that same will operate. This is practically a continuous job.

The Convenience Station is now open from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. The extension of the hours at this Convenience Station would require the services of an additional matron. The Convenience Station is in an out-of-the-way place. I feel that after dark it would not be a good place for the women to use and not too pleasant for a matron to be alone in the building.

The question of additional lights near the public landing and bathhouse is something to be decided at a later date. It has been reported that this section of the beach and boulevard is to be turned over to the Metropolitan District Commission, therefore I believe it inadvisable to spend too much of the city's money at this time.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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SURVEY OF CONDITIONS, PARK DEPARTMENT BASEBALL LEAGUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of June 27, 1949, concerning the immediate investigation of conditions in the Boston Park Department Association with a view to determining why the Monsignor Chittick Baseball Club of Hyde Park is being discriminated against by certain disgruntled persons associated with the organization.

Sincerely,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 30, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated June 27, 1949, requesting the members of the Board of Directors of the Boston Park Department Association of Baseball Leagues to make an immediate investigation of conditions in that association with a view to determining why the Monsignor Chittick Baseball Club of Hyde Park is being discriminated against by certain disgruntled persons associated with that organization, and requesting the officials of this association and Chairman Murphy to investigate the failure of two clubs to play scheduled games with the Chittick Club.

"Ordered, That supervising officials of this association suspend any and all clubs which refuse to play scheduled games."

A meeting was held at the Park Department Recreation Building at 9.15 P.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1949, in regard to substituting another ball club to replace the Fire Department club which dropped out of the Park League. Present at the meeting were Robert Cusick of the Recreation Division of the Park Department, the eleven managers of the remaining teams in the league, and myself. The Park Department had submitted the Chittick Club as the replacement team. The eleven managers brought out that at a meeting in April they had voted that if a team dropped out of the league there would be no replacement this year. Park officials had remembered a discussion on this matter but there was no record of a vote providing for this rule.

The managers then stated that in the past 20 years no new team was admitted to the league in midseason without a vote of the managers accepting the new club. Much discussion followed; the contention of the managers that the season was too far along and although it would not affect the final standing for the play-offs by admitting the Chittick Club, they felt it inadvisable so late in the baseball year. There are two divisions on the top league, six teams in each division. The first four teams in each division enter into the play-offs, the other two in each division do not further contend.

The Chittick Club, under the rules, if admitted would have to take up the won and lost standing of the club dropped out and everyone agreed that in this case the new club could not reach the play-offs. It was contended by the managers that the Chittick Club, under the circumstances, had nothing to gain by being admitted to the Park League at this time.

I told the managers that I felt the Chittick Club, with a record of 11 wins and 1 loss, was a logical club to promote to the top league, that the district in which they play would not interfere with any team remaining in the league and the section of the city it would serve is now without a team in the top league.

I stressed that in my opinion that for the good of the league I wished the Chittick Club

be given consideration for admittance. I stated that the city had a stake in this recreational project. I felt that the people of Boston who attend these games regularly, should not be left without being able to see these athletic contests in perfect harmony. I mentioned that as the stated custom has prevailed for 20 years that the managers had the opportunity, by majority vote, to pass on the admittance of a new club in midseason, I did not feel as if it was sensible to change something that had been in force for so long a time. I again asked for serious consideration for the Chittick Club, and then asked for a vote from the managers to admit the Chittick Club. The vote was counted—yeas 3, nays 8.

Mr. Bernard Long, manager of the Chittick Club, who had been invited, was called into the room by me. I told him what had transpired, including all of the objections of the managers who had said they had nothing against his club.

He stated the qualifications of his team with an 11 win and 1 loss standing and wondered why managers could keep his club out. It was explained to him the 20-year-old custom of allowing the managers, by a majority vote, to approve the admittance of a club in midseason. I then offered to allow him to present his case to the managers, who had retired to another room, and they were recalled.

Mr. Long was introduced to the group. He knew many of the managers. He spoke again on the record of his club, the organization he represented, and the section of the city where he lived. Most of the managers expressed the fact that the season was too far advanced and a new team at this time would not help matters. It was again stressed that they had nothing against him or his club in regard to their feelings on the matter of admittance.

I then addressed the group, stressing harmony and promoting a team with a good record and a section of the city that could appreciate top league baseball. He asked for a reconsideration and for a new vote on admitting the Chittick Club. The new vote was the same as the first vote, namely, yeas 3, nays 8.

The meeting adjourned at 1.15 A.M., June 30th.

The problem in this case, in my opinion, simmers down to whether the custom of years that the substitution of a ball club in the Park League in midseason must be approved by a majority of the other managers, or as some one might suggest, the forcing of the other teams to play a substitute. I do not feel as if I want to change a custom of years standing in the middle of a baseball season.

I feel that the rules and regulations of the league should be rewritten before the next baseball season. They should be drawn up so as to try to cover all possibilities agreed to and signed by the managers and the city, and if they are not lived up to by any party, the offending party should be penalized and in case of a manager or team, with a serious infraction, be dropped from competition.

During the balance of this year if the managers, by majority vote to rule against a team's admittance to the Park League by substitution, I fail to see that anything can be gained by overruling the stated custom of years' standing by forcing them to accept a substitute team.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INFORMATION ON INCOME FROM COFFEE MACHINES, CITY HALL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Superintendent of Public Buildings,

relative to your order of June 27, 1949, concerning the revenue obtained from the installation of Coffee and Coca-Cola Machines in City Hall.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
July 7, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

Referring to Council order of June 27, 1949, which Councilor Perlie Chase asks for information regarding revenue obtained from the installation of coffee machines in City Hall and other public buildings.

I would advise you as follows: There are only two machines installed, one in City Hall and the other in City Hall Annex.

These machines are in on a trial basis and there is no obligation either to the city or the vendor and the machines can be removed at any time by either party.

The coffee is to sell for only 5 cents and at this price there will be no revenue to the city. It is intended as a convenience to the city employees and the public.

In the case of the Coca-Cola Machine in City Hall Annex there is a 20 per cent profit which reverts to Mr. McCarthy who operates the stand in the Annex. He has no provisions to ice tonic in his stand and further he is handicapped by his inability to handle bottles due to his lack of sight.

I hope this gives you the desired information about these machines.

Yours truly,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT, WASHINGTON STREET AND MONASTERY ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 29, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the installation of a pedestrian-controlled traffic light outside of St. Gabriel's Monastery, at the junction of Washington street and Monastery road, in Ward 21.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 6, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Pedestrian-Controlled Traffic Light Outside of St. Gabriel's Monastery, at the Junction of Washington Street and Monastery Road, in Ward 21.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that a survey has been completed at the subject intersection and that this junction will be included in our proposed list of intersections to be signallized when we submit a request for an appropriation to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file,

INTERVALE STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 13, 1949, concerning the making of Intervale street one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 13, 1949, Requesting That Intervale Street Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that Intervale street runs between Warren street and Columbia road. There is no alternate parallel route that could be used to handle traffic that would be diverted if Intervale street was made one way.

I respectfully recommend that no action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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PAINTING OF TRAFFIC LINES, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 20, 1949, concerning the placing of white lines at Perkins square and at the Broadway Station and at all the intersecting streets, from Broadway Station to Perkins square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 20, 1949, Requesting That White Lines Be Placed at Perkins Square and at the Broadway Station and at All the Intersecting Streets, from Broadway Station to Perkins Square.

Dear Sir:

In response to subject Council order, please be advised that orders have been issued to paint the white lines requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT, SUMMER AND EAST FIRST STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from Traffic Commission, relative to your Council order of June 27, 1949, concerning the installation of a blinker light at the corner of Summer and East First streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 27, 1949, Re-
questing the Installation of a Blinker
Light at the Corner of Summer and East
First Streets, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that our engineers will
make a study of the above location and upon
receipt of their report consideration will be
given to the installation of a blinker light.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF CATCH-BASINS AND SEWERS, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from
the Public Works Department, relative to your
order of June 20, 1949, concerning the clean-
ing of catch-basins in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order dated June 20,
1949, requesting the cleaning of catch-basins
in Ward 11, we are pleased to report that this
work is now in progress and we believe the
results will be satisfactory to all concerned.

Respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING THELMA ROAD AND AGAWAM STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Public Works Commissioner, relative
to your Council order of June 27, 1949, con-
cerning the resurfacing of Thelma road and
Agawam street in Ward 16.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 8, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order of City Council that
the Commissioner of Public Works resurface
Thelma road and Agawam street in Ward 16,
and this will advise you that these two streets
will be placed on the list of streets to be given
consideration for construction this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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BUS LINE, DUDLEY STREET-EGLESTON SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Metropolitan Transit Authority,
relative to your Council order of June 20,
1949, concerning the substitution of a bus line
for the present streetcar surface line between
Dudley street and Egleston square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
July 7, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

In reply to your memo with regard to the
request for the substitution of a bus line for
the present streetcar line between Dudley
street and Egleston square, we have, ourselves,
given consideration to this and hoped that we
might have been able to work this out. How-
ever, the physical conditions surrounding the
line at both Dudley street and Egleston square
make it impossible to do so.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

BAND CONCERTS, FRANKLIN PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Park Commissioner, relative to your
Council order of June 27, 1949, concerning
the arranging of band concerts on Sundays,
during July and August, at the Franklin Park
bandstand.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 5, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure,
City Council order dated June 27, 1949, re-
questing that band concerts on Sundays, dur-
ing July and August, at the Franklin Park
bandstand be arranged.

Last year and other years we had band
concerts on Sundays, during July and August,
at Franklin Park and two or three other lo-
cations. These band concerts were arranged
by the Director of Public Celebrations. They
were arranged on the basis whereby the city
paid for one concert and the union would pay
for another concert.

I know that there are no funds in the Park
Department budget to take care of band con-
certs. I suggest that the matter be referred
to the Director of Public Celebrations.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SALE OF PROPERTY TO JAMAICA PLAIN OVERSEAS VETERANS' ASSOCIA- TION, INC., POST NO. 675, V.F.W.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 18, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a communication from
the Superintendent of Public Buildings in

which he recommends the sale of the property located at 11 Thomas street, Jamaica Plain, together with the building thereon, situated on the northeasterly side of Thomas street, in the West Roxbury district of the City of Boston, for the sum of \$500.

This building is now occupied by the Jamaica Plain Post, No. 675, Veterans of Foreign Wars, under lease from the Public Buildings Department.

I recommend the adoption of the accompanying order which provides for the sale of land and building at private sale for the sum of \$500 to the Jamaica Plain Overseas Veterans' Association, Inc., Post No. 675, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
April 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In a letter received from Joseph L. Greaney, Commander of the Jamaica Plain Post, No. 675, Veterans of Foreign Wars who occupy by lease from this department the Old Thomas Street Schoolhouse.

This property is located at 11 Thomas street, Jamaica Plain, the old school is approximately 80 years of age and is greatly in need of repairs.

The post has offered \$500 for this building and land.

It has been my policy to help the veteran organizations in any way possible and I am fully in accordance with their desire to obtain this property.

Since this building is of no practical use, I therefore recommend the sale in the sum of \$500.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately ten thousand seven hundred fifty-four (10,754) square feet of land, together with the building thereon, situated on the northeasterly side of Thomas street in the West Roxbury district of the City of Boston; and

Whereas, The said parcel of property is no longer required for public purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell at private sale for the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to Jamaica Plain Overseas Veterans' Association, Inc., all the City of Boston's right, title and interest in and to the said parcel of property hereinafter described, and to execute and deliver a deed thereof satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston. The said parcel of property is bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Thomas street, one hundred fifty-five and 25-100 (155.25) feet; northwesterly by land now or formerly of Albert L. and Alice E. Pierce, sixty-nine and 91-100 (69.91) feet; northeasterly by land now or formerly of Edward J. Dolan, one hundred fifty-three and 46-100 (153.46) feet; southeasterly by land now or formerly of George and Violet Mawhinney, sixty-nine and 16-100 (69.16) feet, containing ten thousand seven hundred fifty-four (10,754) square feet of land, more or less. Said parcel of land, the location of the building thereon, and all of said measurements are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Thomas Street, West Roxbury, April 1, 1947, Thomas F. McGovern, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department." The original of said plan is on file in the office of the Street Laying-Out Department, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

RECONVEYANCE OF LAND TAKEN BY
BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from the Boston Housing Authority whereby certain lands taken by the Authority for the purposes of veterans' housing and subsequently deleted and no longer necessary for said veterans' housing may be reconveyed to the original owners of the properties in consideration of the release by the owners of their claims for damages arising out of the takings.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompanying order whereby the Boston Housing Authority is authorized to reconvey these properties to the original owners.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
July 11, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

On February 4, 1949, this Authority acting by virtue of its eminent domain powers and under chapter 372 of the Acts of 1946 made a taking of certain parcels of land on Hallowell and Favre streets in the Mattapan district of the City of Boston.

It was later brought to the attention of this Authority that certain parcels taken thereby and going to make up Parcels 4 and 6 on our site plans had already been in the process of being developed and built thereon by Attilio L. Pellegrini and Renato and Anna V. Perfetti. As both of these owners were veterans and had large families of small children, together with the fact that they had already spent considerable money on the development and building of their homes at the time of the taking.

This Authority by unanimous vote on February 11, 1949, voted to delete said Parcels 4 and 6 from the taking above described. There is therefore no further use to this Authority to hold this land for the purpose of veterans' housing, and it has been agreed by the former owners from whom said parcels were taken that a release, releasing and forever discharging the City of Boston from any claim or claims said owners might have by virtue of the above-described taking be executed in favor of said city.

This Authority therefore has had the Law Department prepare the enclosed order to the Honorable City Council and respectfully recommends that you favor the adoption thereof.

Very truly yours,
BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY,
by JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.
by JOHN R. MCVEY, Assistant Counsel.

Whereas, The City of Boston, acting by and through the Boston Housing Authority, by virtue of the provisions of St. 1946, c. 372, as amended, took by eminent domain a certain parcel of land supposed to belong to Renato Perfetti and Anna V. Perfetti and another parcel of land supposed to belong to Attilio L. Pellegrini, being Parcels 4 and 6 on a plan of taking, by an order dated February 4, 1949, and duly recorded with Suffolk Deeds on said date; and

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority on February 11, 1949, by unanimous vote Attilio L. Pellegrini, being Parcels 4 and 6 the Favre Street project; and

Whereas, The Parcels 4 and 6 are no longer required for the purposes of veterans' housing; and

Whereas, No damages have been awarded or paid to Renato and Anna V. Perfetti or Attilio L. Pellegrini as a result of the taking hereinbefore referred to; now, therefore, it is Ordered, 1. That the Boston Housing Authority be, and it hereby is, authorized to execute an instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department reconveying to Renato Perfetti and Anna V. Perfetti, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety, a certain parcel of land situated in the Mattapan district of the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southeasterly side of Hallowell street approximately 66.02 feet distant from the dead end boundary of Hallowell street as shown on said plan and running S 36-30-06 W 40.02 feet; thence turning at right angles and running S 54-56-00 E 99.81 feet; thence turning at right angles and running N 36-29-22 E 40.02 feet; thence turning at right angles and running N 54-56-00 E 99.83 feet to the point of beginning. Being Parcel 4 and also being shown as a part of Parcel D. Also shown as Parcels 350, 351 on a "Plan of Homeward Terrace, Dorchester, Mass., H. S. Moody Company, Dated April 25, 1908," and recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Book 3274, containing approximately 4,124 square feet.

2. That the Boston Housing Authority be, and it hereby is, authorized to execute an instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department reconveying to Attilio L. Pellegrini a certain parcel of land situated in the Mattapan district of the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southeasterly side of Hallowell street as shown on said plan approximately 165.93 feet distant from the dead end boundary line of said Hallowell street; thence running along the southeasterly side of Hallowell street S 36-30-06 W 70.02 feet; thence turning at right angles and running along a straight line S 54-56-00 E 99.82 feet; thence turning at right angles and running N 54-56-00 W 99.82 feet to the point of beginning. Being Parcel 6 and also being shown as Parcel E. Also shown as a part of Parcels 343, 344, 345, 346 on a "Plan of Homeward Terrace, Dorchester, Mass., H. S. Moody Company, Dated April 25, 1908," and recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Book 3274, containing approximately 6,988 square feet.

3. The above described parcels are to be reconveyed upon the execution of an instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department whereby Renato and Anna V. Perfetti and Attilio L. Pellegrini release and forever discharge the City of Boston of and from all claims and demands whatever for damages, costs, expenses and compensation for, or on account of, or in any way growing out of the eminent domain taking by order of the Boston Housing Authority dated February 4, 1949.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz:

Claims.

Anthony J. Arrigo, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Chelsea and Curtis streets.

Margaret H. Bonugli, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 325 Paris street.

Arthur F. Bopp, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Hyman Burman, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Estate of Ethel Marie Butler, to be reimbursed for death of Ethel Marie Butler at Atlantic Avenue Subway.

Josephine Cardinale, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Chelsea and Porter streets.

Arthur Ciampa, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at North Washington street.

Frederick A. Cleveland, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Albert A. Dashute, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Clifford Dexter, for compensation for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Anna V. C. Dolan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Talbot avenue.

Marie J. Ellis, for daughter Lucille, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cummins Highway.

Mildred Friend, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 74-80 Lyndhurst street.

Philip A. Gahm, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mrs. Thomas W. Gamble, for compensation for damage to property at 75 Bateman street, Roslindale, during sidewalk construction.

Thomas E. German, to be reimbursed for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Samuel H. Gray, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Josephine Grogan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Ayr road.

Thomas Hogan, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ira T. House, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Lester A. Kelly, Jr., for compensation for collapse of boiler at 30 Prospect street, Charlestown, caused by water being turned off.

Louis Kerrigan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Kathryn J. Kilgallon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 58 Durnell avenue.

Fannie Kramer, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Holborn street and Blue Hill avenue.

Edith LaGrassa for compensation for injuries to son at North End Park.

James G. Murphy, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Michael J. Murphy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

C. Gertrude Murray, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 376 Riverway.

National Grange Fire Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of John J. Belloni by city truck.

Thomas O'Connor & Co., Inc., for refund on building fee.

Joseph T. O'Leary, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

P. O'Riorden Forwarding Company, for compensation for damage to truck by Fire Department pumper.

John H. Percival, for compensation for damage to property at 109 Westchester road, caused by broken water main.

Ralph Quattrucci, for compensation for damage to property by city car.

Wendell D. Reed, for compensation for damage to property at 88 Myrtle street, caused by negligent maintenance of sewer.

John J. Russell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 542 East Fourth street.

Marion K. Russell, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 42 Bowdoin street, Dorchester, during changing of water meter.

Frances Saitta, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 11 Cooper street.

John J. and Christina Stuart for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 12 New-castle road, Brighton, caused while repairing leak in water system.

Edward L. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Margaret V. Sullivan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at East Newton and Washington streets.

Jacob J. Tutun, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Elizabeth A. Woods, for compensation for collapse of boiler at 49 Rosseter street, during installation of water meter.

Walter C. Mackie, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

William S. McCarthy, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

INVESTIGATION OF LOW-FLYING PLANES OVER EAST BOSTON.

A communication was received from the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission concerning low-flying planes in East Boston.

Placed on file.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

A request to extend leave of absence for six months to commence July 1, 1949, was received from Stanley C. Wollaston, and it was voted that such extension be granted.

Placed on file.

RENT REGULATIONS.

A communication was received from Congressman John F. Kennedy relative to rent regulations.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 18, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for operation of motor vehicles in the City of Boston between the Boston-Brookline line on Beacon street and Boston-Newton line on Commonwealth avenue, over Beacon street, Cleveland Circle, Chestnut Hill avenue and Commonwealth avenue, to be operated only on Sunday mornings and at other times when church services may require such operation.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 18, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for operation of motor vehicles in City of Boston over Washington street, between Walworth street and West Roxbury Parkway, to be operated only on Sunday mornings and at other times when church services may require such operation.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 18, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Vermont Transit Company, Inc., and George A. Myhaver, doing business as Granite Stages, for transfer of certificate of public convenience for operation of motor vehicles in City of Boston from said George A. Myhaver, doing business as Granite Stages, to Vermont Transit Company, Inc.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 16, 1949, at 11 A.M., on petition of trustees of Boston Metropolitan District for approval of maturities and interest rate on \$1,014,000 principal amount of said district.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on July 21, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Boston Consolidated Gas Company for approval of a gas purchase contract with Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates.

Severally placed on file.

SALARIES OF DEPUTY ASSESSORS.

A communication was received from his Honor the Mayor accepting chapter 313 of the Acts of 1949 concerning salaries of deputy assessors.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF FRANCIS KINSELLA.

Notice was received from the Health Department of appointment of Francis Kinsella, provisionally appointed as inspector of housing and sanitation at \$2,600 per year.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from William H. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest of W. H. Ellis & Son Company in contract for repairs to Receiving Station at Fort Hill, Atlantic avenue, and also Garbage Plant on Victory road, Dorchester.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 172, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 172 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Granting of Vacations for Members of the Regular or Permanent Police and Fire Forces in Certain Cities and Towns," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 384, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 384 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Relative to the Granting of Vacations for Members of the Regular or Permanent Police and Fire Forces in Certain Cities and Towns," be, and hereby is, accepted, to be effective January 1, 1950.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 480, ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 480, of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act to Authorize the City of Boston to Construct and Maintain a Viaduct over and across the Passage of Water Known as the 'Back Way' in Lower Boston Harbor between Long Island and Moon Island, and Approaches thereto on Both Long Island and Moon Island," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VIADUCT BETWEEN LONG ISLAND AND MOON ISLAND.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That under section 6 of chapter 480 of the Acts of 1949, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be expended for the construction of a viaduct over and across the passage of water known as the "Back Way" in the lower Boston Harbor, between Long Island and Moon Island, and for the construction of approaches to said viaduct on each end thereof and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, upon the request of the Mayor, bonds or notes of the City of Boston to said amount therefor

which shall bear on their face the words: "City of Boston, Long Island Viaduct Loan, Act of 1949."

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

PROTESTING ACTS OF EASTERN RENT AREA CONTROL OFFICE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, on Monday, July 18, 1949, goes on record as protesting the conduct of the Eastern Rent Area Control Office under the direction of its Acting Director who has been permitting rent increases as high as 40 per cent without proper investigation upon petitioners' figures and without giving the public an opportunity of public hearing to the tenants involved. This practice has been arbitrarily undemocratic in operation and favoritism has been shown to the substantial real estate interest of New England in having such increases ordered; be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council request that President Harry S. Truman and members of the New England Delegation in the Senate and Congress of the United States immediately call and hold such increases and that a congressional investigation take place in the Eastern Rental Area. It is imperative that action be taken by the Federal authorities at once as duress and pressure is being applied speedily by the real estate interest in New England.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

EXTENSION OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, on Monday, July 18, 1949, hereby records itself in favor of the recommendation of President Harry S. Truman that unemployment compensation be continued for another year under a special act already passed by the Congress of the United States and that this act be permitted to continue in order to meet existing hardships of veterans who are out of work and who have been using this compensation for support of their loved ones.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ROBERT BASS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Naming of Squares be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name Greendale road and Wellington Hill street the Sgt. Robert Bass Square, in honor of Sgt. Robert Bass who died in the service of his country at Remey, France, September 21, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FEDERAL FUNDS FOR SLUM CLEARANCE, WARD 3.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Federal housing officials in Washington immediately with a view to having them allocate sufficient funds for slum clearance purposes in the North, West, and South End sections of Ward 3, Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAYGROUND FACILITIES IN EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the State Aeronautics Commissioner and the State Commissioner of Public Works with a view to having them start work immediately on the construction of playground facilities in East Boston, adjoining Wood Island Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred January 24) for sale of land on Zeigler street to Metropolitan Transit Authority for \$6,000—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—Councilor Hannon—1.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

ACCEPTANCE OF EDNA ROAD, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Edna road, Ward 16, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING DRINKING FOUNTAIN AT TENEAN BEACH.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately replace the drinking fountain at the lower end of Tenean Beach, opposite the Lawley shipyards, Ward 16.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF ELEVATED STRUCTURE UNDER FEDERAL SLUM CLEARANCE ACT.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, Whereas, the recently passed "Slum Clearance Housing Act" contains provisions for the elimination of conditions which contribute to the creation of slums; and

Whereas, The elevated structure which is to remain standing between Dudley street and Forest Hills, directly contributes to the creation of a slum area; be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor confer with the Federal Housing Authority to have this structure removed; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request each member of the Massachusetts delegation in Congress to support a program which will bring about the removal of this elevated structure under funds provided by the Federal Housing and Slum Clearance Act.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MCBRIDE STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make McBride street, Ward 11, a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHTS, CORNER OF EAST THIRD STREET AND BURNHAM PLACE, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to install arc lights at the corner of East Third street and Burnham place, Ward 6, South Boston. There are no gas lamps in that block and the darkness of that section causes a hazard and dangers to the children in that vicinity. It is also adjacent to a school in which two precincts vote.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS ON FUNERAL CARS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to have all funeral cars going to a funeral designated by a flag or distinctive mark on the front mudguard because of the danger of other autoists cutting into line causing the constant blowing of horns and danger to passengers in the funeral cars.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOSEPH P. SHLAZAS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at West Fifth and B streets, Ward 6, in honor of Joseph P. Shlazas, late member of the U. S. Army, Company G, 423d Infantry, 106th Division, who died on April 8, 1945, while a prisoner of war in Germany.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REINSTALLING ICE BOX OF DRINKING FOUNTAIN, OAK SQUARE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Division Engineer in the Water Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to reinstall the ice box of the drinking fountain in Oak square, Ward 22, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING DUNKLEE STREET AND SIDEWALKS, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to resurface Dunklee street and the sidewalks on said street in Ward 22, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NEW RENT SCHEDULES FOR PUBLIC AID RECIPIENTS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Public Welfare to negotiate new rent schedules for those now receiving public aid.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook, it was voted that when the Council adjourned it would be to meet again on Monday, August 1, 1949, at 2 P.M.

HOUSING PROJECT IN WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor immediately request the Boston Housing Authority to consider the erection of a housing project in the area bounded by Bay street, Dorchester avenue, Freepoint street and the rapid transit line, in Ward 15.

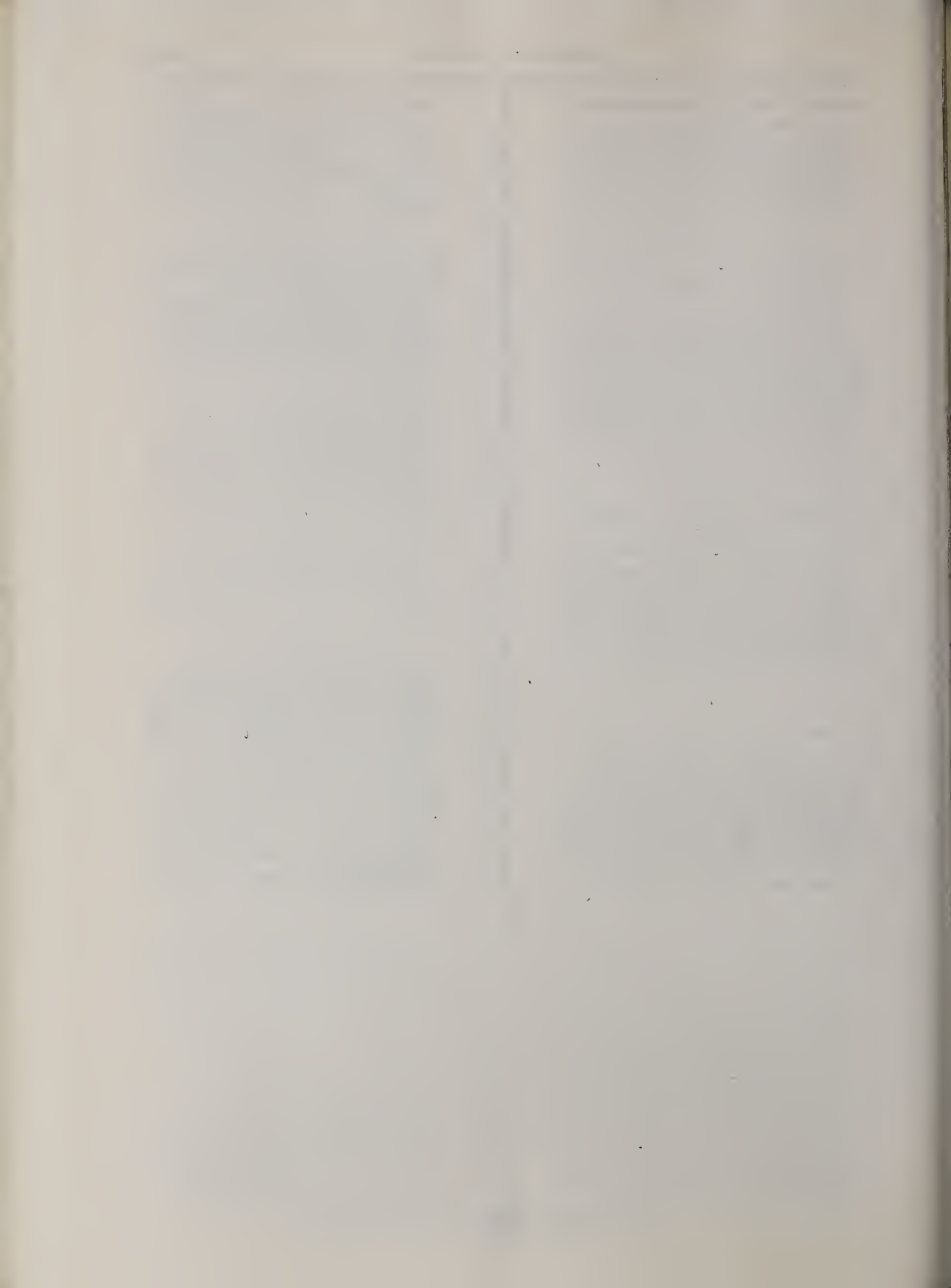
Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Cook, at 3.05 P.M., to meet on Monday, August 1, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)





CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Friday, July 22, 1949.

A quorum of the City Council having assembled in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, President HURLLEY called a special

meeting of the City Council at 11.30 o'clock A.M. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Hannon, Kinsella and Lane.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the acceptance of section 8A of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947 inserted by section 3 of chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, concerning the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

On motion of Councilor Cook it was voted to take a recess for the purpose of going into Executive Session.

Adjourned.





CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Monday, July 25, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Kinsella.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 21, 1949.
Hon. John B. Hynes, City Clerk,
City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I do hereby summon a special meeting of the Boston City Council to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, School street, Boston, on Monday, July 25, 1949, at 2 P.M., for the purpose of acting upon the following matters:

1. The acceptance of section 8A of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, inserted by section 3 of chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949.
2. Such appropriation orders as the Mayor may submit.
3. Any and all other matters which may come before your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENT OF STREETCAR SERVICE BETWEEN EGLESTON SQUARE AND ARBORWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of June 27, 1949, concerning service between Egleston square and Arborway on Sunday.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
July 18, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

The Board has considered order of the City Council relative to Egleston square and Arborway Sunday service (forwarded with your memo of June 29) and begs to advise that we operate 20-minute service from 6 A.M. to 10.20 P.M. on Sundays from Arborway to Egleston square via Washington street. The total traffic in the time enumerated is approximately 525 revenue passengers, which is an average of only 10 passengers per trip.

Under existing financial conditions this is caring for the amount of traffic that exists as well as can be done.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT, SUMMER AND EAST FIRST STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 27, 1949, concerning the installation of a blinker light at the corner of Summer and East First streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 27, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Blinker Light at the Corner of Summer and East First Streets, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to the above Council order, please be advised that a traffic survey of the subject intersection was made and it was the opinion of the engineers that the volume of traffic was insufficient to warrant the establishment of a blinker light.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, CENTRE STREET, CEDAR STREET, AND FORT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Traffic Commission, relative to your Council order of June 27, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights and signals at Centre street, Cedar street, and Fort avenue in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 27, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals at Centre Street, Cedar Street, and Fort Avenue in Ward 11.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, it is the opinion of the engineers of this department that there are other intersections which should receive prior treatment.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, WEST STREET AND CENTRAL AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Traffic Commission, relative to your Council order of June 27, 1949, concerning the installation of automatic traffic signals at the junction of West street and Central avenue, Ward 18.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 27, 1949, Re-
questing the Installation of Traffic Signals
at the Junction of West Street and Cen-
tral Avenue, Ward 18.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to the subject Council
order, I have this day received a report from
the traffic engineers of this department and
they feel that it should be added to the list
of proposed lights when we go before the
Council for additional funds.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT VARIOUS STREETS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Traffic Commission, relative to your
Council order of June 27, 1949, concerning
the installation of painted "Stop" signs at
all intersecting streets leading into the follow-
ing streets: Faneuil street, Arlington street,
Everett street, Washington street, North
Harvard street, Market street, and Western
avenue in Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 27, 1949, Re-
questing that "Stop" Signs Be Painted
at All Intersecting Streets Leading into
the Following Streets: Faneuil Street,
Arlington Street, Everett Street, Wash-
ington Street, North Harvard Street,
Market Street, and Western Avenue in
Ward 22.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to subject Council order,
please be advised that the engineers of this
department have reported that they do not
believe that it will be wise to go through with
the recommendation made in the Council
order. However, steps will be taken to in-
sure greater safety in the streets mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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INSERTION OF MAP OF BOSTON IN MUNICIPAL REGISTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Statistics Department, relative to
your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the
inserting of a map in the City of Boston
Municipal Register.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Statistics Department, July 18, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of June 6,
enclosing a copy of Council order requesting

that the trustees of the Statistics Department
insert a map of the City of Boston in the
Municipal Register, I wish to advise that the
trustees are of the opinion that the inser-
tion of the map would be a benefit to the
users of the Municipal Register.

The total cost of the map, including the
extra work to have same bound in the Mu-
nicipal Register, would be approximately \$382
and would be an addition of merit to this
publication, which contained a map of the
city until 1922, when it was discontinued.

The above cost has been held to such a
level due to the fact that we are using the
map of the city which has been prepared
and produced by the Planning Board and
thereby affording a saving of between \$600
and \$700.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM J. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

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SAFETY HINGES ON MANHOLE COVERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Commissioner of Public Works, rela-
tive to your Council order of May 16, 1949,
concerning the installation of hinges on man-
hole covers to prevent them from flying in
the event of an explosion.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order of May 16, 1949,
requesting the Commissioner of Public Works
to compel public utility companies and others
to equip their manhole covers in streets and
alleys of the city with safety hinges to pre-
vent them from flying through the air when
explosions occur, please be advised that, in
my opinion, I do not possess the legal au-
thority to issue such an order to Public Utili-
ties. I do not think it an advisable or neces-
sary precaution for either the Water or Sewer
Divisions.

Respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN ARC AND GAS LIGHTS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received
from the Department of Public Works, rela-
tive to your order of June 27, 1949, concern-
ing the replacing of a gas light at 470 East
Third street, and the replacing of electric
light at 324 West Broadway, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 21, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council
that the Commissioner of Public Works have

replaced the electric light located at 324 West Broadway and also a gas lamp replaced in front of 470 East Third street, South Boston.

Please be advised that this matter will be attended to as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LAMPS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of June 30, 1949, concerning the installing of electric lights in place of the present gas lights on Wildwood street, Ballou avenue, Jacob street, Willowood street, Clarkwood street, Hosmer street, Deering road, and Wellington Hill street, Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 21, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works make a survey of Wildwood street, Ballou avenue, Jacob street, Willowood street, Clarkwood street, Hosmer street, Deering road, and Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, for the purpose of providing electric lights in those areas, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service has requested the Edison Company to make a survey of these streets with a view of changing over from the present gas lights to electric lights.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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ELECTRIC LIGHT NEAR 715 EAST BROADWAY, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of June 30, 1949, concerning the installation of an electric light near 715 East Broadway, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 21, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an electric light in the near vicinity of 715 East Broadway, South Boston, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service will have a survey made at this location with the view of improving this condition.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD ON PLAY AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith three reports presented me by the City Planning Board in response to orders adopted by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City Planning Board,
July 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

In compliance with a request of the City Council dated November 8, 1948, and transmitted through your Honor's office on November 12, the City Planning Board submits herewith a brief report on the subject of more play areas for children in West, South, and North Ends of Boston.

The Board regrets the delay in development of a reply in this matter but has felt that a postponement was both necessary and desirable in view of the urgency of other business and pending publication of a report on "Children's Playgrounds in Boston" which has since been released.

The providing of more play areas in these crowded sections of the city is impeded by serious obstacles and, while the Planning Board is in wholehearted sympathy with any efforts intended to ameliorate social conditions in these districts, it recognizes too that additional play areas would not go to the roots of the problem. A completely satisfactory solution must embrace large-scale demolition and reconstruction of dwellings.

The Planning Board, at this time, has under consideration a program of housing redevelopment which may include projects in all three districts. Such projects are based upon new concepts of sound neighborhood development and would include not only new, modern dwellings, but a full complement of neighborhood play areas and rest parks.

In view of the comprehensive character of a really effective solution, both as to planning and execution, the Board believes that it can propose at this time only such specific actions by the city as can be easily and inexpensively carried out. A few such proposals are included in the accompanying report and it is the hope of the Board that they will be found acceptable for action in the near future.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. McDONOUGH, Chairman.

REPORT ON ADDITIONAL PLAY AREAS FOR CHILDREN IN THE WEST, SOUTH, AND NORTH ENDS OF BOSTON.

The West, South, and North Ends of Boston are the three most densely populated sections of the city. In some parts of these districts dwellings cover 50 to 100 per cent of their respective lot areas and virtually the only open space is provided by the public highways. Under such conditions, there is an undeniable public obligation to provide areas for common recreation by persons of all ages, but more especially by the children.

Requirements for children's recreation areas vary with the needs and desires of the children to be served. Three distinct classes have been recognized,—children of preschool age (under six years), children six to eleven years of age, and those twelve to fifteen years. The last two groups are frequently combined and served by a single, general facility,—the children's playground. A study of children's playground requirements for all sections of the city was completed in 1948 and published early in 1949 under the title "Children's Playgrounds in Boston, an Evaluation of Space and Location." According to this report, about 20 per cent of children, six to fifteen

years of age, in the North and South Ends are without a minimum of accessible public play space, while in the West End the figure is only about 5 per cent.

During September, 1948, as part of the work in preparation of the report on children's playgrounds, a survey was made of each district to ascertain whether opportunity existed to provide additional playground space for unserved children. Because of the critical shortage of dwellings as well as for economic reasons, the search was restricted to vacant land parcels of at least 0.15 acre, located so as to comprise effective components of a playground system, and for which no superior alternative use could be determined. No such vacant land could be found in the West, South, and North Ends of the city. This is substantially the same situation today.

Unless the city is prepared to demolish dwelling houses or other buildings producing tax revenue, additional children's play areas must take the form of small tots' play lots, for which a few vacant parcels of limited size can be found. In the congested districts concerned, open space is frequently at a premium for storage of vehicles or materials and competition from this and other sources must be faced when it is proposed to convert a vacant lot into a play area. The site selected must also be easily accessible to the population for whom it is intended and must not constitute a needless duplication of existing similar facilities. With these governing principles in mind, the Planning Board recommends the following for acquisition and improvement as public play lots for young children:

WEST END: 1. The site of the former Elizabeth Peabody School at 17 Poplar street. This lot, comprising 6,040 square feet, assessed at \$11,800, is owned by the city's Department of School Buildings. To this might be added 1,100 square feet on the adjacent lot at 19 Poplar street, privately owned, with a land valuation of \$1,700. Buildings on both lots are now being demolished and it is expected that this work will be completed before the end of the summer. This land is surrounded by highly congested residential property where desirability of additional play space is fairly obvious. Prompt attention should be given to this proposal because at this moment the School Committee has under consideration an offer to purchase the Peabody School site.

2. Two small vacant lots at the corner of Brighton street and Poplar street; one numbered as 87 and 89 Poplar street, containing 2,227 square feet, privately owned, and assessed at \$6,300; the other at 111 and 113 Brighton street, 2,400 square feet, privately owned, with a valuation of \$3,600. Nothing has been done to improve these lots since buildings thereon were demolished. In their present state they are distinctly a detriment to the neighborhood, being strewn with rubble and refuse, presenting a most unsightly spectacle and obviously a menace to public health and safety. Unless the owners show a disposition to improve and use these lots, there is certainly justification for intervention by the city, in view of the extremely congested character of the surrounding properties. Notwithstanding the fact that these sites are smaller than the minimum size usually recommended for play lots, the Planning Board suggests public acquisition and improvement for that purpose. The surfaces should be cleaned and leveled off, then suitably paved and provided with fencing and some kind of durable, fixed recreation equipment, requiring little or no supervision or maintenance. A good example of this type of improvement can be found in another part of the West End, on Phillips street.

NORTH END: 1. Approximately 9,400 square feet of land in the interior of the block, bounded by Hanover street, Hanover avenue, North street, and Harris street, as shown on accompanying sketch. This is a portion of a large vacant lot, with no grading problem. It is flanked by residences on three sides; many of these residences are well maintained, if one can judge by outside appearances. At its southwesterly corner the lot is adjacent to St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church. It is also very close by "Children's Haven, Inc., Youth Center," a settlement house at 435 Hanover street. Paul Revere Mall is directly opposite the entrance to this lot from Hanover street, but the Mall is a monumental neighborhood rest park and affords little opportunity for the active play of children.

The entire vacant tract is used at present for the parking of motor vehicles on a monthly rental basis. There is no business office or attendant on the premises and the parking appears to be continuous storage of vehicles of nearby residents, rather than short-term use by transients. The lot was not crowded on the day it was inspected by a representative of the Planning Board. The Board believes that approximately one half of the entire lot might reasonably be taken for play purposes. As shown on the sketch, this should be at the interior, leaving the more valuable frontage on North street for business use.

The assessed value of the proposed taking is about \$6,300.

SOUTH END: Although there are many more vacant lots in the South End than in the West End or North End, none can be found for advantageous conversion to children's play use. Much of the vacant land is centered around the Andrews School, in the so-called "New York streets area." A large playground could be established at this location with little demolition or expense being necessary. This is a proposal which the Planning Board would gladly make, if the neighborhood had better prospects for stability, but its present state of accelerating deterioration makes the benefit a dubious one, to say the least. The present play area, between Troy and Rochester streets, established in 1941 through use of the George Robert White Fund, is probably all that can be justified at this time.

The recent report on children's playgrounds expressed an opinion that "there is no easy solution to the South End's playground problem . . . a balanced and efficient system for the district will be attained only as part of a general program of rebuilding." Preliminary studies by the Planning Board indicate that, on the whole, prospects for housing redevelopment in the South End appear much brighter than in the West End or North End. Project plans, whether prepared by the Board, or some future redevelopment agency of the city, will assuredly give proper consideration to inclusion of adequate children's play areas. It is being realistic to say that this constitutes the best hope for achievement of practical results in the South End, rather than proposal of half-measures of doubtful advantage, involving displacement of persons.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR NORTH BENNET STREET BUILDING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 18, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith recommendation of the Park Commission making provision

for transfer from Park and Playground Improvements, etc., Revenue, \$20,000, to the North Bennet Street Building, Restoration of, \$20,000, and I respectfully recommend immediate adoption of the same.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Park and Playground Improvements, etc., \$20,000, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, North Bennet Street Building, Restoration of, \$20,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfers of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Bridge Service, B-8, Light, Heat and Power, \$1,000, to the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, B-8, Light, Heat and Power, \$1,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,225, to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home, B-6, Hire of Teams and Auto Trucks, \$150, C-7, Furniture and Furnishings, \$850, C-13, Tools and Instruments, \$50, D-13, Chemicals and Disinfectants, \$50, D-16, Miscellaneous Supplies, \$75, E-13, Miscellaneous Materials, \$50.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,050, to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Wayfare's Lodge, E-1, Building, \$50, B-39, General Repairs, \$5,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Associate Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division, B-5, Express Charges, \$300, to the appropriation for Associate Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$300.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of

the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriations, County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, \$500, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Dorchester District, D-1, Office, \$500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF
\$504,149.56.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith a supplementary appropriation order for the following departments:

Assessing Department.....	\$30,449 56
Board of Real Estate Commissioners	4,000 00
Public Works Department:	
Reconstruction of Streets.....	200,000 00
Public Celebrations.....	19,700 00
Reserve Fund.....	250,000 00
	\$504,149 56

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

The amount of \$22,859.56 is necessary to provide for statutory increases in salary by the Massachusetts Legislature to deputy and principal assessors, to augment employees so that all effort by the department affecting the preparation of the tax billing and listing would be expedited so that 1949 work would not be delayed, and to provide for extra hour service in overtime in servicing 700,000 additional records representing poll taxes and motor vehicle excise taxes.

The amount of \$7,590 is necessary for the binding of the 1948 real and personal commitment and tax lists not available for binding in 1948, for the rental of machines to service 800,000 key punch records, for the general repair of typewriters, adding machines, stamps, and many other office machines, and for the purchase of cards and stationery and forms used by the department.

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

This amount is necessary for the cleaning of city-owned lots to comply with existing health and sanitary regulations.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—RECONSTRUCTION OF STREETS.

This amount is necessary to complete the department program. Because of the open season which was conducive to street work, and the great amount of emergency maintenance work which has been done, the previously appropriated amount is practically exhausted.

PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS.

The amount of \$13,000 is for the payment of bills for decoration of graves on Memorial Day. In previous years this was charged to Public Celebrations. When the 1949 budget was submitted it was decided that the Graves Registration Division would assume this charge. It has now been determined by the City Auditor that this is not a proper charge against the Graves Registration Division. No funds were provided for this function; therefore, this additional request at this time. The amount of \$6,700 is for the commitments for historical days remaining in 1949.

RESERVE FUND.

This amount is necessary to provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures.

Consideration and passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body is hereby recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
July 19, 1949.
Mr. John A. Sullivan, Budget Commissioner,
Budget Department, City Hall, Boston.

Dear Sir:

The budget item of B-18, cleaning of city-owned lots of land, shows an unexpended and an unencumbered balance at this time of \$953.40, with work in process and the bills not known at this time.

Will you please start the necessary procedure for the additional appropriation of \$4,000 needed to complete this work?

Yours very truly,
IRVING LEWIS,
Chairman.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 22, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The appropriations from the tax levy for the current year include the sum of \$300,000 for Reconstruction of Streets. Because of the tremendously large amount of maintenance work which has had to be done this appropriation will not be sufficient to carry out the department's program and the balance, at present available, is so small that, within a short period, the funds will be exhausted. This has been an open season particularly suitable for street work and there still remains a large amount of work which should be done.

So that we may carry out the program of work established in all sections of the city as the result of a survey which has been conducted, I respectfully recommend that your Honor ask the City Council to make available an additional appropriation in the sum of \$200,000 under the title of Reconstruction of Streets.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

City of Boston,
Department of Public Celebrations,
July 25, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Your Honor:

It is respectfully requested that an additional appropriation of \$6,700 be made to the Public Celebrations Department so that the following anticipated celebrations may be accomplished:

John Paul Jones Day.....	\$100
Labor Day.....	1,000
Jack Barry Day.....	100
Columbus Day.....	3,000
Armistice Day.....	1,900
Christmas Day.....	1,500
Total	<u>\$6,700</u>

The reason for this request is that expenditures in Public Celebrations were larger than were anticipated, at the time the 1949 budget was submitted.

Very truly yours,
MARTIN J. FINN,
Acting Director of Public Celebrations.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated, for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

CITY MAINTENANCE.
Assessing Department.

A. Personal Service.....	\$22,859 56
1. Permanent employees...\$1,473 85	
2. Temporary employees...17,385 71	
3. Unassigned	4,000 00
B. Contractual Services.....	3,190 00
1. Printing and Binding...\$1,500 00	
10. Rent, taxes and water, 1,200 00	
39. General repairs.....	490 00
C. Equipment	400 00
9. Office	\$400 00
D. Supplies	4,000 00
1. Office	\$4,000 00
	<u>\$30,449 56</u>

Board of Real Estate Commissioners.
B. Contractual Services..... 4,000 00
18. Cleaning

Public Works Department.
Reconstruction of Streets..... 200,000 00
Public Celebrations..... 19,700 00
Reserve Fund..... 250,000 00
Grand total.....\$504,149 56

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF SECTION 8A, CHAPTER 544 OF THE ACTS OF 1947, INSERTED BY SECTION 3 OF CHAPTER 572 OF THE ACTS OF 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

During the past week, the General Court of Massachusetts enacted, and His Excellency the Governor approved, chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Amending and Revising the Act Creating the Metropolitan Transit Authority and the Boston Metropolitan District."

Section 3 of this new law inserts in St. 1947, c. 544 (the act creating the Metropolitan Transit Authority), a new section 8A providing for the abolition of the Board of Commissioners of the Boston Transit Department and the transfer of that department and of Boston's subways, tunnels, and rapid transit lines to the Metropolitan Transit Authority. Section 8A becomes effective only if it is accepted by the City Council and Mayor of Boston on or before July 25, 1949.

The acceptance of section 8A will mean much to our beloved city. It will result in a reduction of \$40,000,000 in net debt and further enable our city to avoid borrowing \$30,000,000 to build the Shawmut Avenue Subway to Dudley street and the second tube between Park street and Scollay square and additional large sums for other proposed construction projects. The acceptance of section 8A will also reduce by \$500,000 Boston's share of the annual MTA deficit assessments allocable to rentals and by an estimated \$650,000 Boston's share of the annual MTA subsidy assessments provided for by existing statutes. The acceptance of section 8A will also make it possible for Boston to fund over a ten-year period the assessments to be levied upon it with respect to MTA deficits accruing between January 1, 1948, and August 2, 1949. If the section is not accepted, these deficits will add \$3.50 to the 1949 tax rate and \$2.50 to the 1950 tax rate. In addition to these financial benefits, the acceptance of section 8A will assure adequate

funds to complete the East Boston Tunnel extension now in process of construction, an actual start upon plans for the removal of the Elevated structure between Haymarket square and Sullivan square and of the Elevated structure between Dudley street and Forest Hills, and a slashing of the red tape now delaying the construction of the Shawmut Avenue subway.

Accordingly, I sincerely trust that at your meeting today you will adopt the order transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That section 8A of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, inserted by section 3 of chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the order was taken by the Executive Committee for action. At the suggestion of Councilor Chase, President HURLEY suspended action until three o'clock when all the councilors at today's meeting were expected to be present.

After proceeding with other matters and a short recess, the following action was taken.

On motion of Councilor Chase that action be postponed until all other unfinished business was taken care of, the motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 13:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Keenan, Ramsey, Tracy, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Wenzler—13.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan.

The question then came on the passage of the order accepting section 8A of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, inserted by section 3 of chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, and the order was passed, yeas 19, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—Councilors Carey, Chase—2.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Ander Sales & Distributing Company, for compensation for damage to property at 55-63 Summer street, caused by defective water pipe.

Florence M. Ford, for compensation for damage to property at 35 Donnybrook road, caused by leak in water pipes.

Florence J. Francis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 430 Washington street.

Anna Giacoppo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 667A Tremont street.

Albertine Grenier, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

Ora Hodges, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 99 Kilsyth road.

P. J. King, for compensation for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Thomas F. Martin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Marianna Perult, for compensation for injuries caused by golf ball being thrown from Franklin Park.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 29, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for pole locations on Neponset avenue, at the junction of Gallivan Boulevard and Old Colony Parkway.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the appointments of the following:

Thomas J. Giblin of 476 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, to be a member of Board of Trustees of Boston City Hospital for the term ending April 30, 1954.

Hugh T. Gartland of 38 Pleasant Hill avenue, Dorchester, to be a member of the Board of Assessors of the City of Boston for the term ending March 31, 1954.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred July 18) of John Anthony McStowe, Jr., and Jacob Benjamin Rosenthal as Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 18) of Ernest A. White to be Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

3. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 30) of Gerald T. Halligan to be Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

4. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 18) of William J. Tibbetts to be Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Lane. Whole number of ballots 13; yeas 13, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred June 16) to accept chapter 393 of the Acts of 1949, re salaries of Board of Assessors—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred June 13) concerning salaries of officers and boards—recommending the passage of the ordinance in the following new draft:

An Ordinance Concerning Salaries of Officers and Boards.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 5. The following-named officers shall, while in the service of the city, receive the following salaries yearly, and proportionally for any portion of the year, which shall, unless otherwise provided by ordinance, be in

full for all services which such officers are authorized or required by statute or ordinance to perform, and shall be subject to the deduction of any and all sums due to the city from such officers. They shall receive as such salaries:

The Mayor, twenty thousand dollars.

The members of the city council—the president, thirty-five hundred dollars, and each of the other members three thousand dollars.

The assessors—the chairman eight thousand dollars; each of the four principal assessors, sixty-five hundred dollars; each of the five deputy assessors, six thousand dollars; each first assistant assessor, fifteen hundred dollars for street work and preparation therefor, and fifteen hundred dollars for services on dooming board and work on abatements and investigations.

The budget commissioner, seventy-five hundred dollars.

The building commissioner, nine thousand dollars.

The city auditor—auditor, eighty-four hundred dollars; secretary of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county auditor, nine hundred dollars. Total, ten thousand dollars.

The city clerk, eight thousand dollars, and the assistant city clerk, not more than six thousand dollars.

The city collector, eighty-five hundred dollars.

The city registrar, sixty-five hundred dollars.

The city treasurer—treasurer, seventy-four hundred dollars; treasurer of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county treasurer, nine hundred dollars. Total nine thousand dollars.

The corporation counsel, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

The election commissioners—the chairman, seventy-five hundred dollars, the other three commissioners each sixty-five hundred dollars.

The fire commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars.

The health commissioner, nine thousand dollars.

The institutions commissioner, eight thousand dollars.

The park commissioners, the chairman, eighty-five hundred dollars.

The penal institutions commissioner, seven thousand dollars.

The public works commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars; the engineer in charge of the water division, not more than seventy-seven hundred dollars, and the engineers in charge of the other divisions, each not more than seven thousand dollars.

The sealer of weights and measures, fifty-five hundred dollars; the chief deputy sealer, such salary, not exceeding thirty-eight hundred dollars, and the other deputy sealers such salary, not exceeding thirty-six hundred dollars, as may be fixed by the sealer of weights and measures with the approval of the mayor.

The director of veterans' services and soldiers' relief commissioner, seven thousand dollars.

The statistics trustees, the chairman, forty-five hundred dollars.

The street commissioners, the chairman, seventy-five hundred dollars, and the other two commissioners each sixty-five hundred dollars.

The superintendent of printing, eight thousand dollars.

The superintendent of public buildings, seven thousand dollars.

The superintendent of supplies, eight thousand dollars.

The traffic commissioners, the chairman, eight thousand dollars.

The transit commissioners, the chairman, ninety-five hundred dollars and the other two commissioners each eight thousand dollars.

The officers connected with the city council: The clerk of committees, sixty-eight hundred dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-two hundred dollars; two stenographer-

clerks, each thirty-six hundred dollars; the city messenger, sixty-eight hundred dollars; the first assistant city messenger, forty-six hundred dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-six hundred dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-three hundred dollars; the document man, forty-one hundred dollars; the assistant document man, thirty-three hundred dollars.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 589 OF THE ACTS OF 1949.

Coun. HANNON and HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 589 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Increasing the Compensation of the Members of the Police Department of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF STREETCAR TRACKS ON WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Metropolitan Transit Authority to immediately remove the tracks on Washington street from Grove Hall to Codman square, for a complete paving program to be immediately started.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIRING BENCHES, FRANKLIN FIELD.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to fix all the benches at Franklin Field, on the Talbot avenue side of Franklin Field, which are in a deplorable condition and need immediate repairs.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURVEY OF SIGNS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately make a survey of all signs in the Ward 14 area that are partially destroyed and that need immediate replacement.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PARKING SURVEY AT GROVE HALL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Department Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey for providing a parking place in the center of Blue Hill avenue, at Grove Hall, where the tracks have been removed, and that penny parking meters be installed for the convenience of the shoppers in the Grove Hall, Roxbury District area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

BAND CONCERTS, FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Celebrations Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold a conference with the Musi-

cians' Union for the purpose of arranging band concerts in Franklin Park and throughout Boston, under the free concert plan in which the city pays for 50 per cent of the concerts that can be arranged, thereby providing work for musicians and bringing entertainment to the citizens of Boston who use our park systems on week ends.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE STATUS OF WILLIAM F. RYAN AS MEMBER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Resolved That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation relative to the status of William F. Ryan as a member of the Fire Department of the City of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF HAVEY STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Havey street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECONSTRUCTION OF WASHINGTON STREET, WARDS 18 AND 20.

Coun. BRYAN and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reconstruct Washington street, from Poplar street to the West Roxbury Parkway, in Wards 18 and 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECONSTRUCTION OF BELGRADE AVENUE, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately start work on the reconstruction of Belgrade avenue, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CHANGING OF VOTING PRECINCT, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to change the voting precinct from its present location in the Butler School to the building occupied by William D. Doyle Post, No. 7421, Veterans of Foreign Wars, which is diagonally across the street in Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Chase the Council voted at 2.35 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.22 P.M.

APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VIADUCT TO LONG ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston.

Office of the Mayor, July 25, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of chapter 480 of the Acts of 1949, the city is authorized to construct and maintain a viaduct connecting Long Island with the mainland. This act has been accepted by the city and I understand your Honorable Body has under consideration a loan order in the amount of \$2,000,000. Under the provisions of section 6 of the act, no loan can be authorized unless a sum equal to 10 cents on each \$1,000 of the 1948 assessed valuation has been appropriated to be raised by taxation. I accordingly submit herewith an order of this character in order to permit the authorization of the loan order now pending before your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 6 of chapter 480 of the Acts of 1949, the sum of one hundred and fifty-nine thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Institutions Commissioner, as hereinafter specified, said sum to be raised by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Long Island Viaduct, Construction of, \$150,000

The question came on the suspension of the rules, and it was voted that the rules be suspended. The question then came on passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Keenan, it was voted that when the Council adjourned it be to meet again on Monday, August 15, 1949, at 2 P.M.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Coun. KEENAN, for the Committee on Finance, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred July 18) for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of viaduct to Long Island—recommending that same ought to pass.

This report of the committee was accepted. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 21, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—21.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on the message of Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of \$20,000 from Park and Playground Improvements to North Bennet Street Building, Construction of—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 21, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—21.

Nays—0.

2. Report on the message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of appropriations—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were passed, yeas 21, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—21.

Nays—0.

3. Report on the message of Mayor and supplementary appropriation order (referred today) totaling \$504,149.56 in various departments—recommending passage of the order as submitted by the Mayor with the exception of the appropriation of \$4,000 for Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

The report was accepted, and the order, with the exception of \$4,000 for the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, was passed, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Robert W. Donovan (referred June 27) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him: on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$189.68) be allowed and paid to Robert W. Donovan in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Frederick A. Cleveland (referred July 18) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him an account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Water Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred twenty-three dollars and twenty cents (\$223.20) be allowed and paid to Frederick A. Cleveland in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Water Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Joseph V. Riley (referred June 27) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck be-

longing to the Boston Transit Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) be allowed and paid to Joseph V. Riley in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Boston Transit Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Albert A. Dashute (referred July 18) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) be allowed and paid to Albert A. Dashute in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Edward L. Sullivan (referred July 18) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred seventy dollars (\$170) be allowed and paid to Edward L. Sullivan in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Walter C. Mackie (referred July 18) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand nine hundred seventeen dollars and forty-three cents (\$1,917.43) be allowed and paid to Walter C. Mackie in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Frederick D. Emery (referred June 27) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle attached to the office of Medical Examiner, North District, Suffolk County—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred two dollars and fifty-five cents (\$102.55) be allowed and paid to Frederick D. Emery in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of an ambulance attached to the office of the Medical Examiner, Northern District, Suffolk County, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPAVING FOX AND PERCIVAL STREETS, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repave Fox and Percival streets, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, QUINCY STREET AND COLUMBIA ROAD, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to

install traffic lights at Quincy street and Columbia road, Ward 15, as they have already been accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF CERTAIN STREETS FOR AMERICAN LEGION PARADE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the following streets in conjunction with the American Legion Parade to be held Saturday, July 30, 1949: Arlington street, Beacon street, Park street, Tremont street, Boylston street to Park square and Columbus avenue to Berkeley street, and that the same be charged to City Council appropriations for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF BEAUFIELD STREET, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Beaufield street, Ward 16, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, NEPONSET CIRCLE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, Through his Honor the Mayor, to request members of the Metropolitan District Commission to immediately put pedestrian traffic lights at the Neponset Circle in order to protect the lives and safety of pedestrians who have used this busy traffic thoroughfare and who, at the present time, have no protection in order to ensure safe passage.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASSIGNMENT OF M.D.C. OFFICERS TO NEPONSET CIRCLE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, Through his Honor the Mayor, to request the Metropolitan District Commission to assign sufficient officers to the Neponset Circle in order to safeguard the lives of pedestrians who must cross this busy traffic thoroughfare.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF MANNING AND GILMAN STREETS, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out the following streets in Ward 18 as public highways: Manning street and Gilman street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SIDEWALK ON EAST THIRD STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks in front of Nos. 801 to 807 East Third street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GENERAL FARE INCREASE, MTA SYSTEM.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
 Whereas, The Boston City Council has been informed that the trustees of the Metropolitan

Transit Authority will shortly present a petition to the Department of Public Utilities for a general increase in fares for passengers using the MTA system; and

Whereas, Such general increase will be unjust and inequitable to the citizens of Boston; therefore he it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council respectfully urges His Excellency the Governor to strongly advise and instruct the MTA Trustees not to include Boston in the general fare increase.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF SALVATORE J. LONGO.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Leverett and Green streets, Ward 3, in honor of Pfc. Salvatore J. Longo of the 26th Infantry, 328th Regiment, U. S. Army, who was killed in action at Stronberg, Germany, on March 29, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION FROM LAW DEPARTMENT ON PENDING LEGISLATION.

Coun. SHANLEY and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to assign an Assistant Corporation Counsel to follow up all bills pending in the Legislature which affect the City of Boston and that said Assistant Corporation Counsel be instructed to appear at the City Council meeting each Monday to report on such bills.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, STRATHMORE ROAD AND SOUTH STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY and LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a blinking traffic signal at the junction of Strathmore road and South street, in front of the Alexander Hamilton School.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SMOKE NUISANCE AT BEACON PARK, ALLSTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, a letter be directed, to the Smoke Division of the Public Utilities Department, relative to the smoke nuisance at Beacon Park, Allston, Mass., because of the continued numerous complaints from the residents living in that area and the Faneuil District area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Beades, the Council voted to adjourn at 6:23 P.M., to meet on Monday, August 15, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, August 15, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councilor WENZLER in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hurley and Keenan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Roxbury, Mass., to be a Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Patrick J. McCarthy, 63A Moreland street, Roxbury, Mass., to be a Constable of the City of Boston, without power to serve civil process, to serve without bond for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Weighers of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1950: Judith Epstein, 57 Woolson street, Mattapan, Mass.; Sylvia Sieve, 18 Winston road, Dorchester, Mass.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 172, ACTS OF 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 27, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order of your Honorable Body accepting chapter 172 of the Acts of 1949 granting two weeks' vacation to firemen and policemen in cities and towns which accept the act.

General Laws, chapter 41, section 111, as amended, which has been accepted by the city, provides that all civil service employees shall be granted an annual vacation of not less than two weeks without loss of pay.

Therefore, the acceptance of chapter 172 of the Acts of 1949 is unnecessary.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 384, ACTS OF 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 27, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order of your Honorable Body accepting chapter 384 of the Acts of 1949. This act provides for vacations for policemen and firemen, in any city or town which accepts it, of three weeks for five to ten years of service, and four weeks for ten years or more.

This extension of the vacation periods in the two departments concerned might well disrupt the present schedule of employment and require additional employees. However that may be, I am of the opinion that no change is required in the present situation, which guarantees two weeks' vacation to all employees and leaves the matter of additional vacation to the discretion of the heads of the departments and the Mayor.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAPTER 589, ACTS OF 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 10, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order of your Honorable Body accepting chapter 589 of the Acts of 1949 establishing the salaries of members of the Police Department of the City of Boston.

After several months of careful consideration, on June 14, 1949, the City Council having approved the necessary appropriation to be met by taxes, the salaries of the employees of the city, including the Police Department, and the county were increased \$300 beginning July 1, 1949. No class of employees was discriminated against or preferred.

The estimated cost of the \$300 increase for the members of the Police Department for the remaining six months of 1949 is \$400,000 and for a full year \$800,000.

The act of the Legislature, chapter 589, adds \$200 more to the \$300 already given to the members of the Police Department, making their increase \$500, and costing the city \$266,000 more for a half year and \$533,000 more for a full year, and the tax rate having already been established the budget of the city is so closely estimated that even if the proposed increases were approved there is not sufficient money to meet the cost for the remaining four months of the year.

It also should be remembered that if this act is accepted the salaries of the members of the Police Department have been fixed by the Legislature and they could not hereafter be increased or diminished except by another special act of the Legislature. Therefore, by accepting it, the city would acquiesce in the loss of its power to regulate the salaries of certain of its employees and concur in an insidious invasion of home rule which would afford a precedent for future unlimited interference. This additional cost to the taxpayers is alone sufficient to warrant a veto of the order, but there are other reasons which to my mind are of great weight.

The first is that I see no justification in making a preferred class of policemen as compared with the great mass of city and county employees such as firemen, school teachers, hospital and institution workers, clerks, and laborers whose service in their particular capacities is rendered to the city as efficiently and faithfully as that of the Police Department.

The second and more important reason is that I am of the opinion that it is about time a vigorous protest was made against the action of the state in assuming administration of the Police Department, which is a department of the City of Boston.

Since 1946 there have been nine special acts that answer that description, ranging from free pensions of two-thirds pay to any kind of incapacity; vacations and sick leave; additional pay for lieutenants, sergeants, and police detectives; payment for overtime; and days off for working on holidays. All these matters are purely executive or administrative and should be handled by the Commissioner and the city.

In no other city of the Commonwealth does the state presume to interfere in the city's administrative business.

If the tendency continues to administer the Police Department of the City of Boston from the State House it is not unreasonable to suggest that the state assume the cost of maintaining that department.

For these various considerations I am vetoing the order.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND FACILITIES IN EAST BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 3, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

With reference to the order adopted by your Honorable Body under date of July 18, 1949, as introduced by Councilor James Coffey, containing

a request to contact the State Aeronautics Commissioner and the State Commissioner of Public Works with a view to having work started on the playground in East Boston, I beg to state that a conference was held at the office of his Excellency the Governor at which conference the City of Boston through the Mayor turned over a check for \$300,000 to the state as the contribution of the city for construction of a stadium as a part of the playground facilities to be established in East Boston, and assurances were received at the meeting that work would start immediately.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF ELEVATED STRUCTURE UNDER FEDERAL SLUM CLEARANCE ACT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Replying to your order adopted under date of July 18, 1949, requesting that action be taken upon removal of the elevated structure between Dudley street and Forest Hills, I beg to say that the MTA bill recently adopted by the Legislature and approved by the City Council makes provision for the taking down of the entire structure from Forest Hills, to and including Charlestown.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

REINSTALLING ICE BOX OF DRINKING FOUNTAIN, OAK SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the reinstallation of icebox to drinking fountain at Oak square, Ward 22, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 2, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I return herewith order of the City Council, dated July 18, 1949, requesting reinstallation of ice box to drinking fountain at Oak square, Ward 22, Brighton.

The ice box on the drinking fountain has been re-established and the fountain is now being iced.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,
Division Engineer.

Placed on file.

REPLACING DRINKING FOUNTAIN AT TENEAN BEACH.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the replacing of the drinking fountain at the lower end of Tenean Beach, opposite the Lawley shipyards, Ward 16.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 3, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum of July 25, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park

Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately replace the drinking fountain at the lower end of Tenean Beach, opposite the Lawley shipyards, Ward 16.

It is reported to me that at the present time there are three drinking fountains in operation within a couple of hundred feet of one another along the main beach in the general neighborhood of the bathhouse.

The bathing season will close in a little over one month and it does not seem sensible to make a new installation so late in the year at a location which has three fountains all along the bathing beach.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIRING BENCHES, FRANKLIN FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the fixing of all the benches at Franklin Field and on the Talbot avenue side of Franklin Field.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 3, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, to fix all the benches at Franklin Field and on the Talbot avenue side of Franklin Field, which are in a deplorable condition and need immediate repairs. I have had the condition of these seats at this location investigated. I find that certain repairs and replacements are necessary to these seats. I will see to it that the work is done as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOSEPH P. SHLAZAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the junction of West Fifth and B streets, Ward 6, in honor of Joseph P. Shlazas.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 2, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order, July 18, introduced by councilor Wenzler, requesting the naming of the square at the junction of West Fifth and B streets, Ward 6, in honor of Joseph P. Shlazas, and beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
ELIZABETH A. CLAYTON,
Acting Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF SALVATORE J. LONGO.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Leveitt and Green streets, Ward 3, in honor of Salvatore J. Longo.

Sincerely,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 2, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of July 25, introduced by Councilor Lanigan, requesting that the intersection of Leveitt and Green streets, Ward 3, be named in honor of Salvatore J. Longo, and beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
ELIZABETH A. CLAYTON,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

SCHOOLYARD EQUIPMENT, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of June 30, 1949, concerning the immediate availability of equipment in schoolyards in the Ward 14 section to be used as playgrounds during the summer season.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, July 29, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on July 22, 1949, an order passed by the City Council on June 30, 1949, requesting the School Committee, through your Honor, "to immediately make equipment available in schoolyards in Ward 14 section to be used as playgrounds during the summer season," was presented and placed on file.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN TUBERCULAR CASES AT BOSTON SANATORIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the trustees of the Boston City Hospital, relative to your order of June 6, 1949, concerning the control of difficult patients.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, July 22, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held today, the following order of the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to direct the officials of the Boston Sanatorium in Mattapan to set aside a room for such tubercular cases as become mentally and physically uncontrollable and under no conditions to permit any of the patients there to be confined in a police station overnight."

The trustees felt that the present system of handling cases of intoxication at the Sanatorium Division by Doctor Bogan was satisfactory.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES W. MANARY, M.D.,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SURVEY, NEPONSET CIRCLE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your Order of June 30, 1949, concerning the traffic conditions at Neponset.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 18, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 30, 1949, Requesting the Metropolitan District Commission, the Chairman of the Boston Traffic Commission, the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the Trustees of the Eastern Massachusetts Railway Immediately to Make a Survey of Conditions on Neponset Circle With a View to Either Constructing an Overpass or an Underpass to the Loading Platform of the Buses Now in Existence on the Circle Itself. Immediate Action is Necessary in Order to Protect the Lives and Safety of the Users of Both of These Services Who Must Cross Heavily-travelled Thoroughfares in Order to Board the Buses and Because the Lives and Safety of the People are Greatly Endangered by the Present Conditions.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that the Neponset Circle is wholly beyond the jurisdiction of the City of Boston. However, we do have several traffic studies which can and will be made available to any representatives of the Metropolitan District Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS ON FUNERAL CARS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the installation of flags or other distinctive mark on funeral cars.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 18, 1949, Requesting All Funeral Cars Going to a Funeral Be Designated By a Flag or Distinctive Mark on the Front Mudguard Because of the Danger of Other Autos Cutting Into Line Causing the Constant Blowing of Horns and the Danger to Passengers in the Funeral Cars

Dear Sir:

In reply to subject Council order, please be advised that the powers of this commission are clearly defined in the act creating it which stated

that the sole function of the commission is the control of the stopping, standing, and movement of vehicular traffic.

The supervision of equipment of vehicles is legally resident with the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. Therefore, it is obvious that this commission has no power to honor the request.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL, STRATHMORE ROAD AND SOUTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 3, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the installation of a blinking traffic signal at the junction of Strathmore road and South street, in front of the Alexander Hamilton School.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 25, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Blinking Traffic Signal at the Junction of Strathmore Road and South Street, in Front of the Alexander Hamilton School.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to the above Council order, please be advised that I have this day received a report from the engineers of this department which indicates that the traffic at the subject intersection is such that the installation of a blinking traffic signal would be effective.

We will include this location in the list of proposed signals when we submit our request for an appropriation to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PARKING SURVEY AT GROVE HALL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the survey to be made to provide a parking place in the center of Blue Hill avenue, at Grove Hall, where the tracks have been removed and to install penny parking meters in the Grove Hall district.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 25, 1949, Requesting That a Survey Be Made to Provide a Parking Place in the Center of Blue Hill Avenue, at Grove Hall, Where the Tracks Have Been Removed and to Install Penny Parking Meters in the Grove Hall District.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that it is my understanding that the Public Works Department, with chapter 90 assistance, is going to remove this reservation and build an additional island between Grove Hall and Seaver street, and finish up that part of the plan between Seaver street and Columbia road. For this reason I respectfully recommend that no action be taken as regards the parking of cars in the center of Blue Hill avenue.

With reference to the installation of penny meters, please be advised that this location will be

considered when authority is given to this commission by the City Council to purchase additional meters.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, QUINCY STREET AND COLUMBIA ROAD, WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 5, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at Quincy street and Columbia road.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 1, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 25, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Quincy Street and Columbia Road.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that we will give consideration to the installation of traffic signals at Quincy street and Columbia road when funds are made available.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 14, REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 15, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Collector, requesting a change in the City Ordinances to permit him to appoint a second assistant city collector.

The present ordinance concerning the collecting Department allows the appointment of a first assistant city collector only.

Due to the increased volume of work in the Collecting Department, the City Collector is of the opinion that his office will operate more efficiently if he is allowed to appoint an additional assistant city collector.

In compliance with his request, therefore, there is forwarded herewith a draft of a proposed amendment to chapter 14 of the Revised Ordinances of 1949, and I recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Collecting Department, August 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In the past decade it has been the custom of the Collector to forward a letter of appointment for thirty days of an acting City Collector. The reasons for requesting an appointment on a permanent basis of a second assistant city Collector are many.

During the coming year of 1950, many refunds and abatements on poll taxes will be made, due to the lowering of the poll tax age limit from 70 to 65 years of age. Past experience in veterans' poll exemptions during the war illustrated the need of a second assistant Collector to authorize thousands of small payments.

Many more veterans, Gold Star mothers, WAVES, WACS, SPARS, nurses, and wives of veterans are now eligible for the \$2,000 assessed value exemption on real estate, made possible by the Legislature for disabled veterans, and must be authorized for refunds by the Collector or his assistants.

In addition to the usual volume of work connected with abatements and refunds, this appoint-

ment becomes imperative. It is necessary, therefore, that the enclosed ordinance be approved by you and the City Council, in order for the appointment to be made.

Very truly yours,
DANIEL F. DONOVAN, City Collector,

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.

An Ordinance Concerning the First Assistant City Collector and the Second Assistant City Collector.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter fourteen of the Revised Ordinances of 1949 is hereby amended by striking out section six of the said ordinance and substituting in place thereof the following:

SECTION 6. The city collector may appoint, subject to the approval of the mayor, two employees in his office, to be designated as the first assistant city collector and the second assistant city collector. The assistant city collectors so appointed shall furnish bonds to the city, subject to the provisions of sections two and four of chapter three of these ordinances, in the sum of \$100,000, respectively; shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties and obligations, and shall hold office until their successor, or successors, are appointed and qualified.

The first assistant city collector shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the city collector, and in the temporary absence of the city collector the first assistant city collector shall perform the duties of the city collector.

The second assistant city collector shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the city collector, and in the temporary absence of the city collector and the first assistant city collector shall perform the duties of the city collector.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of the chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out the words "the assistant city collector, one hundred thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the following: "the assistant city collectors, one hundred thousand dollars each."

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LOANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 15, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In view of recent developments, I submit herewith two orders which, in effect, reduce the loan appropriation for Construction of Buildings approved by your Honorable Body on June 30, 1949, by approximately \$400,000.

The primary reason for this reduction is the fact that in recent weeks and applications received by the Public Welfare and Veterans' Services Departments have shown a marked upward trend. If this movement is maintained during the balance of the year, it is questionable whether appropriations already made will be sufficient to meet all requirements of the two departments. It is felt desirable, therefore, to establish a reserve balance in the borrowing power of the city which may be available under existing legislation for welfare and veterans' needs.

In order that the departments involved in the original building construction loan may not be unduly delayed in starting their various projects, I respectfully recommend prompt action on the accompanying orders.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the right to borrow two million nine hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$2,960,000) for Construction of Buildings, approved by the Mayor on July 1, 1949, and which became effective on July 22, 1949, be, and the same hereby is, rescinded.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause (3) of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million five hundred thirty five thousand dollars (\$2,535,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended by various depart-

mental officials, under the direction of the Mayor, for Construction of Buildings, Original Equipment and Furnishings thereof, and for the acquisition of such land as may be required for such purposes, and that to meet said appropriation the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

On motion of Councillor Hannou, the order was given its first reading, yeas 18, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ansel, Bendes, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannou, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linahan, Shauley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Edith and David Baratz, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Aaron S. Bell, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Anthony Carpenito, for compensation for injuries caused by car of Park Department.

Barbara Caulfield, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at Bromfield and Tremont streets.

Mildred M. Corbett, for compensation for injuries caused by lire apparatus.

Mrs. Daniel Cosgrove, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 8 Stonchurst street, caused by water being shut off.

Salvatore D'Addario, for compensation for damage to property at 82 Chelsea street, East Boston, due to rapid transit construction.

Etna Casualty & Surety Company, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington Street North.

Factory Mutual Liability Insurance Company of America, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Columbia Circle.

Joseph F. Garrity, for compensation for damage to property at 228 Geneva avenue, caused by broken water main.

John Grande, to be reimbursed for death of son, Anthony Grande, caused by accident at Eliot School Playground.

A. E. Halperin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James E. Hickman, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Charles Kalil, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Ruth L. Kenning, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Franklin Park.

Esther M. Klane, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 20 Prospect street, caused by water being shut off.

Herbert Laskey, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by car of Park Department.

Benjamin Loiterstein, for compensation for damage to truck by falling tree.

Samuel Monsoir, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

M. C. Murphy, for compensation for damage to property at 119 Tyler street, caused by city truck.

Harriet Nelson, for compensation for damage to property at 26 Jeffers street, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of sidewalk.

George Norman, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

John J. O'Donnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Laughlin Peckham, for compensation for damage to property by city vehicle.

Ann Peudergast, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Allston street and Centre avenue.

Charlotte E. Phillips, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Pope's Hill and Freeport streets.

Theresa Pittore, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Foster street Playground.

Remo Prato, for compensation for damage to car by lire engine.

Joseph Schultz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Franklin and Devonshire streets.

Albert G. Segal, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Cambridge street, caused by break in water pipe.

Al Segal's Men's Shop, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 43 Cambridge street, caused by break in water pipe.

Philip L. Segal, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Cambridge street, caused by break in water pipe.

Francis F. Vogel, for compensation for damage to property at 640 Weld street, caused by widening of Weld street.

Robert A. Weight, for compensation for damage to property at 28 Seaver street, Roxbury, during water meter installation.

Executive.

Petition of Catherine E. Bates to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Philip S. Bates, late member of Fire Department.

Licenses.

Petition of Hyde Park Bowling Alleys to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Jacob B. Rosenthal and John A. McStowe, Jr., having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

APPOINTMENT OF PETER CALIA.

Notice was received from the Health Department of appointment of Peter Calia, temporarily appointed as inspector of housing and sanitation. Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at Arborway Veterans' Housing Project of \$324.48 for installation of 12 ceiling lights with fixtures; at Mattapan 36-house contract of \$10,000 for gravel fill; and at Washington-Favre Streets Veterans' Housing Project of \$4,466 for wallpaper; at Liversidge 19-house contract for \$4,500 for addition loan; at Liversidge 25-house contract of \$9,562.50 for addition loan.

Severally placed on file.

LOCATION OF POLES.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of permit granted Metropolitan District Authority for location of poles and wires at Neponset Circle.

Placed on file.

TRACKLESS TROLLEYS.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of permit granted to Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate trackless trolleys crossing Blue Hill avenue at Franklin Park and to erect poles and wires.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 29, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for operation of motor vehicles in the City of Boston over the following public ways:

Crossing Blue Hill avenue from Columbia road to Franklin Park; over that portion of Franklin Park known as Columbia Road Entrance and Peabody Circle; crossing Blue Hill avenue from Franklin Park to Glenway street; over Glenway street between Blue Hill avenue and Old road; over Old road between Glenway street and Columbia road.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held July 29, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for operation of motor vehicles in the City of Boston between Sullivan Square Terminal and North Station, over Main street, Bunker Hill street, Chelsea street, Adams street, Common street, Park street, Henley street, Main street, City square, Warren avenue, Warren bridge, Beverly street, Washington Street North, Canal street or Causeway street; return over Causeway street; Washington Street North, including Charlestown Bridge, City square, Park street, Common street, Adams street, Chelsea street, Bunker Hill street, and Main street.

Severally placed on file.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUNDS ORGANIZATION.

Notice was received from the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds of organization as follows: Chairman, William B. Carolan; vice-chairman, John O. Stubbs; secretary, Charles J. Fox; treasurer, Henry F. Brennan; acting secretary, Daniel J. Falvey; acting treasurer, Walter W. Foley. Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Constables and Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment of Joseph N. Coleman (referred June 13) as weigher of coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment of James William McIntosh (referred June 13) as constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation of the appointments. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Coffey. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 11, nays 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VIADUCT BETWEEN LONG ISLAND AND MOON ISLAND.

On motion of Councilor Linehan, it was voted to take up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of viaduct to Long Island. On July 23, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 21 nays 0.

The question came on giving the order a second reading and passage. The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0;

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Kinsella, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

NAMING OF PARK IN HONOR OF PATRICK X. FLAHERTY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the park in the D Street Housing Project in honor of Chaplain Patrick X. Flaherty, of the 11th Armored Division, U. S. Army, who died at Camp Polk on July 19, 1943, as a result of injuries received in one of the tanks during maneuvers across the Sabina River in Texas.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MICHAEL F. NEE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to name the square at the corner of E street and West Fourth street, South Boston, in honor of Michael F. Nee of 1 Church avenue South Boston, who was injured in the battle of Tulagi on the Solomon Islands on August 7, 1942, and died on August 8, 1942 while in the service of his country during World War II.

He was a member of the 1st Marine Raiders of the Marine Corps Reserve.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING ETNA AND TIP TOP STREETS, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be instructed, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Etna street and Tip Top street in Ward 22, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS, CORNER OF BREED AND LEYDEN STREETS.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put "Stop" signs on the corner of Breed street and Leyden street in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REQUEST TRANSFER OF SERGEANT WARD OF STATION 7.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to transfer Sergeant Ward of Station 7, East Boston, to Police Headquarters.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REQUEST FOR LIFEGUARD AT BATHING BEACH, ORIENT HEIGHTS YACHT CLUB.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a lifeguard at the bathing beach at the Orient Heights Yacht Club in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF BUS LINE BETWEEN BRIGHAM CIRCLE AND PARK SQUARE.

Coun. CAREY and CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to re-establish the bus line between Brigham Circle and Park square, with a 5-cent fare.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"NO DUMPING ALLOWED" SIGNS ON ALL VACANT LOTS.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately post "No Dumping Allowed" signs on all lots of vacant land under control of said Board; and be it further

Ordered, That a periodic survey be made of all such vacant lots in the hope that such unlawful use of such vacant lots be stopped.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FARE OVERCHARGES, READVILLE AND SUNNYSIDE AREAS.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, by his Honor the

Mayor, to take immediate action to correct the present fare overcharge levied upon the residents of the Readville and Sunnyside area of Hyde Park, which now compels the residents of this district to pay 25 cents to travel into the center of Boston; and be it further

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority Trustees be requested to substitute Metropolitan Transit Authority buses for the Pierce Bus Lines equipment, or continue with the Pierce Company the long-established practice of transfer privilege, without extra fare.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" OR "SLOW" SIGNS AT INTERSECTION OF MAGNOLIA AND WAYLAND STREETS, AND HOWARD AVENUE AND HARTFORD STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to consider the installation of "Stop" or "Slow" signs at the intersection of Magnolia street and Wayland street, and also at Howard avenue and Hartford street, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ADOLPH RAVITZ.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to designate the intersection of Dalkeith street and Howard avenue, Dorchester, as the "Sergt. Adolph Ravitz Square," in memory of Sergt. Adolph Ravitz, who lost his life in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES O'CONNOR.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to designate the intersection of Taft and Pleasant streets, Dorchester, the "Lieut. James O'Connor," who gave his life in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE RE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.

An Ordinance Concerning the Fire Department.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Chapter 16 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by inserting the following two sections:

SECTION 8. If any member of the fire-fighting force of the city of Boston is required to work on January first, February twenty-second, April nineteenth, May thirtieth, July fourth, the first Monday of September, October twelfth, November eleventh, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day, or the day following when any of the five days first mentioned, or October twelfth, November eleventh or Christmas Day, occurs on Sunday, he shall be given an additional day off, or, if such additional day off cannot be granted by reason of a personnel shortage or other cause, he shall be entitled to an additional day's pay.

SECTION 9. The above section shall be interpreted on the basis of a twenty-four-hour cycle, commencing at eight o'clock a. m. and ceasing at eight o'clock a. m. of the holiday.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
ROBERT E. MULHERN.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at Centre and May streets, Ward 19, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Flight Officer Robert E. Mulhern, of the Army Air Force, who was killed in action on May 30, 1945, in British West Africa.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
JOHN A. COUGHLIN.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at Asticou road and St. Ann street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Sergt. John A. Coughlin, of the 10th U. S. Army Air Force, who was killed in action over the China, Burma, India area in 1943.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT JUNCTION OF
WELLES AND TALBOT AVENUES,
WARDS 16 AND 17.

Coun. BEADES and KEENAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Welles avenue and Talbot avenue, Wards 16 and 17, Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PROPER PENSION TO ALOYSIUS
McNAMARA AND OTHERS.

Coun. BEADES and HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Retirement, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to pay a proper pension to one Aloysius McNamara and others who receive the same amount of pension.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred July 18) for reconveyance of land to Renato Perfetti and Anna V. Perfetti by Boston Housing Authority—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred June 21) for sale of land on Columbus avenue for upset price of \$11,135.50—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.
Present—Councilor Hannon.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred July 18) for sale of land at 11 Thomas street, Jamaica Plain, to Jamaica Plain Overseas

Veterans Association, Inc., Post No. 675 for \$500—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

SALE OF LAND TO METROPOLITAN
TRANSIT AUTHORITY.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, it was voted to take up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land in Roxbury to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for \$6,000. On July 18, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 1.

The question came on giving the order a second reading and passage. The order was rejected, yeas 12, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Hannon, Yerxa—3.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, it was voted to reconsider.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, it was voted to lay the matter on the table.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO
CHAPTER 200.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Whereas, The Massachusetts Legislature is now considering the recommendation of Governor Paul A. Dever to amend chapter 200 of the Veterans Housing Act so that cities and towns may issue 40-year bonds instead of 25-year bonds to construct homes under the \$200,000,000 low-rent state-aided program; and

Whereas, The rents in the Chapter 200 Project located in South Boston will be reduced from \$5 to \$6.50 per month per apartment if said recommendation is adopted by the Legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby records itself as in favor of Governor Paul A. Dever's recommendation amending chapter 200 so that cities and towns may issue 40-year bonds instead of 25-year bonds to construct homes under the \$200,000,000 Veterans' World War II state-aided program; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Ways and Means Committees of the Massachusetts House and Senate, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION AND STUDY OF BUILD-
ING CODE RE SIDEWALK ELE-
VATORS.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Whereas, Judge Elijah Adlow of the Boston Municipal Court has stated that due to "inadequate safety regulations pertaining to sidewalk elevators fatal accidents have occurred"; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Building Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate and study the Building Code for inadequate regulations of elevators, including sidewalk elevators, in order that amendments may be made to the Building Code which will provide for the installation of adequate safeguards so that the present rate of fatal accidents, due to said inadequate safety regulations, may be reduced to a minimum.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
HAROLD G. KELSEY.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the corner of K street and Marine road, Ward 7, in honor of Harold G. Kelsey, who was killed at Okinawa on April 11, 1944, while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF WATER LINES,
WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Water Division of the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of Ward 15 water lines, to determine replacing the old line with a new one, as there have been many breaks in the lines recently.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF SAFETY ISLAND,
HANCOCK AND PLEASANT STREETS.

Coun. RAMSEY and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a safety island at the junction of Hancock street and Pleasant street in Wards 13 and 15, according to plans approved by the Traffic Commission.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASSIGNMENT OF SPECIAL POLICE SQUAD
TO MATTAPAN AND DORCHESTER
AREAS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign a special squad to patrol the streets in the Dorchester and Mattapan area where many burglaries and attacks have taken place.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGN OR "SCHOOL" SIGN NEAR
PUBLIC SCHOOL ON HAZLETON STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a "Stop" sign or a "School" sign near the public school on Hazleton street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SIDEWALK ON HARVARD STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lay out a sidewalk on Harvard street, from Deering road to Walk Hill street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRIMMING TREES ON WALK HILL, WELL-
INGTON HILL, AND HARVARD STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to trim the trees on Walk Hill street, Wellington Hill street, and Harvard street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"SLOW" ON TALBOT AVENUE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a "Slow" sign and to paint "Slow" on Talbot avenue, between Blue Hill avenue and Helen street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RENAMING BUFFALO STREET IN HONOR
OF LEO H. MACDONALD.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Board of Street Commissioners to rename Buffalo street, Ward 22, upon its acceptance by the city as a public way, as MacDonald street, in honor of the memory of Pvt. Leo H. MacDonald, a young veteran of World War II, who lost his life in the defense of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FIRE STATION, EGLESTON SQUARE.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps for furnishing a suitable and adequate fire station in the Egleston square district of Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of James E. Hickman (referred August 15) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) be allowed and paid to James E. Hickman in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

The report was accepted and the order passed.

Coun. COOK requested that the record show he did not vote on this matter.

REMOVAL OF "NO PARKING" RESTRICTIONS FROM WALNUT AVENUE AND WARREN STREET AREAS ADJACENT TO BUSINESS SECTIONS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove "No Parking" restrictions from the area of Walnut avenue and Warren street adjacent to the business sections.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGNS AT CRAWFORD STREET
AND HUMBOLDT AVENUE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Stop" signs at the intersection of Crawford street and Humboldt avenue, Roxbury, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REDUCTION OF FARE FROM CITY
POINT TO SOUTH STATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reduce the present 10-cent fare to 5 cents on the surface carline from City Point to the South Station, along Summer street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENT OF SYSTEM FOR FARE
COLLECTIONS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the MTA Trustees be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to improve the system of fare collections in order to prevent passengers from paying double and triple the regular fare.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councillor Hannon presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

One hundred twenty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear September 12, 1949:

Herbert B. Benson, Ward 1; Vincent Bruno, Ward 1; John J. Butler, Ward 1; John E. Chrystal, Ward 1; Joseph R. Dean, Ward 1; Arthur J. Donovan, Ward 1; Joseph A. Diorio, Ward 1; John Giuffre, Ward 1; Charles M. Ingala, Ward 1; Ralph Mazzarella, Ward 1; Arthur E. Moore, Ward 1; William F. Walsh, Ward 1; Irving T. Matthews, Ward 2; Frederick J. McLaughlin, Ward 2; James Corey, Ward 3; Joseph Paretra, Ward 3; Steven M. Kiszkan, Ward 3; Frank Kramer, Ward 3; Julius C. Pierson, Ward 3; John E. Robinson, Ward 3; Alfred Sinopoli, Ward 3; Karl Edward Kunberger, Ward 4; Charles E. Sifferlen, Ward 4; William C. Ackerman, Ward 5; Ronald Crabtree, Ward 5; Joseph C. Kiernan, Ward 5; Michael Manfra, Ward 5; Richard F. O'Neil, Jr., Ward 5; Alphonse Cosetta, Ward 6; James F. Cronin, Ward 6; Edward B. Geissler, Ward 6; Thomas C. Lally, Ward 6; Thomas V. Lannan, Ward 6; Charles Nuccio, Ward 6; Coleman O'Donnell, Ward 6; Joseph Bassill, Ward 7; John A. Donovan, Ward 7; Edward J. Moore, Ward 7; George A. O'Connor, Ward 7; John P. Sullivan, Ward 7; Francis X. Barry, Ward 8; Frederick W. Behnke, Ward 9; Peter J. King, Ward 9; William F. Pridgen, Ward 9; John Randall, Ward 9; Michael B. Kennedy, Ward 10; James P. Magennis, Ward 10; John J. Adams, Ward 11; James W. Dunnet, Ward 11; Cortland W. Barry, Ward 12; John R. Boyd, Ward 12; George E. Crosby, Ward 12; Milton M. Davis, Ward 12; Frederick H. Dockham, Ward 12; Andrew J. Gill, Ward 12; Ralph Penn Kimble, Ward 12; Joseph F. McCarthy, Ward 12; Carl H. Nickerson, Ward 12; Herbert J. Quigley, Ward 12; Arthur Singer, Ward 12; Herbert M. Williams, Ward 12.

Joseph A. Connors, Ward 13; Howard R. MacDonald, Ward 13; John P. MacInnis, Ward 13; John W. Presente, Ward 13; Maurice Goodman, Ward 14; Hyman J. Gretskey, Ward 14; Louis Joseph, Ward 14; Max Katler, Ward 14; Solomon N. Rosen, Ward 14; Harry T. Rotford, Ward 14; Joseph Rothman, Ward 14; Morris J. Sadofsky, Ward 14; Irving Sherr, Ward 14; David Ziskin, Ward 14; Max Zonn, Ward 14; John E. Costigan,

Ward 15; James J. Doherty, Jr., Ward 15; John Flaherty, Ward 15; Robert Hardy Garrill, Ward 15; Chester R. MacLeod, Ward 15; Thomas P. Mullins, Ward 15; George B. Nelson, Ward 15; Alexander J. O'Kane, Jr., Ward 15; Charles J. Singleton, Ward 15; Charles Russell Adams, Ward 16; Herman A. Allen, Ward 16; Patrick J. Flaherty, Ward 16; Michael J. Hayes, Ward 16; Lorne W. Kaye, Ward 16; William T. Reardon, Ward 16; Richard O. Tobin, Ward 16; John J. Cowley, Ward 17; William F. McGuire, Ward 17; Thomas L. Sheil, Ward 17; John A. Zevitas, Ward 17; Wilhelm G. A. Anderson, Ward 18; Neil D. Cogan, Ward 18; Thomas S. Dobbins, Ward 18; Frederick G. Gately, Ward 18; Ernest R. Hertz, Ward 18; William T. Johnston, Ward 18; John T. Keefe, Ward 18; Norman A. Kent, Ward 18; Edwin J. Roberts, Ward 18; Daniel E. Schnabel, Ward 18; Herbert B. Cook, Ward 19; Frederick Engelbrecht, Ward 19; Gerard L. McLaughlin, Ward 19; Frank C. Duemmling, Ward 20; William J. Lynch, Ward 20; Walter B. MacInnes, Ward 20; James J. Madden, Ward 20; George A. May, Ward 20; Marshall E. Fuller, Ward 21; Allen J. Gumner, Ward 21; Herbert R. Lewis, Ward 21; Herman Seletsky, Ward 21; Edward B. Tracey, Ward 21; Munroe Cohen, Ward 22; John James Cox, Ward 22; Columkille J. Doherty, Ward 22; Richard A. Hedinger, Ward 22; Frank J. Lewdansky, Jr., Ward 22; Edward M. Malley, Ward 22; Thomas O'Leary, Ward 22.

Thirty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear September 12, 1949:

William H. Hally, Ward 2; Edward Assad, Ward 3; John A. Kelson, Ward 5; Salvatore Mango, Ward 6; Edward A. Cummings, Ward 7; Ralph L. Harper, Ward 9; Owen McCarey, Ward 10; Edwin McKenna, Ward 10; James E. Blood, Ward 11; Michael Hurley, Ward 11; James E. Leonard, Ward 11; Stephen O. Hemenway, Ward 12; Samuel Isrealson, Ward 12; Michael J. Donelan, Ward 13; Hyman Glazer, Ward 14; Samuel Gordon, Ward 14; Herbert G. Leon, Ward 14; Morris Wasserman, Ward 14; Francis O. Bosse, Ward 15; William J. Butler, Ward 16; James F. Kelley, Ward 16; William E. Danner, Ward 17; Alexander A. Arthur, Ward 18; Lucien H. Belanger, Ward 18; Henry H. Gammons, Ward 18; Harry Gaskill, Ward 18; Michael Harry Hartian, Ward 18; William J. Manson, Ward 18; Kittel A. Thompson, Ward 18; John T. Rose, Ward 20; Clarence W. Adams, Ward 21; Henry M. Fontaine, Ward 21; Francis H. Welch, Ward 21; John P. Brink, Ward 22.

On motion of Councillor Hannon, the Council voted to adjourn at 3.58 P.M., to meet on Monday, August 22, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, August 22, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 22, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I hereby appoint Eugene David Tobias of 62 Homestead street, Roxbury, to be a constable of the City of Boston, to serve civil process, upon the filing of a bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON I STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your order of June 30, 1949, concerning the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of I street, from East Fourth street to Columbia road, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of I street, from East Fourth street to Columbia road, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be put on the list to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

Coun. ANSEL in the chair.

RESURFACING DUNCKLEE STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your Council order of July 18, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Duncklee street and the sidewalk on the same street in Ward 22, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Duncklee street and the sidewalk on the same said street in

Ward 22, Brighton, and this will advise you that this street will be put on the list to be given consideration for resurfacing this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF SIGNS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your Council order of July 25, 1949, concerning the immediate survey of all signs in the Ward 14 area that are partially destroyed and that need immediate replacement.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 16, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately make a survey of all signs in the Ward 14 area that are partially destroyed and that need immediate replacement, and this will advise you that a complete survey of Ward 14 has been made by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department and the necessary street signs have been ordered.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your Council order of July 25, 1949, concerning the installation of granolithic sidewalks in front of Nos. 801 to 807 East Third street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks in front of Nos. 801 to 807 East Third street, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be put on the list to be given consideration during the present year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAVING FOX AND PERCIVAL STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your Council order of July 25, 1949, concerning the repaving of Fox street and Percival street, Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repave Fox street and Percival street, Ward 15, and this will advise you that these streets will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHTS ON EAST THIRD STREET AND BURNHAM PLACE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your Council order of July 18, 1949, concerning the installation of arc lights at the corner of East Third street and Burnham place, Ward 6, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install arc lights at the corner of East Third street and Burnham place, Ward 6, South Boston. There being no gas lamps in that block, the darkness of that section causes a hazard and dangers to the children in that vicinity. It is also adjacent to a school in which two precincts vote, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this location with a view to making the proposed installation.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your Council order of July 25, 1949, concerning the reconstruction of Washington street, from Poplar street to the West Roxbury Parkway, in Wards 18 and 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works reconstruct Washington street, from Poplar street to the West Roxbury Parkway, in Wards 18 and 20, and this will advise you that this street will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the present year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON EAST SIXTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your Council order of June 30, 1949, concerning the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Sixth street, from L street to Farragut road, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Sixth street, from L street to Farragut road, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be put on the list to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PENSION PAYMENTS, TRANSIT DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 22, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Prior to the enactment of chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, pension payments for veterans employed by the Transit Department who were retired because of disability were paid from loan appropriations under the control of the department. With the termination of the activities of the department and the transfer of loan balances to the Metropolitan Transit Authority, it becomes necessary to provide for the continuance of the payment of pensions now in effect. The accompanying order has been drafted for this purpose and I respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That pension payments to former employees of the Transit Department who were retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws shall hereafter be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF PARKED VEHICLES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 17, 1949.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the accompanying letter from Leo F. Curley, Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, requesting that action be taken with reference to the acceptance of chapter 362 of the Acts of 1949.

I submit herewith an order for the acceptance of chapter 362 of the Acts of 1949 entitled "An Act Empowering the Boston Traffic Commission to Provide by Rule or Regulation for the Removal from Ways within its Jurisdiction of Vehicles Parked or Standing on Such Ways in Violation of Law."

This act authorizes the Boston Traffic Commission to adopt rules and regulations whereby vehicles parked on highways and parkways in violation of the rules and regulations of the Boston Traffic Commission may be removed to some convenient place including public garages, the cost of such removal and storage charges to be borne by the owner of the vehicle.

To be effective this act now requires acceptance by the City Council of the City of Boston, and I, therefore, respectfully request passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Very truly yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 8, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1949 is "An Act Empowering the Boston Traffic Commission to Provide by Rule or Regulation for the Removal from Ways within Its Jurisdiction of Vehicles Parked or Standing on Such Ways in Violation of Law."

Section 2 of this act states: "This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance, during the current year, by vote of the city council of the city of Boston, subject to the provisions of its charter but not otherwise."

It is respectfully requested that you submit this matter to the City Council for action.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Ordered, That chapter 362 of the Acts of 1949 entitled "An Act Empowering the Boston Traffic Commission to Provide by Rule or Regulation for the Removal from Ways within its Jurisdiction of Vehicles Parked or Standing on Such Ways in Violation of Law" be, and the same hereby is accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND:

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 22, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$33,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$33,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 17, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$33,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$33,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of \$33,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$33,000

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

APPOINTMENT OF SAUL GURVITZ.

Notice of appointment of Saul Gurvitz of 788 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, to be a member of the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING ON RIVER STREET EXPENDITURES.

Notice of approval by State Housing Board of approval of River Street expenditures.

Placed on file.

PARKING METERS IN UPHAMS CORNER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Traffic Commissioner to expedite the installation of penny parking meters in the Uphams Corner section of Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Josephine Cardinale, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in sidewalk on Chelsea street at corner of Porter street.

Alice Clifton, for compensation for personal injuries caused by alleged defect in sidewalk on Sarsfield street at corner of Columbus avenue.

Bernard Davidson, for damage to automobile by car of Police Department.

Eva Golub, for compensation for injuries due to alleged defect in sidewalk at 585 Boylston street.

David Greenstein, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Francis P. Grant, for compensation for damage to property at 699 East Fourth street, caused by ladder truck of Fire Department.

Archibald MacDonald, for compensation for damage to automobile by Engine 39, Fire Department.

Elizabeth J. McDevitt, for compensation for injuries caused by alleged defect in sidewalk on Stuart street.

Mrs. Harriet P. Miller, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mrs. Anna Motton, for compensation for injuries caused by alleged defect in sidewalk at 27 Leverett street.

Josephine Nelson, for compensation for personal injuries caused by hole in street at 22 Reddy avenue.

William F. Nelson, for compensation for personal injuries caused by hole in street at 22 Reddy avenue.

Francis A. Resker, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

Bernard Schresky, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mrs. Edward Nugent, for son, Charles M., for compensation for injuries due to defect in Hano Street Playground.

Edward W. Sheehan, for compensation for injuries due to alleged defect at Kelly's Landing, Columbia road, South Boston.

LICENSING CAROUSELS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Chief of the Licensing Division to issue special license permits to the five operators of portable carousels who were formerly licensed by the Police Department.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MTA WARRANTS AT UPHAMS CORNER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority so that warrants may be issued at Uphams Corner permitting the transfer of passengers without paying an additional fare.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

PENSION INCREASE.

Coun. BRYAN and HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That chapter 681 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Increasing the Amounts of Pensions and Retirement Allowances Payable to Certain Retired Members of the City of Boston, the County of Suffolk, and Their Beneficiaries," be, and hereby is, accepted.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

LANARK ROAD ONE WAY.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commission to take immediate steps to make Lanark road, Ward 21, Brighton, one way from Kilsyth road to Sutherland road, in order to protect the great number of children and pedestrians in this exposed area.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

HOUSING PROJECT CONFERENCE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That it be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to call a conference of city, state, and federal housing authorities, relative to the construction of a low-rent housing project in a suitable site in Boston for applicants of a veteran and nonveteran status.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF ROXBURY LAND TO MTA.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan it was voted to take from the table No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:
 1. Order for sale of land in Roxbury to the Metropolitan Transit Authority for \$6,000.
 On July 18, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.
 The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:
 Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Cook, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa — 18.
 Nays — 0.

SURVEY OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make a survey of the applications for housing in Ward 14 area where there are eviction cases and veterans' families are living doubled up with other families and that the study involve the selection of possible sites for construction of housing in the Ward 14 area.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGN ON GREENWOOD STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to place a "Stop" sign on Greenwood street, near Harlem street and other intersections, and to paint "Slow" signs on Greenwood street, Arbutus street, Balsam street, and at the intersection of Lucerne street in the Dorchester district; also, Normandy street and Seaver street.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment of Sylvia Sieve, 18 Winston road, Dorchester (referred August 15), as Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment of Judith Epstein, 57 Woolson street, Mattapan (referred August 15), as Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment of Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Roxbury (referred August 15), to be a Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation of the appointments. Committee, Councilors Ramsey and Wenzler. Whole number of ballots 15; yeas 14, nays 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

TRAFFIC DUTY OFFICERS AT BRIGHAM CIRCLE.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
 That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign an additional three police officers to the Roxbury Crossing Station, with a view to having these men in turn assigned to traffic duty at Brigham Circle by the division captain.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

RUBBISH REMOVAL FROM BEACHES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately remove all stones and rubbish from the bathing beaches in South Boston and resand the beaches.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

SIDEWALK REPAIRS, MARINE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair sidewalks adjacent to Marine Park which at present are a disgrace to the City of Boston and may cause many serious injuries.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

LIGHTING FACILITIES, INDEPENDENCE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install adequate lighting facilities in Independence Park, South Boston, which is extremely dark at night and dangerous to women, children, and pedestrians crossing the park.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONTINUANCE OF O. H. E.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
 Whereas, Due to the announced cut in the appropriations for the National Housing Expediter, many of the O. H. E. employees are being discharged and many O. H. E. offices are being closed; and

Whereas, As a result of this, many tenants are, and will be, unable to prosecute their rights to prevent unjustified rental increases and evictions, and

Whereas, The housing situation in Boston is still in a critical condition; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, petition the President and Congress of the United States to take immediate steps to strengthen and continue the O. H. E. rental administration in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LOADING PLATFORM, FIELDS CORNER STATION.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the MTA Trustees be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish a loading platform or combined stop at the bridge just before entering Fields Corner Station, on Geneva avenue, in order that passengers coming from Meeting House Hill may transfer to Neponset avenue and Dorchester avenue to Ashmont busses or cars without having to pay an extra fare.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WADING POOL, WARD 8.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide sufficient funds for the erection of a wading pool at Dennis and Moreland streets, in Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the President be authorized to employ such temporary assistance, to date from August 17, 1949, as may be required to dispose of the accumulated emergency work of the City Council departments; the expense to be charged to the appropriate item in the City Council appropriations.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF STREET OR SQUARE FOR CAPT. EDWARD G. LENNON.

Coun. LINEHAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name a street or square in one of the new City Point housing developments in honor of Capt. Edward G. Lennon, who was a reporter, editor, and publisher and always interested in civic improvements in South Boston during his lifetime. Captain Lennon was a member of the Massachusetts State Board of Housing in 1941 and served as a member up to the time of his death.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LANDING EXHIBITION, COLUMBUS PARK.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off Columbus park, South Boston, for an amphibious landing exhibition to be conducted by the Marine Corps League on September 29, 1949, the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WIDENING BAKER STREET.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to widen Baker street, at the railroad bridge near the corner of Belle avenue, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF PARKED VEHICLES.

Coun. BRYAN—Mr. Chairman, I rise to a point of order in regard to the message sent here from the Mayor's office in regard to the Traffic Department, referred to the Executive Session for next week. I request that the Commissioner, Leo F. Curley, and Phil Desmond, and a representative of the Police Department be here so that we might have some information to explain to the councilors before voting on the particular order.

Chairman ANSEL—The Clerk of Committees will have them so notified.

FIVE-CENT FARE, CITY POINT LINE.

Coun. LINEHAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish a five-cent fare on the City Point-Summer Street car line.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ERICSSON STREET A PUBLIC WAY.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Ericsson street, Allston, a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on the petition of the Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, Inc. (referred August 15), for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that the license be granted.

Report accepted and license granted.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa, the Council voted to adjourn at 2.55 P.M., to meet on Monday, August 29, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, August 29, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan and Yerxa.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

Robert P. Colbert, 5 Sunset street, Roxbury, Mass., to be a Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of a bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

Coun. TRACY in the chair.

PENSION PAYMENTS TO ALOYSIUS
McNAMARA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Retirement Board, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the pension of Aloysius McNamara.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Retirement Board,
August 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order dated August 15, 1949, requesting that the Board of Retirement be requested to pay a proper pension to Aloysius McNamara I submit the following:

Under date of October 22, 1945, an application was received from the Police Commissioner requesting retirement for Patrolman Aloysius T. McNamara on account of accidental disability. It was referred to the Medical Board and on November 2, 1945, Mr. McNamara was examined by them and it was their opinion that he was not physically incapacitated for the performance of duty as the result of an accident; consequently, the Police Commissioner requested that he be retired for ordinary disability.

Mr. McNamara was examined as a result of this application and the Medical Board approved same. A calculation was made of the retirement allowance and it amounted to \$36.32 per month and he was retired November 1, 1945.

Mr. McNamara was in service only 16 years and was about 45 years of age which accounts for the small allowance. Mr. McNamara's retirement allowance was increased twice since. Beginning October 1, 1946, his allowance was increased by 20 per cent and increased again \$10 per month beginning June 1, 1948, making the allowance now \$53.59. This allowance is all he is entitled to under the law and the Board has no power to increase it.

In other similar cases where the retired employee receives a small retirement allowance, it is due to the fact that such employees have had very few years of service with the city. They also have received two increases of 20 per cent and \$10 a month under the acts which you obtained from the Legislature in 1946 and 1948.

Very truly yours,
W. D. KENNEY,
Secretary and Executive Officer.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING ETNA AND TIP TOP
STREETS, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Etna street and Tip Top street in Ward 22, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 23, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Etna street and Tip Top street in Ward 22, Brighton, and this will advise you that these streets will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF BELGRADE
AVENUE, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the reconstruction of Belgrade avenue, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 22, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately start work on the reconstruction of Belgrade avenue, Ward 20, and this will advise you that the Public Works Department has agreed to proceed with the reconstruction of Belgrade avenue.

However, before the street is resurfaced, it will be necessary for the Metropolitan Transit Authority to completely replace the existing car tracks.

To date we have been unable to secure the cooperation of the MTA in this matter, therefore, we are unable to proceed with the work of reconstruction until such time as the MTA do their part.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
ROBERT BASS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the naming of the junction of Greendale road and Wellington Hill street in honor of Sgt. Robert Bass, who died in the service of his country at Nancy, France, September 21, 1944.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
August 2, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of July 18, introduced by Councilor Ansel, requesting that the intersection of Greendale road and Wellington Hill street, Dorchester, be named in honor of Robert Bass, and beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
ELIZABETH A. CLAYTON,
Acting Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS, WALNUT AVENUE AND WARREN STREET AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the removal of the "No Parking" restrictions from the area of Walnut Avenue and Warren street adjacent to the business sections.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 26, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting the Removal of the "No Parking" Restrictions from the Area of Walnut Avenue and Warren Street Adjacent to the Business Sections.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above please be advised that at a meeting held by the Boston Traffic Commission on Thursday, August 25, it was voted to rescind the present parking prohibition and the signs will be removed in the very near future.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS, TALBOT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the "Slow" signs on Talbot Avenue, between Blue Hill Avenue and Helen Street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 22, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting "Slow" Signs on Talbot Avenue, between Blue Hill Avenue and Helen Street.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that the Commission is now in process of installing an adequate number of "Slow" signs in the newly paved Talbot Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SALE OF SCRAP IRON, DEER ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith communication from the Penal Institutions Commissioner requesting permission to sell to the State Department of Correction approximately 60 tons of scrap iron at \$15 per ton, and recommend adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Penal Institutions Department,
August 3, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Penal Institutions Department respectfully requests your Honor's submittal to the City Council for its approval of an order permitting it to sell to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Correction, approximately 60 tons of scrap iron at \$15 per ton, located at the House of Correction, Deer Island.

Recently the Penal Institutions Department changed over from generating its own electric power to purchasing it from the Edison Company. Our two unused generators, which are taking up valuable and much-needed space, were offered to the Institutions Department for possible use at the Long Island Hospital. That department had the generators surveyed by the Westinghouse Company, which reported that the generators had no value to them for the reason of being obsolete.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts will dismantle, load, and haul the generators from Deer Island, and pay \$15 a ton by certified weight. In my considered judgment no better price or arrangement can be had.

Respectfully yours,
MAXWELL B. GROSSMAN,
Penal Institutions Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Penal Institutions Commissioner be, and hereby is, authorized to sell to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Correction, approximately 60 tons of scrap iron at \$15 per ton, located at the House of Correction, Deer Island.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

FEDERAL FUNDS FOR SLUM CLEARANCE, WARD 3.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, requesting the Federal Housing officials allocate sufficient funds for slum clearance purposes in the North, West, and South End sections of Ward 3.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
August 23, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to your copy of an order presented by Councilor Lanigan and voted by the Council on July 18, 1949, it is hereby

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Federal Housing officials in Washington immediately with a view to having them allocate sufficient funds for slum clearance purposes in the North, West, and South End sections of Ward 3, Boston."

please be advised that we are presently making up a tentative program to be presented within the next two weeks to the Federal officials in Washington, and that these areas are prominently represented in the proposed Federal program.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF DOCK AND BUILDING
ON NORTHERN AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith a recommendation submitted to me by the Superintendent of Public Buildings after consultation with the Fire Commissioner and respectfully recommend the adoption of same by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
August 29, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Engine 41, located at 18 Northern avenue, Boston, is no longer needed for Fire Department purposes.

After consultation with the Fire Commissioner, it was decided that this building be transferred from the Fire Department to the care, control and custody of the Public Buildings Department.

In view of the foregoing, I respectfully request that your Honor submit the accompanying order to the Honorable City Council with the recommendation that it be approved by that Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner of a dock and building situated at 18 Northern avenue, Boston, formerly Engine 44 quarters of the Boston Fire Department; and

Whereas, The premises are no longer required for Fire Department purposes; now therefore it is

Ordered, That the dock and building situated at 18 Northern avenue, Boston, be transferred from the care, custody, control and management of the Fire Department of the City of Boston to the care, custody, control and management of the Public Buildings Department of the City of Boston.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON WEST BELLFLOWER AND WEST HOWELL STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith communication received from the Commissioner of Public Works with reference to turning over an area of land bordering on West Bellflower street and West Howell street, in the rear of Boston street, in the Dorchester and South Boston districts, and recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 22, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

As the result of negotiations which have been carried on with the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, that board has agreed to turn over to this department for its use, an area of land bordering on West Bellflower street and West Howell street, in the rear of Boston street, in the Dorchester and South Boston districts.

At the request of this office, the Law Department has prepared the attached order covering the transfer of this area of land (92,197 square feet), and in order that the transfer may be completed, I respectfully request that your Honor submit this order to the City Council for appropriate action.

A blueprint of the plan, dated August 8, 1949, and signed by the Chief Engineer of the Street Laying-Out Department, which is referred to in the order, is also attached.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated May 23, 1943, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5775, page 487, on about 56,429 square feet of land on the northeasterly side of West Howell street, being lot C, Frank L. Clapp plan, dated October 10, 1934, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5488, page 520; and

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated March 12, 1948, foreclosed a right of redemption under tax deeds recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6088, page 512, on about 45,098 square feet of land on the southwesterly side of West Bellflower street; and

Whereas, The said parcels of land hereinbefore described are in the care, custody, control and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners; and

Whereas, It is desirable that a portion of the above-described premises be used for the purposes of the Public Works Department; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the following described parcel of land be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the care, custody, control and management of the Public Works Department of the City of Boston:

A certain parcel of land situated in the Dorchester and South Boston districts of the City of Boston bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by land of Clara P. Horton et al, five hundred thirty-five and 51-100 (535.51) feet; northeasterly by land of Herman Banquer, eighty-five and 58-100 (85.58) feet; southeasterly by land of Agrippino Singarella and the northwesterly line of West Howell street, one hundred thirty-two and 23-100 (132.23) feet; northeasterly by West Howell street, one hundred twenty-nine and 54-100 (129.54) feet; southeasterly by lands of Stanley and Bonislawa Bakula, Rozalia Grydlak, and Egnae and Julia Samsel, eighty (80) feet; southwestly by lands of Blanche Paul, Jennie and Walenty Pawlowski, and Chester and Laura Polasek, one hundred twenty-three and 8-100 (123.08) feet; southeasterly by land of Blanche Paul and the northwesterly line of West Bellflower street, one hundred twenty (20) feet; northeasterly by West Bellflower street, thirty-five and 87-100 (35.87) feet; southeasterly by land of John and Elizabeth Trasky, eighty (80) feet; northeasterly by lands of John and Elizabeth Trasky and land of Joseph and Albina Dombroska, seventy-one and 33-100 (71.33) feet; southeasterly by lands of Bradford and Catherine Hill and other land of the City of Boston, one hundred (100) feet; southwestly by proposed street and land of John Bowen Company, two hundred eighty-three and 13-100 (283.13) feet; containing 92,197 square feet of land as shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Boston Street, Dorchester and South Boston, August 8, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Pasquale C. Bondi, for compensation for damage to property at 5 Howland street, Roxbury, caused by broken water pipes.

Lorenzo H. Frisello, for compensation for damage to automobile caused by ball thrown from Franklin Park Golf Course.

E. M. Loew's Theatres, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at National Theatre, 535 Tremont street, caused by city truck.

Amelia A. Martin, for compensation for personal injuries caused by alleged defect in front of 166 Newbury street.

Edith M. Trippier, for compensation for personal injuries due to alleged defect of sidewalk in front of 153 Walworth street.

Licenses.

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on Bennington and London streets, East Boston.

Petition of Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

Executive.

Petition of Sara A. McDonnell to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Edward A. McDonnell, late member of Police Department.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at River street veterans' housing project of \$11,497.50 for additional loan; at Victory road veterans' housing project of \$495,397 for general contract, and at Morton-Lennoco streets veterans' housing project of \$669,729 for general contract.
Severally placed on file.

ALTERATION OF PLANS OF STATE HIGHWAY.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of alteration of plans on a section of the State Highway in Boston.
Placed on file.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOSTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

A copy of the Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund from September 1, 1947, to August 31, 1948, was received.
Placed on file.

HOT WATER FACILITIES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange to have hot water at the disposal of all school children in our Boston school buildings.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONVERSION OF HOUSING PROJECTS TO CHAPTER 200, STATE HOUSING ACT.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority has constructed multiple unit dwellings for veterans under chapter 372, such as the veterans' housing now located on Farragut road, South Boston; and
Whereas, At the time these projects were considered, chapter 200 relating to the State Veterans' Housing Provisions was not available to construct projects which were built under chapter 372, therefore, the then State Chairman of Housing requested the Boston Housing Authority to file for said multiple dwelling units under chapter 372, which is the City Housing Program, and later on they could convert to the chapter 200 State Program; and

Whereas, Due to the high cost of construction of said multiple dwelling units under chapter 372, and due to the fact that said chapter 372 does not provide for any subsidy from the State as in chapter 200, the rents in these multiple dwelling units range from \$60 to \$80 a month, not including electricity; therefore be it

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to apply to the State Board of Housing for the conversion of all chapter 372 multiple dwelling unit projects to chapter 200, State Housing Act, so that veterans may be afforded the opportunity of taking advantage of the subsidy provided by the State and also the 40-year amortization period, which is provided under chapter 200, so that the rents in such projects may be comparable to

those in the D street and other projects constructed under chapter 200; and be it further

Ordered, That copies of this order be sent to the Chairman of the State Board of Housing and the Boston Housing Authority.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON BREWSTER STREET, WARD 7.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on Brewster street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT ON TAX RATE FOR 1949.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Finance Commission, August 24, 1949.
The Honorable the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

Following its annual custom, the Finance Commission undertakes to analyze the 1949 tax rate, cite the factors which enter into its computation, and make such pertinent comment and explanation as will provide an understanding by the public of as many phases as possible of a vital but complex matter. The figures upon which this analysis is based have been supplied to the Commission by the Boston Assessing Department.

The 1949 rate is the highest in the history of the city. There is no doubt it has had a restraining effect on business, and a depressing reaction on home owners. It comes at a time of business uncertainty, and in a city which the Federal Government has adjudged to be a center of unemployment at the moment. Locally added burdens of expense do not encourage optimism.

A much higher rate than the \$56.80 established had been predicted and expected. A much higher rate was averted only by reason of the fact that the determining officials took fullest advantage of every possibility permitted under the law to obtain a high level of assessable value and, at the same time, utilized every particle of the freedom allowed in estimating offsets to the requirements of expenditure.

An illustration of this point which can be readily understood is the fact that although in the ten months following the 1948 tax rate declaration the assessors abated approximately \$85,000,000 of the assessable valuations on which the 1948 rate was based, the 1949 assessable valuations were determined to be \$19,500,000 higher than the original 1948 valuations. In view of the lowering trend in sales prices, the paucity of taxable new properties, and the decreased amounts of the inventories in mercantile establishments, the increase in 1949 over the eventual valuation of 1948 was unexpected, yet it was well over \$100,000,000. Without this boost alone the rate would have been more than \$60.

It is plain, therefore, that keeping the 1949 rate close to the 1948 rate is no great relief to owners of the large commercial and industrial properties. As the result of the high taxable valuations determined, the same "pulling and hauling" for abatements which has characterized recent years will now start all over again.

Another illustration that "the bottom of the barrel" was scraped to keep the rate down lies in the use of the estimate of revenues from regular sources. To arrive at the declared rate it was necessary, first, to estimate that the city would receive dollar for dollar the amount received last year from departmental revenues; and then, to add a total of \$3,570,325.79 to the original estimate of expected yield from corporation and income taxes. This was permitted by the State Tax Commissioner, but at this time and under present conditions, it might be said to be a gamble.

A third illustration is the use of \$5,410,000 of the questionable "Surplus Revenue Account" to offset the expenditure requirements. Until two years ago this account was not considered in tax rate computations. It is only a book figure and because of the way it is developed it is impossible to determine what part of it represents, actually, cash. It is derived in the balance sheet by pitting so-called assets against liabilities and reserves. These so-called assets include the full amount of

all outstanding taxes of every form, though it is well known that a very large percentage of them will never be collected. It includes also the deficit in the overlay account which is that part of the total taxes refunded for which no provision had been made in the year of the assessment. This latter total now amounts to well over \$7,000,000. It is actually a cash deficit but it is listed in the assets on the theory that the city can include it in the next levy. Opinion, even among taxation experts, is not unanimous that Boston's use of it is sound judgment.

It became the practice two years ago to treat the difference between the total of the book surplus in the balance sheet and the amount of uncollected taxes at the end of March as cash on hand; in other words, to use the amount of the taxes collected between January 1 and April 1 as cash on hand to apply against the levy. How-

ever, the City of Boston obtained special permission from the Tax Commissioner to use taxes collected in 1949 to July 26 as the cash available for tax reduction purposes. Naturally, the use of taxes collected during these extra months to keep the 1949 rate down will prove a handicap in determining the rate in 1950 because it took away from next year's administrators a large part of the normal opportunity in this connection.

It may be seen, therefore, that the use of a sharp pencil in figuring taxable values and available credits averted for another year, at least, the long predicted tax rate in the \$60's.

Broadly, the tax rate computations are made up of three principal figurings: (1) the requirements by warrants and appropriations, (2) the credits and deductions, (3) the totaling of the valuations of taxable properties. In the following, they will be treated in that order.

TABLE 1.
WARRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

	1948.	1949.
City Maintenance Requirements.....	\$66,084,985 64	\$76,568,460 37
County Maintenance Requirements.....	4,851,548 47	5,349,221 71
School Maintenance Requirements.....	20,861,569 05	22,408,375 62
School Buildings, Alterations, etc.....	1,678,238 31	3,316,068 72
School Debt Requirements.....	242,205 00	176,391 25
City Debt Requirements.....	7,530,449 42	8,363,683 94
County Debt Requirements.....	158,137 50	143,315 00
Pension Accumulation.....	1,838,083 00	1,763,828 00
State Tax.....	—	—
Metropolitan Assessments, etc.....	943,400 69	1,271,689 76
Governor Square Rental Deficiency.....	—	—
Huntington Avenue Rental.....	—	—
State-Boston Retirement.....	360,000 00	351,158 16
Overlay Deficits:		
1930-1936.....	2,062 69	4,390 28
1937.....	7,592 59	1,633 09
1938.....	12,009 82	275,860 77
1939.....	303,338 31	291,107 09
1940.....	307,730 74	7,454 49
1941.....	262,746 73	11,897 08
1942.....	907,418 25	156,630 34
1943.....	995,201 20	280,326 59
1944.....	1,236,137 51	474,127 05
1945.....	1,706,742 79	817,081 28
1946.....	1,830,566 95	1,113,831 76
1947.....	—	2,110,534 38
1948.....	—	278,588 97
MTA Railway Deficit.....	507,032 50	5,745,655 91
MTA Rentals.....	224,536 44	225,339 80
Boston Elevated Railway Deficit Interest Charges.....	1,334 04	1,680 20
Boston Elevated Railway Declaratory Judgment.....	35,661 21	2,993 17
MTA Rental Interest.....	—	1,033 80
Totals.....	\$112,288,728 85	\$131,512,358 58

The first startling item is the increase in the appropriation for city departmental maintenance. In 1948 it was \$66,084,985. In 1949 it is \$76,568,460. This is an increase of approximately 16 per cent.

County maintenance requirements — formerly a rather constant figure — increased approximately 10 per cent from \$4,851,548 in 1948 to \$5,349,222 in 1949.

The total school appropriation rose from \$22,539,807 in 1948 to \$25,724,444 in 1949.

To adequately appreciate the extent to which the cost of the distinctly municipal functions have increased in the past five years, there is listed next a summary of the appropriations, by purpose, in the form of a comparison of 1945 with the present year.

CITY WARRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

PURPOSE.	1945.	1949.
Schools.....	\$16,514,836	\$22,408,375 62
School Buildings (Alterations).....	1,098,840	3,316,068 72
Schools, Debt Requirements.....	444,091	176,391 25
Statutory Payment on Loans.....	438,000	477,000 00
Interest on City Debt.....	1,327,580	1,619,832 80
Serial Debt.....	6,487,395	6,743,851 14
Sinking Funds.....	8,088	—
Fire Department.....	4,795,131	9,623,284 57
Health Department.....	931,566	1,427,778 84
Institutions Department.....	1,558,354	2,700,203 95
Hospital Department.....	4,604,905	11,228,765 00
Park Department.....	2,228,225	3,032,705 76
Police Department.....	6,546,382	10,837,671 69
Public Library.....	1,311,008	2,504,285 00
Public Welfare.....	*8,666,579	16,167,130 72
Public Works Department.....	7,315,738	10,937,379 88
Department of Veterans' Services.....	560,027	1,148,623 84
Sumner Tunnel Deficit.....	218,179	—
Governor Square Rental Deficit.....	114,576	—
General Purposes (city).....	3,436,626	6,108,631 12
Huntington Avenue Deficit.....	106,109	—
Overlay Deficits.....	1,954,441	5,823,463 17
Administrative Survey.....	—	50,000 00
State-Boston Retirement Fund.....	—	351,158 16
Emergency Allowance (Compensation).....	1,250,000	—
Pension Accumulation Fund.....	2,660,831	1,763,828 00
Snow Removal.....	—	325,000 00
Total City and Schools.....	†\$74,577,517	\$118,771,429 23

* \$700,000 Loan (1945-73-October 23, 1945) added for comparison.

† Cents omitted.

THE DEBT REQUIREMENTS.

The increase of \$833,234 in the amount which the 1949 taxpayers must provide to meet the city debt requirements is alarming enough in itself; but it is likely to be heavily increased during the next few years because more than \$22,000,000 of borrowings have been authorized which have not yet been issued. Hence, carrying charges on this total have not yet begun. In the current year, \$5,500,000 have been added to this total. It is a burden that future administrations must bear, though the present administration enjoys the making of the commitments provided for thereunder. The debt burden is definitely on an upward trend once more, after a decade of steady decrease.

OVERLAY DEFICITS.

The deficit in the overlay account (the account to which refunds of taxes are charged) which must be included in the tax requirements happens to be \$1,748,084 less in 1949 than in 1948. However, upon analysis, little encouragement can be found therein. The figure used in both years in tax rate determination was the January 1 figure.

By statute the assessors must add not less than 3 per cent of the net requirements (after estimated income is deducted) to arrive at the total of the tax levy. The overlay figure used in 1949 computations is the bare minimum required by statute. Again, it is less than one half the amount which the experience of each of the last several years proved necessary, but had the assessors used a

larger figure the rate would have been correspondingly higher. Meeting the tax situation fairly has again been postponed. A later administration will have that burden also.

THE MTA RAILWAY DEFICIT.

The increase here from \$507,032 in 1948 to \$5,745,655 in 1949 has been publicized so much

that the reasons therefor are well known. While it appears in the requirements account as a substantial new charge, it is cushioned in the "Credits and Deductions" account by an almost identical sum authorized by chapter 572 of 1949. In other words, the 1949 legislative enactment permits the city to borrow this amount. This is another debt burden for future years.

TABLE 2.
CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS.

CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS.	1948.	1949.
Estimated Receipts (Auditor).....	\$11,600,000 00	\$13,223,500 00
Estimated Receipts (Authorized by Henry F. Long).....	—	2,388,202 79
Educational Income Schools.....	2,213,340 00	2,448,176 84
Income Tax (State).....	5,261,928 37	4,130,236 57
Henry F. Long Letter, February 18, 1949 (Additional).....	—	1,182,123 00
Corporation Tax (State).....	4,521,089 69	4,313,699 69
State-Owned Lands (State).....	70,275 33	73,844 38
Motor Vehicle Excise (Auditor).....	1,000,000 00	1,500,000 00
Old Age Meals (State).....	275,267 07	275,084 49
City Treasurer Certificate: 1949—Chapter 572.....	—	5,745,000 00
Loans (Welfare).....	—	2,000,000 00
Poll Tax.....	516,416 00	510,450 00
1947—Chapter 422 (State-Boston Retirement—offset).....	360,000 00	—
Available Funds (Surplus Revenue Appropriation), July 26, 1949,	5,000,000 00	5,410,000 00
Gas and Electric Franchise.....	61 19	90 12
Boston Elevated Railway Deficit.....	5,686 75	—
Hospital-Home Care of Civil War Veterans.....	15 00	—
Totals.....	\$30,824,079 40	\$43,200,407 88
Net Requirements before Overlay.....	\$82,064,649 45	\$88,311,950 70
Overlay (3 per cent, 1948).....	2,413,830 15	2,649,358 50
Poll Tax Added.....	\$84,478,479 60	\$90,961,309 20
	516,416 00	510,450 00
Amount to Be Raised by Taxation on Real and Personal Property, Including Polls, in 1948 and 1949.....	\$84,994,895 60	\$91,471,759 20
Assessed Valuation.....	\$1,581,994,000 00	\$1,601,431,500 00
Tax Rate.....	\$53 40	\$56 80

The amount to be raised by taxation in 1949, as given to the Finance Commission by the Board of Assessors, is \$6,476,863.60 more than in 1948. Since the total of "Warrants and Appropriations" is \$19,223,629.73 more than in 1948, it required a number of fortuitous circumstances to avoid the more serious consequences which naturally would be expected from the greater requirements imposed in 1949. The principal buffers to the higher requirements were, first of all, the higher valuations of property; and secondarily, the higher estimates of "Credits and Deductions." In the latter category, the receipts estimated to come from regular departmental operation make up the largest item.

In the use of this item, the city — of itself — is restricted to the amount of the yield in 1948, which was \$13,223,500; but that amount may be increased by permission of the State Tax Commissioner. The State Tax Commissioner gave his permission to add \$2,388,202, not because of a confidence that the yield in departmental revenues in 1949 will be that much greater, but because of the likelihood that Boston will receive from the state that much more in income and corporation tax proceeds than the State Tax Commissioner

originally certified for the tax rate computations. Hence, this increased yield in revenue will come from an entirely different source than is indicated. Usually, excess tax proceeds from the state come late in the year and help the cash situation materially but have no effect on the tax rate of the year.

Unlike, therefore, the situation in all previous years, the income tax excess in 1949 was estimated before the rate was declared, and the amount of that estimated excess was used in the rate computations. The rate was lowered thereby. It remains to be seen how the city will fare in its cash situation at the end of the year.

Therefore, adding other certifications by the State Tax Commissioner to the one above mentioned for use in computing the rate for 1949, it appears that the city will receive from the state a net increase of \$2,231,244 in 1949 over 1948 in revenue from corporation and income tax. This materially helped to keep the rate down.

WELFARE LOAN.

The city borrowed \$2,000,000 in 1948 to add to the tax appropriations for the expenditures for

public welfare. The borrowing came in 1948 after the rate had been determined. It therefore was not included in 1948 tax rate computations.

In 1949 the city has begun to borrow similarly much earlier. The loan was authorized in June when the tax rate for 1949 had not been determined. There is nothing on the "Requirements" side of the rate computation to match the listing of the borrowing on the "Credits and Deductions" side. Therefore, the authorization of the loan serves as an offset to the listed requirements. It saved a dollar in the rate. The next administration will bear the burden of paying off that debt, too.

USE OF SURPLUS REVENUE ACCOUNT.

It has now become customary, after two years' experience, to use the "Surplus Revenue Account" to keep down the rate. As previously indicated, this account is the difference on the balance sheet between listed assets and listed liabilities and reserves. Opinion is divided as to the propriety of the use made. Some items in the list of assets bear slight resemblance to assets. At any rate, the figure used is becoming larger with each year. Last year it was \$5,000,000; but this year it is \$5,410,000. This device saved a few dollars in the rate.

TABLE 3.
SUMMARY OF GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

	1948.	1949.
Total City and Schools.....	\$106,167,078 00	\$118,771,429 23
Total County	5,009,685 97	5,492,536 71
Total City, Schools, and County.....	\$111,176,763 97	\$124,263,965 94
State Warrants.....	1,711,964 88	7,248,392 64
Grand Total.....	\$112,888,728 85	\$131,512,358 58

Table 3 shows that it is the increased figure for city expenditure, as distinguished from county and state requirements which is primarily responsible for the huge sum of total appropriations. Of the total appropriations figure of \$131,512,358 for 1949, city and school expenditures account for \$118,771,429. Moreover, of the increase in the 1949 total appropriations over 1948 figure, amounting

to \$19,223,629, the increase in city and school expenditures accounted for \$12,604,351. It should be noted that although state warrants rose from \$1,711,964 in 1948 to \$7,248,392 in 1949, the latter figure includes the item of \$5,745,655 for the MTA deficit; the latter is offset by a credit item of \$5,745,000 which more than wipes out the increase in state warrants.

TABLE 4.
COMPARISON OF REAL ESTATE VALUATION.

WARD.	1948.	1949.
1.....	\$48,844,800	\$49,300,600
2.....	40,387,900	38,299,900
3.....	460,014,500	466,598,300
4.....	90,187,200	94,239,900
5.....	170,400,900	171,181,200
6.....	79,443,900	80,370,400
7.....	26,023,800	25,785,900
8.....	24,951,600	25,181,500
9.....	25,971,400	26,210,200
10.....	18,976,300	18,920,500
11.....	25,773,100	25,766,600
12.....	29,929,700	30,073,100
13.....	23,110,600	23,186,900
14.....	42,928,100	43,241,000
15.....	20,353,500	20,463,900
16.....	33,639,400	34,129,900
17.....	32,933,000	33,462,500
18.....	47,303,000	47,765,300
19.....	32,479,200	32,499,600
20.....	49,310,400	52,227,400
21.....	74,437,400	74,867,700
22.....	44,215,600	45,345,700
Totals.....	\$1,441,620,300	\$1,459,118,000

Real Estate 1949.....	\$1,459,118,000	Personal Estate 1949....	\$142,313,500
Real Estate 1948.....	1,441,620,300	Personal Estate 1948....	140,373,700
Gain.....	\$17,497,700	Gain.....	\$1,939,800
Total Real and Personal 1949.....		\$1,601,431,500	
Total Real and Personal 1948.....		1,581,994,000	
Total Gain.....		\$19,437,500	
Real — Gain.....		\$17,497,700	
Personal — Gain.....		1,939,800	
Total Gain.....		\$19,437,500	

It is revealed in Table 4 that in the 1949 increase in real property valuations amounting to \$17,497,700 the increase in four of the city's 22 wards accounted for 84 per cent of it. These wards are 3 and 4, the downtown wards, and 20, West Roxbury, and 22, which comprises what is known as old Brighton and old Allston.

The wards of heaviest valuation are Wards 3, 4, 5, 6, and 21. In 1930 when Boston Real Estate valuations reached their highest figure, \$1,827,460,600, these five wards represented 66 per cent of the total valuation; in 1949 they represented 60 per cent. Ward 3, the most heavily valued of the downtown wards represented 37 per cent of valuation in 1930; today it represents 32 per cent.

The determination of the tax rate, and thereby the final determination of the valuations assessed, was delayed until the city's agents before the Legislature had exhausted all possibilities of relief from that source. Finally face to face with a substantially augmented total of requirements to be financed, and having gone as far as was deemed prudent in estimates of revenue other than municipal taxation, those charged with the duty of arranging for the financing had to fall back upon the old standby, the property valuation to prevent a rate that might cause strong repercussions in the coming mayoralty election. The political philosophy being that the owners of properties used for business purposes do not loom large in the voting list in comparison with the owners of residential properties, it is the owners of the business properties who suffer most from

the high valuations. On the other hand, the number of influential agents of one kind or another who make a handsome living out of the procurement of abatements appear to have another year's substantial business to anticipate. The taxpayer usually pays substantially for his abatement in costs of one kind or another. As pointed out previously, the increase of \$17,497,700 in real property valuation admitted by the assessors in their release when the tax rate was announced, is nowhere near the amount of the actual increase over the 1948 valuations.

The June 15, 1948, valuations were later reduced almost \$100,000,000 by the time that the 1949 tax rate was declared. The usual comparisons of assessed valuation from one year to another, and with other cities, do not take this important fact into account.

It should be kept in mind that this method of keeping the rate down actually costs the taxpayers many dollars. The city must not only pay back to the taxpayers to whom abatements are granted, the amount of the unwarrantable taxes collected, but must pay to those taxpayers also a 4 per cent interest on the amount of the tax refunded. There is added cost first to the taxpayer in compensation to those hired to obtain the abatement, and secondly to the city for the services of various attorneys and experts engaged to work out the amount of the abatement to be granted.

The following table shows how the valuation total on which the rate was based was subsequently reduced by abatements:

	1946.	1947.	1948.
Assessed Valuation at Tax Declaration Time.....	\$1,536,385,600	\$1,558,610,900	\$1,581,994,000
Overlay Requirements.....	2,182,112 (3.5%)	2,319,727 (3.3%)	2,413,830 (3%)
Overlay Deficits to May 31, 1949.....	1,378,697	2,583,711	2,242,177
Refunds — Overlay Account to May 31, 1949....	3,560,810	4,903,438	4,656,007
Refunds Converted to Valuations.....	84,000,000 (approximately)	105,000,000 (approximately)	87,000,000 (approximately)
Valuations as Reduced by Abatements.....	1,451,000,000 (approximately)	1,453,000,000 (approximately)	1,494,000,000 (approximately)

VALUATIONS.
AMOUNT OF INCREASES OR DECREASES — 1948, 1949.

WARD.	Real.	Personal.
1.....	+\$455,800	+\$55,800
2.....	-2,088,000	-166,600
3.....	+6,583,800	+2,578,300
4.....	+4,052,700	+47,000
5.....	+780,300	-530,500
6.....	+926,500	-380,400
7.....	-242,900	+12,400

VALUATIONS. — *Concluded.*
AMOUNT OF INCREASES OR DECREASES — 1948, 1949.

WARD.	Real.	Personal.
8.....	+\$229,900	-\$134,100
9.....	+238,800	-23,600
10.....	-55,800	-30,800
11.....	-6,500	+212,000
12.....	+143,400	+74,400
13.....	+76,300	+6,000
14.....	+312,900	-27,200
15.....	+110,400	+71,500
16.....	+490,500	+43,600
17.....	+529,500	+20,100
18.....	+462,300	+25,900
19.....	+20,400	+55,800
20.....	+2,917,000	+34,600
21.....	+430,300	-81,500
22.....	+1,130,100	+86,100

TABLE 5.
COMPARISON OF PERSONAL ESTATE.

WARD.	1948.	1949.
1.....	\$1,149,900	\$1,205,700
2.....	799,800	633,200
3.....	88,157,000	90,735,300
4.....	995,700	1,042,700
5.....	35,600,800	35,070,300
6.....	2,401,900	2,012,500
7.....	712,400	724,800
8.....	1,170,100	1,036,000
9.....	1,212,200	1,188,600
10.....	418,600	387,800
11.....	490,200	702,200
12.....	397,600	472,000
13.....	244,600	250,600
14.....	1,026,500	999,300
15.....	291,500	363,000
16.....	608,600	652,200
17.....	459,100	479,200
18.....	1,251,500	1,277,400
19.....	609,300	665,100
20.....	562,200	596,800
21.....	1,001,400	919,900
22.....	812,800	898,900

Total.....	\$142,313,500 — 1949
Total.....	140,373,700 — 1948
Gain on Personal Estate.....	\$1,939,800

Table 5 shows the valuations of personal property increased by \$1,939,800 in 1949, by approximately the same per cent as in the case of real estate. A comparison of ward-by-ward changes in real estate valuations and personal property valuations between 1948 and 1949 reveals some curious phenomena. Ward 4 gained \$4,052,700 in Real property, but only \$47,000 in Personal property. Ward 6 gained almost a million dollars in Real

property, but lost almost four hundred thousand in Personal property. Similar disparities in other wards may be noted.

Personal property valuation had decreased from \$148,371,800 in 1947 to \$140,373,700 in 1948. The trend in this valuation, as determined by the assessors for taxation purposes, is therefore upward again since they fixed \$142,313,500 as the value of personal property in 1949.

TABLE 6.
COMPARISON OF POLL TAXES.

Ward.	1948.	1949.
1.....	17,238	17,096
2.....	8,346	8,152
3.....	19,426	19,520
4.....	12,236	12,968
5.....	12,243	12,048
6.....	8,394	8,236
7.....	10,880	10,752
8.....	8,849	8,825
9.....	11,116	11,053
10.....	8,779	8,603
11.....	9,347	9,277
12.....	12,484	12,176
13.....	9,465	9,314
14.....	17,262	16,767
15.....	8,599	8,534
16.....	11,114	10,958
17.....	10,648	10,487
18.....	14,650	14,956
19.....	9,609	9,448
20.....	12,451	12,497
21.....	13,249	12,832
22.....	10,823	10,726
Total.....	258,208	255,225

Total.....258,208 — 1948.

Total.....255,225 — 1949.

Loss.....2,983

The population of Boston, as indicated by the number of assessable males, continues to drop. Table 6 shows that the number of polls (males 20 years and over) is 2,983 less than in 1948. From the high point of 260,487 reached in 1947, the 1948 figure dropped to 258,208. The total loss since 1947 in assessable polls, amounting to 5262 (males 20 years and over) is significant.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
ALEXANDER WHEELER,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNIFF,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

CONFERENCE RE UNEMPLOYMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor together with the Boston City Council immediately call a conference for all industrial labor leaders and civic leaders for the purpose of urging the employment of thousands of our unemployed citizens; said conference to be held at the Council Chamber with a blueprint for a full working program.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON LORNE STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on Lorne street in the Dorchester district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred August 22) of Eugene David Tobias as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the confirmation of the appointment. Committee, Councilors Chase and Cook. Whole number of ballots 12; yeas 11, nays 1, and the appointment was confirmed.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

PURCHASE OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES BY
OLD AGE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare be instructed by his Honor the Mayor to issue a directive notifying all visitors in the Division of Old Age Assistance that they are not to endeavor to influence recipients of Old Age Assistance as to where prescriptions for medicines and medical supplies are to be filled, provided, of course, that the recipient lives within the allowance for such medicines and medical supplies furnished by the Old Age Assistance Division.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL BLOOD
CENTERS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor establish a position in the Boston Health Department of health officer whose duty it shall be to examine all prospective blood donors at commercial blood donor centers and; he it further

Ordered, That the salary and expense of said health officer shall be paid by the commercial establishments operating blood donor centers.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAVING LORNE STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to repave Lorne street in the Dorchester district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN
STREETS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the installation of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Stellman road, Ward 19.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the installation of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Westchester road, Ward 19.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the installation of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Archdale road, Ward 19.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for the installation of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Johnwood road, Ward 19.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

RESTORATION OF CAR LINE FROM
SOUTH STREET TO DUDLEY STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to restore the car line from the old car barn on South street to Dudley street, with a 5-cent fare, to save patrons the inconvenience of having to change at South Huntington avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT CRAWFORD AND
HAROLD STREETS, WARD 12.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights or control at the intersection of Crawford street and Harold street, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF TREE ON EAST
BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree in front of 375 East Broadway, South Boston, because of its interference and hindrance with the operation of the funeral home at that location.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF CAR STOP FROM BROAD-
WAY AND DORCHESTER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to move the present car stop at Broadway and Dorchester street to Silver and Dorchester streets because in its present location it hinders traffic in both directions where automobiles follow the Dudley Street cars.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
ROBERT KNOX HEALEY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of O street and East Broadway, South Boston, in honor of Pfc. Robert Knox Healey, I Company, 3d Battalion, 22d Marines, Sixth Division, who lost his life at Okinawa on June 18, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT TYLER AND OAK
STREETS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Tyler street and Oak street in Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WALTHAM STREET
AND SHAWMUT AVENUE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Waltham street and Shawmut avenue in Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS OF VOTING MACHINES.

Coun. BEADES, HANNON, and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold public demonstrations of the voting machines to be installed in Wards 13, 15, and 16, and any other wards where installed, and that sufficient time be allowed so that all the voters of the precincts where these machines are to be installed may become personally familiar with their operation.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COMPLETION OF WORK AT ADAMS STREET, MINOT STREET, AND GALLIVAN BOULEVARD.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Commissioner of Public Works to immediately undertake the work at the junction of Adams street, Minot street, and Gallivan Boulevard, for which plans have already been approved for the removal of the island and which will eliminate a very dangerous intersection when the work is completed.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURVEY OF GAS LAMPS IN WARD 16 SECTION OF DORCHESTER.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to order an immediate survey of all gas lamps in the Ward 16 section of Dorchester with a view to checking on their operation so that those not in working order may be immediately repaired.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.55 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor Wenzler at 3.17 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of land on West Howell and West Bellflower streets from Board of Real Estate Commissioners to Public Works Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of dock and building, Northern avenue, from Fire Department to Public Buildings Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale by Penal Institutions Commissioner of 60 tons of scrap iron at \$15 per ton to State Department of Correction—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION IN PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed request for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying order, is forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving Service, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$30,000, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Lighting Service, B-42, Miscellaneous Services, \$18,000, C-17, Miscellaneous Equipment, \$12,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO AUDITING AND BUDGET DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

At the request of the City Auditor and the Budget Commissioner, I submit herewith an order providing for the transfer of \$11,000 from the Reserve Fund to cover the employment of expert assistance in connection with certain changes which have been recommended in the financial administration of the city.

The survey of this phase of the activities of the city contains two principal recommendations:

1. Revision of the classification of accounts.
2. Installation of a standard invoice system.

The present classification of accounts has been in existence since the establishment of the segregated budget system in 1916, and the present method of handling invoices has been in operation since 1922. With the changes that have taken place during the past three decades in business and finance, it seems desirable to provide for the installation of these improved methods in the financial structure of the city.

With the proposed appropriation an intensive study will be made of existing procedures; determination will be made as to what changes and improvements are feasible; standard practice instructions will be prepared; and supervision, consultation, and active assistance will be provided during the period of installation.

In the belief that the proposed improvements will not only strengthen the financial administration of the city, but will also make readily available to the Mayor, members of the City Council, and department heads, adequate financial information, I respectfully recommend adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provision of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$11,000, to the appropriation for Auditing Department, B-28, Expert, \$3,500; Budget Department, B-28, Expert, \$7,500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 22) for appropriation of \$33,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, for Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 13, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—13.
Nays—0.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, it was voted that when the Council adjourned, it be to meet on Monday, September 12, 1949, at 2 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on ordinance (referred August 15) concerning amendment of ordinances *re* Fire Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

CIRCLE AT KANE SQUARE, WARD 15, ONE WAY.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to look into the possibility of making the circle at Kane square, Ward 15, one way, due to the many accidents which have occurred at this location since the adoption of the new trackless trolleys.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CITY-OWNED VACANT LOTS FOR COMMUNITY PARKING.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Real Estate Division with a view to using city-owned vacant lots for community parking this coming winter.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO APPEAR BEFORE CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to appear before the City Council Executive Committee today.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

The order was passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Chase, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.40 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor Wenzler at 4.33 P.M.

ENLARGE HOUSING PROJECT ON MORTON STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to increase the housing project now under construction on Morton street, Forest Hills, by taking the Morton estate adjacent thereto; and be it further

Ordered, That a substantial number of new apartments in said construction be designed to accommodate large families.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted to adjourn at 4.35 P.M., to meet on Monday, September 12, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, September 12, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President HURLEY in the chair and all the members present.

HOLIDAY LEAVE FOR FIREMEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, disapproved, the proposed ordinance concerning the holiday leave of members of the fire-fighting force of the Fire Department passed by your Honorable Body on August 29, 1949.

My objections thereto are that the proposed ordinance is an unlawful infringement of the statutory powers of the Fire Commissioner. Under St. 1885, c. 266, s. 6 (as amended by St. 1889, c. 320), and St. 1909, c. 486, s. 5 (as most recently amended by St. 1936, c. 152), the Fire Commissioner under the general supervision and control of the Mayor has the power to fix the salaries of the employees in the Fire Department. The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts has on more than one occasion expressly decided that a general grant of authority to fix salaries includes the subsidiary power to decide what temporary absences without loss of pay shall be granted employees. See *Quinlan v. Cambridge*, 320 Mass. 124; also *Averell v. Newburyport*, 241 Mass. 333, 335, and cases cited.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Thomas L. Brown, 20 Saunders street, Allston; John R. McLean, 157 Roxbury street, Roxbury; and George J. Maitland, 29 Murdock street, Brighton, as Constables without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bonds, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Francis J. Melville, Jr., 332 Bunker Hill street, Charlestown, Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Joseph F. Dunn, 5 Park street, Medford, and Henry J. Olsiewski, 71 Milton avenue, Dorchester, as Weighers of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

AMENDING BUILDING CODE RE SIDE-WALK ELEVATORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Building Commissioner, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the amending of the Building Code with respect to sidewalk elevators.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Building Department,
September 1, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Building Commissioner be requested to amend the Building Code with respect to sidewalk elevators.

These particular regulations are promulgated by the State Board of Elevator Regulations and as such become a part of the Boston Building Code. The State Board is now engaged in revising the regulations, and when these regulations become effective no new installations of sidewalk elevators will be permitted. Upon the completion of the new regulations, a study will then be made of existing elevator installations, including the sidewalk elevators. It is expected that these regulations will correct many of the hazards that now exist.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN J. MAHONEY,
Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NEW FIRE STATION, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the construction of a new fire station in the Egleston Square district of Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, August 31, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Reference is made to City Council order of August 15, 1949, relative to the construction of a new fire station in the Egleston Square district of Ward 11. There is now a fire station at 3089 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, housing the companies of Engine 42 and Ladder 30. Recently a structural defect was noted in the main floor of the building, which has been corrected with the approval of the Building Department.

The present location, however, is not satisfactory, as the building itself is obsolete and cannot properly house the modern fire apparatus purchased during the past two years of your Honor's administration.

Response on the part of the apparatus has been frequently delayed due to congested traffic on Washington street in front of the fire station.

I am in agreement with Councilor Tracy, who introduced the order, that a better location is desirable—possibly on Columbus avenue, in close proximity to Egleston square. No funds, however, have been provided for such a project.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RENAMING OF STREET IN HONOR OF LEO H. MACDONALD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the renaming of Buffalo street, Ward 22, as MacDonald street, in honor of the memory of Pvt. Leo H. MacDonald.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Board, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor Shanley, requesting the renaming of Buffalo street, Ward 22, as MacDonald street, in honor of the memory of Pvt. Leo H. MacDonald.

In this connection I would advise that in naming streets it is the policy of the Board of Street Commissioners to avoid duplicating names already in existence. McDonald avenue, Brighton, a private way, extends from Speedway avenue to Everett street. It is within one mile of Buffalo street, and, therefore, the renaming of Buffalo street as MacDonald street would only add to the confusion of duplicate street names.

Very truly yours,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS, IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the corner of K street and Marine road, South Boston, in honor of Harold G. Kelsey.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor Linehan, requesting the naming of the square at the corner of K street and Marine road, South Boston, in honor of Harold G. Kelsey.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Taft and Pleasant streets, Dorchester, in honor of James O'Connor.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor Hannon, requesting that the intersection of Taft and Pleasant streets, Dorchester, be named in honor of James O'Connor.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your

order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at Asticou road and St. Ann street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of John A. Coughlin.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor McCormack, requesting the naming of the square at Asticou road and St., Ann street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of John A. Coughlin.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the intersection of Dalkeith street and Howard avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Adolph Ravitz.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor Hannon, requesting that the intersection of Dalkeith street and Howard avenue, Dorchester, be named in honor of Adolph Ravitz.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the square at the corner of E street and West Fourth street, South Boston, in honor of Michael F. Nee.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor Wenzler, requesting that the square at the corner of E street and West Fourth street, South Boston, be named in honor of Michael F. Nee.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming

of the square at Centre street and May street, Jamaica Plain, in honor Robert E. Mulhern.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of August 15, 1949, introduced by Councilor McCormack, requesting the naming of the square at Centre street and May street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Robert E. Mulhern.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for the latter part of October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Severally placed on file.

**NAMING OF PARK IN HONOR OF
PATRICK X. FLAHERTY.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the naming of the park in the D Street Housing Project in honor of Patrick X. Flaherty.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 24, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge, for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of Council order of Councilor Wenzler, requesting the naming of the park in the D Street Housing Project in honor of Patrick X. Flaherty.

Please be advised that inasmuch as this locus is under the control of the Boston Housing Authority, over which this committee has no jurisdiction, we would suggest that you contact the Housing Authority.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

BAKER STREET WIDENING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 8, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the widening of Baker street at the railroad bridge, near the corner of Belle avenue, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 6, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston,

Dear Sir:
In answer to the attached order of the City Council of August 22, 1949, that the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to widen Baker street at the railroad bridge, near the corner of Belle avenue, Ward 20, I beg to report as follows:

This year, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad abandoned the Dedham branch and removed the tracks and bridge structures at the Baker Street Overpass. This location has been

considered a serious traffic hazard for many years. Overhead clearance was several feet less than safe minimum. The net roadway width between bridge abutments is less than 17 feet, and two vehicles may pass only at reduced speed. A survey and plan for the widening of Baker street in this vicinity will be completed at the earliest possible date. At that time an estimate of the cost will be made.

Respectfully,
CHARLES E. MANION, Chairman.

Placed on file.

MTA FARE ADJUSTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the five-cent fare on City Point-Summer Street line; issue of warrants at Uphams Corner; method of fare collections with regard to double fare; restoration of bus line from Brigham Circle to Park square; and fares for the Sunnyside area in Hyde Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
August 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:
The Trustees have directed me to reply in connection with the following orders of the City Council:

1. Five-cent fare on City Point-Summer Street line.
2. Issue of warrants at Uphams Corner.
3. Method of fare collection with regard to double fare.
4. Restoration of bus line from Brigham Circle to Park square.
5. Fares for the Sunnyside area in Hyde Park.

The Trustees will give all these matters most careful consideration, consistent with the duties imposed upon them, in an effort to operate the system within the income received.

The present situation is a period of experience and adjustment which has been made necessary because of economic factors involved.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

Placed on file.

TRIMMING OF TREES IN DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 8, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 15, concerning the trimming of the trees on Walk Hill street, Wellington Hill street, and Harvard street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 6, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I desire to acknowledge your memorandum with enclosure, City Council order that the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to trim the trees on Walk Hill street, Wellington Hill street, and Harvard street, Dorchester.

The Superintendent of the Tree Division reports that the trees on Walk Hill street have been taken care of and at the present time work is being done on the trees on Wellington Hill street. He further reports that he is unable to find any trees on Harvard street that need attention.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LIFEGUARD AT BATHING BEACH IN EAST BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the placing of a lifeguard at the bathing beach at the Orient Heights Yacht Club in East Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 25, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memorandum from your office with attached City Council order requesting the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a lifeguard at the bathing beach at the Orient Heights Yacht Club in East Boston.

The location near the Orient Heights Yacht Club used as a beach is owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This year there were signs on this area that read "Bathing Prohibited." At that time apparently it was decided by the Commonwealth that this location was too dangerous for bathing.

A channel had been dredged through the original mud flats which at certain tides, usually low tides, left a dangerous condition. Later on, as I remember it, some of the people of the section had the signs changed to "Dangerous, Deep Water." In recent weeks all of this water front, within the area as outlined, was turned over to the Public Works Department, with the agreement that a safe bathing beach would be constructed between Bayswater street and Harbor View. At the present time the area in question is not city owned.

I feel that I should send a copy of the City Council order to the Corporation Counsel for a ruling on, first, whether the city can assign a lifeguard to an area that is used as a beach but is not city owned, and, second, if we do send a lifeguard to an area that most feel is dangerous, what would be the responsibility of the city in case of an accident.

I am asking the Corporation Counsel for an immediate answer.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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CLEANING OF BEACHES IN SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the immediate removal of stones and rubbish from the bathing beaches in South Boston and the resanding of the beaches.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 29, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memorandum from your office, with attached City Council order dated August 22, 1949, reading as follows:

"That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately remove all stones and rubbish from the bathing beaches in South Boston and resand the beaches."

The removal of stones and rubbish from the bathing beaches of South Boston is done first with city help with the aid of an outside contractor. The outside contractor goes along the beaches very early in the morning and the city forces start in at 8 A.M. It is a regular routine procedure, and I daresay that under the circumstances everything is handled properly.

Many days of continuous hot weather and the disregard of the casting of litter and rubbish on the beach by the minority of the people does make the work all the more troublesome. However, at the present time, all the beaches have been cleaned up, and we have been able to catch up to the rubbish throwing. A few days of cool weather always helps out.

We resanded portions of the South Boston beaches prior to the opening of the bathing season on June 15. It is certainly inadvisable to attempt to sand any beaches at this time, especially when the season is due to expire shortly after Labor Day.

Winter storms and debris that is cast in on the beaches only move the sand around and litter up the beach, and much of the sand would be wasted that we would deposit on this area, even if the work could be done at this time, without publicly advertising for bids.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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SIDEWALK REPAIRS ADJACENT TO MARINE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the repairing of sidewalks adjacent to Marine Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 30, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum of August 23, 1949, with enclosure, order of the City Council that the Park Commission be requested to repair sidewalks adjacent to Marine Park.

The sidewalks on the Strandway side of Marine Park will soon be transferred with some other South Boston park property to the Metropolitan District Commission, and therefore any large expenditure of money for repairs at this time would be inadvisable. The walks on the Farragut road side of Marine Park are under the jurisdiction of the Public Works Department.

However, I have had an inspection made to see what can be done to improve the condition of the walks on the Strandway side. These walks are of stone dust, and I will have them regraded and rolled and put into first-class condition. The work will be done at once.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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IMPROVED LIGHTING FACILITIES, IN- DEPENDENCE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the installing of adequate lighting facilities in Independence Park, South Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 31, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated August 22, 1949, that the Park Commission be requested to install adequate lighting facilities in Independence Park, South Boston, which is extremely dark at night and dangerous to women, children, and pedestrians crossing the park.

At the present time most of the lamps and lamp fixtures in the park have been either destroyed or removed. The lamps at Independence Park are the relatively low type—that is, not too high above the ground. Naturally, they are an easy target for the hoys who want to break the globes.

At the present time we have no funds in the hudget which would take care of an entire new installation. All I can suggest now is that we give this matter consideration in next year's hudget.

Our experience with lamps at this park and other parks has been that certain youngsters are determined that the lights are not going to be kept lighted. They break the globes and bulbs, and, regardless of the installation, it would not withstand any such destruction.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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REMOVAL OF TREE ON EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the removal of the tree in front of 575 East Broadway, South Boston, in the interest of public safety.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 9, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I have your memorandum of September 6 with enclosure, Council order, that the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree in front of 575 East Broadway, South Boston.

After an inspection of this tree we have decided to remove it in the interests of public safety, which is in accordance with the provisions of laws relating to the removal of shade trees in Massachusetts.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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REPLACING SIDEWALKS ON
HARRIET STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of recent date, concerning the replacing of granolithic sidewalks on Harriet street, Brighton, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace granolithic sidewalks on Harriet street, Brighton, Ward 22, and please be advised that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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SURVEY OF WATER LINES IN WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the survey of Ward 15 water lines, to determine replacing the old water line with a new one.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 24, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:
I am in receipt of your communication regarding the order of the City Council dated August 15, 1949, reading as follows:

"That the Water Division be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of Ward 15 water lines, to determine replacing the old water line with a new one, as there have been many breaks in the lines recently."

A survey of the water pipe lines in Ward 15 will be undertaken as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN, Division Engineer.

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COMPLETION OF WORK AT ADAMS
STREET, MINOT STREET, AND GAL-
LIVAN BOULEVARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning work at the junction of Adams street, Minot street, and Gallivan Boulevard.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 6, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately undertake the work at the junction of Adams street, Minot street, and Gallivan Boulevard, for which plans have already been approved for the removal of the island, which will eliminate a very dangerous intersection when the work is completed, and this will advise you that the layout for this work has not as yet been approved by the Board of Street Commissioners, and this department can take no action until such approval is received.

This matter should be taken up with the Board of Street Commissioners, Room 401, City Hall Annex, Boston.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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REPAVING OF LORNE STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the repaving of Lorne street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department.
September 6, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repave Lorne street in the Dorchester district, and this will advise you that this street will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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LOTHROP STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 13, 1949, concerning the making of Lothrop street one way in a westerly direction.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

August 29, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 13, 1949, Requesting that Lothrop Street Be Made One Way in a Westerly Direction.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held August 25, 1949, it was voted to make Lothrop street one way from Portsmouth street to Market street, effective September 12, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT BREED AND LEYDEN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the placing of "Stop" signs on the corner of Breed street and Leyden street, East Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting "Stop" Signs on the Corner of Breed Street and Leyden Street, East Boston.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above subject please be advised that a traffic survey was made by this department which shows that there is not sufficient traffic at this intersection to warrant the erection of "Stop" signs.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

MAKING LANARK ROAD ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of

August 22, 1949, concerning the making of Lanark road a one-way street from Kilsyth road to Sutherland road.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 22, 1949, Requesting Lanark Road Be Made One Way from Kilsyth Road to Sutherland Road.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order please be advised that Selkirk road is one way from Kilsyth road to Commonwealth avenue, and if Lanark road was made one way from Kilsyth road to Sutherland road, as requested, a large area would be isolated, because there would be no approach to the area.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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TRAFFIC SIGNS IN WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the placing of "Slow" signs in Greenwood street, Arbutus street, and Balsam street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 22, 1949, Requesting "Slow" Signs in Greenwood Street, Arbutus Street, and Balsam Street.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order please be advised that orders have been issued to paint "Slow" signs in the above streets.

Permanent "Slow" signs have been in place for several years in Normandy street and Seaver street in the approaches to the intersection of Normandy and Seaver streets.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PENNY PARKING METERS IN UPHAMS CORNER.

The following was received.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the installation of penny parking meters in the Uphams Corner section of Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 22, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Penny Parking Meters in the Uphams Corner Section of Dorchester.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the above matter please be advised that we are in the process of installing penny-nickel parking meters in this section as speedily as we may, consistent with the delivery of the new meters which we expect to receive within a very short time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT CRAWFORD AND HAROLD STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated August 29, 1949, concerning the placing of traffic lights or controls at the intersection of Crawford and Harold streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 6, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Letter Dated August 29 from Your Honor with Petition and Council Order Dated August 29, 1949, Requesting Some Kind of Traffic Lights or Controls at the Intersection of Crawford and Harold Streets.

Dear Sir:

An investigation of traffic conditions in this area was made immediately upon receipt of your letter.

As a result "Slow" signs have been painted in the roadway at eight locations in the vicinity. It is believed that these caution signs will reduce the hazard, and consideration will be given to an installation of a traffic signal when a program of new signals is inaugurated.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WALTHAM STREET AND SHAWMUT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the placing of traffic lights at the intersection of Waltham street and Shawmut avenue, Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 29, 1949, Requesting Traffic Lights at the Intersection of Waltham Street and Shawmut Avenue in Boston.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order please be advised that the engineers of this department feel that the removal of the elevated structure from Washington street will permit them to make Shawmut avenue one way and Harrison avenue one way in the opposite direction, thus cutting down the number of conflicts at the intersection of Shawmut avenue and Harrison avenue.

At the present time there is no money for the installation of traffic signals.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGN AT PUBLIC SCHOOL ON HAZLETON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the erection of a "Stop" sign or a "School" sign near the public school on Hazleton street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order, Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting a "Stop" Sign or a "School" Sign Near the Public School on Hazleton Street.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to subject please be advised that, upon inspection of this area by the engineers of this department, there were found to be two "School" signs in Hazleton street, one at either side of the school.

Orders have been issued to have these signs renewed.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO RELOCATION OF BUILDINGS, EAST BOSTON DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 2A of chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, as amended by section 1 of chapter 734 of the Acts of 1949 (approved August 23, 1949), the city is authorized to appropriate not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the relocation of certain buildings in the East Boston district acquired in connection with the extension of rapid transit facilities in this district. In anticipation of the enactment of chapter 734, an appropriation of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars was provided prior to the declaration of the 1949 tax rate within the Reserve Fund. In order that the relocating work authorized by the Legislature may be carried out. I submit herewith an order providing for the transfer of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars from the Reserve Fund to a special appropriation covering the work involved. Under the provisions of paragraph (h) of section 8A of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, as amended by section 3 of the chapter 572 of the Acts of 1949, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, acting as agent of the city, will complete the work authorized by the Legislature. I recommend prompt action on the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$250,000, to the appropriation for Relocation of Buildings, East Boston District, \$250,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In accordance with the request contained in the attached communication from City Collector Daniel F. Donovan, I am forwarding herewith an order transferring the sum of \$12,000 from the Reserve Fund to the Collecting Department, for the purpose of retaining temporary employees to be used during the tax rush period, and recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Collecting Department, September 6, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The delay in sending out 1948 bills completely until March, 1949, and the prospect that 1949 bills will not be forwarded to the taxpayers until October will necessitate retention of temporary employees used in the tax rush period until December 15.

Under new regulations all 1949 vacations must be taken within the year. Previously vacations were completed in midwinter of the following year.

For the purpose of having the Collecting Department work done with the maximum efficiency, it is requested that an additional appropriation for the year 1949 of \$12,000 be allowed the department.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL F. DONOVAN,
City Collector.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$12,000, to the appropriation for Collecting Department, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$12,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO COMMONWEALTH FOR HOSPITAL PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 12, 1949.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the accompanying letter from Dr. Vlado A. Getting, Commissioner of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, requesting the conveyance, under the provisions of chapter 770 of the Acts of 1949, of a certain parcel of land situated on the northeasterly side of Morton street, being a part of the estate known as Franklin Park, for the purpose of providing for the construction by the Department of Public Health of a hospital for the care of persons suffering from chronic diseases.

I transmit also a certified copy of the vote of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston assenting to the conveyance.

The location of such a hospital on this site will be of great benefit to the citizens of the City of Boston and will also make available to the hospital the unusual medical research and educational facilities to be found within this area.

I am pleased to submit herewith an order authorizing the City of Boston to convey this parcel of land to the Commonwealth, and respectfully request passage of the same by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,

State House, September 9, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a duly certified photostatic copy of chapter 770 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "an Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Convey to the Commonwealth, without Consideration, Certain Land on Morton Street in the West Roxbury District of Said City and Providing for the Construction Thereon by the Department of Public Health of a Hospital for the Care of Persons Suffering from Chronic Diseases."

It is respectfully requested that under authority of said chapter 770 the City of Boston, through your Honor, convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without consideration, not exceeding fifteen acres of the estate on the northeasterly side of Morton Street in the West Roxbury district of Boston known as Franklin Park.

Original legislation for the construction of a chronic disease hospital providing that it be located in Stoneham has been repealed by chapter 770 as a result of a study and investigation made by a special legislative Recess Commission. This commission found that the Department of Public

Health should be authorized to locate the hospital on land in the City of Boston, such land being convenient to the public and to the profession serving the public, the site to be preferably within half an hour traveling time by rapid transit from Park street, and within the ten-cent fare zone.

In his inaugural address Governor Dever stated: "We have an urgent need for a 600-bed hospital for the treatment of the many chronic diseases. This hospital should be near to existing clinics, urban facilities, and our great medical schools if it is to function to best advantage. I shall, therefore, recommend in the capital outlay program for the coming year the inclusion of its erection on land in the City of Boston." In the capital outlay message Governor Dever included an item of \$11,000,000 for the construction of this hospital. The Legislature in chapter 790 appropriated this money in addition to funds already available for the plans. It is expected that these plans will be completed by the spring of 1950 and construction start during that year. Obviously, this new 600-bed hospital will draw its employees primarily from the City of Boston. Moreover, many of its patients will come from Boston, and a large clinic service will make it possible for the citizens of Boston to benefit from this advantageous location in the City of Boston.

This department understands that, in view of the great advantages to be derived by the City of Boston and its citizens from the establishment of this hospital in Boston, your city is willing to give to the Commonwealth the land not exceeding fifteen acres on Morton street, a section of Franklin Park, for the site of this hospital. It is respectfully urged that the City of Boston take action as soon as possible so as to assure the advantages of this hospital to its citizens at as early a time as practicable.

May I, on this occasion, as Commissioner of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, extend my deep gratitude to your Honor the Mayor, the honorable members of the City Council, and the Park Commission for this generosity. The people of the entire Commonwealth will benefit by your action.

Very truly yours,
VLADO A. GETTING, Commissioner.

CITY OF BOSTON, PARK DEPARTMENT,
33 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

VOTE.

At a special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston held on the twelfth day of September, 1949, it was

Voted, That the conveyance, without consideration, of the following-described parcel of land to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts be and hereby is assented to, viz., the parcel of land situated on the northeasterly side of Morton street in the West Roxbury district of the City of Boston, being a part of the estate known as Franklin Park, and bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the proposed line of Morton street, two dimensions: two hundred twenty-seven and 27/100 (227.27) feet and nine hundred fifty and 88/100 (950.88) feet;

Northwesterly by land of the City of Boston, two hundred ninety-eight and 06/100 (298.06) feet;

Northerly by land of the City of Boston, three hundred fifty-six and 74/100 (356.74) feet;

Northeasterly by the southwesterly proposed line of Circuit Drive, seven dimensions: twenty-five and 14/100 (25.14) feet, one hundred fifty-three and 5/100 (153.05) feet, forty-six (46.00) feet, one hundred forty-four and 88/100 (144.88) feet, one hundred twenty-two and 25/100 (122.25) feet, two hundred three and 54/100 (203.54) feet, and two hundred ninety-three and 83/100 (293.83) feet;

Southeasterly by land of the City of Boston, four hundred fifty-eight and 15/100 (458.15) feet;

Containing five hundred sixty-five thousand, five hundred eighty-one (565,581) square feet, more or less.

The said parcel of land and all of the above measurements are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Franklin Park, Morton Street, West Roxbury, March 31, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

A true copy.

John J. Murphy,
Chairman.

CITY OF BOSTON,

IN CITY COUNCIL.

Whereas, Chapter 770; of the Acts of 1949 provides as follows:

"SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of general or special law, the city of Boston, by its mayor, is hereby authorized and empowered to convey to the commonwealth, without consideration, not exceeding fifteen acres of the estate on the northeasterly side of Morton Street in the West Roxbury district of said city owned by said city and known as Franklin Park; provided, that the board of park commissioners of said city shall, by vote at a regular or special meeting of said board, assent to the conveyance; and provided, further, that said conveyance is authorized, after two separate readings, by two separate votes of two thirds of all the members of the city council of said city, the second of said readings, and votes to be had not less than fourteen days after the first.

"SECTION 2. Any land conveyed to the commonwealth under this act shall, from and after such conveyance, be held for the purposes of the state department of public health, which is hereby authorized and directed to construct on such land a six-hundred bed hospital for the care of persons suffering from chronic diseases including a nurses' home, out-patient department and other necessary facilities. For the purposes of such construction, said department may expend such sums as may be appropriated therefor.

"SECTION 3. Chapter 511 of the acts of 1946 is hereby repealed."; and

Whereas, The Department of Public Health has requested that a conveyance be made in accordance with the provisions of said chapter 770; and

Whereas, At a special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston held on the twelfth day of September, 1949, said Board voted to assent to the conveyance of the herein-after-described parcel of land to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to said chapter 770; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, that his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to convey without consideration to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and for such purpose to execute and deliver an instrument, satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, conveying to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the parcel of land situated on the northeasterly side of Morton street in the West-Roxbury district of the city of Boston, being a part of the estate known as Franklin Park, and bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the proposed line of Morton Street, two dimensions: two hundred twenty-seven and 27/100 (227.27) feet and nine hundred fifty and 88/100 (950.88) feet;

Northwesterly by land of the City of Boston, two hundred ninety-eight and 06/100 (298.06) feet;

Northerly by land of the City of Boston, three hundred fifty-six and 74/100 (356.74) feet;

Northeasterly by the southwesterly proposed line of Circuit Drive, seven dimensions: twenty-five and 14/100 (25.14) feet, one hundred fifty-three and 05/100 (153.05) feet, forty-six (46.00) feet, one hundred forty-four and 88/100 (144.88) feet, one hundred twenty-two and 25/100 (122.25) feet, two hundred three and 54/100 (203.54) feet, and two hundred ninety-three and 83/100 (293.83) feet;

Southeasterly by land of the City of Boston, four hundred fifty-eight and 15/100 (458.15) feet;

Containing five hundred sixty-five thousand, five hundred eighty-one (565,581) square feet, more or less.

The said parcel of land and all of the above measurements are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Franklin Park, Morton Street, West Roxbury, March 31, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Ramsey presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear October 3, 1949:

William H. Brennan, Ward 1; John J. Cuneo, Ward 1; John E. Hildreth, Ward 1; James Laicono, Ward 1; Augustino Martucci, Ward 1; John J. McCarthy, Jr., Ward 1; Thomas Leduc, Ward 2; Joseph Amato, Ward 3; Natale A. Romano, Ward 3; Charlie Pollard, Ward 4; Roland Howard Reid, Ward 4; Frank Haegeman, Ward 6; Coleman A. Wallace, Ward 6; John T. Keyes, Ward 7; Francis B. Mulhern, Ward 7; Henry J. Duemmling, Ward 8; Joseph Tarara, Ward 8; Peter F. Sullivan, Ward 9; Patrick J. Tansey, Ward 9; Archibald E. Fleming, Ward 10; Ralph Morton, Ward 10; Edward Vallis, Ward 10.

George Feingold, Ward 11; Charles R. Grinnell, Ward 11; Harry Dreyfus, Ward 12; Robert J. O'Brien, Ward 12; John J. Veneto, Ward 12; Chester F. Dame, Ward 13; John F. Murphy, Ward 13; Irving Sundell, Ward 14; Anthony M. Kramer, Ward 15; Walter F. Wilde, Ward 15; Rocco W. Abbruzzese, Ward 16; Nicholas P. DeMarco, Ward 16; Maurice McTigue, Ward 16; Joseph G. McDonald, Ward 17; Albert John Drottar, Ward 18; William I. Leonard, Ward 18; Herbert S. Higgins, Ward 19; Albert C. Lewis, Ward 20; George A. Burchell, Ward 21; Harry Reinherz, Ward 21; Joseph Swartz, Ward 21; Albert A. Zase, Ward 21; David M. Goldstein, Ward 22; Thomas J. Joyce, Ward 22; Thomas Von Schoppe, Ward 22.

One hundred eleven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear October 3, 1949:

Antonio Arcari, Ward 1; Bernard Colella, Ward 1; Giulio DeSantis, Ward 1; Alfred P. Fairbrother, Ward 1; Nicholas Lamberti, Ward 1; Donald W. MacPherson, Ward 1; Agrippino Palerno, Ward 1; Luigi Ricci, Ward 1; Herbert A. Rich, Ward 1; John J. Allen, Ward 2; Robert M. Cofran, Ward 2; Edward F. Dolan, Ward 2; Bernard J. Gill, Ward 2; Elmer E. Meehan, Ward 2; Emilio P. Anzalone, Ward 3; Lawrence Capachietti, Ward 3; William Goodman, Ward 3; Edward H. Springer, Ward 3; Thomas H. Williams, Ward 3; Philip Carney, Ward 4; William A. Fortune, Ward 4; Edward C. Smith, Ward 4; Lyman H. Smith, Ward 4; Edward Charles Latham, Ward 5; Paul V. Nyberg, Ward 5; Frederick T. Guerriero, Ward 6; John B. Murphy, Ward 6; John E. Murphy, Ward 6; Joseph H. Deininger, Jr., Ward 7; William J. McMakin, Ward 7; Thomas P. Miller, Ward 7; John J. Morrissey, Ward 7; John H. Stacy, Ward 7.

Joseph Thomas Burke, Ward 8; Thomas F. Connell, Ward 8; Francis B. Cooley, Ward 8; John Prisco, Ward 8; John A. McClellan, Ward 9; Thomas B. Cavanaugh, Ward 10; Frank H. McVey, Ward 10; William H. Dillon, Ward 11; Frank J. Huether, Ward 11; Paul E. Pennie, Ward 11; James L. Titus, Ward 11; Bronislaw J. Yanus, Ward 11; Osear Leveo, Ward 12; Nathan R. Sohn, Ward 12; William R. Sprague, Ward 12; Edward Baker, Ward 13; William J. Carey, Ward 13; William J. Carroll, Ward 13; John J. Casey, Ward 13; William Ferguson, Ward 13; Joseph V. Foley, Ward 13; John A. Maloney, Ward 13; Andrew E. McDermott, Ward 13; Roy F. Wood, Ward 13; Robert E. Cheveric, Ward 14; William J. Cullinan, Jr., Ward 14; Sydney Davidson, Ward 14; Francis K. Irwin, Ward 14; Benjamin L. Labins, Ward 14; Alfred I. Liberman, Ward 14; Farley Rosen, Ward 14; Maurice D. Sheinkopf, Ward 14.

Walter E. Feehan, Ward 15; Cornelius F. Hart, Ward 15; Leo McCarthy, Ward 15; Walter E. Scott, Ward 15; Charles A. Tiernan, Ward 15; James P. Bergin, Ward 16; Harry T. Collins, Ward 16; Joseph F. Culkean, Ward 16; Charles W. Dunham, Ward 16; William N. Johnson, Ward 16; Andrew B. McCulloch, Ward 16; Francis A. McGuire, Ward 16; Thomas J. Simpson, Ward 16; Salvatore DiModica, Ward 17; Max Goldman, Ward 17; John J. Linehan, Ward 17; Warren H. Poor, Ward 17; Israel Appel, Ward 18; William P. Bryant, Ward 18; Jacob Epstein, Ward 18; George L. Ettinger, Ward 18; Edward N. Lee, Ward 18; Herbert S. Lowell, Ward 18; Oliver C. MacLeod, Ward 18; Alexander J. MacNeil, Ward 18; Irving Pure, Ward 18; Roland S. Wardle, Jr., Ward 18; Harry Witt, Ward 18; Alfred Wurtz, Ward 18;

Robert T. Anderson, Ward 19; Robert C. Hauffer, Ward 19; George C. Hinderscheid, Ward 19; Chester A. Lee, Ward 19; Louis D. Dardi, Ward 20; John J. Farrell, Ward 20; Clemens E. Fischer, Ward 20; Jeffrey J. Hickey, Ward 20; James T. Jenks, Ward 20; Eugene K. Scott, Ward 20; Irving T. Bennett, Ward 21; Jerome E. Levy, Ward 21; Edward Marshall, Ward 21; Carleton E. Smith, Ward 21; Edward C. Hoffman, Ward 22; Charles M. Keefe, Ward 22; Edward J. Montague, Ward 22.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Mary Arinella for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 131 and 133 Havre street, East Boston.

Marian L. Baker, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect on walk near Public Library.

Joseph Bondi, for compensation for damage to property at 5 Howland street, Roxbury, caused by broken water meter.

Marshall Cass, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 135 Harold street, Roxbury.

Mrs. Theodore Daniel, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prince street.

Sarah Flicop, for daughter, Jean M., for compensation for injuries caused by snow and ice.

Sadie Foster, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Johnston road.

D. Fred Hurley, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Florence Irvine, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1A Green street.

Elizabeth M. Keeley, for compensation for damage to stockings caused by tar being thrown by city employees on Stuart street.

Gladys L. Kirtchik, for compensation for damage to property at 66 Brainerd road, caused by backing up of sewage.

John J. Maguire, for compensation for damage to property at 50 Bonair street, caused by backing up of sewage.

William A. Mangan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Carver street.

John H. McGann, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

H. N. Muldoon Company, for compensation for damage to truck caused by an alleged defect in Wigglesworth street.

Jeremiah J. O'Leary, Jr., for compensation for damage to property at 57 Fairview street, caused by water in cellar.

Grace and Joseph F. Reardon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

Gertrude Scudney, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred at 57 Walnut park, Roxbury, caused by leak in water main.

Max Spector, for compensation for loss of money and clothing at City Hospital.

Beatrice M. Stein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Chestnut street.

Richard Walsh, for son Vincent, for compensation for injuries caused by basketball at William Barton Rogers School.

Mrs. Leon J. Warner, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Brighton avenue and Chester street.

Woodbourne Garage, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 281 Hyde Park avenue, caused by water flowing into basement.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The Constables' bonds of Francis C. Shack and Eugene D. Tobias, having been duly approved, by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Oblate Sisters for certain children under fifteen years of age to appear at Boston Garden on September 17, 1949.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Wilfred J. Doyle, 81 Wellington Hill street, Mattapan, to be a member of the Boston Retirement Board for the term ending September 30, 1952.

Francis M. Fonseca, 40 Court street, Boston, as a member of the City Planning Board for the term ending April 30, 1952, *vice* Alfred Beck, Jr., recently deceased.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notices were received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at Arborway Veterans' Housing Project of \$153.60 for ledge removal; at North Avenue Veterans' Housing Project of \$204,888, for general contract, and of Chapter 372 Veterans' Housing Program of \$36,711.78 for refrigerators.

Severally placed on file.

LEGISLATION CONCERNING POWERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES COMMISSION.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare a bill for presentation to the next session of the Legislature, which bill will seek to take away from the Alcoholic Beverages Commission the right to approve the granting of liquor licenses and the right to approve the transfer of liquor licenses in localities where opposition is registered against such action by the Alcoholic Beverages Commission.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMEPLATE ON PORTRAIT OF MAURICE J. TOBIN.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the proper authority be directed by his Honor the Mayor to place a nameplate on the portrait of the Honorable Maurice J. Tobin, former Mayor of the City of Boston, which now hangs in the outer office of the Mayor's suite.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARES IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Brookley road and Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Pvt. Felix J. Russo, Jr., a member of the 82nd Airborne Paratroops, who lost his life on August 29, 1944, in Brest, France, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Green street and Union avenue, Jamaica Plain, in honor of Hugh B. Hynds, who lost his life on November 23, 1943, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT ATHERTON AND AMORY STREETS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install blinker signals at the intersection of Atherton street and Amory street in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON BRAGDON STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on Bragdon street in Ward 11.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAVING OF WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to pave Washington street, from Dudley street to Eggleston square, in Ward 11.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASH COLLECTIONS IN WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the contractor in charge of ash removal in Ward 11 that no collection shall start before 8 A.M.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF RECENT ASSAULTS IN FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate the recent assaults in the Franklin Park area, with a view to apprehending those responsible, and to investigate the advisability of assigning a special detail at night in Franklin Park.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

FEDERAL HOUSING PROJECTS, WARD 14

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of Ellington street, and Erie street, and the Roxbury section of Ward 14 for the purpose of securing sites for the slum clearance housing program initiated by the federal government, and that a report of such survey be presented to the Mayor with a view of taking immediate measures to bring about much needed housing in the Ward 14 district.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

"JEWISH APPEAL" PARADE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to rope off Blue Hill avenue, from Woodrow avenue to Seaver street, for the combined Jewish Appeal Parade to be held Saturday, October 1, 1949.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

ONE-WAY STREETS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make McLellan street, Wales street, Balsam street, and Arbutus street one-way streets.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GEORGE W. HALZEL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Derrington road and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Lieut. George W. Halzel, a member of

the Air Corps, who lost his life in Austria while in the service of his country during World War II.
 Passed under suspension of the rule.

OPPOSITION TO THE LICENSING OF DRIVE-IN THEATERS, WARDS 16 AND 20.

Coun. BEADES and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to immediately revoke permits which he has granted for the operation of drive-in theaters in Wards 16 and 20, and that, before any permit for either of these locations be issued for a business of this nature, a public hearing be held, and that the clergy, public officials, and the general public of these respective districts be notified and be given an opportunity to be heard; and be it further

Ordered, That an investigation be held to determine why a permit of this nature was issued without anyone being consulted as to how the residents, the clergy, and the public officials felt in this matter.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF CASE OF WILLIAM F. MCGOLDRICK.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Civil Service Commission to investigate the case of one William F. McGoldrick, now employed as a fireman with the Boston Fire Department, and to base the investigation on the attached memorandum which contains what appears to be all the necessary facts; and that this investigation be conducted as rapidly as possible in order that the injustice perpetrated on Mr. McGoldrick may be rectified.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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Sept. 6, 1949

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

On October 19, 1940, the undersigned took the examination for the position as fireman in the Boston Fire Dept., and at a later date was notified that I had passed the examination with the mark of 74.80, standing # 147 on the list.

In January 1941 I was called to active service with the United States Army and went overseas in January 1942.

In March 1942 a letter was sent to my house indicating that I was to report for a physical examination prior to possible appointment in the Dept. At that time my wife, in my absence, informed the Civil Service Commission that inasmuch as I was in the Service and overseas that I was unable to report for the physical Exam as requested. Word was received from Civil Service Commission that note had been made of my entry into the Service and that all due consideration would be granted me.

Under date of March 18, 1943 I received a notice from the Mass. Civil Service stating that five (5) permanent men on probation were desired and that if the undersign desired to be considered he should call upon Fire Commissioner Reilly. Again my wife, in my absence, notified the Civil Service that I was still overseas and unable to report and that the Commission had been previously notified of my entry into the Service.

Under date of Nov. 24 a form letter was forwarded to me at my home address from the Dept. of Civil Service and stating that applicants for Fire Service etc. who had passed the mental test but on account of entering the Armed Forces were not able to complete the physical and strength tests would be placed on the eligible list subject to certain requirements. A form was enclosed which I was to have the Chief Medical Officer in my Division sign in the event that I passed the medical Examination. On January 7, 1943, this form, signed by Dr. Brady of the Medical Detachment 182d Inf. American Div. was returned to the Civil Service Dept.

In January 1945 upon my return to the states, I contacted the Civil Service and was told that I was #6 on the list. Upon checking further at

Fire Headquarters I was informed that my permanent appointment should have been made, but due to an error appointment was not made and that as of January 1945 I would have to wait for further appointments to be made. In June 1945 I again called on the Civil Service and at that time I was told I was #3 on the list and still would have to wait until permanent appointments were called for from the March 24, 1941 list.

Upon discharge from the Service on 22 July, 1945, I called on civil Service and filed a statement of discharge from Service and also a Doctor's statement signed by Dr. Leon Crockett.

It was then suggested by the Chief of the Fire Dept. to accept, for the time being, a PMS appointment until permanent appointments were called for. On August 8, 1945 I received a PMS appointment and on Sept. 26, 1945 I received an MOP Appointment and was assigned to Ladder 23, Grove Hall.

This means that in spite of a #147 standing on the eligible list in 1941, that I had to start work at \$2000 per year, instead of full pay of \$2500. This condition existed until my appointment and seniority was dated back to May 20, 1942, by the Dept. of Civil Service with the approval of the Governor and Exec. Council on Feb. 12, 1947.

Also due to this mix up in seniority date, I was unable to take a Special Exam for promotion to Lt. I feel that because I started on the BFD as a PMS at \$2000 instead of a permanent man at \$2500 per year, there has been a difference in pay of Approximately \$638.00 from Aug. 8, 1945 to Feb. 12, 1947.

WILLIAM F. McGOLDRICK.

SUNDAY BUS SERVICE ON HALLET STREET.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, through His Excellency, Governor Dever, to immediately restore service on Sundays to the Hallet Street bus line in Dorchester, in order to give the residents of this particular section service seven days a week.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, ST. ANNE'S CHURCH.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Traffic Commission to immediately take steps to install traffic lights in front of St. Anne's Church, Neponset. This busy intersection has a tremendous volume of traffic, and, in addition to the large parish with its numerous activities, a large school is located there.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GATES AT BIRD STREET CROSSING, DORCHESTER.

Coun. HANNON and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor contact the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and other interested parties to forestall the proposed substitution of manually operated gates by automatic signals at the Bird Street crossing, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NEW BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council go on record congratulating the Jesuit Fathers in their expression of faith and confidence in the future of Boston by the erection of the new Boston College High School in the Ward 13 section of Dorchester.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, the Council voted at 3.30 P.M., to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 5.45 P.M.

COUNCILOR'S APPROVAL OF PERMITS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That it be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, that no permit be allowed in any councilor's district unless it has been signed by the councilor or councilors in whose district it is to be granted.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

KINDERGARTEN GRADE AT GAVIN SCHOOL.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a kindergarten school at the Gavin School in South Boston for the children, because they are now compelled to go to the Bigelow School or the Perkins School, both of which are approximately seven streets away and can only be reached by crossing car tracks or heavily traveled roads.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLERICAL PAY INCREASE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor grant an increase to all the clerks now on the payroll of the City of Boston; this increase to be the sum of \$300, the same increase that was given to clerks who were on the payroll prior to July 1, 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Sarah A. McDonnell (referred August 29), to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Edward A. McDonnell—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of twelve hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Sarah A. McDonnell, widow of Edward A. McDonnell, a member of the Police Department, who died on August 24, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

2. Report on petition of Catherine Bates (referred August 15), to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Philip S. Bates—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of twelve hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Catherine Bates, widow of Philip S. Bates, a member of the Fire Department, who died on June 2, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Reports accepted, and the orders passed.

3. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of \$12,000 to the Collecting Department—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

4. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred August 29) for transfer of appropriation of \$30,000 to the Public Works Department, Lighting Service—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—15.

Nays—Councilor Cook.

SALE OF LAND ON THOMAS STREET, JAMAICA PLAIN.

President HURLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

Order for sale of land on Thomas street to Jamaica Plain Overseas Veterans' Association, Inc., for \$500.

On August 15, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given a second reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

RECONVEYANCE OF LAND ON HALLOWELL AND FAVRE STREETS.

President HURLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

Order for sale of land on Hallowell and Favre streets to Renato Perfetti *et al.* and Atilio L. Pellegrini.

On August 15, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given a second reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

LOAN ORDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS, ETC.

On motion of Councilor Tracy it was voted to take up, under unfinished business, No. 4 on the Calendar, viz.:

Order for rescission of loan order for \$2,960,000 for construction of buildings, etc., and order for loan of \$2,535,000 for construction of buildings, etc.

On August 15, 1949, the foregoing orders were read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The orders were given a second reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING AUTOMATIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 101A of chapter 40 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as inserted by chapter 1, and amended by chapter 2, of the Ordinances of 1948, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 22 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended by chapter 4 of the Ordinances of 1949, is hereby further amended by inserting after clause 8 the following new clause:

8A. The annual fee for a license under section 177A of chapter 140 of the General Laws for any automatic amusement device licensed thereunder, or for any renewal thereof, shall be thirty dollars. The fee for any such license (or renewal) issued after January thirty-first in any year shall be prorated on the basis

of the number of months in which the license is to be in force compared with twelve months. The fee for every amendment of any such license (or renewal) by changing the premises specified shall be two dollars. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, the fee for any such license expiring on December 31, 1949, shall be two dollars.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON VARIOUS STREETS IN WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights during the process of setting in underground wiring through Toplift, Oakley, and Holiday streets and at the corner of Geneva avenue and Toplift street at Brody's Corner.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MTA FARE ADJUSTMENTS, BOWDOIN SQUARE TO MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the MTA officials be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reduce the bus fare from Bowdoin square to Massachusetts avenue to five cents. The present fare is five cents from Bowdoin square to Copley square and another five cents from Copley square to Massachusetts avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGN AT UNION PARK AND SHAWMUT AVENUE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a "Stop" sign at the intersection of Union Park and Shawmut avenue in the Ward 3 district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ADEQUATE MTA TRANSPORTATION, WARDS 10 AND 19.

Coun. CAREY and MCCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately provide more adequate transportation on the Allston-Dudley line, the Jamaica-Dudley line, and the Jamaica-Park Street subway line.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, IN FRONT OF ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights in front of St. Gregory's Church, Dorchester avenue, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAY AREA ON RIVER STREET.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consider the construction of a play area on the large portion of land owned by the Housing Authority which is not suitable for housing, located on River street, Mattapan.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAYGROUND ON CITY-OWNED LAND IN
HYDE PARK.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to construct a playground in the Corriganville section of Hyde Park on the land owned by the Public Works Department of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIRING OF WALKS AROUND JAMAICA
POND.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the walks around Jamaica Pond.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO HEALEY PLAY-
GROUND.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to extend the baseball backstop on Healey Playground, Ward 19, in front of 31 Firth road.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FIRTH ROAD AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Firth road, Ward 19, one way, from Florence street to Washington street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN
MORGAN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Washington street and Winship street, Brighton, in honor of John Morgan, gunner's mate 3/c USNR, a member of the Submarine Division, who lost his life May 5, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell, the Council voted to adjourn at 6.05 P.M., to meet on Monday, September 19, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, September 19, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Lane, Linehan, Ramsey, and Yerra.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CONSTRUCTION OF SAFETY ISLAND,
HANCOCK AND PLEASANT STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 15, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the construction of a safety island at the junction of Hancock street and Pleasant street in Wards 13 and 15, according to plans approved by the Traffic Commission.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 9, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works construct a safety island at the junction of Hancock street and Pleasant street in Wards 13 and 15, according to plans approved by the Traffic Commission, and this will advise you plans for same will be forwarded to the Board of Street Commissioners for their approval.

This approval is necessary before any work can be performed by the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON ARCH-
DALE ROAD, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 14, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the installing of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Archdale road, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 12, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately arrange for the installation of granolithic sidewalks along both sides of Archdale road, Ward 19, and this will advise you that it is the intention of the Public Works Department to advertise for the reconstruction of same, including the installation of sidewalks, in the very near future. After bids are received, work on this street will start just as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RELOCATION OF CAR STOP, BROADWAY
AND DORCHESTER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 14, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of September 6, 1949, concerning the relocation of car stop at Broadway and Dorchester street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
September 13, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Consideration has been given to request contained in order of the City Council, accompanying your letter of September 6, for the relocation of car stop at Broadway and Dorchester street, and our Transportation Department will arrange to move the stop to a point which we believe will not interfere with traffic.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA
General Manager.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Harriet C. Berlow, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Public Garden.

Joseph Cawley, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Andrew J. Chiesa, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

J. J. Cronin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Patsy DeBole, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Medford street.

Anna M. Duggan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Birch street.

Katherine A. Dullea, for compensation for damage to property at 74 Forest street, Roxbury, caused by negligence of city employees.

Martin Ellison, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 398 Marlborough street.

Frank J. Englert, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

William Evans, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 68 Jamaica street, caused by water being shut off.

John F. Fadden, for refund on building permit.

Charles Freiberg, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

George Garon, for compensation for damages and expenses incurred at 18 Hanson street, during removal of building near 16 Hanson street.

Benjamin Goodman, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Bridget Hagerty, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Charles P. Kelley, for compensation for damage to property at 62-66 Queensberry street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Logden's Market, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 19 Cornhill street, caused by overflow of water.

Joseph A. McMeniminn, for compensation for damage to property at 45 Bonair street, caused by overflow of sewage.

John E. Memory, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Daniel G. Milano, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Anna Moran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 405 and 407 Atlantic avenue.

James B. Richardson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 820 Washington street.

Henry W. Slater, for compensation for damage to car by car of Transit Department.

Ellio A. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 1519 River street, caused by lowering grade of street.

LEASING OF WILLIAM CULLEN
BRYANT SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the School Committee requesting authority to lease the William Cullen Bryant School, Kenilworth street, Roxbury, to Roxbury Chapter No. 66, Disabled American Veterans.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF
HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at Farragut road veterans' housing project of \$405.17 for labor and material to vent three sump pits and one bilge pump chamber.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held September 27, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for authority to increase certain passenger fares on its lines within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF RUTH CANNELL AS
CLERK PRO TEM.

Notice was received from the Library Department of the appointment of Ruth Cannell as clerk pro tem.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT A. MCGEE.

Notice was received from the Health Department of the provisional appointment of Robert A. McGee, as inspector of housing and sanitation.

Placed on file.

REASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE LEGGAT.

Notice was received from the Supreme Judicial Court of the reassignment of John C. Leggat to service on the Administrative Committee of the Probate Courts, and redesignation as Chairman of such Administrative Committee.

Placed on file.

PUBLIC HEARING RE GRADE CROSSING
AT BIRD STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Law Department to take whatever steps are necessary to insure the holding of a public hearing before any change is made in existing conditions at the grade crossing at Bird street, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT JOHN WINTHROP
SCHOOL.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Traffic Commissioner to install proper traffic signs in the vicinity of the John Winthrop School on Brookford street, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF BRADLEE STREET.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct as a public highway, Bradlee street, Hyde Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT EUSTIS STREET
AND HARRISON AVENUE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Eustis street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR
OF CHESTER A. PAGEL.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested to name the intersection at Wachusett and Walk Hill streets in honor of Chester A. Pagel, member of the First Division, Field Artillery, who was killed in action in the European theater of war on July 22, 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SELECTION OF APPLICANTS FOR
HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That John J. Coleman, Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority, be requested to appear before the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee to explain the policy now being used in selecting applicants for the various housing developments.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT P STREET AND EAST
BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the corner of P street and East Broadway, because of the many accidents between streetcars and automobiles, that occur at this corner.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHTS AT JAY AND EAST FOURTH
STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights at Jay street and East Fourth street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON SWALLOW STREET,
WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on poles that are now located on Swallow street, in Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEGISLATION RE INCREASED RETIREMENT
ALLOWANCES FOR MATRONS,
ETC.

Coun. WENZLER and ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Law Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to file a bill in the Legislature of 1950, stipulating that the matrons, janitresses, and cleaners shall receive at the time of their retirement not less than \$100 a month.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS ON
AKRON AND ALPINE STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed by his Honor the Mayor, to immediately replace the torn sidewalks on Akron street and Alpine street, Ward 12.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

LEASING OF WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT
SCHOOL.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the School Committee be hereby authorized to lease to the Roxbury Chapter No. 66,

Disabled American Veterans, the William Cullen Bryant School, Kenilworth street, Roxbury, upon such terms and conditions as said committee may deem advisable.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council voted to adjourn at 2.16 P.M., to meet on Monday, September 26, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Friday, September 23, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 P.M., Senior Member Wenzler in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hurley and Linahan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR THE MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, September 21, 1949.

Hon. John B. Hynes, City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

An order was submitted to the Council prior to the last meeting, making provisions for the appropriation of sufficient money to relocate houses in East Boston, and up to the present time, no action has been taken.

I have been informed that there is but one concern that has the necessary apparatus for the removal of these houses, and that concern has done the moving in connection with the Mystic River Bridge. I am also informed that it is their purpose to leave Boston as they have work elsewhere, unless favorable action is taken immediately.

I accordingly request this Honorable Body to assemble in its Chamber on Friday, September 23, 1949, at 1 P.M., to consider action upon this matter, and also other business which may properly come before this Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

Jacob Cohen, 738 Morton street, Dorchester, Mass., as Constable, without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond for the term ending April 30, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

SMOKE NUISANCE AT BEACON PARK, ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Department of Public Utilities, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning investigation of the smoke nuisance at Beacon Park, Allston.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Department of Public Utilities,

Division of Smoke Inspection,

September 15, 1949.

REPORT TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR,
CITY OF BOSTON.

Pursuant to Council Order Requesting the Division of Smoke Inspection to Investigate the Smoke Nuisance at Beacon Park, Allston.

The request of the City Council to make the investigation was received by this office September 7, 1949. Inspectors were assigned and made observations on the Boston and Albany roundhouses and powerstack on September 8, 9, and 12. During this time no violations of the smoke law were observed; in fact, it can be said that very little No. 3 smoke (60 per cent black) was observed at all.

The Division also secured certain information, with the idea in mind of ascertaining whether or not D.P.U. Order No. 7383 was still being complied with. We found that the railroad is still complying with the provisions of the order. In addition to the usual staff engaged in supervision, the railroad employs two smoke inspectors and an assistant combustion expert, whose sole duties are the enforcement of firing instructions.

Roundhouse employees are further made smoke conscious by the strategic placing of signs, bulletins, and posters in the roundhouses and vicinity. In addition to that, a very comprehensive manual of firing instructions has been published and distributed in pamphlet form to fire tenders and engine crews. Smoke conditions are observed daily by roundhouse foremen, as well as the railroad smoke inspectors, and all of these men make out a daily report to the Master Mechanic.

The cinders which fall on the roundhouse roof from the jacks are collected approximately every 30 days and are trucked away to a dump. Approximately 4 cubic yards of solid matter is removed each time. The railroad is still receiving and using about 90 cars of low volatile coal per month.

According to the latest available figures, during the month of July, the total Diesel locomotive dispatchments were 507 as against 2,198 steam locomotive dispatchments. This means that approximately 20 per cent of the total dispatchments from Beacon Park during the month of July were Diesel locomotives. The increasing use of Diesels means less smoke.

The fly ash accumulation in the base of the powerhouse stack is removed once a week and placed in cars for subsequent disposal. This fly ash accumulation is constantly being wet down by the use of a spraying device which prevents it from ascending out of the stack.

It is my opinion that D.P.U. Order No. 7383 is still being complied with by the railroad, and that there is less smoke, soot, and cinders emanating from the roundhouses now than formerly. Further amplification of these remarks may be seen in the "Report in Connection with the Subject Matter of D.P.U. Order No. 7383 by the Division of Smoke Inspection, Especially in Reference to Conditions Since Issuance of Above Order on December 27, 1946." This report was made to the Public Utilities Department by the Division of Smoke Inspection under date of February 15, 1949, copies of which were forwarded to your office, in triplicate, at that time.

Conditions today are substantially the same as described at length in that report.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. DOYLE, Director.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF STREETCAR TRACKS
ON WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, September 16, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order dated July 25, 1949, concerning the removal of the tracks on Washington street from Grove Hall to Codman square.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,

September 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Since the receipt of your letter of September 6, with order of the City Council requesting the Metropolitan Transit Authority to immediately remove the tracks on Washington street from Grove Hall to Codman square, the matter has been discussed with Mr. R. C. Dwyer, Division Engineer of the City of Boston Public Works Department, who advises that the City of Boston proposes to cover over the abandoned tracks between these limits in connection with resurfacing of the entire roadway, and it will, therefore, not

be necessary for the Metropolitan Transit Authority to perform any work in connection with this project.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.
Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF JOYCE ROAD,
WARD 18.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of June 13, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying out of Joyce road, Ward 18, as a public bigway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge for the Board receipt of Council order introduced by Councilor Cantwell, requesting that Joyce road, Ward 18, be accepted and laid out as a public highway.

I beg to advise that Joyce road, a private way, extends approximately 350 feet northerly from Wood avenue, Hyde Park. Six houses have recently been constructed on the westerly side. Land on the easterly side is vacant.

It is estimated that construction would cost \$8,750.

It is quite likely that the now vacant land on the easterly side of Joyce road will be developed within a few years and it is recommended that the request for acceptance be taken under advisement for consideration in 1950.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF EDNA ROAD,
WARD 16.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying out of Edna road, Ward 16, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge for the Board receipt of Council order introduced by Councilor Beades, requesting that Edna road, Ward 16, be accepted and laid out as a public bigway.

I beg to advise that Edna road, a private way in Dorchester, extends 330 feet westerly from Granite avenue. Eight recently constructed dwellings face thereon. The rear of four parcels of property facing Milton street also abut this street. There is no adjacent land vacant.

A petition of the abutters is on file.
It is estimated that construction can be completed at a cost of \$8,250.

A survey has been ordered and a hearing may be held on or after October 26, 1949.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF BEAUFIELD STREET,
WARD 16.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying out of Beaufield street, Ward 16, as a public way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge for the Board receipt of Council order introduced by Councilor Beades, requesting that Beaufield street, Ward 16, be accepted and laid out as a public bigway.

In this connection would advise that Beaufield street, a private way in Dorchester, extends 250 feet westerly from Granite avenue. Nine recently constructed dwellings face thereon. There is no adjacent land vacant.

A petition of the abutters is on file.
It is estimated that construction can be completed at a cost of \$6,300.

A survey has been ordered and a hearing may be held on or after October 26, 1949.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF MANNING AND GILMAN
STREETS, WARD 18.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 16, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of July 25, 1949, concerning the acceptance and laying out of Manning and Gilman streets, Ward 18.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I acknowledge for the Board receipt of Council order introduced by Councilor Cantwell, requesting that Manning and Gilman streets, Ward 18, be accepted and laid out as public highways.

I beg to advise that Gilman street, a private way, extends from Mount Calvary road to Canterbury street, West Roxbury, a distance of 450 feet. Thirteen dwellings are situated on this street. Only two small lots are vacant.

Manning street, also a private way, extends from Gilman street approximately 600 feet to Sutton street. Ten dwellings and a group of greenhouses are located on said street. Five vacant lots also abut thereon.

Petitions for both streets are on file.
Estimated cost of construction of Gilman street is \$11,500.

Estimated cost of construction of Manning street is \$15,000.
Surveys have been ordered and hearings may be held on or after October 26, 1949.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNS,
WARD 13.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order

of August 15, 1949, concerning the placing of "Stop" or "Slow" signs at the intersection of Magnolia and Wayland streets, and also at Howard avenue and Hartford street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: City Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting "STOP" or "SLOW" Signs at the Intersection of Magnolia and Wayland Streets and also at Howard Avenue and Hartford Street, Ward 13.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that orders have been issued to erect a "Slow" sign in the southeast side of Magnolia street, 52 feet southwest of Bird street.

Our engineers report that there are "Slow" signs already in place at the intersection of Howard avenue and Hartford street.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

CIRCLE AT KANE SQUARE, WARD 15,
ONE WAY.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the making of the circle at Kane square, Ward 15, one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.
Boston Traffic Commission,
September 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to Council order of August 29, 1949, in which Councilor Ramsey requests that the Traffic Commission look into the possibility of making the circle at Kane square in Ward 15 one way, due to the many accidents that occurred in this location since the advent of the new trackless trolleys:

Our engineers do not believe that the present island located in the throat of Bowdoin street at Hancock (Kane square) lends itself to a rotary traffic movement.

We have no reports of any accidents involving personal injuries and neither have the police at Division 11.

Respectfully,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

PAVING OF WASHINGTON STREET,
WARD 11.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the paving of Washington street, from Dudley street to Eggleston square in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 19, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner pave Washington street, from Dudley street to Eggleston square in Ward 11, and this will advise you that the work of repaving this street will be advertised for bids

during the present week, and it is anticipated that the work will be accomplished this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO CITY
COUNCIL AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS
DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:
There is forwarded herewith a request from the President of the City Council for the sum of \$2,300 for the employment of temporary employees to cover the vacation period.

There is also forwarded herewith a request from the Superintendent of Public Buildings for the sum of \$5,000 to offset a deficit of that amount in the payments made in connection with the upkeep of the First Corps Cadets Armory.

In compliance with these requests there is forwarded herewith an order transferring from the Reserve Fund the sum of \$2,300 to the City Council budget, and \$5,000 to the Public Buildings Department budget.

Consideration and adoption of this order by your Honorable Body is recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$7,300, to the appropriation for City Council, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$2,300, Public Buildings Department, F-6, Military, \$5,000.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM INCOME OF
PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith a request from the Superintendent of Printing for an additional appropriation of \$75,500 to provide sufficient funds for the salary increases granted in accordance with trade union scale of wages; additional trainees under the Veterans Administration Training Program; and to provide for the purchase of increased quantities of paper stock necessary for the proper functioning of the department.

In accordance with this request there is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$75,500 from the revenue of the Printing Department, and consideration and adoption of this order by your Honorable Body is recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, an additional sum of \$75,500 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Printing Department for the following purposes:

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.	
A. Personal Service	\$20,500
1. Permanent Employees	\$14,500
2. Temporary Employees	6,000
E. Materials	55,000
13. Miscellaneous Materials	\$55,000
	\$75,500

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RETIREMENT AND CANCELLATION OF
SUMNER TRAFFIC TUNNEL BONDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On December 1, 1929, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, c. 297, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating \$50,000 and bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum. These bonds were fifty year bonds; but, fortunately, they contain an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on December 1, 1949. Funds for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on December 1, 1949, have been provided for by a bond issue under St. 1945, c. 361 at a much lower interest rate. Those funds are now in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

St. 1945, c. 361, under which the refunding bonds were issued, expressly prescribes that the earlier bonds be called for cancellation at the earliest date permitted, viz., December 1, 1949. Transmitted herewith is the draft of an order to carry out the mandate of the statute. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Whereas, Under date of December 1, 1929, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, c. 297, registered Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, in the aggregate principal amount of \$50,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 of each year, which bonds are due December 1, 1979, with an express provision for call, retirement and cancellation by the city on any interest date after twenty years from the date of issue; and

Whereas, St. 1945, c. 361, s. 3, provides that, if Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, are issued under said chapter 361, the city shall call, retire, and cancel, at the earliest date permitted, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in accordance with their terms; and

Whereas, Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, were issued under said chapter 361; Now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the aforesaid issue of 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated December 1, 1929, and due December 1, 1979, be, and hereby are, called for retirement and cancellation on December 1, 1949; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the City Treasurer of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to give notice of said call during the month of October, 1949, in both of the following ways: (a) by causing a notice of call to be printed once in a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Boston, and (b) by mailing such a notice to the registered holders of record of said bonds at their most recent addresses on file with said Treasurer, by registered mail, return receipt requested; And it is hereby further

Ordered, That the aforesaid notice of call shall be in substantially the following form:

CITY OF BOSTON
in the
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
NOTICE OF CALL OF BONDS FOR
RETIREMENT AND CANCELLATION.

To Holders of 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated December 1, 1929, and Others Concerned.

Public notice is hereby given that all outstanding 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated December 1, 1929, and due December 1, 1979, have been called for retirement and cancellation on December 1, 1949, on which date interest on such bonds will cease.

Payment of the face amount of each of said bonds, with any accumulated unpaid interest to December 1, 1949, will be made by the City of Boston on and after December 1, 1949, upon presentation of the bond at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Massachusetts.

City Treasurer of the City of Boston.
October, 1949.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Tributary Theatre of Boston for certain children under fifteen years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on October 1, 7, 8, 14, and 15.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

NEW BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL
BUILDING.

A communication was received from the Jesuit Fathers thanking the City Council for its resolution adopted re new Boston College High School.

LAYING OUT OF SECTION OF STATE
HIGHWAY, PORTER STREET, EAST
BOSTON.

Communications were received from State Department of Public Works on the laying out of a section of State Highway on Porter street, East Boston.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF
HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of Expenditures of \$2,875 for plumbing changes to conform to revised plans at the Columbia Road Veterans' Housing Project, and of \$653.03 for correction of soil condition encountered in connection with excavating for the basement of house on Lot 1 at the North Avenue Veterans' Housing Project.

Placed on file.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Keenan, the Council voted at 1.21 P.M., to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Senior Member Wenzler at 2.30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred September 12) for transfer of appropriation of \$250,000 from the Reserve Fund to Relocation of Buildings, East Boston—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

2. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for calling for retirement and cancellation of Traffic Tunnel Bonds—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

3. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$75,500 from income of Printing Department—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

4. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of \$7,300 from Reserve Fund to City Council, Temporary Employees, \$2,300, and to Public Buildings Department, Special Items, \$5,000—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.
Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred September 12) for conveyance of land on Morton street to the Commonwealth for hospital purposes—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON BLACKINTON STREET TO FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication received from Russell S. Codman, Jr., Fire Commissioner, requesting the transfer of a parcel of land on the northwesterly side of Blackinton street, East Boston, to the Fire Department, for the purpose of erecting a new fire station at this location.

The School Committee on July 29, 1949, acting under the provisions of chapter 587 of the Acts of 1949, voted to transfer this land to the Fire Department.

I submit for your consideration an order whereby the transfer by the School Committee to the Fire Department may be accepted in accordance with the requirements of the statute, and I recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Very truly yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, September 22, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I respectfully request that your Honor introduce an order into the City Council asking that Body to accept the provisions of chapter 587 of the Acts of 1949, which was approved July 22, 1949, and become effective on that date.

Chapter 587 authorizes the School Committee of the City of Boston to transfer to the Fire Department control and charge of any part or parts, or the whole of the land, on the northwesterly side of Blackinton street, between Ashley and Leyden streets, in the East Boston district.

Under date of July 29, 1949, the School Committee passed an order transferring the above-mentioned land to this department.

The land is to be used for the erection of a new fire station which will give better protection to the Orient Heights section of East Boston.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Whereas, Chapter 587 of the Acts of 1949 provides as follows:

"SECTION 1. The school committee of the city of Boston is hereby authorized to transfer to the fire department of said city control and charge of any part or parts or the whole of the land on the northwesterly side of Blackinton street, between Ashley and Leyden streets, in the East Boston district of said city, held by said city for school purposes. Said transfer shall take effect upon the acceptance thereof by vote of the city council of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise. Hereafter so much of said land as is transferred hereunder shall be under the control and charge of said fire department, and shall be held like any land held by said city for the purposes of its fire department.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

and
Whereas, At a meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston held July 29, 1949, it was:

"Ordered, That in accordance with authority granted in chapter 587 of the Acts of 1949, the School Committee of the City of Boston hereby transfers to the Fire Department of said city control and charge of a certain parcel of land on the northwesterly side of Blackinton street, between Ashley and Leyden streets, in the East Boston district of said city, bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point on the north corner of Ashley and Blackinton streets and running northeasterly 118.96 feet along Blackinton street; thence turning and running northwesterly 51 feet along land now owned by the City of Boston; thence turning and running southwesterly 119 feet along land owned by the City of Boston; thence turning and running southeasterly 55 feet along Ashley street to a point of beginning, and containing approximately 6,247 square feet more or less."

and
Whereas, The above-described parcel of land is shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Ashley Street, Blackinton Street, East Boston, September 22, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department"; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the transfer by the School Committee on July 29, 1949, of the parcel of land, hereinbefore particularly described, on the northwesterly side of Blackinton street in the East Boston district be, and the same hereby is, accepted.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the order was passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN L. O'BRIEN.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Cambridge street and North Harvard street, Allston, in honor of Second Lieut. John L. O'Brien who lost his life on March 24, 1945, in Wessel, Germany, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

HEALTH UNIT, WEST ROXBURY-ROSLINDALE AREA.

Coun. BRYAN, McCORMACK, and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, It is requested, through his Honor the Mayor, that Dr. John Cauley, the Health Commissioner, take immediate steps to build a health unit in the West Roxbury-Roslindale area which covers an area of nine square miles with 68,339 inhabitants and also to take immediate steps to provide adequate temporary quarters for the health unit as they are trying to conduct their business under embarrassing conditions in the auditorium of the Roslindale Municipal Building.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT POLES IN EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a light pole in front of St. John's Church on Saratoga street and one in front of St. Lazarus Church on Ashley street in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor McCormack, the Council voted at 2:44 P.M., to adjourn, to meet on Monday, September 26, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, September 26, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Senior Member Wenzler in the chair. Absent, Councilor Hurley.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

William Corrigan, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Carmella DiPaolo, for compensation for damage to property at 50 Putnam street, East Boston, during negligent installation of water meter.

Leonard J. Geiger, for compensation for damage to property at 37 Arden street, caused by overflow of catch-basin.

Marceline Gillis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 17 Court street.

Herbert T. Hertz, for compensation for damage to property at 81 Bateman street, Roslindale, caused by raising level of street.

Arthur B. Johnson, for compensation for damage to property at 87 Humboldt avenue, caused by leak in water pipe.

Clotilde Keegan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.

Paul C. McShane, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

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Nora Myskowski, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 17 Howard street.

Jeanette Rakov, for compensation for damage to property caused by city car.

Arthur H. Rochefort, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in Centre street.

John A. Sheehan, Griffin & Burns, Inc., for compensation for damage to car of Andrew McQuade, caused by fire truck.

Richard R. Thompson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

James J. Waters, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Water Division.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES.

Communication was received from the Supreme Judicial Court of the assignment of Arthur L. Eno as judge of the Appellate Division for the Northern District, and Charles F. Gadsby as presiding judge for the Northern District, both for the period beginning on October 1, 1949, and expiring on September 30, 1950, said designations to continue for the period specified and until a new designation is made.

Placed on file.

CITY ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That meetings of the citizens of this city qualified to vote for city officers be held, at the several polling places designated for the purpose by the Board of Election Commissioners, on Tuesday, the eighth day of November, 1949, to give in their votes for Mayor, for two members of the School Committee for a term of four years

and for one member of the City Council in each ward; also to give in their votes "yes" or "no" in answer to the following question:

"Shall the City of Boston adopt the form of government defined as Plan A under the provisions of an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and consisting of a mayor, a city council of nine members elected at large, and a school committee of five members elected at large, with all candidates therefor being nominated by preliminary elections?"

The polls at said meeting shall be opened at 8 o'clock A.M. and closed at 8 o'clock P.M.

Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of said meetings according to law.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CITY ELECTION, PROVISIONS RELATING TO.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the provisions of sections 55, 56, and 57 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, be, and hereby are, suspended and made inapplicable as to the several questions to be voted upon at the city election to be held on November 8, 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAYGROUND AT GALLIVAN BOULEVARD AND WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to immediately start playground construction at the corner of Gallivan Boulevard and Washington street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC CURBING ON AGAWAM STREET, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to install granolithic curbing on Agawam street, Ward 16.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAHANT AVENUE ONE WAY FROM ADAMS TO NEWIALL STREETS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make Nahant avenue, in Dorchester, one way going east from Adams street to Newhall street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested to contact the State Public Works Commissioner and the Board of Commissioners at the East Boston airport in regards to building the stadium, beaches, and other recreational facilities for the people of East Boston to replace Wood Island Park which was taken away from them for the airport.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FOOTBRIDGE ON PRESCOTT STREET.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the State Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to build a footbridge on Prescott street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred August 15) of Patrick J. McCarthy as Constable without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred August 29) of Robert P. Colbert as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

3. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred September 12) of Francis J. Melville, Jr., as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

4. Reports on appointments by the Mayor (referred September 12) of Joseph F. Dunn and Henry J. Olsiewski to be Weighers of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Linehan. Whole number of hallots, 14, yeas 10, nays 4, and the appointments were confirmed.

5. Reports on appointments by the Mayor (referred September 12) of John P. McLean, George J. Maitland, and Thomas L. Brown as Constables without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Keenan and Shanley. Whole number of hallots 15, yeas 11, nays 4, and the appointments were confirmed.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON
VARIOUS STREETS IN WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of traffic lights at Geneva avenue, Columbia road, Bowdoin street, Washington street, Morton street, and Harvard street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

AUTOMOBILE PARKING ON STREETS,
WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to hold a conference with the Police Commissioner and members of the Traffic Commission for the purpose of expediting plans for parking cars on one side of the streets in the Ward 14 area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO FRANKLIN FIELD

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of Franklin Field for the construction of up-to-date playground areas, and general and complete renovation of the Franklin Field grounds.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SEAVER STREET TO NORMANDY STREET
ONE WAY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to study the advisability of making Seaver street to Normandy street one way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NOTICE TO COUNCILORS OF SURVEYING
OPERATIONS.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all city departments likely to conduct surveying operations in Boston that they notify the various councilors as to the start of the survey and the purpose of it; and he it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to ask the State Department of Public Works to do likewise.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred August 15) creating office of Second Assistant City Collector—that same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was rejected.

ROTARY TRAFFIC CIRCLE AT FRANCIS
G. KANE SQUARE.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a rotary traffic circle at Francis G. Kane square, corner of Bowdoin and Hancock streets, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON EAST SIXTH
STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install cement sidewalks on East Sixth street, between N and O streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON CERTAIN STREETS,
WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Stop—Children" signs at the corner of O and East Seventh streets, Ward 6, and also at O and East Fourth streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FOOTBALL GRIDIRONS AT FRANKLIN
FIELD PLAYSTEAD.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect goal posts and lay out two football gridirons in the Franklin Park playstead.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING CATCH-BASINS AT O AND
EAST SIXTH STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean the four catch-basins at the corner of O and East Sixth streets, Ward 6, and replace one of the covers which is in a dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, STRATHMORE AND SUTHERLAND ROADS.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks in front of 69-75 Strathmore road and 79 Sutherland road, Ward 21, which is the same property.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ONE WAY ON CUMMINGS ROAD.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Cummings road, Ward 21, a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, TACOMA STREET, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface and install granolithic sidewalks on Tacoma street, Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on Carroll, Francesca, and Dent streets, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SOUNDING OF HORNS NEAR NEW SCHOOLBOY STADIUM.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the school authorities who are to operate the new schoolboy stadium to

provide proper signs in the parking area requesting patrons not to sound their horns in the surrounding residential area following night games.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF BAKER PLACE, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Baker place, Ward 20, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT ON MAYO STREET, WARD 3.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on Mayo street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NATIONAL CONVENTION PARADE, OCTOBER 1.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the route of the Marine Corps League National Convention Parade to be held on Saturday, October 1, 1949, expenses to be charged to appropriation for Flags, Ropes, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa, the Council voted to adjourn at 3 p.m., to meet on Monday, October 3, 1949, at 2 p.m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 3, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Coffey, Cook, and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT BREED AND LEYDEN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the placing of "Stop" signs on the corner of Breed street and Leyden street, East Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting "Stop" Signs on the Corner of Breed Street and Leyden Street, East Boston.

Dear Sir:

Further investigation was made of above subject and at a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held September 22, 1949, it was voted to make Leyden street, East Boston, a "Stop" street, at Breed street.

This regulation becomes effective on October 10, 1949, and the necessary signs will be erected at that time.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AT CRAWFORD STREET AND HUMBOLDT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 29, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the placing of "Stop" signs at the intersection of Crawford street and Humboldt avenue, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Requesting "Stop" Signs at the Intersection of Crawford Street and Humboldt Avenue, Roxbury.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held on September 22, 1949, it was voted to make Humboldt avenue, Roxbury, a "Stop" street, at Crawford street, effective October 10, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

FIRTH ROAD AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the making of Firth road, Ward 19, one way from Florence street to Washington street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 12, 1949, Requesting That Firth Road Be Made One Way from Florence Street to Washington Street.

Dear Sir:

Further replying to the above Council order, please be advised that Firth road, Roslindale, was made two way from Florence street to Washington street so that people living in Firth road would have an approach to their homes.

If Firth road were to be made one way, people would not be able to enter without making a detour of at least one half a mile because of the one way in Florence street. Therefore, I recommend that no action be taken on this request.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS IN VICINITY OF JOHN WINTHROP SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of September 19, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic signs in the vicinity of the John Winthrop School on Brookford street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 23, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 19, 1949, Requesting Traffic Signs in the Vicinity of the John Winthrop School on Brookford Street, Ward 13.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that I have issued orders to erect the signs requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

ASH COLLECTIONS IN WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the removal of ashes in Ward 11 before 8 A.M.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

To Martin J. Finn, Secretary, Mayor's Office.
From Daniel M. Sullivan, Acting Commissioner, Public Works Department.
Subject: Order in Council.

Receipt is acknowledged of order in Council, request of Councilor Tracy, under date of September 12, 1949, as follows:
"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to

instruct the contractor in charge of ash removal in Ward 11 that no collection shall start before 8 A.M."

The work under the contract for the collection and removal of refuse in this district has, for a great many years, started earlier than 8 A.M. It would be impracticable and unrealistic to change these hours both on account of the habits of the public as well as the constantly increasing congestion during the later hours of the day in this vicinity.

DANIEL M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner of Public Works.
Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS ON AKRON AND ALPINE STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 19, 1949, concerning the replacement of the torn sidewalks on Akron street and Alpine street, Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 27, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace the torn sidewalks on Akron street and Alpine street, Ward 12, and this will advise you that the work requested on the above-named streets was started as of yesterday, September 26, 1949, and will proceed as rapidly as possible.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAIRING OF WALKS AROUND JAMAICA POND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 29 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the repairing of the walks around Jamaica Pond.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 28, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated September 12, 1949:

"Ordered, that the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the walks around Jamaica Pond."

I have issued instructions to advertise for bids for furnishing gravel and filling for building out the slopes from the banks to the water and filling in the depressions of the walks around Jamaica Pond.

This work will be advertised in this week's (Saturday, October 1) *City Record*, and bids will be opened at this office on Friday, October 7, 1949.

I feel that this is the first step in the restoration of the walks and banks along the shores of Jamaica Pond.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS TO HEALEY PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the extending of the baseball backstop on Healey Playground, Ward 19, in front of 31 Firth road.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 23, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Executive Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Commission to extend the baseball backstop on Healey Playground, Ward 19, in front of 31 Firth road, Roslindale.

During the past couple of years the backstop, opposite 31 Firth road, at the Healey Playground has been extended in length and in height. It is now 30 feet high and 70 feet long. I know of no way, using the present framework of this backstop, to make the backstop any higher. It is as high as it can be built unless we start using something like telegraph poles and even then some foul balls would go over the backstop. I would suggest some means of cutting down on the foul balls going over the backstop by moving the home plate nearer to the backstop.

We have made two moves to try to satisfy the people who live at 31 Firth road, by raising the backstop as high as we can and lengthening it, also.

I would advise waiting until the opening of the baseball season next spring before taking any further steps in the matter.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NEW RENT SCHEDULES FOR WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning new rent schedules for those now receiving public aid.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Welfare Department,
September 21, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention: Lawrence P. Gilligan, Chief Clerk.

Dear Sir:

This department is in receipt of the following order of the City Council, dated July 18, 1949:

"Ordered: That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Public Welfare to negotiate new rent schedules for those now receiving public aid."

The Board of Overseers wishes to advise that rental allowances as set up by the State Department of Public Welfare have not been increased, but in any special case where a difficulty is encountered the social worker has the right, upon the individual's request, to ask for an exception for rental above that allowed in the mandatory state budget.

Very truly yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ADEQUATE MTA TRANSPORTATION,
WARDS 10 AND 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning transportation on the Allston-Dudley line, the Jamaica-Dudley line, and the Jamaica-Park Street Subway line.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
September 26, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With your letter of September 14 you submitted order of the City Council requesting that more adequate transportation be provided on the Allston-Dudley Street line, the Jamaica Plain-Dudley Street line, and the Jamaica Plain-Park Street Subway line.

New schedules were placed in effect on these lines on September 12, 1949, which provide for increased service as follows:

Allston-Dudley Street line—from 252 trips to 319 trips per day.

Brigham Circle-Dudley Street line—from 16 trips to 56 trips per day.

Centre Street-South Huntington Avenue-Dudley Street line—from 190 to 205 trips per day.

Arborway-Park Street Subway line—from 197 to 233 trips per day, which includes an increase in train trips from 116 to 133.

This is in accordance with our usual practice of putting into effect fall timetables to meet the requirements of increased riding compared with riding during the summer months.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

Placed on file.

CLERICAL PAY INCREASE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Department, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning an increase to all the clerks now on the payroll of the City of Boston in the amount of \$300, the same increase that was given to clerks who were on the payroll prior to July 1, 1949.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, September 23, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of an order passed September 12, 1949, by the City Council, reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor grant an increase to all the clerks now on the payroll of the City of Boston; this increase to be in the sum of \$300 (three hundred dollars), the same increase that was given to clerks who were on the payroll prior to July 1, 1949."

All employees of the City of Boston who were on the city payrolls prior to July 1, 1949, received the general increase of \$300. It was the understanding when this increase was granted that in all cases where a range of compensation with a minimum, maximum, and intermediate steps was in effect for particular groups, the maximum only would be increased. Therefore, all persons employed subsequent to July 1 would start at the minimum rate. This arrangement applies not only to the clerical force, but to all groups of employees having a range of compensation.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PUBLIC HEARING RE GRADE CROSSING
AT BIRD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 27, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Law Department, relative to your order of September 19, 1949, concerning the holding of a public hearing before any change is made in the existing conditions at the grade crossing at Bird street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, September 23, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

You have transmitted to me the following order passed by the City Council on September 19, 1949:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Law Department to take whatever steps are necessary to insure the holding of a public hearing before any change is made in the existing conditions at the grade crossing at Bird street, Ward 13."

According to my information, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, on July 9, 1949, gave the State Department of Public Utilities notice of a proposed change in the existing conditions at the grade crossing mentioned. This is to advise you that I have today written the chairman of that department requesting that a public hearing be held before that department permits the proposed change.

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPH SCOLPONETTI,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

AMENDMENT TO BUILDING CODE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to submit herewith recommendations as made by the Building Commissioner.

I respectfully trust that your Honorable Body will approve the same.

Sincerely,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Building Department, September 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of section 105A, chapter 479, Acts of 1938, as amended by chapter 217 of the Acts of 1939, I transmit herewith proposed amendments to the Building Code of the City of Boston which I request you to submit at your early convenience to the City Council for enactment as an ordinance.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MAHONEY,
Building Commissioner.

In accordance with the provisions of chapter 479 of the Acts of 1938, as amended by chapter 217 of the Acts of 1939, as Building Commissioner of the City of Boston I recommend the adoption of the following ordinance.

JOHN J. MAHONEY,
Building Commissioner.

An Ordinance Altering, Amending, Extending or Rendering Ineffective Provisions of Chapter 479 of the Acts of 1938, Entitled "An Act for Codification, Revision and Amendment of the Laws Relative to the Construction, Alteration and Maintenance of Buildings and Other Structures in the City of Boston."

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2030 of chapter 479 of the Acts of 1938 is hereby amended by inserting in the table under paragraph (a), between the fourth and

fifth lines, the words "Rolled rail steel reinforcing bars" and the numeral "20,000," so as to read as follows:

(a) The following allowable unit stresses shall not be exceeded in reinforcing steel.

ALLOWABLE UNIT STRESSES (Pounds per Square Inch).

Tension.	
Structural grade billet steel hars.....	18,000
Rolled steel hars.....	18,000
Intermediate grade billet steel hars.....	20,000
Cold drawn steel wire or cold stretched expanded metal fabric.....	20,000
Rolled rail steel reinforcing hars.....	20,000
Weh reinforcement (steel).....	16,000
Other steel reinforcement, 50 per cent of the yield point, hut not to exceed.....	18,000

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

Coun. BEADES in the chair.

APPROPRIATION FOR BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Each year it is customary to appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to carry on the routine work of the Board of Zoning Adjustment of the City of Boston, constituted under section 20, chapter 488, of the Acts of 1924, commonly known as the Boston Zoning Law. The money is expended for verbatim records of public hearings, blueprints, postage, automobile hire for inspection trips, personal services, including engineering, drafting, secretarial and clerical work, and miscellaneous expenses.

The Board of Zoning Adjustment, through its chairman, Dana Somes, has requested an appropriation of \$1,500 to cover its operating expenses, and in compliance with this request I submit the attached order providing for this appropriation from the Contingent Fund, and I recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Board of Zoning Adjustment,
September 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:

The Board of Zoning Adjustment at its meeting held on Wednesday, September 7, 1949, unanimously voted to request of his Honor the Mayor the transfer of \$1,500 from Available Sources for routine operation of the Board of Zoning Adjustment for the coming year.

This money is expended for verbatim records of public hearings, blueprints and personal services, including engineering, drafting, secretarial and clerical work. There is a balance on hand as of September, 1949, of \$297.95.

It is the Board's opinion that the sum requested, namely, \$1,500, will be reasonably adequate to carry on its work for the ensuing year.

Respectfully yours,
DANA SOMES, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, for the operating expenses of this Board, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$20,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Com-

missioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$20,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 20, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$20,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	<u>\$20,000</u>
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When making up the hudget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of \$20,000 be, and hereby is appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	<u>\$20,000</u>
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Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

APPROPRIATION FOR PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the Superintendent of Printing, requesting an additional appropriation of \$30,000 from the revenue of his department, to be used for the purchase of stationery supplies and postage for resale to the various city departments during the balance of the year.

The Superintendent of Printing states that this additional appropriation is necessary because of the reduction made in his original estimate by the City Council, and the fact that the Health Department requires postage for mailing tubercular X-ray reports.

In accordance with this request, there is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$30,000 from the income of the Printing Department, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, an additional sum

of \$30,000 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Printing Department for the following purposes:

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.
Special Appropriation.

Department Stationery and Postage. . . . \$30,000
Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS
BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, E-13, Miscellaneous Materials, \$5,200, to the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$5,200.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$10,000, to the appropriation for Public Celebrations, \$10,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Park and Playground Improvements, Etc., \$20,000, to the appropriation for Park Department, B-42, Miscellaneous Services, \$20,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Sinking Funds Department, B-28, Expert, \$187.50, to the appropriation for Sinking Funds Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$187.50.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Suffolk County, Contingent Fund, \$368.32, to the appropriation for Suffolk County, Municipal Court, Brighton District, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$368.32.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND FROM PARK DEPARTMENT TO OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1949.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from Louis P. Leonard, Chairman of the Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston, requesting that action be taken with reference to the transfer of a parcel of land on Tremont street, Roxbury district, from the Park Department to the Overseers of the Public Welfare.

Chapter 803 of the Acts of 1949 provides that upon the acceptance thereof by vote of the City Council of the City of Boston, subject to the provisions of the charter, the Board of Park Commissioners is authorized to transfer to the Overseers of the Public Welfare the control and charge of approximately thirteen thousand seven hundred thirty seven (13,737) square feet of land situated on the northeasterly side of Tremont street, Roxbury district.

The Overseers of the Public Welfare plan to construct a Public Welfare building on this site as soon as the transfer of the land is effected. The Welfare building is urgently needed in this area and will be of great benefit to the people of the district.

I enclose a copy of chapter 803 of the Acts of 1949, and recommend the adoption of the accompanying order, whereby chapter 803 of the Acts of 1949 may be accepted by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

CHAPTER 803.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN LAND ON TREMONT STREET IN THE CITY OF BOSTON FROM PARK DEPARTMENT TO THE PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF SAID CITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. The park department of the city of Boston is hereby authorized to transfer to the overseers of the public welfare of said city, acting as a department of said city, control and charge of any part or parts or the whole of the parcel of land containing approximately thirteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-seven square feet situated on the northeasterly side of Tremont Street in the Mission Hill district of Roxbury in said city, bounded by property of Ruth E. Hallburg, Pius B. Moritz, Boston Housing Authority and the city of Boston, and held by said city for park department purposes. Said transfer shall take effect upon acceptance thereof by vote of said overseers of the public welfare. Thereafter so much of said land as is transferred hereunder shall be under the control and charge of said overseers of the public welfare and shall be held like any land held by said city for the purposes of its public welfare department.

SECT. 2. This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance during the current year by vote of the city council of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise.

House of Representatives, August 30, 1949.

Passed to be enacted.

THOMAS P. O'NEILL, JR., Speaker.
In Senate, August 31, 1949.

Passed to be enacted.

CHESTER A. DOLAN, JR., President.
August 31, 1949.

Approved.

PAUL A. DEVER, Governor.

Ordered, That chapter 803 of the Acts of 1949, entitled "An Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Land on Tremont Street in the City of Boston from Park Department to the Public Welfare Department of said City," be, and the same hereby is, accepted.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare for an additional appropriation of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) in order that there may be sufficient funds to meet relief expenditures for the balance of the year 1949. This additional appropriation is necessary because of an increase in the welfare case load and man-

datory increases in allowances under legislative acts and regulations of the State Department of Public Welfare.

In compliance with this request there is forwarded herewith a loan order appropriating the sum of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000), and I recommend consideration and action on this loan order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Welfare Department,
September 30, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Request for Additional Appropriation.
Dear Sir:

This department requests additional appropriation for relief expenditures for the year 1949 as follows:

F-9, General Relief, \$175,000.
F-10, Aid to Dependent Children, \$175,000.

This request is due to increase in case loads. The total case load has increased approximately 2,400 cases since the beginning of the year. The largest part of this increase was in General Relief, in which there was an increase of 1,200 cases since January 1, 1949. As these are mostly family cases, expenditures have increased substantially. This increase in case load is due principally to unemployment.

The Aid to Dependent Children case load has increased approximately 400 cases since the first of the year, which is approximately 13 per cent.

There has also been a substantial increase in payments for hospitalization of members of Aid to Dependent Children families.

Very truly yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949, a loan in the sum of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) be, and hereby is, authorized, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time upon request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city therefor, and that the said sum of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated to be expended in accordance with the provisions of chapter 90 of the Acts of 1949 for the following purposes:

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.
Special Items..... \$350,000
9. Dependent Aid..... \$175,000
10. Aid to Dependent Children. . 175,000
Referred to Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Mrs. Joseph M. Ahern, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by paint on hydrant.
A. Frieda Bandlow, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at 609 Atlantic avenue.

Katherine Brais, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Arion street.

John J. Carey, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 22 and 24 Newburg street.

Edward F. Connolly, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

John L. Davy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

William Dunphy, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 21 Homes avenue, during street repairs.

Walter I. Garrity, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Sadie Kalish, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 32 Edinboro' street.

Harry Kaplan, for compensation for damage to property at 38-44 Maverick square, caused by backing up of sewage.

Herbert A. Kenney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Arthur D. Keough, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Summer street.

Lawrence J. McAvoy, for compensation for damage to property at 131 Chelsea street, Charlestown, caused by overflow of sewage.

Edward J. McCaffrey, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 95 Westglow street, caused by water being shut off.

Mansell J. Nugent, for compensation for damage to car by street sweeper.

Margaret Oram, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Park square.

Israel Pearlman, for compensation for damage to property at 576 River street, during construction of Tesla street.

Daniel Pignato, for compensation for injuries caused by truck of Fire Department.

Mary A. Sheehan, for compensation for damage to property at 97 Perham street, caused by overflow of sewage.

Mrs. John D. L. Sullivan, for compensation for injuries caused by defective sidewalk at Faneuil Hall Market.

Fred Vacha, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Traffic Commission.

Executive.

Petition of Gertrude M. Hoppe to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, Bernard J. Hoppe, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mary A. Burke to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, Edward F. Burke, late member of Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Robert P. Colbert, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held October 13, 1949, at 2 P.M. on petition of City of Boston for a public hearing in the matter of the Bird Street grade crossing of New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held October 10, 1949, at 10 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for a license to operate motor vehicles in the City of Boston over the following public way:

Over Centre street, Jamaica Plain, between South Huntington avenue and Green street.
Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures at the Bakersfield veterans housing project of \$840 for sewer changes.

Placed on file.

EARLIER MAILING OF RETIREMENT CHECKS.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Treasurer be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to mail retirement checks one day ahead when the last day of the month, which is the day for mailing these checks, falls on Friday.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

USE OF SCHOOLBOY STADIUM BY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make provision for Catholic high school participation in the football and track schedules drawn up for the George Robert White Schoolboy Stadium in Franklin Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVED LIGHTING FACILITIES ON DORR STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install proper lighting facilities on Dorr street and its vicinity in Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON CERTAIN STREETS IN WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Division be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have "School—Children" signs placed at the corner of I street and East Fifth street; also at the corner of I street and East Fourth street in Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$20,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, for Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887— that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—15.
Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred September 23) of Jacob Cohen, as Constable without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond for the term ending April 30, 1950— recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation of the appointment. Committee, Councilors Bryan and Sullivan. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, nays 0, and the appointment was confirmed.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz:

Twenty-five traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear October 10, 1949:

Joseph I. Bonard, Ward 1; Edward W. Andrews, Ward 2; George Weiss, Ward 3; Paul F. Canty, Ward 4; Arthur S. Cooley, Ward 5; Thomas R. Evans, Ward 7; John J. Collins, Ward 8; Francis Miller, Ward 8; Herman L. Cassidy, Ward 9; Daniel J. Bowen, Ward 10; John P. Dare, Ward 10; Woodrow W. Barbour, Ward 11; William J. Chamberlain, Ward 11; Charles L. Patriquin, Ward 11; Maxwell Andelman, Ward 14; Julius M. Berman, Ward 14; Edward I. Loomis, Ward 14; Abraham Miselman, Ward 14; Frank B. Sylva, Ward 14; William R. Walsh, Ward 14; John W. Duffy, Ward 17; Anthony Petroski, Ward 17; Joseph P. Prince, Ward 17; James Leo Callahan, Ward 20; William L. Welch, Ward 20.

Forty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear November 7, 1949:

Samuel DeBlasio, Ward 1; John A. Trahan, Ward 1; Charles B. Donovan, Ward 2; William B. Lowney, Ward 2; Robert Olivari, Ward 3; Harold G. D. Clements, Ward 4; Theodore Olson, Ward 4; Samuel D. Robinson, Ward 4; John Terry, Ward 4; Charles J. Baldwin, Ward 6;

Walter S. Braekley, Ward 10; Frederick Cook, Ward 10; Charles E. Culbert, Ward 10; Walter E. Jones, Ward 10; Emerson G. Tiews, Ward 10; John A. Hamman, Ward 11; Ernest Johnson, Ward 11; Robert A. McGoole, Ward 11; Clarence E. Brown, Ward 12; Murray E. Howell, Ward 12; John J. Grimes, Ward 13; Edward G. Hudson, Ward 13; James J. Olsen, Ward 13; James W. Sullivan, Ward 13; Ernest N. Gerson, Ward 14; Morris Pollock, Ward 14; Benjamin White, Ward 14.

Bernard P. Begley, Ward 15; Joseph Finard, Ward 15; John E. McCarthy, Ward 15; John Archie McPherson, Ward 15; John H. Clark, Ward 16; Redmond C. Green, Ward 16; John J. O'Connor, Ward 16; Thomas W. Pearson, Ward 16; Patrick Sheehan, Ward 16; William A. Hamel, Ward 17; James J. Kenneally, Ward 17; James B. Corseadden, Ward 18; James Little, Ward 18; Angus A. Richards, Ward 18; Joseph P. Devlin, Ward 19; Richard F. O'Connell, Ward 19; Arthur Dolan, Ward 20; John P. Monahan, Ward 20; Patrick Joseph Rooney, Ward 20; Samuel C. Brickman, Ward 21; Samuel Perlmutter, Ward 21.

One hundred fifty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear November 7, 1949:

Joseph Addivino, Ward 1; Clifford S. Bennett, Ward 1; Louis F. Cianci, Ward 1; John H. Collins, Ward 1; James DiMarco, Ward 1; Frederick Guarino, Ward 1; Edward J. Hawes, Ward 1; Michael Indinzaro, Ward 1; Leo R. Lawrence, Ward 1; Charles L. LeBlanc, Ward 1; Anthony Orso, Ward 1; Benjamin Pizzi, Ward 1; William J. Rose, Ward 1; George E. Bumstead, Ward 2; William J. Drummond, Ward 2; Francis J. Flaherty, Ward 2; William Mahoney, Ward 2; Thomas J. Waters, Ward 2; Sydney Abrams, Ward 3; Fred F. Musso, Jr., Ward 3; Lawrence Pagano, Ward 3; Stanley A. Sikora, Ward 3; William J. Burrows, Ward 4; Donald A. Durand, Ward 4; Evans S. Allen, Ward 5; Gastay S. Johnson, Ward 5; Benjamin Marks, Ward 5; Jeremiah P. O'Brien, Ward 5; Henry R. Rheinhardt, Ward 5.

Harold Dodge, Ward 6; Bernardo Favalaro, Ward 6; Fred L. Fay, Ward 6; James S. Kelley, Ward 6; Michael Maslanaka, Ward 6; Robert G. McLaughlin, Ward 6; Martin O'Donnell, Ward 6; Samuel M. Pearson, Ward 6; Joseph Souser, Ward 6; Robert W. Thomas, Ward 6; Edward V. Cahill, Ward 7; Edward F. Chamberlin, Ward 7; Henry J. Hasken, Ward 7; Herman Heil, Ward 7; Edward B. Roberts, Ward 7; Lewis D. Conerford, Ward 8; George M. DeSario, Ward 8; Frederick P. Kimball, Ward 8; Emil N. Laberheim, Ward 8; Thomas J. Tracey, Ward 8; Alfred Beckett, Ward 9; Allan R. Crite, Ward 9; John J. Donahue, Ward 9; Leonard E. Donovan, Ward 9; Lewis A. Ladd, Ward 9; Thomas K. Williams, Ward 9; W. Francis Bene, Ward 10; Frank A. Murray, Ward 10; Ernest B. Bearisto, Ward 11; William H. Coates, Ward 11; Emil A. Davis, Ward 11; Daniel J. Ferric, Ward 11; John Joseph Johnston, Ward 11; Albert E. King, Ward 11; William H. Mattie, Ward 11; John S. Muir, Ward 11; Edward J. O'Brien, Ward 11; Lorenzo C. Quarles, Ward 11; Benjamin Schwartz, Ward 11; Lewis B. Thomas, Ward 11.

Medell Goldstein, Ward 12; Walter J. Kelly, Ward 12; Frederick Klein, Ward 12; Harry Snapp, Ward 12; Vincent J. Ambrose, Ward 13; Paul A. Deal, Ward 13; Joseph G. Francis, Ward 13; John Joyce, Ward 13; Reginald L. Miner, Ward 13; Richard R. Rodwell, Ward 13; Edward H. Thomas, Ward 13; Saul Aronson, Ward 14; William Bernstein, Ward 14; Robert E. Dudley, Ward 14; Harold A. Ellis, Ward 14; Israel Garnick, Ward 14; Harry Gilder, Ward 14; Benjamin Hahn, Ward 14; James Kuhals, Ward 14; Irving Ross, Ward 14; Isadore M. Schmittkind, Ward 14; Morris Spitzer, Ward 14; Clarence J. Bowen, Ward 15; James F. Corrigan, Ward 15; Francis E. Eckert, Ward 15; Joseph M. May, Ward 15; George A. Sullivan, Ward 15; Thomas W. Walsh, Ward 15; Daniel J. Coughlin, Jr., Ward 16; James H. McInnis, Ward 16; Martin J. Maguire, Ward 16; Carl G. Nash, Ward 16; Robert Sullivan, Ward 16; Thomas J. Tully, Jr., Ward 16; Lewis P. Weir, Ward 16; Carl H. Wolftrum, Ward 16.

Walter F. Delaney, Ward 17; Benjamin Dunay, Ward 17; Henry J. Finn, Ward 17; Charles David Gohlb, Ward 17; Harold F. Jackson, Ward 17;

William P. Joy, Ward 17; Charles J. Kelley, Jr., Ward 17; Paul J. Kingston, Ward 17; Abraham Miller, Ward 17; Francis J. Moylan, Ward 17; Frederick J. Mutrie, Ward 17; William Oda, Ward 17; James A. Wye, Ward 17; Nicholas G. Zahka, Ward 17; Joseph J. Auger, Ward 18; Harry N. Colburn, Ward 18; Charles H. Dencen, Ward 18; Lawrence P. Duffy, Ward 18; Edwin A. Hamilton, Ward 18; John J. Horigan, Ward 18; James J. McDonald, Ward 18; Kenneth A. McGaw, Ward 18; George L. Shea, Ward 18; Frank L. Spring, Ward 18; Jack Swartz, Ward 18; Oscar E. Wallin, Ward 18; James A. White, Ward 18.

Robert L. Anderson, Ward 19; John F. Baum, Ward 19; Edward M. Brown, Ward 19; Andrew A. Lagorio, Ward 19; Michael A. Lawton, Ward 19; Frank J. O'Grady, Ward 19; George S. Chubb, Ward 20; John J. Costello, Ward 20; Charles F. Duggan, Ward 20; John J. Hayes, Ward 20; Ludwig W. Kopp, Ward 20; Daniel V. O'Brien, Ward 20; John C. Perry, Ward 20; Edward H. Single, Ward 20; Lawrence E. Donovan, Ward 21; Patrick R. Hurley, Ward 21; David C. Kanter, Ward 21; William A. Paul, Ward 21; Frank V. Ward, Ward 21; James E. Carmichael, Ward 22;

Henry P. Clarke, Ward 22; James P. Duffy, Ward 22; Michael MacNamara, Ward 22; Milton I. McNeil, Ward 22; William J. Sullivan, Ward 22.

ADJOURNMENT FOR JEWISH HOLIDAY.

Coun. LANE and SHANLEY offered the following:

Resolved, To adjourn the meeting out of respect to the Jewish people of Boston and also to the two councilors of Jewish faith who are observing the Jewish holiday.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

Chairman BEADES declared the meeting adjourned at 2.49 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.
Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Friday, October 7, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 12 noon, President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Carey, Chase, Cook, Kinsella, Tracy, Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR THE MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1949.

John B. Hynes, City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

It is necessary that a special meeting of the City Council be held immediately in order that action might be taken on the request for additional funds for the Welfare Department, to provide for those in need.

This meeting is to be held at the Council Chambers, on Friday, October 7, at 12 noon, and it is highly important that every member be present.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Coun. KEENAN, for the Committee on Finance, submitted the following:

Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred October 3) for loan of \$350,000 for the Public Welfare Department—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—15.

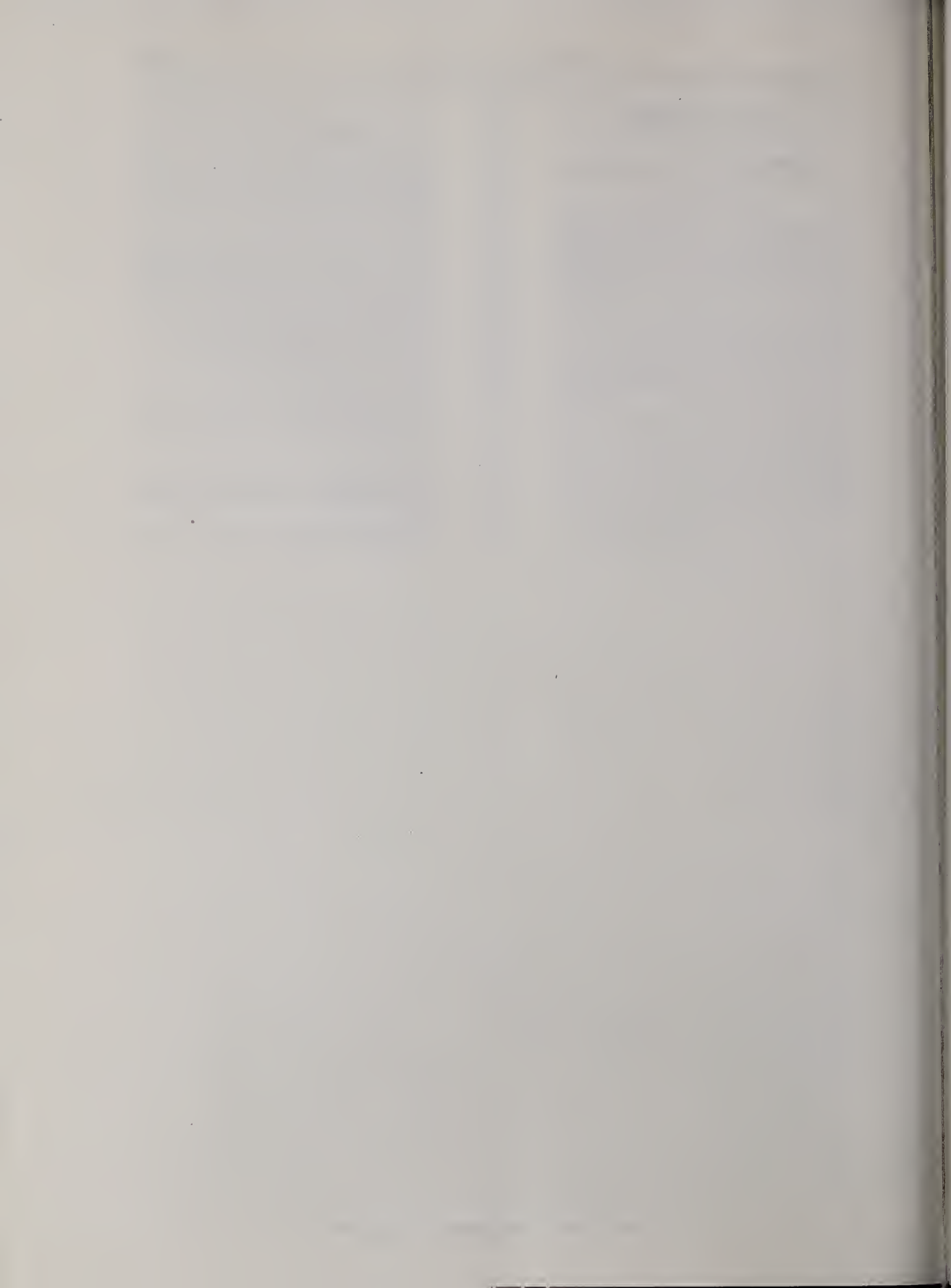
Nays—0.

The order was assigned for final action.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, President HURLEY declared the meeting adjourned at 12.27 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 10, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p. m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Carey and Kinsella.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

HOT WATER FACILITIES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, requesting that arrangements be made to have hot water at the disposal of all school children in the Boston school buildings.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

School Committee, October 3, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee, held on September 27, 1949, the following order passed by the City Council on August 29, 1949, was presented:

"Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange to have hot water at the disposal of all school children in our Boston school buildings."

The Superintendent reported to the committee that during the past summer hot water heaters were installed in many of our school buildings. A study of the situation showed that most of our school buildings were equipped with hot water facilities which operated throughout the heating season and that at the present time that number is being increased through installation in a number of other buildings.

In connection with the Budget of 1950, provision will be made for complete coverage of all buildings.

Very truly yours,

LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

KINDERGARTEN GRADE AT GAVIN SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee of the City of Boston, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning the placing of a kindergarten school at the Gavin School in South Boston.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

School Committee, October 3, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on September 27, 1949, the following order passed by the City Council on September 12, 1949, was presented:

"Ordered, That the Boston School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a kindergarten school at the Gavin School in South Boston for the children because they are now compelled to go to the Bigelow School or the Perkins School, both of which are approximately

seven streets away and both can only be reached by crossing car tracks or heavily travelled roads."

This order was referred to the Board of Superintendents for study. That Board now reports that the names and addresses of all children enrolled in the kindergarten of the Bigelow and Michael J. Perkins Schools were secured and that these addresses showed that only one child had to walk more than six blocks. In view of these facts and also in view of the fact that the Patrick F. Gavin School is filled to capacity with regular junior high school pupils and pupils attending the special and conservation of eyesight classes, the Board felt it is not necessary or feasible to establish a kindergarten class in that building. However, the Board of Superintendents will constantly keep before it conditions in this particular area.

The report of the Board of Superintendents was accepted by the School Committee.

Very truly yours,

LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

HOUSING PROJECT IN WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of July 18, 1949, concerning a public housing development in the Bay street area of Ward 15.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,

October 4, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of July 18, 1949, Concerning a Public Housing Development in the Bay Street Area of Ward 15.

Dear Mayor Curley:

With reference to the above order of the City Council you are advised that the Authority is thoroughly familiar with the area which was suggested for development.

No decision has been made as to the location of new developments, but be assured that the Ward 15 area will receive every consideration.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF COURT IN HONOR OF CAPT. EDWARD G. LENNON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 6, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the naming of a court in a public housing development in memory of Capt. Edward G. Lennon.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,

October 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,

Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of August 22, 1949, Concerning the Naming of a Court in a Public Housing Development in Memory of Capt. Edward G. Lennon.

Dear Mayor Curley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your communication of August 23, 1949, concerning the above-referenced City Council order and your request concerning it.

I am pleased to inform you that the Authority has voted to name the court in the development at P street and Columbia road in honor of Captain Lennon.

It is pointed out that you also received a communication on this matter from the South Boston Citizens' Association.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

**SURVEY OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS,
WARD 14.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of August 22, 1949, concerning the making of a survey regarding applications for housing in Ward 14, and the selection of possible sites for construction of housing in that area.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

—
Boston Housing Authority,
October 5, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Subject: City Council Order of August 22, 1949,
Concerning Office of the Housing Expediter
in Boston.

Dear Mayor Curley:
This will acknowledge receipt of your recent communication on the above-referenced order of the City Council.

This matter is not one in which this Authority has direct jurisdiction.

It is the considered opinion of the Authority, however, that the housing situation in Boston may still be termed critical, and no action should be taken by the federal government which would jeopardize the position of tenants now protected by rent control.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

**FEDERAL HOUSING PROJECTS,
WARD 14.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority, relative to your order of September 12, 1949, concerning a public housing development in the Ellington street area of Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
October 4, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Subject: City Council Order of September 12,
1949, Concerning a Public Housing Develop-
ment in the Ellington Street Area of Ward 14.

Dear Mayor Curley:
This Authority is in receipt of your communication concerning the above City Council order. You are advised that the Authority is presently making a survey of the city as a whole to determine the distribution of developments in connection with funds available under terms of the new Federal legislation.

The Authority wishes to assure you that Ward 14 will receive every consideration in this survey.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Placed on file.

**AUTOMOBILE PARKING ON STREETS,
WARD 14.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the parking of cars on one side of the streets in the Ward 14 area.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, September 29, 1949.
Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith order of the City Council, requesting the Police Commissioner and members of the Traffic Commission to hold a conference with his Honor the Mayor for the purpose of expediting plans for parking cars on one side of the streets in the Ward 14 area.

I know of no reason why the residents of Ward 14 should be given this special consideration and allowed to park their cars all night long, and unless the Traffic Commission decides to permit parking in every ward in the city, I am definitely opposed to it.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS TO FRANKLIN FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 6, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of Franklin Field for the construction of playground areas and complete renovation of the Franklin Field grounds.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, October 3, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated September 26, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to make a survey of Franklin Field for the construction of up-to-date playground areas, and general and complete renovation of the Franklin Field grounds.

Years ago Franklin Field was used quite extensively by many people living in the southern part of Boston. At the present time it is used by many people but it is more of a district playground. Some years ago a portion of the field was taken over for a temporary housing project.

There are certain improvements that could and should be made to this relatively large park and playground. It would cost a considerable amount of money to grade this area. Certain portions of the athletic field need to be reseeded and portions of it need to be regraded, due to the continuous use it has had for many years. The old clay tennis courts should be either resurfaced with "black top" hard pavement or developed into some other use. Although the field house is 35 years old, it is still in relatively good condition. It has many potentialities.

This is not the proper time to find any sizable amount of money for the purpose of renovating this field as it is very late in the season and the time for appropriating funds for this year has passed.

I shall have a complete survey made of the field, and when the budget for next year is submitted, we can include in it an amount of money for the renovation of Franklin Field.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

**FOOTBALL GRIDIRONS AT FRANKLIN
PARK PLAYSTEAD.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the erecting of goal posts and the laying out of two football gridirons in the Franklin Park Playstead.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 3, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated September 26, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to erect goal posts and lay out two football grids in the Franklin Park Playstead.

I have issued instructions to have the above City Council request taken care of immediately.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALK ON HARVARD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the laying out of a sidewalk on Harvard street, from Deering road to Walk Hill street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 30, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Department lay out a sidewalk on Harvard street, from Deering road to Walk Hill street, and this will advise you that a bituminous concrete sidewalk has been installed on this street by the District No. 9 Paving Service forces.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON EAST SIXTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of recent date, concerning the installing of cement sidewalks on East Sixth street, between N and O streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 30, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install cement sidewalks on East Sixth street, between N and O streets, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this sidewalk work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, TACOMA STREET, WARD 18.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order

of September 26, 1949, concerning the resurfacing and installing of granolithic sidewalks on Tacoma street, Ward 18.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 30, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface and install granolithic sidewalks on Tacoma street, Ward 18, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list to be given consideration by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, STRATHMORE AND SUTHERLAND ROADS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the installing of granolithic sidewalks in front of 69-75 Strathmore road and 79 Sutherland road, Ward 21, which is the same property.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 30, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks in front of 69-75 Strathmore road and 79 Sutherland road, Ward 21, which is the same property, and this will advise you that this sidewalk work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the installing of granolithic sidewalks on Carroll, Francesca, and Dent streets, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 30, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on Carroll, Francesca, and Dent streets, Ward 20, and this will advise you that this sidewalk work will be placed on list of streets to be given consideration by the Highway Division of the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING CATCH-BASINS AT O AND EAST SIXTH STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the cleaning of the four catch-basins at the corner of O and East Sixth streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 4, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
In reference to Council order dated September 26, 1949, the catch-basins at the corner of O and East Sixth streets, Ward 6, were cleaned October 1, 1949.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TO MAKE CUMMINGS ROAD ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the making of Cummings road, Ward 21, one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 30, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 26, 1949,
Requesting that Cummings Road, Ward 21,
Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:
In further reply to the above Council order, please be advised that our engineers believe that the suggestion of making Cummings road one way should get the approval of the majority of the residents of this street before taking any action. Mt. Hood road, the next parallel street to Cummings road, is a one-way street running from Corey road to Commonwealth avenue. If Cummings road was to be made one way, the natural way would be from Commonwealth avenue to Corey road. Making Cummings road one way would cause persons living in the street to make a lengthy detour to go in town.

I respectfully recommend that no action be taken without a petition.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the installing of "Stop - Children" signs at the corner of O and East Seventh streets, Ward 6, and also at O and East Fourth streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 30, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 26, 1949,
Requesting The Installation of "Stop-Child-

dren" Signs at the Corner of O and East Seventh streets and at O and East Fourth streets, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, my engineer informs me that "Slow" signs were recently painted in the roadway of O street. They feel these signs are sufficient as the traffic through these intersections is very light.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIR TO ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, DEER ISLAND, HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith a request from the Penal Institutions Commissioner for an appropriation in the sum of \$100,000, to repair serious damage to the Administration Building, House of Correction, Deer Island, caused by a recent fire.

As it is imperative that these repairs be started as soon as possible, there is attached hereto an order appropriating the sum of \$100,000 from Surplus Revenue, and your immediate consideration and passage of this order is respectfully recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Penal Institutions Department,
October 7, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

On Wednesday, October 5, at five p.m., a fire broke out in the Administration Building at the House of Correction, Deer Island, causing serious damage to the roof, windows, and the interior of said building.

At my request the Building Commissioner has conducted an examination of the premises and finds that structurally the building is sound and secure, but that extensive repairs must be made to the roof, windows, and general interior. In the opinion of the Building Commissioner the over-all cost of this work will be in the neighborhood of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

It is imperative that the work of repair and reconstruction be started at the earliest possible moment in order that no further damage may result to the structure from exposure to the elements. I accordingly request that an emergency appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) be made from available sources so that I may proceed without delay with the necessary work.

Respectfully yours,
MAXWELL B. GROSSMAN,
Commissioner.

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from Surplus Revenue for the following purpose:

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.
House of Correction.
Emergency Repairs, etc..... \$100,000
Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Robert F. Barnes, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Samuel Bello, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Marie E. Bordeau, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 334 Beacon street.

Albert F. Brown, to be reimbursed for executions issued against him.

Joseph J. Callahan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Hilary Callender, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 14 Mayfair street, caused by water being shut off.

Louis Connors, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Leland A. Dadmun, for compensation for damage to car by X-ray truck.

Mrs. Charles Deagle for son Robert, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Oak Square Playground.

Carmella DiBlasi, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 4 and 6 Ashland street.

Edward Fitzgerald, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mary E. Flashtase, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in bridge leading to Mattapan square.

James Foran, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John J. Murphy, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 67 Jamaica street, caused by water being shut off.

J. F. McDonald, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Margaret McSheehy, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Christo Nasti, for compensation for damage to property caused by defective sewerage and water pipe.

John O'Brien, for compensation for loss of clothes while patient at City Hospital.

Mrs. John C. Phelan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Wainwright Playground.

Robert F. Rizzo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Maria Strazula, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 121 Chamber street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions for permit to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Blue Hill Bowlway, Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge street, Boston.

Boston Recreation Company, Inc., John W. Shanley, Jr., 615 Washington street, Boston.

Boylston Bowladrome, Inc., Morris Vigoda, 1260 Boylston street, Boston.

Broadway Recreation, Pasquale Rubbiceo, 418 West Broadway, South Boston.

Central Park Lanes, Angelo Vozzella, 10 Saratoga street, East Boston.

Charlestown Daylight Alleys, Robert J. Panetta, 575 Rutherford avenue, Charlestown.

Codman Square Bowlway, George H. Kevorkian, 649 Washington street, Dorchester.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbiceo, 707 Columbia road, Dorchester.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Egleston Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 3186 Washington street, Jamaica Plain.

Hibernian Bowling Alleys, Mortimer J. Cronin, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Hub Bowling Alleys, Marie Kittrell, 216 Hancock street, Boston.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington avenue, Boston.

Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, Inc., Harold L. Waterman, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.

Hyde Square Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, Louis A. Gilman, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Jamaica Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 702A Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester.

Lee S. King, 466 and 468C Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.

Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1318 Blue Hill avenue, Mattapan.

Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.

Metropolitan Bowling Alleys, Jacob Koss, 35 Dore street, Boston.

Alvaro Mezzetti, Basement, South Station, Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street, Boston.

Mt. Pleasant Bowling & Billiards, John F. McLaughlin, 590 Dudley street, Dorchester.

North Station Bowling Alleys, Gene DeMarco, 222½ Friend street, Boston.

Dominick Rubbiceo, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.

South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Webster Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

West Roxbury Bowling Center, Harry M. Everson, 119 Park street, West Roxbury.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Tributary Theatre of Boston for certain children under fifteen years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on October 15, 21, and 22, 1949.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN F. PETITTI.

Notice was received from the Boston Police Department of the appointment of John F. Petitti to be Keeper of the Lock-up for a period of one year from October 4, 1949.

Placed on file.

LEASE OF FIRE HOUSE ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

Com. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor lease or sell to the Sea Bees Post, No. 7853, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the abandoned fire house at 84 Northampton street, now under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PLAYGROUND ON CHARMIE AVENUE, ROSLINDALE.

Com. CANTWELL and McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be ordered, through his Honor the Mayor, to acquire land on Charmie avenue, Roslindale, for playground purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELIMINATION OF HAZARDS TO CHILDREN ON NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN & HARTFORD RAILROAD TRACKS.

Com. CANTWELL and McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to urge the officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad to take immediate action to eliminate the hazard to the lives and health of the young children, now existent along the route of said railroad through the districts of Hyde Park and Mount Hope in Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Com. SHANLEY in the chair.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WACHUSETT AND WALK HILL STREETS.

Com. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Wachusett and Walk Hill streets in Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE
DEPARTMENT.

Chairman SHANLEY called up, under unfinished business, the following order:
Order for loan of \$350,000 for Public Welfare Department.

On October 7, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.
Nays—0.

ROPING OFF STREETS, NOVEMBER 11.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off the route of the American Legion Armistice Day Parade on November 11, 1949, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SURVEY OF STREET LIGHTING, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Lighting Department of the Public Works Department, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to make a complete survey of the Ward 14 section of Boston for the immediate placing of electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

OPPOSING USE OF AIRPORT BY OUT-OF-TOWN-CABS.

Coun. ANSEL and COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Boston City Council go on record in opposition to the out-of-town cab associations in the use of solicitation of fares in the East Boston airport.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FLOOD LIGHTS IN SOUTH BOSTON
STADIUM.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to provide for the installation of floodlights in the South Boston Stadium and other large outdoor recreational centers throughout the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF STREETS, OCTOBER 12.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and hereby is, authorized to rope off the route of the Columbus Day Parade on October 12, 1949, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Coun. Lanigan announced that at ten o'clock on October 12 there will be an outdoor Memorial Mass at the Prince Street Playground, which, in the event of rain, will be held at St. Leonard's Church, which all the councilors are invited to attend.

At twelve o'clock noon, the members of the Council are invited to attend a dinner at Monte's Restaurant at the corner of Hanover and Union streets in the North End.

All the members of the Council are invited to participate in the Columbus Day Parade which will start at the Ball Park, Boston Common, at two o'clock.

TO MAKE FANEUIL STREET ONE WAY
IN PART.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Faneuil street in Brighton, between Bigelow street and Champney street, one way in a westerly direction.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF RUBBISH FROM CERTAIN
LAND IN WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to remove rubbish, lumber, and bricks from the vicinity of 37 and 39 Baxter street, Ward 6, South Boston, where buildings have been torn down.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS, WEST FIFTH
STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present gas lamps on West Fifth street, between E and F streets, Ward 6, with modern electric lights, as it is very dangerous and dark in this area under present conditions.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

STREET LIGHT, 42 MT. PLEASANT
AVENUE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric street light in front of 42 Mt. Pleasant avenue in Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGN, 42 MT. PLEASANT
AVENUE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a "Slow" sign at 42 Mt. Pleasant avenue in Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cook, the Council voted at 2.33 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman Shanley at 2.57 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of \$100,000 from Surplus Fund to Penal Institutions, House of Correction—that same ought to pass.

On motion of Councilor Cook the order was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 3) for appropriation of \$1,500 for the Board of Zoning Adjustment—that same ought to pass.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and three orders (referred October 3) for transfer of \$10,000 from Reserve Fund to Public Celebrations; for transfer of \$187.50 from Sinking Funds Department B, Contractual Services, to Sinking Funds Department A, Personal Service; for transfer of \$368.32, County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, to Municipal Court, Brighton District, F, Special Items, Pensions and Annuities—that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Hannon, Keenan, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

On motion of Councilor Chase to reconsider the foregoing vote on the transfer of the appropriation of \$10,000 from Reserve Fund to Public Celebrations, the motion was defeated.

GRANOLITHIC AND EDGESTONE SIDEWALKS, BEECHCROFT STREET, BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct granolithic and edgestone sidewalk on Beecheroff street in Brighton, from Faneuil street to Hester street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPEARANCE OF CHAIRMAN OF BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That John J. Coleman, Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority, be respectfully requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to be present at the Executive meeting of the Boston City Council at 2 p.m., on Monday, October 17, 1949, to explain the policy of renting the apartments in all housing projects in the City of Boston that come under his jurisdiction.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF LAND AT COLUMBUS AVENUE AND RITCHIE STREET.

Coun. TRACY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land at Columbus avenue and Ritchie street at public auction at an upset price of \$11,135.50.

On August 15, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The question came on giving the order its second and final reading. The order was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 10, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—10.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Hannon—2.

Voting present—Councilors Cook, Yerxa—2.

On motion of Councilor Tracy, the Council voted to reconsider the foregoing vote.

On motion of Councilor Cook, the order was laid on the table for one week.

CONVEYANCE OF LAND ON MORTON STREET TO COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Coun. BEADES called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the calendar, viz.:

2. Order to convey land on Morton street to Commonwealth of Massachusetts for hospital purposes.

On September 23, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Keenan, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

SURVEY OF STREET SIGNS IN WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to replace all the missing street signs in Ward 11, a list of which has been submitted to said commissioner; and be it further

Ordered, That all existing street signs in Ward 11 be cleaned and repaired.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COLLECTION OF ASHES AND REFUSE, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to instruct the contractor collecting ashes and refuse in Ward 11 that no work shall begin before eight o'clock in the morning.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON STREETS NEAR SCHOOLBOY STADIUM.

Coun. TRACY and COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to install electric street lights at the intersection of Walnut avenue and School street and the roadway leading to the new Schoolboy Stadium where a dangerous condition exists as a result of traffic going to and from the night games in Franklin Park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESURFACING STRANDVIEW ROAD, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth paving Strandview road, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIRS TO STREETS OF COLUMBIA VILLAGE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Boston Housing Authority to make proper repairs to streets of Columbia Village as requested in accompanying petition.

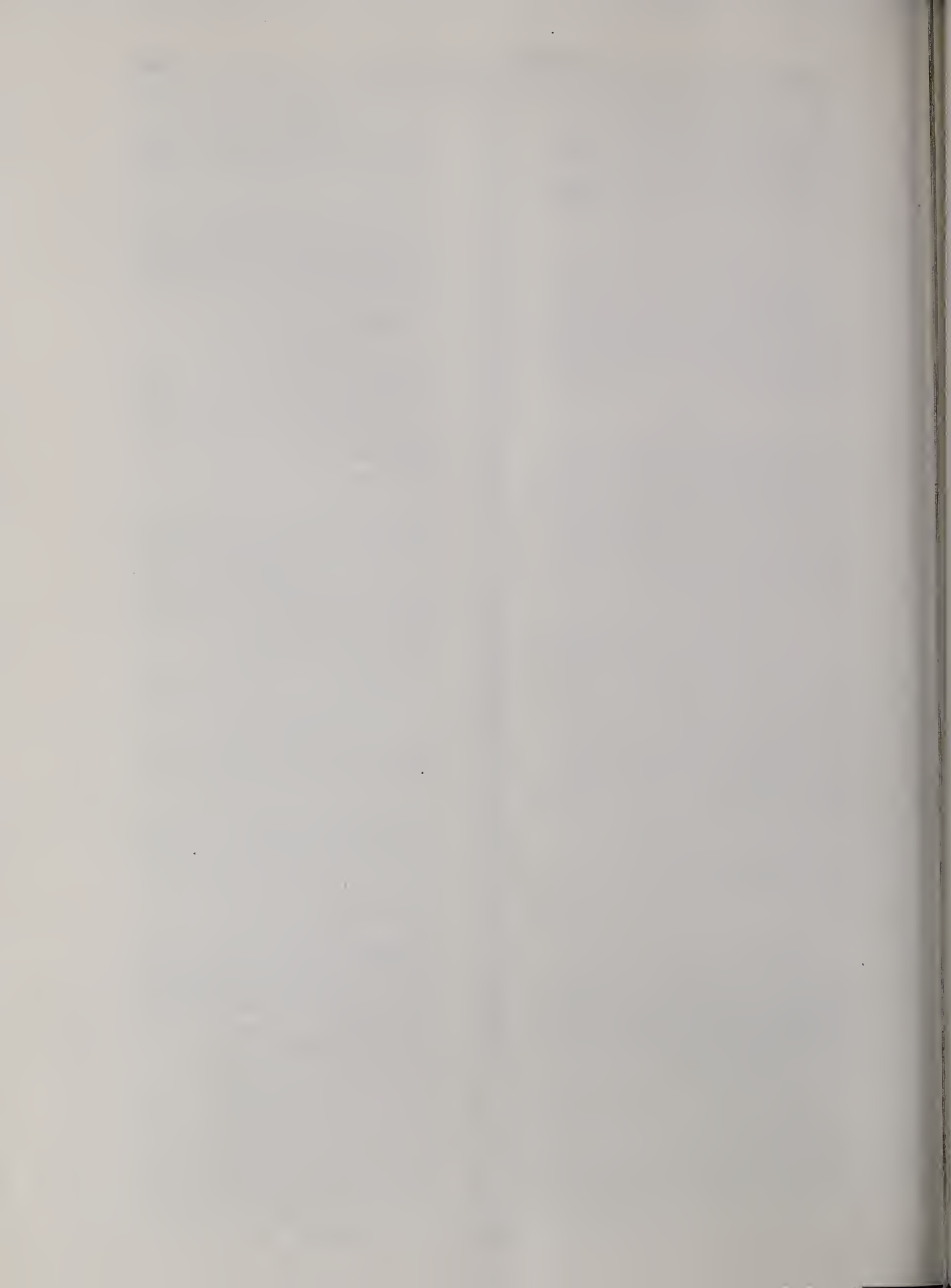
Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler, the Council voted at 3.25 p.m., to adjourn, to meet on Monday, October 17, 1949, at 2 p.m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)





CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 17, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Carey, Hannon and Keenan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Ramsey presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Eighty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear November 14, 1949:

Louis A. Allecia, Ward 1; Anthony J. Bimber, Ward 1; Arthur DeFeo, Ward 1; Richard A. DiPerri, Ward 1; Louis Freni, Ward 1; William D. Gliatiotis, Ward 1; Wilfred Landry, Ward 1; Rocco Staffier, Ward 1; Frederick A. Brady, Ward 2; Daniel F. Cullity, Ward 2; Francis J. Dewey, Ward 2; Dennis F. Doherty, Ward 2; Stephen J. Doherty, Ward 2; Roland G. Farr, Ward 2; Joseph F. Mitchell, Ward 2; Daniel C. Quinlan, Ward 2; Charles F. Winters, Ward 2; James M. Bethoney, Ward 3; Paul A. Bova, Ward 3; Americo Bruno, Ward 3; William J. Doherty, Ward 3; John W. King, Ward 3; George J. Malette, Sr., Ward 3; Louis J. Pescatore, Ward 3; Anthony V. Profita, Ward 3; Aubrey D. Adams, Ward 4; Joseph J. Courtney, Ward 4; Alec Fotou, Ward 4; Martin S. Holland, Ward 4; James G. Kakridas, Ward 4; William Friso Frank, Ward 5; Carl B. Stenstrom, Ward 5; John J. Cremin, Ward 6; Chester S. Hull, Ward 6; Edward Lanc, Ward 6; Fred J. B. Spring, Ward 6; George H. Baumeister, Ward 7; Michael W. Cataldo, Ward 7; Julius M. Davis, Ward 7; Francis J. Donovan, Ward 7; Gardner Parschley, Ward 7; Walter J. Ryan, Ward 7; Richard A. Young, Ward 7; Charles H. Crowley, Ward 8; William J. Lynch, Jr., Ward 8; Michael G. Ferris, Ward 9; Albert James Hanna, Jr., Ward 9; Robert J. Pratt, Ward 9; Walter B. Reed, Ward 9; Joseph A. Buttiner, Ward 10; James T. Dowd, Ward 10; Arthur E. Lally, Ward 10; Daniel Pakenham, Ward 11; Charles H. Deagan, Ward 12; George W. Holden, Ward 12; Benjamin Misner, Ward 12; Robert A. Rutherford, Ward 12; William Warren, Ward 12; Stanley P. Aviza, Ward 13; Samuel Bass, Ward 14; Jacob Goldberg, Ward 14; Harry Golden, Ward 14; Max N. Levenson, Ward 14; Albert Richmond, Ward 14; Morris Shapiro, Ward 14; Harry Snyder, Ward 14; John E. Barry, Jr., Ward 15; James J. Hill, Ward 15; Michael Joyce, Ward 15; Robert F. Fitzgerald, Ward 16; James Green, Ward 16; Martin Morley, Ward 16; Laurence E. Villard, Ward 16; Daniel P. MacDonald, Ward 17; Frederick F. Redgate, Ward 17; Samuel Snyder, Ward 17; Bernard J. Tansy, Ward 17; Paul Bregor, Ward 18; Edward W. Glennon, Ward 18; Melville A. Morris, Ward 18; James P. Connelly, Ward 20; John F. Driscoll, Ward 20; William J. Mulcahy, Jr., Ward 20; Jeremiah J. Sechan, Ward 20; Arthur Berlin, Ward 21; Peter G. Hedstrom, Ward 21; Arthur R. Clarke, Ward 22; John A. Halloran, Ward 22; John G. Spnbauer, Ward 22.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT EUSTIS STREET AND HARRISON AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 11, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of

September 19, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at the junction of Eustis street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 10, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 19, 1949,
Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights
at the Junction of Eustis Street and Harrison
Avenue, Ward 8.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections. We hope to have them installed before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available for new traffic signals. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for the installation of traffic signals in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, the installation is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON VARIOUS STREETS IN WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 11, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated September 26, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights at Columbia road and Geneva avenue, Bowdoin and Washington streets, and Morton and Harvard streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 10, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 26, 1949,
Requesting that a Survey Be Made for Traffic
Lights at Columbia Road and Geneva Avenue,
Bowdoin and Washington Streets, and Morton
and Harvard Streets.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections. We hope to have them installed before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available for new traffic signals. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for the installation of traffic signals in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, the installation is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TO MAKE SEAVER STREET ONE WAY TO NORMANDY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 11, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated September 26, 1949, concerning the advisability of making Seaver street to Normandy street one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 30, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 26, 1949,
Requesting that a Study Be Made of the
Advisability of Making Seaver Street to
Normandy Street One Way.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order, please be advised that Seaver street, between Blue Hill avenue and Columbia road is a direct connection between these two arteries and, if Seaver street was made one way, it would cause drivers to go a considerable distance out of their way and would add additional traffic in the intersection of Blue Hill avenue and Columbia road, which is already complicated and heavy.

I respectfully recommend that no action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON CERTAIN STREETS IN WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 11, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order dated October 3, 1949, concerning the placing of signs "School—Children," at the corners of I and East Fifth streets and I and East Fourth streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 7, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 3, 1949, Re-
questing that "School—Children" Signs Be
Placed at the Corners of I and East Fifth
Streets, and I and East Fourth Streets.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the subject Council order, please be advised that I have requested our maintenance crew to erect the signs requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND AT GALLIVAN BOULEVARD AND WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 10, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, concerning the construction of a playground at the corner of Gallivan Boulevard and Washington street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 3, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum with enclosure, City Council order dated September 26, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to start playground construction at the corner of Gallivan Boulevard and Washington street.

For the past two months I have had the engineers of this department making a survey of this property so as to work out a construction plan of the development. Elevations of the area have been taken, and the overtopping ledge has been so marked on the plan. In order to keep from excavating ledge it would be necessary to fill the area to an average amount in depth of four feet. This is on the assumption that we are trying to construct a playground large enough for one sizable baseball diamond and a football gridiron. If the ground were left at its present

elevation, it would necessitate excavating and blasting a certain amount of ledge. This would be extremely costly. Even the filling in of the entire area to an average depth of approximately four feet is a costly proposition. If it were filled in it would have to be surfaced with loam to a depth of at least six inches. Drainage would have to be installed, and after completion we would then have an area developed for playground purposes, large enough for one game of baseball and possibly a children's corner. The estimated cost of this development is \$50,000. I know of no way in which this area could be completely developed for a sum less than that amount. At the present time there is no such sum available in the budget to carry out a development of this magnitude.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

EARLIER MAILING OF RETIREMENT CHECKS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 17, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Treasury Department, relative to your order of October 3, 1949, concerning the mailing of retirement checks a day ahead of the last day of the month when the last day falls on Friday.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Treasury Department, October 14, 1949.

Martin J. Finn,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Finn:

I have the copy of a Council order of October 3, 1949, requesting the mailing of retirement checks a day ahead of the last day of the month when the last day falls on Friday.

This is a matter that does not come under the control of the Treasurer, as the retirement checks in question are prepared by the Retirement Board and sent to the Treasurer for signature and then returned to the Retirement Board for distribution.

The September checks would have been mailed on Thursday except for the fact that the Board wanted to include the retroactive increase in the retirement pay in the September check.

This office will arrange with the Retirement Board so that in the future no checks will be mailed later than Thursday when Friday, Saturday, or Sunday is the last day of the month.

Sincerely yours,
HENRY F. BRENNAN, City Treasurer.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT JUNCTION OF WELLES AND TALBOT AVENUES, WARD 16 AND 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 11, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 15, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights at the junction of Welles avenue and Talbot avenue, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 10, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 15, 1949, Re-
questing Traffic Lights at the Junction of
Welles Avenue and Talbot Avenue, Dor-
chester.

Dear Sir:

Referring further to above Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections. We hope to have them installed before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available for new traffic signals. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for the installation of traffic signals in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, the installation is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WACHUSETT AND WALK HILL STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 17, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at Wachusett and Walk Hill streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 14, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 10, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Wachusett and Walk Hill Streets.

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections throughout the city, which we hope to accomplish before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for further installations in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, it is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 17, 1949.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfers of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, F-14, Old Age Assistance, \$110,000, to the appropriation for A-1, Permanent Employees, \$75,000, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$35,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Miscellaneous Expenses, Auditing Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$2,500, to the appropriation for City Maintenance, Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, D 1, Office, \$2,500.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of

1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Associate Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division, B-5, Express Charges, \$125, B-35, Fees, Services of Venires, etc., \$100, B-39, General Repairs, \$10, to the appropriation for A-2, Temporary Employees, \$235.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT PARK STREET, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 13, 1949.
To the Honorable City Council,
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from John T. O'Dea, Jr., Acting Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, recommending the sale of city-owned property at Park street, Dorchester, to Wonder Laundries Company, Inc., for the purchase price of \$250.

The particular area is of no use or benefit to the city, having previously been discontinued as a public highway by an order of the Board of Street Commissioners.

The sale of this land, together with the erection of the building proposed to be built thereon, would mean an increase in tax revenue to the city on land which is now tax exempt, and I therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Very truly yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
October 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Street Commissioners, under an order dated September 27, 1949, discontinued a part of Park street, Dorchester, on the northerly side, between Norwell street and the location of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company. This action was taken after an advertised public hearing held on July 27, 1949, on petition of Wonder Laundries Company, Inc. The city owns the street in fee.

Park street, between these points, is a dead-end street. The company owns the property abutting the discontinuance and desires to purchase 1,254 square feet of land in the discontinued part of the street for the purpose of erecting an addition to its present building. The company agrees to deposit with the Public Works Department a certified check or bond to cover the expense of relaying a water main located in the street. It also agrees to pay a fair price for the land.

As this is a dead-end street, and in view of the fact that the company will erect a building, with the ensuing taxes therefrom, the Board is of the opinion that it would be advantageous to the city to sell the land.

The Board thinks a price of \$250 for the 1,254 square feet of land would be a fair one.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN T. O'DEA, JR.,
Acting Chairman.

Whereas, The City of Boston, by an order of the Board of Street Commissioners approved by the Mayor of the City of Boston on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1949, discontinued a part of the public highway named Park street, between Norwell street and land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company in the Dorchester district; and

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately one thousand two hundred fifty-four (1,254) square feet within that area of Park street discontinued as a public highway under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners; and

Whereas, The said parcel of land abuts on private lands owned by Wonder Laundries Company, Inc.; and

Whereas, The said area of land owned in fee by the City of Boston is no longer required for any public purpose, now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell at private sale and convey to the Wonder Laundries Company, Inc., for the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250), by an instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of land hereinafter described:

Easterly by the westerly line of Norwell street, twenty-four and 50/100 (24.50) feet; southerly by the northerly line of Park street, as relocated, fifty-two and 63/100 (52.63) feet; westerly by the 1881 line of relocation of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, twenty-four and 24/100 (24.24) feet; northerly by other land of Wonder Laundries Company, Inc., fifty-one and 87/100 (51.87) feet; containing one thousand two hundred fifty-four (1,254) square feet of land, more or less.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the dimensions thereof, are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Park Street, Dorchester, August 15, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," on file in said department.

The said instrument is to contain a provision indemnifying the City of Boston from any and all expenses which may be incurred by it in the relocation of any utilities located within the granted premises.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

William Buick, Inc., and Cleveland Davis, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by city car.

Bessie Flatto, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Iola street, Dorchester.

Elizabeth Greene, for compensation for damage to property at 552 and 554 East Fourth street, caused by water accumulation.

Milrose Realty Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 131-137 Kingston street, caused by break in water main.

James S. Palma, for compensation for damage to motorcycle caused by an alleged defect in Heath street.

Sandra Policronis, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Frank D. Rogers, for compensation for injuries and damage to motorcycle caused by an alleged defect in Heath street.

Joseph Scirenci, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 177 Everett street.

Robert J. Tate, for compensation for injuries and damage to motorcycle caused by an alleged defect in Heath street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions for permit to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Columbia Billiard Company Alleys, Nicholas J. Foulakis, 558 Columbia road, Dorchester.

Congress Billiard & Bowling Supply Company, Clement J. Dore, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury.

Fields Corner Daylight Alleys, Inc., Joseph Bonigli, 289 Adams street, Dorchester.

German Workingmen's Association, Philip Huber, 22 Amory avenue, Roxbury.

King Pin Alleys, Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Boston.

New Egyptian Alleys, Waldo C. Nardella, 345 Washington street, Brighton.

Orient Bowlway, Henry Baldassarro, 981 and 983 Bennington street, East Boston.

Park Square Bowladrome, Inc., Joseph Bonigli, 162 Columbus avenue, Boston.

Scollay Square Alleys, Albert J. Magaletta, 48 Scollay square, Boston.

Strand Recreation Room, Amos E. Cowan, 716 East Broadway, South Boston.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures of \$25,537.40 for purchase of 493 gas ranges, for the Chapter 372 Veterans' Housing Program, and \$65.67 for removal of rock ledge at the North Avenue Veterans' Housing Project.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held October 18, 1949, at 11 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for location of two poles and wires on Columbia road at Geneva avenue (Dorchester street).

Notice was received from State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held October 28, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for location of one pole and wires on northeasterly side of Columbus avenue, southeast of Ashworth park.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held October 28, 1949, at 11 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for location of one pole and wires at the intersection of South street and Arborway.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred August 29) of Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, Louis A. Gilman, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that license be granted under usual conditions.

Report on petitions (referred October 10) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that licenses be granted under usual conditions, viz.:

Blue Hill Bowlway, Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge street, Boston.

Boston Recreation Company, Inc., John W. Shanley, Jr., 615 Washington street, Boston.

Boylston Bowladrome, Inc., Morris Vigoda, 1260 Boylston street, Boston.

Broadway Recreation, Pasquale Rubbico, 448 West Broadway, South Boston.

Central Park Lanes, Angelo Vozzella, 10 Saratoga street, East Boston.

Charlestown Daylight Alleys, Robert J. Panetta, 575 Rutherford avenue, Charlestown.

Codman Square Bowlway, George H. Kevorkian, 649 Washington street, Dorchester.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbico, 707 Columbia road, Dorchester.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Egleston Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 3186 Washington street, Jamaica Plain.

Hibernian Bowling Alleys, Mortimer J. Cronin, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Hub Bowling Alleys, Marie Kittrell, 216 Hanover street, Boston.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington avenue, Boston.

Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, Inc., Harold L. Waterman, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.

Hyde Square Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, Louis A. Gilman, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Jamaica Bowlway, Arthur Iorio, 702A Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester.

Lee S. King, 466 and 468C Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.

Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1348 Blue Hill avenue, Mattapan.

Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.

Metropolitan Bowling Alleys, Jacob Koss, 35 Dore street, Boston.

Alvaro Mezzetti, Basement, South Station, Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street, Boston.

Mt. Pleasant Bowling & Billiards, John F. McLaughlin, 590 Dudley street, Dorchester.

North Station Bowling Alleys, Gene DeMarco, 222½ Friend street, Boston.

Dominick Rubbico, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.

South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Webster Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

West Roxbury Bowling Center, Harry M. Everson, 119 Park street, West Roxbury.

Report on petitions (referred today) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that licenses be granted under usual conditions, viz.:

Columbia Billiard Company Alleys, Nicholas J. Poulakis, 558 Columbia road, Dorchester.

Congress Billiard & Bowling Supply Company, Clement J. Dore, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury.

Fields Corner Daylight Alleys, Inc., Joseph Bonigli, 289 Adams street, Dorchester.

German Workingmen's Association, Philip Huber, 22 Amory avenue, Roxbury.

King Pin Alleys, Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Boston.

New Egyptian Alleys, Waldo C. Nardella, 345 Washington street, Brighton.

Orient Bowlway, Henry Baldassarro, 981 and 983 Bennington street, East Boston.

Park Square Bowladrome, Inc., Joseph Bonigli, 162 Columbus avenue, Boston.

Scollay Square Alleys, Albert J. Magaletta, 48 Scollay square, Boston.

Strand Recreation Room, Amos E. Cowan, 716 East Broadway, South Boston.

Reports severally accepted, and licenses severally granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 3) accepting chapter 803 of Acts of 1949 for transfer of land from Park Department to Overseers of Public Welfare—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

IMPROVEMENTS TO NOYES PLAYGROUND.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately have plans drawn for the enlargement of the Noyes Playground, East Boston, with a view to relocating the baseball diamond and the installation, if possible, of a second diamond.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Edward F. Connolly (referred October 3) for the amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) be allowed and paid to Edward F. Connolly in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of J. H. McGann (referred September 12) for the amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That the sum of ninety dollars (\$90) be allowed and paid to J. H. McGann in rein-

bursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Frank J. Englert (referred September 19) for the amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred forty-five dollars (\$445) be allowed and paid to Frank J. Englert in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Benjamin Goodman (referred September 19) for the amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred forty-four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$144.25) be allowed and paid to Benjamin Goodman in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

The reports were severally accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

SALE OF STUDENT TICKETS FOR FRANKLIN PARK STADIUM.

Coun. COOK and TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for a system whereby school students of all Boston Schools be allowed to purchase tickets for all football games at the Franklin Park Stadium, either at the Stadium, or through the schools, at the rate of 25 cents.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT ELM HILL PARK AND WARREN STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric light at Elm Hill park and Warren street, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT AKRON AND REGENT STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric light at the corner of Akron and Regent streets, Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

USE OF VACANT LAND ON SAVIN STREET FOR PARKING PURPOSES.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the use of the vacant land on Savin street, near Blue Hill avenue, for parking purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHT AT FANEUIL AND MARKET STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey to determine the advisability of installation of a pedestrian traffic light at the corner of Faneuil and Market streets in Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" SIGN, GREEN AND CHAMBERS STREETS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect a "Stop" sign at the corner of Green and Chambers streets, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT ON MAYO STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on Mayo street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT ON GROTON STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on Groton street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COMMENDATIONS TO JUDGE, JURORS, AND UNITED STATES DISTRICT ATTORNEY ON CONDUCT OF COMMUNISTS' TRIAL IN NEW YORK.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its grateful acknowledgment of the many personal sacrifices made by the honorable jurors, United States District Attorney, and the presiding justice during the long and arduous nine-month trial of the eleven Communists held in New York; and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council compliment the jurors on the honorable discharge of their duties and responsibilities as American citizens in convicting the eleven Communists under the Smith Act for conspiracy to teach the forcible overthrow of the United States Government; and he it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council expresses its complete confidence in United States District Attorney John F. X. McGohey for the successful prosecution of the eleven Communist party leaders; and he it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby pay public tribute to Judge Harold R. Medina, who maintained an atmosphere of judicial calm indicative of the American judicial system as contrasted with communistic political injustice behind the Iron Curtain; and he it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution he sent to Judge Harold R. Medina, United States District Attorney John F. X. McCohy, and the members of the jury.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

FLUORESCENT LIGHTING IN ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Buildings Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately change the lights in the Election Department to fluorescent lights because of the glare of the lights now in operation.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place electric lights on the wooden poles now on West Fifth street, between E and F streets, because of the dark and dangerous condition of said street.

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on the poles located on

Baxter street, between D and C streets, in place of the gas lamps now there.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

IMPROVEMENTS TO GENERAL WILLIAM HEATH SQUARE, WARD 10.

Coun. BRYAN, for Councilor Carey, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to dig up, seed, and roll the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect an iron fence, with gate, around the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a black sandblast sign with gold leaf letters reading General William Heath Square on top of the present signpost at this location.

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install concrete seats or benches for the public on all three sides of the small park at General William Heath square, Ward 10.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGN AT CORNER OF HOWE AND HANCOCK STREETS, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a sign reading "Caution—Children at Play" on Howe street, at the corner of Hancock street, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EXTRA POLICE PROTECTION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide extra police protection for school children at crossings in Ward 15, which are now badly undermanned.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted at 2.55 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Senior Member Wenzler, at 4.55 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred October 3) for appropriation of \$30,000 for the Printing Department—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

2. Report on the message of the Mayor and orders (referred October 3) for transfer of \$5,200 to Boston Traffic Commission and transfer of \$20,000 to Park Department, Contractual Services—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

3. Report on the message of the Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfer of \$110,000 to the Public Welfare Department, Central Office, Personal Service; transfer of \$2,500 to City Maintenance, Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, Supplies; transfer of \$235 to County of Suffolk, Associate Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division, Personal Service—recommending that the orders ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred October 3) amending the Building Code in allowable unit stresses—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRS TO ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

On the message of the Mayor and order for appropriation of \$100,000 for repairs to House of Correction, Deer Island (referred to the Executive Committee on October 10), it was voted, on motion of Councilor Cook, to take said order from the Committee. On further motion of Councilor Cook the order was passed, yeas 13, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cook, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Sullivan—2.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS, INDEPENDENCE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install lights in Independence Park, Ward 6, because of its dark and dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from William H. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest of W. H. Ellis & Son Company in contract for making repairs to machinery foundation at Summer Street Bridge.

Placed on file.

SURVEY TO DETERMINE CAUSE OF MANHOLE COVER EXPLOSIONS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, During the last two years the citizens of Boston have been subjected to constant danger from the explosions in manholes of several utilities corporations operating in the city; and

Whereas, The said corporations have failed to end the explosions by any of the measures they have thus far undertaken; and

Whereas, The citizens of Ward 11 were recently terrorized by the worst series of explosions which have yet struck the city; therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to form a committee whose duty it shall be to make an independent survey of the conduits throughout the city to determine the cause of the explosions and to submit a report to the Boston City Council on measures designed to eliminate these dangers.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR REPAIR WORK AT DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Whereas, The Penal Institutions Commissioner has requested the Council to approve a loan order in the amount of \$100,000 for the repair of a building on Deer Island; and

Whereas, The Building Commissioner has only invited three contractors to bid on the work; and

Whereas, There are many more qualified contractors capable of doing the work at possibly a lower figure than that offered by the present lowest bidders; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the Council that the Penal Institutions Commissioner publicly advertise to secure more bids from the many qualified contractors in this area; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Penal Institutions Commissioner.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

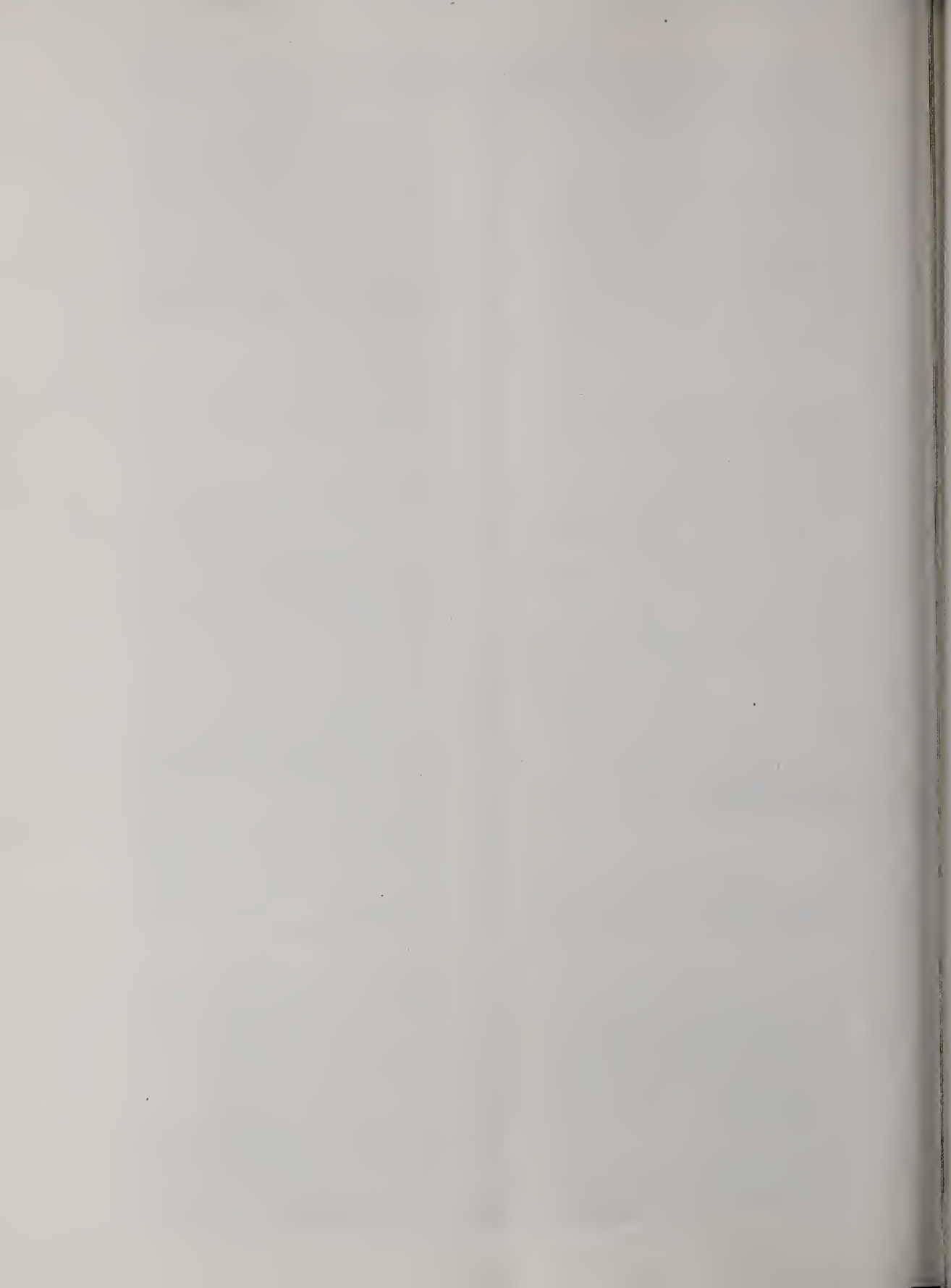
APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRS TO ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, HOUSE OF CORRECTION, DEER ISLAND.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved reconsideration of the vote on the appropriation for \$100,000 for repairs to the Administration Building, House of Correction, Deer Island. The motion was declared lost.

On a point of order raised by Councilor Yerxa, doubting the presence of a quorum, the Chair declared that a quorum was not present, and the Council stood adjourned at 5.15 p.m.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 24, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Carey.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: Charles I. Lesser, 120 Corey road, Brighton.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950: John P. Gasper, 10 Vaughan street, Hyde Park; Stephen Cheney, 28 Mallet street, Dorchester; Robert G. Knowles, 34 Cross street, Randolph, Mass., Harold Perham, 69 Franklin avenue, Wollaston, Mass.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

LEASE OF ABANDONED FIREHOUSE ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 19, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Buildings Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the leasing to the Sea Bees Post No. 7853, Veterans of Foreign Wars, of the abandoned firehouse at 84 Northampton street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
October 17, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Referring to Council order dated October 10, 1949, requesting that the abandoned firehouse at 84 Northampton street, now under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, be leased or sold to the Sea Bees Post No. 7853, Veterans of Foreign Wars, I would advise as follows:

This building has been used by the Welfare Department, and the department will vacate it soon, and a lease has been signed with the Second Division Post No. 2045, V.F.W., for rental to them.

Yours truly,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN, Superintendent.

Placed on file.

FILLING OF PRESCRIPTIONS, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the notifying of all visitors in the Division of Old Age Assistance that they are not to endeavor to influence recipients of Old Age Assistance as to where prescriptions for medicine and medical supplies are to be filled.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
October 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention: Lawrence P. Gilligan.
Dear Sir:

This department has received the following order of the City Council passed August 29, 1949:

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare be instructed by his Honor the Mayor to issue a directive notifying all visitors in the Division of Old Age Assistance that they are not to endeavor to influence recipients of Old Age Assistance as to where prescriptions for medicines and medical supplies are to be filled, provided, of course, that the recipient lives within the allowance for such medicines and medical supplies furnished by the Old Age Assistance Division.

The Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare respectfully wishes to advise that the matter contained herein is in direct contradiction to the Social Security Act of the federal government which was passed in the year 1935, and all social workers in this department know that they cannot in any way restrict any purchases made by individuals receiving Old Age Assistance by directing them to a particular vendor.

Very truly yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC CURBING, AGAWAM STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 18, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of September 26, concerning the installing of granolithic curbing on Agawam street, Ward 16.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 17, 1949.

Mr. Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic curbing on Agawam street, Ward 16, and this will advise you that this street was constructed with a hip gutter, completed on September 16, and it is not feasible to install granolithic curbing therein.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

COLLECTION OF ASHES AND REFUSE, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 19, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the collecting of ash and refuse before eight o'clock in the morning, in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 18, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of order in Council, request of Councilor Tracy, under date of October 10, 1949, as follows:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to order the contractor collecting ash and refuse in Ward 11 that no work shall begin before eight o'clock in the morning.

An order in the Council to this effect was received at this office under date of September 12, 1949, and was answered on September 21, as follows:

"The work under the contract for the collection and removal of refuse in this district has, for a great many years, started earlier than 8 A.M. It would be impracticable and unrealistic to change these hours both on account of the habits of the public as well as the constantly increasing traffic congestion during the later hours of the day in this vicinity."

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF STRANDVIEW ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 18, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the resurfacing with smooth paving of Strandview road, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 17, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface with smooth paving, Strandview road, Ward 13, and this will advise you that this is a private way and no construction work can be performed in this street by the Public Works Department until after same has been laid out and accepted by the Board of Street Commissioners, Room 401, City Hall Annex, Boston.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF MISSING STREET SIGNS, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the replacing of missing street signs in Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 19, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace all the missing street signs in Ward 11, a list of which has been submitted to said Commissioner, and this will advise you that all the missing signs in this ward are in the process of being made and same will be installed just as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF FLOODLIGHTS IN RECREATIONAL CENTERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of

October 10, 1949, concerning the installation of floodlights in the South Boston Stadium and other similarly large outdoor recreational centers throughout the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 20, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have the City Council order dated October 13, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to provide for the installation of floodlights in the South Boston Stadium and other similarly large outdoor recreational centers throughout the City of Boston.

Some time ago I investigated the floodlighting of baseball and football fields and found, in substance, that the best floodlighting installation could cost \$50,000.

I will make a further study of permanent installation of floodlights and include it in my summary that will be submitted to the Budget Commissioner for next year.

At the present time there is no money in the budget for any permanent installation.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ENLARGEMENT OF NOYES PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning plans for the enlargement of the Noyes Playground, East Boston, with a view to relocating the baseball diamond and the installation, if possible, of a second diamond.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 20, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have the City Council order dated October 19, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to immediately have plans drawn for the enlargement of the Noyes Playground, East Boston, with a view to relocating the baseball diamond and the installation, if possible, of a second diamond.

I would say that the enlargement of this field by widening, by taking over more land would, in my opinion, not be too costly. Certainly the land cost should be low in order to provide greater width to accomplish a relocation of the baseball diamond and the construction of an additional baseball diamond.

I will have plans prepared for the enlargement of Noyes Playground with an estimate of the cost which will include land-takings and the cost of development.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHTS, INDEPENDENCE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the installing of lights in Independence Park, Ward 6, because of its dark and dangerous condition.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 20, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have the City Council order dated October 19, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to install lights in Independence Park, Ward 6, because of its dark and dangerous condition.

I have talked with the Street Lighting Service of the Highway Division of the Public Works Department who have charge of the maintenance of lights on this park and on the streets adjacent to the park.

They tell me that they are having a study made by the Boston Edison Company and that out of this study an estimate will be given. Consideration will then be given to the suggestions made by the Boston Edison Company.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS RECEIVED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Andreana Bagiackas, for compensation for injuries caused by being struck by club thrown by police officer.

Carl S. Bowers, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Dailey Chevrolet Company, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Ernest N. DiBenedetto, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by car of Park Commission.

Albertine Grenier, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

Adele M. Gross, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 151 Sutherland road.

Agnes B. Gruskey, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Annie A. Hawley, for compensation for damage to property at 26 Chestnut street, caused by leak in water pipe.

Vincent J. Iannello, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Octavius Martinoli, to be reimbursed for death of Joseph R. Martinoli, caused by falling through footbridge, Orleans street to Bremen street.

John J. Murphy, for compensation for damage to boiler at 67 Jamaica street, caused by water being shut off.

Lena H. Pendergast, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

William Quigg, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Edna Whyte, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Chauncy street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Arlington Square Bowling Alleys, Kenneth McDonald, 392 Tremont street, Ward 5.

Irish Center Club, Peter J. Graham, Treasurer, 194 Hoath street, Ward 10.

Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester, Ward 14.

West Roxbury Liederkrantz, Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, Ward 20.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

The petition of Thomas P. Shields for children under fifteen years of age to appear at Hibernian Hall, October 30, 1949, was received and granted under the usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF LOAN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Emergency Finance Board of vote passed October 18, 1949, approving borrowing by Treasurer of City of Boston of

\$350,000 for Welfare Department — Dependent Aid, \$175,000, Aid to Dependent Children, \$175,000.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

October 28, 1949, at 11 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for permission to erect, maintain, and use poles to support the wires of its electric system, etc.—two poles on Columbia road at Geneva avenue, Dorchester.

October 31, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles between junction of Hyde Park avenue and River street and the Boston-Dedham line on River street, over River street.

October 31, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles between junction of Federal street and Milk street and Scollay square, over Milk street, Washington street, and Court street (to be operated only between the hours of 1 A.M. and 5 A.M.).

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from William H. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of interest in contract awarded W. H. Ellis & Son Company for repair of bulkhead at Albany Street Sanitary Yard.

Placed on file.

ENFORCEMENT OF SPEED REGULATIONS, SEAVER STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the proper authorities be contacted, through his Honor the Mayor, for the purpose of enforcing the speed regulations for transportation buses using Seaver street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LAMP, 33 ROCKLAND STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the antiquated gas lamp located in front of 33 Rockland street, Ward 12, with a modern electric arc light.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PARKING ON VACANT LAND, WINTHROP STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow the city-owned vacant land on Winthrop street, Ward 12, to be used for parking by the residents of that district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

HEWES STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 12.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Hewes street, Ward 12; and be it further

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the sidewalks along this street at the same time.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

REGULATION OF BUSES ON HUMBOLDT AVENUE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be asked, through his Honor the Mayor, to make sure that buses traveling on Humboldt avenue observe all speed regulations and that they use more care in the receiving and discharging of passengers.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF SUMMIT STREET, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct as a public highway Summit street, in the Roslindale section of Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WATERING OFF FOOTBALL FIELDS WHEN NECESSARY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner to instruct the custodian of grounds on which football games are to be played to request the Fire Department to water down the playing field whenever it is deemed necessary.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ROPING OFF GROUNDS FOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner to provide ropes and stakes for roping off the grounds on which athletic contests are being conducted, especially roping off the sidelines for football games.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF STRANDVIEW ROAD, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct as a public Highway Strandview road, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF POLES ON PRINCETON STREET.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install poles on Princeton street, between Putnam street and Brooks street, so that electric lights can be installed.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

TIME OFF FOR VOTING.

Coun. SULLIVAN and HURLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Police Commissioner and the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow the men in their respective departments sufficient time off to go to the polls on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

STATEMENTS BY COUNCILORS ON "SKID ROW."

By unanimous consent Councilor Sullivan made a statement on conditions in "Skid Row" as portrayed in a Boston newspaper. Councilors Hurley and Lanigan also spoke under unanimous consent.

RESOLUTION RE CONFIDENCE IN RESIDENTS OF SOUTH END.

Coun. LANIGAN, SULLIVAN, HURLEY, CHASE, and YERXA offered the following:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Council express their complete confidence in the character, honesty and integrity of the thousands of decent, God-fearing, and law-abiding citizens residing in the South End section of Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Council pay tribute to the prominent part that the South End has contributed to the business, professional and civic life of this city, state, and nation.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following amendment:

And be it further Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the editors of all the Boston newspapers.

The amendment was passed.

The resolution as amended was adopted under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS, WARD 15 STREETS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Street Lighting Division of the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights, temporary or otherwise, on Richfield street and Howe street in Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ASSIGNMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS ON ELECTION DAY.

Coun. KEENAN and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign police officers to the nearest voting booth to their homes in order that they may be able to vote on Election Day.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WARD 20 INTERSECTION.

Coun. BRYAN and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Beech, Washington, and Walworth streets, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

WARD 20 IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install water and sewerage works, also hydrants, on the following streets in Ward 20: Crosstown avenue, Salmon street, Stimson street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF COWING STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Cowing street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following reports on petitions (referred today) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that licenses be granted, viz.:

Arlington Square Bowling Alleys, Kenneth McDonald, 392 Tremont street, Ward 5.

Irish Center Club, Peter J. Graham, treasurer, 194 Heath street, Ward 10.

Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester, Ward 14.

West Roxbury Liederkrantz, Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, Ward 20.

Reports accepted; licenses severally granted under usual conditions.

HEALTH UNIT FOR WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish a health unit in the Ward 11 section of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signals at the intersection of Rossmore road and Washington street, Ward 11.

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signals at the intersection of Centre street, Cedar street, and Fort avenue, Ward 11.

Severally passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS, WARD 11 STREETS.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on Glade avenue and Cedar park, Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct granolithic sidewalks on Lourdes avenue and Dorr street, Ward 11.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF KEMBLE PLACE, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, that Kemble place, Ward 6, South Boston, be accepted as a public street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EMERSON STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Emerson street and resurface the sidewalks with cement to take the place of the present broken brick sidewalks.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHTS IN INDEPENDENCE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place arc lights in Independence Park, South Boston, because of the dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

EAST THIRD STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface East Third street, Ward 6, and to place cement sidewalks on East Third street from Dorchester street to I street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR AGED MEN, FRANKLIN FIELD LOCKER BUILDING.

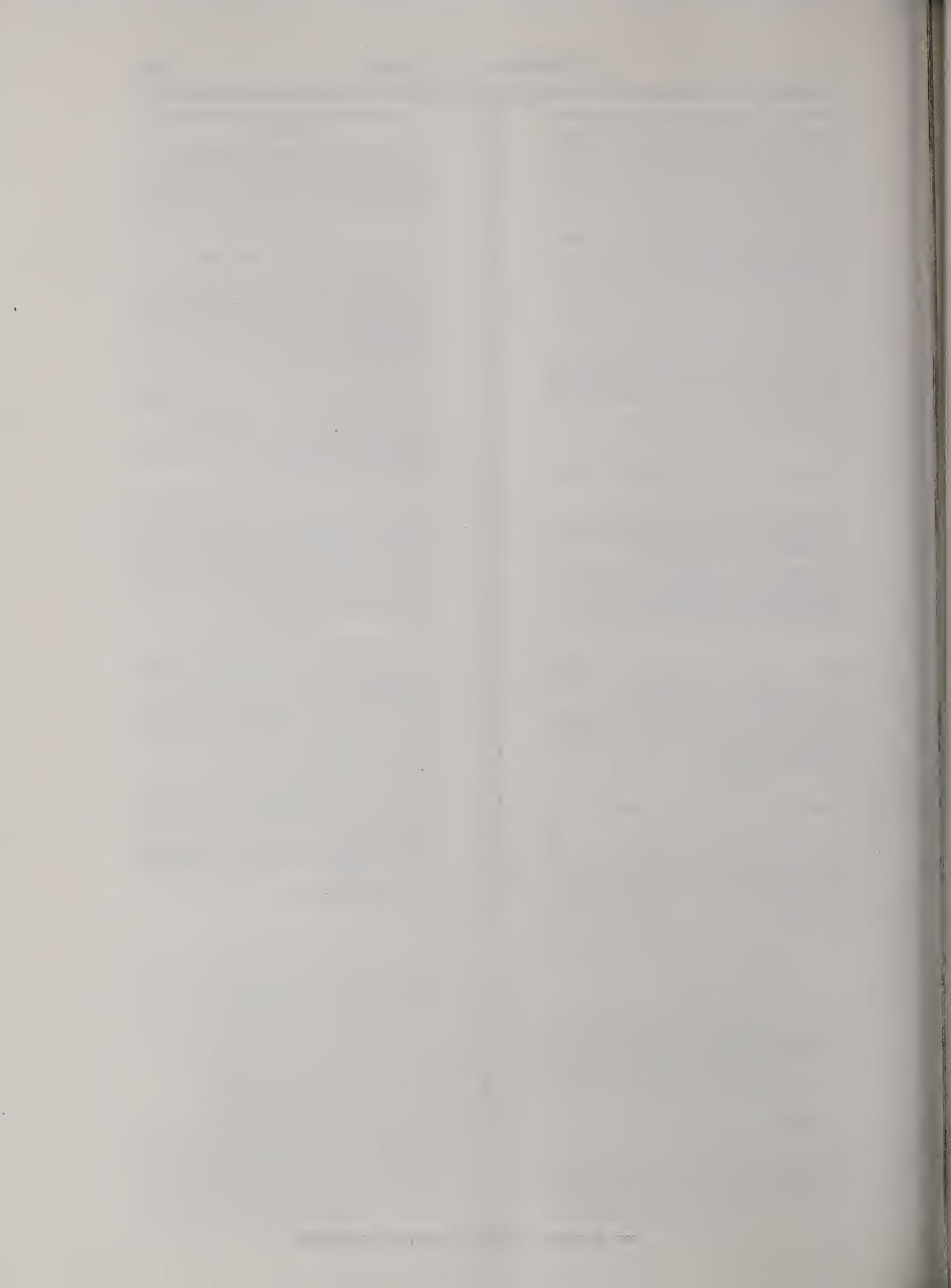
Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Park Commissioner to provide recreational facilities for the aged men, in the locker building, Franklin Field, Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned at 3.07 P.M., on motion of Councilor Beades, to meet on Monday, October 31, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 31, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Keenan, McCormack, Tracy, and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Lester Berger, 443 Beacon street, Boston, as Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing bond, for term ending April 30, 1950.

William B. Powers, 287 Bellevue street, West Roxbury, as Weigher of Goods, for period ending April 30, 1950.

Severally referred to Committee on Confirmations.

LAND FOR PLAYGROUND, CHARME AVENUE, ROSLINDALE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 26, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the acquiring of land on Charme avenue, Roslindale, for playground purposes.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, October 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum with attached City Council order, dated October 10, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to acquire land on Charme avenue, Roslindale, for playground purposes.

I have investigated the land in question, which is at the foot of Charme avenue, and in substance I find a fairly sizable plot that could be developed into a playground. It is a more or less natural site and would serve the youngsters in that district.

It is fairly well built up at the present time, and I think that a playground could be built of fair size. It will require, however, a little time to try to determine whether we can acquire enough land to have a full-size athletic field or whether it would be a playground which would be devoted to the smaller children.

I am making a study of it and in a relatively short period of time I expect to arrive at cost figures on the acquisition of the land.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS, GENERAL WILLIAM HEATH SQUARE.

The following were received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 26, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the erecting of an iron fence around the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, October 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum with attached City Council order, dated October 17, 1949, requesting the erection of an iron fence, with gate, around the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

I believe that there is much merit in this request, especially as to the particular area where this work is to be done.

I believe, however, that it is too late in the year to consider planting or erecting fences, as there will not be too much use for them now with the cooler weather setting in.

I believe that this work should be considered at the proper season, namely, spring.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 26, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the installing of concrete seats or benches for the public on all three sides of the small park at General William Heath square, Ward 10.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, October 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum with attached City Council order, dated October 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to install concrete seats or benches for the public on all three sides of the small park at General William Heath square, Ward 10.

At the present time there is only one bench on one side of this park. It seems to me that some years ago there were more benches around this triangle, but there were certain objections from some of the people of the neighborhood that forced the policy of not too many benches.

Within about 50 feet of the triangle is a tavern where intoxicating liquors are sold, and sometimes it does encourage the tired customers on their way home to linger on, and it could be rather annoying.

The side of the triangle nearest Parker street in my opinion might be a dangerous place for benches, because if cars started to skid down the hill they could jump the curbstone and hit the benches with people on them.

As the season is too late and really too cold to be sitting out to any great extent, I feel that we should give this serious thought and study fully the merits of this request.

Very truly yours,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1949.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the digging up, seeding, and rolling of the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

Respectfully,

JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, October 25, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum with attached City Council order, dated October 17, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to dig up, seed, and roll the triangular grass plot at General William Heath square, junction of Heath and New Heath streets, Ward 10.

I feel that something should be done to this triangular plot of ground at William Heath square.

I do feel that due to the lateness of the year it is too late to attempt to grow grass and that it

would be better to wait until the spring when the grass would have a better chance to grow.

I also think that consideration should be given to putting in a concrete walk around the triangle.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Severally placed on file.

FLUORESCENT LIGHTS IN ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Department of Public Buildings, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the placing of fluorescent lights in the Election Department.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
October 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the attached order requesting, through his Honor the Mayor, the immediate change of the lights in the Election Department, I regret to state that at the present time the department's funds are practically exhausted.

However, immediately when funds become available after the first of January, I shall be only too happy to order the required changes.

Very truly yours,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS, WALNUT AVENUE AND SCHOOL STREET, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 26, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the installing of electric street lights at the intersection of Walnut avenue and School street and at the roadway leading to the new Schoolboy Stadium, where a dangerous condition exists as a result of traffic going to and from the night games in Franklin Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install electric lights at the roadway leading to the new Schoolboy Stadium and at Walnut avenue and School street, Jamaica Plain.

Please be advised that the Boston Edison Company has been ordered to install a new electric light at the stadium entrance.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

WATER AND SEWERAGE INSTALLATION, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order

of October 24, concerning the installing of water and sewerage works and also hydrants in Cross-town street, Salmon street, and Stimson street, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 28, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Gilligan:

I return herewith Council order of October 24, requesting certain work to be performed on Cross-town street, Salmon street, and Stimson street, West Roxbury.

A contract has already been made to have the sewers installed in these streets, and when the sewerage work is completed it will be possible to continue the work of laying water mains and establishing hydrants.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGN AT CORNER OF HOWE AND HANCOCK STREETS, WARD 15.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the installation of a sign reading "Caution—Children at Play" on Howe street, at the corner of Hancock street, Ward 15.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 17, 1949, Requesting the Installation of a Sign Reading "Caution—Children" on Howe Street at the Corner of Hancock Street, Ward 15.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order you are hereby advised that orders have been issued to erect a "Children" sign on the northeast corner of Howe street, opposite Hancock street.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, WARD 11.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Centre street, Cedar street, and Fort avenue, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 24, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Centre Street, Cedar Street, and Fort Avenue, Ward 11.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections throughout the city, which we hope to accomplish before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for further installations in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, it is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Rossmore road and Washington street, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated October 24, 1949,
Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signals
at the Intersection of Rossmore Road and
Washington Street, Ward 11.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections throughout the city, which we hope to accomplish before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for further installations in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, it is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Severally placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Beech, Washington, and Walworth streets, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 27, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated October 24, 1949,
Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights
at the Intersection of Beech, Washington,
and Walworth Streets, Ward 20.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections throughout the city, which we hope to accomplish before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for further installations in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, it is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TIME OFF FOR VOTING.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communications from the Police and Fire Departments, relative to your order of October 24, concerning the allowance of sufficient time off to the men in their respective departments to go to the polls on Election Day.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, October 27, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of October 26, 1949, with accompanying order of the City Council requesting the Police Commissioner to allow the men of the department sufficient time off to go to the polls on Election Day, please be advised that the customary order has been issued allowing officers on duty during the period when the polls are open ample time to vote in their own precincts.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, October 27, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to City Council order, dated October 24, 1949, that the Police Commissioner and the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow the men in their respective departments sufficient time off to go to the polls on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 1949, I beg to advise your Honor that arrangements will be made so that all members of this department will be allowed sufficient time to go to the polls on Election Day.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT TO CERTAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of chapters 549 and 561 of the Acts of 1949, the City of Boston is authorized to appropriate sums totaling \$15,079.83 for the purpose of compensating Harold J. Walkins and Joseph A. Buccigross, members of the Boston Police Department, in the sums of \$8,371.97 and \$6,707.86, respectively, for the loss of compensation incurred by them in prior years.

In compliance with the provisions of these Acts, I am forwarding herewith orders transferring these respective sums from the Reserve Fund to the Contingent Fund, to be appropriated for the use of the Police Department in making these payments, and respectfully recommend their passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of eight thousand three hundred and seventy-one dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$8,371.97) be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the Reserve Fund to the Contingent Fund, and appropriated for the use of the Police Department for the purpose of compensating Harold J. Walkins for the loss of compensation incurred between July 30, 1940, and August 19, 1943, as authorized by chapter 549 of the Acts of 1949.

Ordered, That the sum of six thousand seven hundred and seven dollars and eighty-six cents (\$6,707.86) be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the Reserve Fund to the Contingent Fund, and appropriated for the use of the Police Department for the purpose of compensating Joseph A.

Buccigross for the loss of compensation incurred between January 1, 1943, and July 29, 1944, as authorized by chapter 561 of the Acts of 1949.

On motion of Councilor Sbanley, the rules were suspended, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cbase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—18.
Nays—0.

SALE OF NORTH END BEACH LAND TO WHITE FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith an order for the purchase of approximately 59,770 square feet of land at North End Beach by the George Robert White Fund for the sum of \$6,000. I also transmit communications from the Manager of the White Fund and the Chairman of the Park Department relative to this sale of land.

On this parcel of land, when the transfer is consummated, there will be constructed a swimming pool and diving pool. The children of this neighborhood for some period of time have been without adequate bathing facilities. The construction and operation of a swimming pool in this section will meet the demands of the children for recreational facilities throughout the bathing season.

I recommend very strongly that your Body give prompt action on the enclosed order, so that we may proceed with expedition to the building of the project.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 26, 1949.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston are in receipt of a vote of the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund passed July 19, 1949, wherein the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund requests that the City of Boston transfer to it approximately 59,770 square feet of land situated at North End Beach, and offers to the City of Boston the sum of \$6,000 as the fair cash value of said land.

The City of Boston—George Robert White Fund has selected this parcel of land as a site for the establishment of a swimming pool and diving pool by said fund.

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, at a meeting held on October 25, 1949, voted that this Board recommends that the request and offer of the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund be accepted and further recommends that the selected parcel of land be transferred to the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund for the sum of \$6,000, the fair cash value thereof.

Very truly yours,
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

City of Boston,
George Robert White Fund,
October 31, 1949.
To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen:
The City of Boston—George Robert White Fund, acting by and through the Trustees designated in the fourteenth clause of the will of George Robert White and having the control and management of said fund on July 19, 1949, passed the following vote:

Voted, That for the purpose of the establishment of a swimming and diving pool by the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund the Trustees have selected a site containing approximately 59,770 square feet of land, situated at North End Beach in the North End of Boston.

The City of Boston—George Robert White Fund requests that the City of Boston transfer said land to the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund.

The City of Boston—George Robert White Fund offers to the City of Boston the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) as the fair cash value of said land.

The Manager of the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund is directed to communicate this request and offer to the Mayor and City Council and to the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

Very truly yours,
JAMES J. MCCARTHY, Manager.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a parcel of land known as North End Beach; and

Whereas, The City of Boston—George Robert White Fund has selected approximately fifty-nine thousand seven hundred and seventy (59,770) square feet of land within the limits of North End Beach as a site for the establishment of a swimming pool and diving pool by the George Robert White Fund and has requested that the said parcel of land be transferred by the City of Boston to the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund and has offered to the City of Boston the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) as the fair cash value of said land; and

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston recommends that the request and offer of the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund be accepted and that the selected parcel of land be transferred to the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund for the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), the fair cash value of said land; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to transfer to the City of Boston—George Robert White Fund by an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston a parcel of land within the limits of North End Beach, containing approximately fifty-nine thousand seven hundred and seventy (59,770) square feet, for the purpose of the establishment of a swimming pool and diving pool on said land by the George Robert White Fund, and upon the consideration of the payment to the City of Boston by the George Robert White Fund of the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), the fair cash value of said land. The parcel of land to be transferred is shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Commercial street, North End Beach, Boston Proper, September 19, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department." The original of said plan is on file in the office of the Street Laying-Out Department, City Hall, Boston.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan, the rules were suspended, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Sbanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—18.
Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF LAND IN BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is submitted herewith an order for the transfer of funds in the amount of \$23,000 for the purpose of acquiring a parcel of land in Brighton, containing 25,931 square feet, and bounded by Commonwealth avenue, Sidlaw road, and Chiswick road.

This parcel will be developed into a public park and will beautify the intersection of the three roadways and greatly enhance the immediate neighborhood of that section of Brighton.

The necessary sum of \$23,000 to acquire this land for park purposes is being appropriated from the Special Account, Sales of City Property, and consideration and adoption of the order is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws the sum of twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) be, and

the same hereby is, appropriated from the Special Account, Sales of City Property, to be expended for the purpose of acquiring by purchase, by eminent domain, or otherwise, for park purposes, a triangular plot of land, containing approximately 25,931 square feet, located at the junction of Commonwealth avenue, Sidlaw road, and Chiswick road in the Brighton section of the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

**METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY
DEFICIENCY ASSESSMENT.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the City Auditor, requesting an additional appropriation of \$5,844.39 to meet the total assessment in connection with the financing of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Deficiency Assessment.

In compliance with this request, there is forwarded herewith an order transferring the above sum from the Reserve Fund, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department, October 26, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the financing of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Deficiency Assessment it will be necessary to provide \$5,844.39 from available sources to meet the total assessment which will be payable on or about November 20, 1949. The following table indicates the reason for this additional appropriation:

Total assessment certified by State Treasurer.....	\$10,205,296 39
Less:—	
Bonds to be issued by City Treasurer, \$10,150,000 00	
Credit resulting from 1948 over-estimate.....	48,796 09
Amount provided in 1949 tax levy.....	655 91
Total credits.....	10,199,452 00
Amount to be provided from available funds.....	\$5,844 39

I suggest that this amount be provided by a transfer from the Reserve Fund.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX, City Auditor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$5,844.39, to the appropriation for Metropolitan Transit Authority Deficiency Assessment, \$5,844.39.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Edmund Andrews, Jr., for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1356 Blue Hill avenue.

Alice M. Blum, for compensation for damage to property at 1607 Commonwealth avenue, caused by employees of Park Department.

James M. Dever, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Mabel Egidio, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 7 Bentham road.

Katie Finstein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street, Dorchester.

Gertrude C. Gallagher, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Kathryn M. Handley, for compensation for loss of teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Joseph H. Loring, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 99-103 Woodhaven street.

Mary Lynch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Shirley street and Dudley street.

Thomas H. McEnany, for compensation for damage to truck caused by an alleged defect at Albany street and Broadway.

Metropolitan Transit Authority, for compensation for damage to cable of MTA by employees of Traffic Division.

Samuel Nelson, for compensation for damage to property at 149 Milton avenue, Hyde Park, caused by change of grade of street.

Walter Reinstein, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Maris Rotondi, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred at 14 Elgin street, caused by broken water pipe.

Paul H. Servais, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Blue Hill avenue.

Executive.

Petition of Alice T. Crowley to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Daniel J. Crowley, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day, viz.:

Kenmore Recreation, Inc., Tobias Wolbarst, 82 Lansdowne street, Ward 5.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, November 5.

Thomas Nazzaro, Casino Theatre, October 30. Permits granted under usual conditions.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Applications for minors' licenses were received from twenty-six newsboys and three bootblacks. Licenses granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Francis J. Melville, Jr., having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, it was voted that when the Council adjourned it be to meet on Monday, November 14, 1949, at 2 P.M.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Joseph S. Matachinskas, 952 East Broadway, South Boston, to be member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1950.

Placed on file.

**MODERN LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR
ORCHARD PARK.**

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately install a modern lighting system in Orchard park.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT, CLARENCE STREET.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a modern electric arc light in front of 36 Clarence street, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SMOKE NUISANCE, DONALD McKAY SCHOOL, EAST BOSTON.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate the smoke nuisance at the Donald McKay School on Cottage street in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF VOTING MACHINES, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install voting machines in Ward 6 and to have instructors on hand in every voting place where the machines are going to be used this year to show the people how to operate same.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INSTALLATION OF "SLOW" SIGNS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs at the following locations in Ward 6: N and Fourth streets, at the four corners. N and Fifth streets, at the four corners. N and Sixth streets, at the four corners. N and Seventh streets, at the four corners.

This is in order to eliminate the hazard to children in coming from and going to school.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF TREE, ROCKVILLE ROAD.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree opposite 17 Rockville road, Ward 12, which is in a very dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 12.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth paving Circuit street and Cheney street, Ward 12, and also to reconstruct the sidewalks along both sides of these roadways.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred October 24) of Charles I. Lesser as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950 — recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred October 24) of Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1950, viz.: John P. Gasper, Stephen Cheney, Rohert G. Knowles, Harold Perham — recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cantwell and Lanigan. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, and the appointments were confirmed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF EDWARD EYGES.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Deering road and Blue Hill avenue in honor of Flight Officer Edward Eyges of 1203 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, who lost his life on June 24, 1944, in France, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CLEANING OF WARD 14 STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have his Sanitary Division immediately clean the streets in the Ward 14 area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ONE-WAY STREETS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Wales street, Arbutus street, and Irma street one-way streets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BUMPER CURBING, SOUTH MUNROE TERRACE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Commissioner of Public Works to immediately erect a bumper curbing approximately 18 inches in height on South Munroe terrace, at the junction of Neponset avenue, for the purpose of preventing automobiles from dropping onto the property at 187 Neponset avenue, which would endanger the lives and safety of children in this area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ACCEPTANCE OF SEWALL STREET, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lay out and accept Sewall street, Ward 16, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REQUESTED REFUSAL OF GAS STATION PERMIT.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to refuse to grant a permit for the location of a gas station adjacent to or near 340 Freeport street, Dorchester, since such station would be injurious to the residential and beach areas in that vicinity.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SPEEDY REPAIR OF GRANOLITHIC
SIDEWALKS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to speed up the work of repairing broken granolithic sidewalks in Ward 20 so that they will be completed before the winter sets in.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPLACING OF MISSING STREET
SIGNS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace all missing street signs throughout Ward 20.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC SIGNS ON METROPOLITAN
DISTRICT HIGHWAY, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "No Parking" signs from Metropolitan District Highway at Brook street to Newton street in Ward 22.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned at 2.43 P.M., on motion of Councilor Shanley, to meet on Monday, November 14, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, November 14, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Bryan, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Kinsella, Lane. The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. ANSEL in the Chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn, in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz:

Thirty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear December 5, 1949:

Herbert C. Cleary, Ward 1; Henry O'Keefe, Ward 1; William A. Rice, Ward 1; Angelo Simonelli, Ward 1; Joseph Graegerig, Ward 3; Irving Mintz, Ward 5; William O. Spain, Ward 5; Joseph F. Trinka, Ward 6; Daniel Heartquist, Ward 7; William T. Lewis, Ward 7; Michael T. Sheehan, Ward 7; Andrew Connolly, Ward 8; Robert H. Sullivan, Ward 8; Peter Gaskins, Ward 9; Lawrence H. Fraser, Ward 10; Roland A. Guillard, Ward 10; George T. Nadeau, Ward 10; Patrick Walsh, Ward 10; James H. Kennedy, Ward 13; Samuel Baler, Ward 14; John J. Budrewicz, Ward 15; John Carr, Ward 15; Joseph J. Daly, Ward 15; William J. Greene, Ward 15; Anthony F. Litto, Ward 15; George H. Dyer, Ward 16; Edwin T. Hardy, Ward 16; John J. McGrath, Ward 16; Harry A. Abrams, Ward 17; Robert H. Forsythe, Jr., Ward 18; Matthew W. Hendrickson, Ward 19; Francis P. Thornton, Ward 19; Harold Dockray, Ward 20; John T. Feeley, Ward 20; George Gallucci, Ward 20; Maxwell A. Ascher, Ward 21; Joseph F. McGah, Ward 21; George T. Lyneh, Ward 22; Alfred E. Oliva, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear December 5, 1949:

Alfred Cogswell, Ward 1; Charles Indelicato, Ward 1; Frank J. Nardo, Ward 1; William R. Quinn, Ward 1; Gaspar F. Scimone, Ward 1; Eugene F. Teevens, Ward 1; Edward J. Connolly, Ward 2; Robert F. Lynch, Ward 2; Francis X. Piley, Ward 2; Gabriel Bagusa, Ward 2; David Altman, Ward 3; Ralph DeRosa, Ward 3; Simon Hookness, Ward 3; James P. McLaughlin, Ward 3; John Tomasino, Ward 3; Pellegrino Ventola, Ward 3; John A. Courakis, Ward 4; Arthur W. Dodge, Ward 4; Herbert G. Gilbert, Ward 4; George S. Lambert, Ward 4; John E. Leonard, Ward 4; J. Charles MacAskill, Ward 4; Kenneth N. Sanborn, Ward 4; Jacob M. Burnes, Ward 5; William C. Campbell, Ward 5; Edward W. Donovan, Ward 5; John J. Downey, Ward 5; Merton Evans, Ward 5; Herve H. Hobert, Ward 5; Earl F. Newland, Ward 5; Louis Stardi, Ward 5; William R. Bell, Ward 6; Thomas H. Hotelman, Ward 6; Roy S. Martin, Ward 6; William A. McDonald, Ward 6; Edward T. Morley, Ward 6; Alexander J. Rusk, Ward 6; Charles H. Silva, Ward 6; Leonard W. Baruaque, Ward 7; Thomas B. Clougherty, Ward 7; Patrick Joseph Corbett, Ward 7; John J. English, Ward 7; Edwin D. Gillis, Ward 7; James E. Lee, Ward 7; James J. Mellon, Ward 7; Edwin K. Morton, Ward 7; Michael J. O'Connor, Ward 7; William J. Riley, Jr., Ward 7; Carl A. Anderson, Ward 8; Robert Bunt, Ward 8; Louis Klein, Ward 8; William C. Manning, Ward 8; Walter J. McNamara, Ward 8; Arthur E. Page, Ward 8; Leroy H. Pray, Ward 8; Jack W. Augustus, Ward 9; Kenneth W. Hurd, Ward 9; Herbert C. Lane, Ward 9; Frederick F. Williams, Ward 9; William Canney, Ward 10; Hugh S. Crompton, Ward 10; Alva F. Ehler, Ward 10; Paul G. Himmelman, Ward 10; Frank E. Lindsey, Ward 10; James P. Maher, Ward 10; William F. Maloney, Ward 10; Eugene D. Nickerson, Ward 10.

Edward J. Baldwin, Ward 11; Francis K. Dillon, Ward 11; John J. Kilooyne, Ward 11; Thomas G. Iolin, Ward 11; Cornelius C. McLaughlin, Ward 11; Robert L. McNally, Ward 11; John L. Powers, Ward 11; Owen L. Webb, Ward 11; Gordon G. Forrest, Ward 11; Louis Olsen, Ward 12; Joseph Souza, Ward 12; Maurice E. Walker, Ward 12; Joseph Analoro, Ward 13; Peter S. Budwitis, Ward 13; Joseph J. Casey, Ward 13; Edward F. Doherty, Jr., Ward 13; John E. Geist, Ward 13; Charles E. Hayo, Ward 13; Edward J. Munsey, Ward 13; Eugene R. Murphy, Ward 13; Sidney Pollack, Ward 13; Robert Rubin, Ward 13; Allen H. Avery, Ward 14; Manuel L. Bornstein, Ward 14; Samuel Comak, Ward 14; Gabriel H. Cone, Ward 14; Charles L. Hardy, Ward 14; Jacob Israel, Ward 14; Samuel Kramer, Ward 14; Julius Lotto, Ward 14; Lewis Poverman, Ward 14; Israel Molta, Ward 14; Norman Richstein, Ward 14; Henry Saklad, Ward 14; Julius J. Smolker, Ward 14; John Snyder, Ward 14; Benjamin Stein, Ward 14; Irving Stillman, Ward 14; William M. Cole, Ward 15; Edmund F. Coleman, Ward 15; Harold J. Dunphy, Ward 15; Daniel P. Gill, Ward 15; John W. Hovestadt, Ward 15; Robert E. Johnson, Ward 15; William Johnston, Ward 15; Samuel F. Litto, Ward 15; Jeremiah Bowen, Ward 16; Abbott R. Cox, Jr., Ward 16; Albra W. Harvey, Ward 16; Edward J. Williams, Jr., Ward 16; Richard A. Young, Ward 16; Ervin Gorman, Ward 17; John J. Manning, Ward 17; Peter J. Martin, Ward 17; George W. Schaub, Ward 17; George D. Thompson, Ward 17; Thomas F. Watson, Ward 17; Coleman E. Bello, Ward 18; Louis R. Brenci, Ward 18; Joseph W. Cibotti, Ward 18; Edward A. McCabe, Ward 18; William Moore, Ward 18; Charles M. Morse, Ward 18; Joseph A. Schelin, Ward 18; Edgar R. Slayter, Ward 18; A. Ferguson Smith, Ward 18; John F. Strand, Ward 18; Maurice P. Coffey, Ward 19; Joseph J. Cummings, Ward 19; Michael J. English, Ward 19; Frederick D. Garceau, Ward 19; John Mulrenan, Ward 19; Thomas H. Rothwell, Ward 19; Joseph S. Cragin, Ward 20; Giulio De Lucia, Ward 20; Edward J. Gramer, Ward 20; David M. Harty, Ward 20; William D. Higgins, Ward 20; Robert Keers, Ward 20; Henry W. Moser, Ward 20; Robert E. Murray, Ward 20; Sylvester B. Capozzoli, Ward 21; Leon Chester, Ward 21; Lawrence Helfer, Ward 21; J. Alden Johnson, Ward 21; Hyman Maletz, Ward 21; Charles W. Munro, Ward 21; Morris M. Shuster, Ward 21; Frank J. LaGrega, Ward 22; Bernard Miller, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments for term ending April 30, 1950, viz:

Weighers of Goods; Abraham Snyder, 72 Sagamore avenue, Chelsea, Mass.; Violet Baker, 21 Bal-four street, Roxbury, Mass.; Lillian Snyder, 72 Sagamore avenue, Chelsea, Mass.

Weigher of Coal; Raymond Gross, 9 Ledyard road, Winchester, Mass.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

SIGN ON GENERAL WILLIAM HEATH SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 1, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the placing of a black sandblast sign with gold leaf letters reading "General William Heath Square" on top of the present signpost at this location.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 31, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works place a black sandblast sign with gold leaf letters reading

"General William Heath Square" on top of the present signpost at this location, and I am pleased to inform you that a new sign was installed by the paving service forces under date of October 26, 1949.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT ON GROTON STREET, WARD 3.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the installing of an arc light on Groton street, Ward 3.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an arc light on Groton street, City Proper.

Please be advised that the Boston Edison Company has been ordered to install a new electric light at the above location.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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ARC LIGHT ON MAYO STREET, WARD 3.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 7, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 17, 1949, concerning the installing of an arc light on Mayo street, Ward 3.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 3, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install an arc light on Mayo street, City Proper.

Please be advised that the Boston Edison Company has been ordered to install a new electric light at above location.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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RESURFACING OF HEWES STREET, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Hewes street, Ward 12, and the repairing of the sidewalks at the same time.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 2, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface and repair the sidewalks on Hewes street, Ward 12, and this will advise you that due to the amount of work on hand and the lateness in the season it will not be possible to do this street this year, but it will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration during 1950.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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EAST THIRD STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 9, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of East Third street, and placing of cement sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester street to I street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 7, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Department resurface East Third street and place cement sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester to I streets, and this is to advise you that East Third street, Ward 6, from Emerson street to H street, has been completed. Due to the lack of funds it will be impossible to do any more work on this street this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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CONSTRUCTION OF GRANOLITHIC SIDE- WALKS, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 10, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the construction of granolithic sidewalks on Lourdes avenue and Dorr street, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 8, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Department construct granolithic sidewalks on Lourdes avenue and Dorr street, Ward 11, and this is to advise you that Lourdes avenue has been constructed with new bituminous sidewalks. Due to lack of funds it will not be possible to do the requested work on Dorr street this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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EMERSON STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Emerson street and the sidewalks with cement to take the place of the present broken brick sidewalks.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 7, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Department resurface Emerson street and the sidewalks with cement to take the place of the present broken brick sidewalks, and this is to advise you that Emerson street, Ward 6, from Dorchester street to East Third street, has been completed. Due to the lack of funds it will not be possible to do any more work on this street this year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN STREETS,
WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the resurfacing with smooth paving of Circuit street and Cheney street, Ward 12, and also the reconstruction of the sidewalks along both sides of these roadways.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 4, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface with smooth paving Circuit street and Cheney street, Ward 12, and also reconstruct the sidewalks along both sides of these roadways, and this will advise you that, due to the considerable amount of work on hand together with the lateness of the season, it will not be possible to perform this work during the present year.

However, these streets will be put on the list to be given consideration for construction during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR AGED
MEN, FRANKLIN FIELD LOCKER
BUILDING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the providing of recreational facilities for aged men in the locker building, Franklin Field, Ward 14.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 31, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated October 24, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to provide recreational facilities for aged men in the locker building, Franklin Field.

When I replied to this request, made originally to his Honor, Mayor Curley, I stated that we would set aside a room for the "old timers" to gather in, which would be on the main floor of the locker building, adjacent to the custodian's room.

The custodian of the locker building reported to me that the place is all fixed up, and apparently everyone is very much satisfied with the arrangement. He mentioned that because of the unusually fine weather for this time of the year the men have remained out of doors rather than gathering at the locker building.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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ROPING OFF GROUNDS FOR ATHLETIC
CONTESTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 4, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the providing of ropes and stakes for roping off the grounds on which athletic contests are being conducted, especially the sidelines for football games.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 3, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated October 24, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to provide ropes and stakes for roping off the grounds on which athletic contests are being conducted, especially roping off the sidelines for football games.

I have made arrangements with the City Messenger, who has charge of roping off the streets, to supply us with ropes and stakes from time to time for the purpose of carrying out the intent of the City Council order.

Furnishing ropes and stakes on city playgrounds and parks usually means that sooner or later they disappear. I believe that the acceptance of this offer of the loan of the ropes and stakes will take care of this matter.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHTS, INDEPENDENCE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the placing of arc lights in Independence Park, South Boston, because of the dangerous condition.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 4, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated October 24, 1949, requesting the Park Department to place arc lights in Independence Park, South Boston.

I am asking the Boston Edison Company to make a study of the lighting of this park. At the present time I notice that the Public Works

Department is putting in new lights on the sidewalks around the park, which might be very effective. The trouble at this park has been due to the fact that the old gas lamps were being continually broken, and the cost of maintenance was very high. Many times if a park of this size is properly illuminated with lights on the sidewalks around the park, the damage due to vandalism is reduced to a minimum. For some reason or another street lights are not very often broken, but lights in parks are damaged by vandals. The report which I will receive from the Boston Edison Company will give me something on which to work in regard to the cost of same.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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WATERING DOWN OF PLAYING FIELDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning the watering down of the playing fields on which football games are played.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 4, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated October 24, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to instruct the custodian of grounds on which football games are to be played to request the Fire Department to water down the playing field whenever it is deemed necessary.

I talked with the Fire Commissioner about this request, and he said that if the firemen, with the apparatus, were to carry out this request it would mean they would not be available to fight fires.

We have at times used a watering cart on the Fens Playground and some of the other fields where baseball and football are played, in order to abate the dust condition that might be encountered as the result of an extended dry spell. Yesterday and today we have had heavy rainstorms which certainly should keep the playing fields in a fairly damp condition for some time.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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PARKING ON CITY-OWNED LAND, WINTHROP STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 31, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning parking on city-owned vacant land on Winthrop street, Ward 12, by the residents of that district.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
October 31, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated October 26 regarding Council order of October 24, 1949, requesting the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to allow city-owned vacant land on Winthrop street, Ward 12, to be used for parking by the residents of this district, has been received.

So far as this Board is concerned our policy has been to permit adjacent owners to park cars off the street on land under our control, with the understanding that no charge would be made,

that the property would be kept clean, and this department would be free from any complaints resulting from such parking.

As requested by the order, permission is hereby granted for parking on the above-mentioned land.

Very truly yours,
IRVING LEWIS, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SPEED REGULATION OF BUSES ON SEAVER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 9, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Department, relative to your order of October 24, 1949, concerning speed regulations by transportation buses using Seaver street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, November 8, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication dated October 26, 1949, enclosing City Council order as follows:

"Ordered, That the proper authorities be contacted, through his Honor the Mayor, for the purpose of enforcing the speed regulations by transportation buses using Seaver street.
In City Council, October 24, 1949. Passed.

Attest:
W. J. MALLOY,
Assistant City Clerk."

Please be advised that the matter was referred to Captain John H. Cloran, Division 9, and he reports as follows:

"Traffic conditions on Seaver street, Roxbury, are constantly under police supervision, especially during the morning and evening rush hours. Traffic lights are located at Humboldt avenue, Elm Hill avenue, and Blue Hill avenue. These traffic lights are an important asset in controlling the movement of the traffic in relation to the speed of vehicles mentioned in this communication. Many of the larger buses do make a lot of noise in starting away from the lights and may give the impression of speeding, but these have been checked by stop watch on a charted course, and none have been found exceeding the speed regulations on this street. There may be an isolated case of speed, but, when found, prosecution will be made in court."

The City Council order is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,
T. F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your various orders concerning the naming of intersections in honor of World War veterans.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
October 25, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting held this day of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, it was voted unanimously to designate the following intersections in honor of the following World War Veterans:

Meridian and West Eagle streets, East Boston—Leonard Alexander Johnson, killed in action at Okinawa on February 10, 1944.

Birch and Corinth streets, West Roxbury—Elmer J. Pearl, killed in action on September 22, 1944, in France.

Spurr street and Western avenue, Allston—Paul A. Gunn, who lost his life on February 11, 1945, in the European Theater while in the service of his country during World War II.

Maple and Weld streets, West Roxbury—Edward A. Walsh of the U. S. Marines, who was killed at Cherry Point Air Station, North Carolina, June 26, 1944.

Centre and Hastings streets, West Roxbury—Andrew J. Macdonnell, Jr., of the U. S. Air Force, who was killed in a bombing mission over Vienna in 1945.

Washington and Dudley streets, Roxbury—Charles F. Bouchard, who lost his life on April 20, 1945, in Germany, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Centre and Grove streets, West Roxbury—Robert Lawrence Ortendahl, of the U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Italy, October 31, 1944.

Greendale road and Wellington Hill street, Dorchester—Robert Bass, who died in the service of his country at Nancy, France, September 21, 1944.

Leverett and Green streets, Boston—Salvatore J. Longo, of the 26th Infantry, 328th Regiment, U. S. Army, who was killed in action at Stronberg, Germany, on March 29, 1945.

West Fifth and B streets, South Boston—Joseph P. Shlazas, late member of the U. S. Army, Company G, 423rd Infantry, 106th Division, who died on April 8, 1945, while a prisoner of war in Germany.

E and West Fourth streets, South Boston—Michael F. Nee, who was injured in the battle of Tulagi on the Solomon Islands on August 7, 1942, and died on August 8, 1942, while in the service of his country during World War II, a member of the 1st Marine Raiders of the Marine Corps Reserve.

Dalkeith street and Howard avenue, Dorchester—Adolph Ravitz, who lost his life in the service of his country.

K street and Marine road, South Boston—Harold G. Kelsey, who was killed at Okinawa on April 11, 1944, while in the service of his country.

Taft and Pleasant streets, Dorchester—James O'Connor, who gave his life in the service of his country.

Centre and May streets, Jamaica Plain—Robert E. Mulhern, of the U. S. Air Force, who was killed in action on May 30, 1945, in British West Africa.

Asticou road and St. Ann street, Jamaica Plain—John A. Coughlin, of the 10th U. S. Army Air Force, who was killed in action over the China, Burma, India area in 1943.

O street and East Broadway, South Boston—Robert Knox Healey, I Company, 3d Battalion, 22d Marines, Sixth Division, who lost his life at Okinawa on June 18, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Deering road and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester—George W. Halzel, a member of the Air Corps, who lost his life in Austria while in the service of his country during World War II.

Washington and Winship streets, Brighton—John Morgan, Gunner's Mate 3/c USNR, a member of the Submarine Division who lost his life May 5, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Green street and Union avenue, Jamaica Plain—Hugh B. Hynds, who lost his life on November 23, 1943, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Brookley road and Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain—Felix J. Russo, Jr., a member of the 82d Airborne Paratroops, who lost his life on August 29, 1944, in Brest, France, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Wachusett and Walk Hill streets, Jamaica Plain—Chester A. Pagel, member of the First Division Field Artillery, who was killed in action in the European Theater on July 22, 1943.

Cambridge and North Harvard streets, Allston—2d Lieut. John L. O'Brien, who lost his life on March 24, 1945, in Wessel, Germany, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Meridian and West Eagle streets, Ward 1, be

named Leonard Alexander Johnson Square, in honor of Leonard Alexander Johnson, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Birch and Corinth streets, Ward 20, be named Elmer J. Pearl Square, in honor of Elmer J. Pearl, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Spurr street and Western avenue, Ward 22, be named Paul A. Gunn Square, in honor of Paul A. Gunn, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Maple and Weld streets, Ward 20, be named Edward A. Walsh Square, in honor of Edward A. Walsh, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Centre and Hastings streets, Ward 20, be named Andrew J. Macdonnell, Jr., Square, in honor of Andrew J. Macdonnell, Jr., late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Washington and Dudley streets, Wards 9 and 12, be named Charles F. Bouchard Square, in honor of Charles F. Bouchard, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Centre and Grove streets, Ward 20, be named Robert Lawrence Ortendahl Square, in honor of Robert Lawrence Ortendahl, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Greendale road and Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, be named Robert Bass Square, in honor of Robert Bass, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Leverett and Green streets, Ward 3, be named Salvatore J. Longo Square, in honor of Salvatore J. Longo, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of West Fifth and B streets, Ward 6, be named Joseph P. Shlazas Square, in honor of Joseph P. Shlazas, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of E and West Fourth streets, Ward 6, be named Michael F. Nee Square, in honor of Michael F. Nee, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dalkeith street and Howard avenue, Ward 13, be named Adolph Ravitz Square, in honor of Adolph Ravitz, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of K street and Marine road, Ward 7, be named Harold G. Kelsey Square, in honor of Harold G. Kelsey, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Taft and Pleasant streets, Ward 13, be named James O'Connor Square, in honor of James O'Connor, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Centre and May streets, Ward 19, be named Robert E. Mulhern Square, in honor of Robert E. Mulhern, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Asticou road and St. Ann street, Wards 11 and 19, be named John A. Coughlin Square, in honor of John A. Coughlin, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of O street and East Broadway, Ward 6, be named Robert Knox Healey Square, in honor of Robert Knox Healey, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Deering road and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14, be named George W. Halzel Square, in honor of George W. Halzel, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Washington and Winship streets, Wards 21 and 22, be named John Morgan Square, in honor of John Morgan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Green street and Union avenue, Ward 11, be named Hugh B. Hynds Square, in honor of Hugh B. Hynds, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Brookley road and Forest Hills street, Ward 11, be named Felix J. Russo, Jr., Square, in honor of Felix J. Russo, Jr., late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Wachusett and Walk Hill streets, Ward 19, be named Chester A. Pagel Square, in honor of Chester A. Pagel, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Cambridge and North Harvard streets, Ward 22, be named John L. O'Brien Square, in honor of John L. O'Brien, late veteran of World War II.

SOUNDING OF HORNS AFTER NIGHT GAMES AT NEW STADIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 2, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of September 26, 1949, requesting that proper signs be placed in the parking area of the new schoolboy stadium, asking patrons not to sound their horns in the surrounding residential area following night games.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, November 1, 1949.
Martin J. Finn,
Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Regarding City Council order, dated September 26, 1949, that his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the school authorities who are to operate the new schoolboy stadium to provide proper signs in the parking area requesting patrons not to sound their horns in the surrounding residential area following night games, this order has been referred to the Stadium Board for its consideration.

The Stadium Board has instructed the operator of the public address system at night games to announce just before the end of the contest that the school authorities are requesting the patrons not to sound their horns in the surrounding residential area as they leave the vicinity of the stadium. The Stadium Board feels that this request made over the public address system will be more effective than the placing of signs in the parking areas.

Very truly yours,
HENRY J. SMITH,
Stadium Board.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR UNITED STATES SAVINGS BOND ALLOTMENT PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 10, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

For the past seven years, at the request of officials of the United States Treasury Department, the city has been making payroll deductions for the purchase of United States Savings Bonds. During this period, over \$4,000,000 has been deducted from salaries of city and county employees for that purpose. Eight thousand employees are still buying bonds of their government under this plan.

The officials of the United States Treasury Department have urged the continuance of this plan for an indefinite period. It is desirable, in my opinion, to continue to cooperate with the federal government in this worth-while program.

I therefore submit herewith an appropriation order for the continuance for another year of the

unit responsible for the handling of these payroll deductions, and respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Mayor, as administrative expenses in connection with the United States Savings Bond Allotment Plan, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Sylvia Barrack, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

L. J. Bianchi, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 76 Chittick road, Hyde Park, caused by water being shut off.

Paul J. Bouche, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Rose Chafin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street, Dorchester.

Cummins Pharmacy, for compensation for water damage to property at 160 Bunker Hill street, Charlestown.

Mary C. Downing, for compensation for injuries caused by defective walk in Fenway.

Harold J. Ennis, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Darby Foley, for compensation for damage to property at 637 Gallivan Boulevard, caused by water being shut off.

Rose Graham, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Halloran, for compensation for damage to property at 1 Mt. Vernon street, caused by blasting for sewer pipes.

Patrick G. Howell, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Julius Interest, for compensation for damage to property at 28 Seaver street, caused by negligence of City Water Department.

Clara E. Jones, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 559 River street.

Michael Joy, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

John F. Keane, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Martin Taxi Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Charles McCarthy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Joseph McDermott, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect near Keaney square.

Gennaro Nonini, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in East Boston Tunnel.

Pasquale Napolitano, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

George Ortolani, for compensation for damage to property at 219 Shawmut avenue, caused by city truck.

Elizabeth G. Parker, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Charles street.

Ernest M. Pecoraro, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Miles B. Qualters, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Ruth Robinson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Shawmut avenue.

James T. Shea, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Frank I. Shuman, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Mystic Bridge.

Mary L. Stroud, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 530 East Seventh street.

Owen F. Sweeney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 529 and 531 Hyde Park avenue.

Executive.

Petition of Helen B. McFarland to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John E. McFarland, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Marie K. Costello, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Peter V. Costello, late member of the Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Crawford Bowling Alleys to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day, by Victor Mochi, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Charles I. Lesser, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

TRACK LOCATION, WARD 22.

Notice was received from the Board of Street Commissioners for permission granted to President and Fellows of Harvard College and Sears Roebuck & Co. for track location at Cambridge street, near Windom street, Ward 22.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Everett R. Prout, 1179 Boylston street, Boston, to be member of Board of Election Commissioners, for term ending April 1, 1953.

A. Joseph Freno, 112 Sanborn avenue, Boston, to be member of Board of Street Commissioners, for term ending January 1, 1952, in place of Charles E. Manion, resigned September 17, 1949.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notices were received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by Boston Housing Authority as follows:

Columbia Road Veterans' Housing Project, \$2,183 for electrical change orders.

Washington-Favre Streets Veterans' Housing Project, \$122,33 for ledge excavation.

Columbia Road Veterans' Housing Project, \$817 for unloading, carting, placing, and connecting 43 refrigerators and ranges.

Farragut Road Veterans' Housing Project, \$1,254 for unloading, carting, placing, and connecting 66 refrigerators and ranges.

Severally placed on file.

POLE LOCATIONS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of orders granting pole locations to Metropolitan Transit Authority as follows:

One pole at intersection of South street and the Arborway.

Two poles on Columbia road at Geneva avenue, Dorchester.

One pole on northeasterly side of Columbus avenue, southeast of Ashworth park.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held November 18 at 10.30 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of locations for underground conduits, etc., to be used in existing conduits of Boston Edison Company in Lexington, East Eagle, and Chelsea streets, and under surface of land of Metropolitan District Commission,

East Boston, and in Marginal and Pearl streets, and under surface of land of Metropolitan District Commission, Chelsea.

Placed on file.

CANCELLATION OF GAS LIGHTING CONTRACT, ETC.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel and the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to appear before the City Council and advise as to the cancellation of the present contract with the company furnishing gas lighting, and to start immediate replacement of all gas lights throughout the city with adequate electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RE-ROUTING OF TRUCK TRAFFIC ON MORTON STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to re-route truck traffic on Morton street, Forest Hills, and to use the street adjacent to the MTA Arborway Yard.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF PROPOSED BOSTON COMMON GARAGE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council go on record as naming the Boston Common Garage, when it is built, the Francis X. Coyne, because he was the original sponsor of the bill in the Legislature in 1934.

On motion of Councilor Keenan the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

STREET LIGHTING FACILITIES, EAST FOURTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide adequate street lighting facilities on East Fourth street, between O street and Farragut road, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, EAST SECOND STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on East Second street, from N street to Farragut road, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

BENCHES ON SOUTH SIDE OF CASTLE ISLAND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install benches on the south side of Castle Island, because it is the sunny side of the island and is shielded from the north winds.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MILTON C. KORNATZ.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Mc-

Lellan street and Blue Hill avenue in honor of Pfc. Milton C. Kornatz, Company D, 1st Civil Affairs Regiment, who lost his life on April 15, 1945, in Germany when a prisoner of war while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF LAND AT NORTH END BEACH
TO WHITE FUND.

Coun. LANIGAN called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land at North End Beach to George Robert White Fund for \$6,000.

On October 31, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The order was given its final reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa — 15.

Nays — 0.

INSPECTION OF DEER ISLAND.

Coun. CANTWELL announced that a week from Tuesday, November 22, there would be an inspection of Deer Island and that all members of the Council were invited.

Adjourned at 2.50 P.M., on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Monday, November 21, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, November 21, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Senior Member WENZLER in the chair. Absent, Councilors Bryan, Carey, Lane.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

John J. Cunniff, 321 South Huntington avenue, Boston, as Constable of the City of Boston, without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

MODERN LIGHTING SYSTEM
IN ORCHARD PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the installing of modern lighting system in Orchard Park.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 16, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated October 31, 1949, requesting the Park Commission to immediately install a modern lighting system in Orchard Park, Roxbury.

I have investigated the existing condition and found that there are no lights within the park, and inadequate lighting on the streets around the park. There are only two street lights that tend to help this condition, one that is opposite the Dearborn School on Orchard Park street, which partially illuminates the southwest corner, and one on the corner of Chadwick and Yeoman streets, which lights a very small portion of the Yeoman street entrance. There are also four lamps attached to the outside walls of the housing project buildings, which surround the park. These lamps, in my opinion, are of very little help toward lighting the park. The walks in the park are used as short cuts from Orchard Park street to both Yeoman and Adams streets and also lead to the rear entrance of the surrounding houses.

In looking over the entire area of the park, the streets around it, and the streets in the housing development, in general I would say that the outdoor lighting system is inadequate. I am, therefore, writing to the Boston Edison Company requesting that they make a survey and estimate of the cost of providing adequate lighting in and around this park. Many times outdoor lights are more effective and not subject to breakage if they are placed on the streets surrounding a small park rather than in on the park.

I feel that street lights should be placed at strategic points on the surrounding streets, augmented by additional lamps within the interior of the park.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Public Works Commissioner, as the matter of street lights comes under the jurisdiction of that department.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPLACING MISSING STREET SIGNS,
WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 15, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the replacing of all missing street signs throughout Ward 20.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 14, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I transmit herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace all missing street signs throughout Ward 20, and this will advise you that the signs are in the process of being constructed and will be erected as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND
INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 14, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$38,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$38,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 31, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$38,000, which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:
Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$38,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park

Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$38,000

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund which later in the session submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The report of the committee was accepted. On motion of Councilor Keenan, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO CERTAIN COUNTY COURTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring the sum of thirty thousand nine hundred fifty-three dollars and eleven cents (\$30,953.11) to be apportioned to the Supreme Judicial Court, the Superior Court, the Boston Juvenile Court, and the various District Courts of Suffolk County for the purpose of complying with chapters 461, 710, 774, 783, and 800 of the Acts of 1949, granting salary increases to the Clerks and Assistant Clerks of the Supreme and Superior Courts; to the Presiding Justice and Clerk of the Boston Juvenile Court; to the Presiding Justice of the Dorchester Court; to the Probation Officers of the Juvenile Court and the various District Courts; and the addition of a Third Assistant Clerk of Court in the Dorchester Court.

All of the above Acts increasing the expenses of the City of Boston were passed by the Legislature, to be retroactive, some to January first and others to July first of the current year, without giving the city an opportunity to make provisions in the budget. As there is no other alternative, I am forwarding herewith an order transferring the sum of thirty thousand nine hundred fifty-three dollars and eleven cents (\$30,953.11) from the Reserve Fund for the purposes specified above and recommend passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer from the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$30,953.11, to the appropriation for the following:

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$600 00
1. Permanent Employees...	\$600 00
SUPERIOR COURT, CIVIL SESSION, GENERAL EXPENSES.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$9,900 00
1. Permanent Employees, \$9,900 00	
SUPERIOR CRIMINAL COURT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$8,000 00
1. Permanent Employees...	\$8,000 00
EAST BOSTON DISTRICT COURT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$786 75
1. Permanent Employees...	\$786 75
MUNICIPAL COURT, SOUTH BOSTON DISTRICT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,505 00
1. Permanent Employees, \$1,505 00	
MUNICIPAL COURT, DORCHESTER DISTRICT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$2,522 50
1. Permanent Employees..	\$2,425 50
2. Temporary Employees....	97 00
MUNICIPAL COURT, ROXBURY DISTRICT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$2,783 33
1. Permanent Employees, \$2,783 33	

MUNICIPAL COURT, BRIGHTON DISTRICT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,350 00
1. Permanent Employees, \$1,350 00	

BOSTON JUVENILE COURT.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$2,305 53
1. Permanent Employees, \$1,923 95	
2. Temporary Employees....	381 58

DISTRICT COURT OF CHELSEA.	
A. Personal Service.....	\$1,200 00
1. Permanent Employees, \$1,200 00	

\$30,953 11

Referred to the Executive Committee.

AMENDMENT TO COUNTY COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The attached proposal by the Budget Commissioner to amend the Compensation and Classification Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, as it affects the addition of a third assistant clerk of court in the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District, is hereby approved and transmitted for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, November 21, 1949.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Honorable Dear Sirs:

Under the provisions of chapter 800 of the Acts of 1949 a third assistant clerk was authorized for appointment in the Municipal Court of the Dorchester District. Because the clerks and assistant clerks in the district courts are included in the Compensation and Classification Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, it is necessary to amend the plan to include this third assistant clerk before an appointment can be made.

In accordance with Rule 7, "Amendment of the Compensation Plan," I am proposing a revision of the classification "Assistant Clerk of Court" by eliminating under the subtitle "Range of Compensation, Third and Fourth Assistant Clerk of Court," the words "Roxbury District Court," and inserting in place thereof "Roxbury and Dorchester District Courts," so that it reads as follows:

"Range of Compensation, Third and Fourth Assistant Clerk of Court, Roxbury and Dorchester District Courts."

Consideration and adoption of the accompanying order is hereby recommended.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, as adopted by the City Council on April 13, 1931, and approved by the Mayor on April 15, 1931, as amended, be, and the same hereby are, further amended as follows:

In the class "Assistant Clerk of Court," under "Range of Compensation, Third and Fourth Assistant Clerk of Court," strike out the words "Roxbury District Court," and insert in place thereof "Roxbury and Dorchester District Courts," so as to read as follows:

"Range of Compensation, Third and Fourth Assistant Clerk of Court, Roxbury and Dorchester District Courts."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM INCOME OF WATER SERVICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In compliance with the attached request from the Commissioner of Public Works, there is for-

warded herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$100,000 from the income of the Water Service of the Public Works Department to function for the balance of the year.

Consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body of this appropriation is recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 3, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I respectfully call your attention to the fact that the Water Division will need additional funds in order to carry on activities during the remainder of the current year.

Reductions were made in certain items in the original budget estimates for this division, with the result that the amounts allowed for the year are insufficient. I therefore recommend that the sum of \$100,000 be appropriated from water revenue and allocated to the following items:

B-39, General Repairs — \$60,000, divided as follows:

\$25,000 to cover existing contract for back-filling, excavating, etc., of Water Division openings in City Proper, South Boston, East Boston, Charlestown, and Roxbury.

\$19,500 for furnishing labor and materials to repair and replace approximately 2,500 water meters that are needed for obtaining revenue.

\$8,000 for laying and relaying water mains in the Boston housing projects in Ward 18.

\$3,000 for extension of water mains in various sections of the city.

\$4,500 for removing and replacing a leaking gasoline tank which has been abandoned.

B-42, Miscellaneous Services — \$10,000 needed for repairing of openings made by the Water Division in sidewalks and streets throughout the city.

C-13, Tools and Instruments — \$25,000 needed in order to take advantage of the 25 per cent clause in the contract for furnishing water meters.

E-13, Miscellaneous Materials — \$5,000 needed for the purchase of parts for motor vehicles.

Respectfully yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, an additional sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Water Service of the Public Works Department, to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works for the following purposes:

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
Water Service.

B. Contractual Services.....	\$70,000
39. General Repairs.....	\$60,000
42. Miscellaneous Services.....	10,000
C. Equipment.....	25,000
13. Tools and Instruments.....	25,000
E. Materials.....	5,000
13. Miscellaneous Materials.....	5,000
	<u>\$100,000</u>

Referred to the Executive Committee.

**TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS
BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909,

as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Building Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$10,665.95, to the appropriation for Assessing Department, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$10,665.95.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$4,000, to the appropriation for State-Boston Retirement System Expense Fund, \$4,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, B-39, General Repairs, \$1,000, C-4, Motor Vehicles, \$2,318.97, to the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$3,318.97.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$800, to the appropriation for City Council, D-1, Office, \$800.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Hospital Department, C-7, Furniture and Furnishings, \$20,000, D-2, Food and Ice, \$20,000, D-3, Fuel, \$25,000, C-2, Machinery, \$3,000, C-3, Electrical, \$6,000, C-5, Motorless Vehicles, \$3,000, D-8, Laundry, Cleaning, Toilet, \$3,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$45,000, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$20,000, A-3, Unassigned, \$15,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Institutions Department, Long Island Hospital, D-2, Food and Ice, \$9,650, D-3, Fuel, \$10,000, to the appropriation for Institutions Department, Long Island Hospital, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$9,650, A-3, Unassigned, \$10,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 601 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Park and Playground Improvements, etc., \$43,200, to the appropriation for Park Department, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$38,000, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$4,500, F-11, Workmen's Compensation, \$700.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 601 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$300, to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$300.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving Service, A-1, Permanent Em-

ployees, \$2,600, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Lighting Service, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$2,600.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Street Signs, \$18,000, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Sidewalks, Construction and Reconstruction of, \$18,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Grade Crossing, Elimination of, \$25,000, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Snow Removal, \$25,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Building Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$4,000, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Public Celebrations, \$4,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Building Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,500, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, \$1,500.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Jail Improvements, \$9,579.54, to the appropriation for Jail, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$2,325, D-2, Food and Ice, \$6,500, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$754.54.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$100, to the appropriation for East Boston District Court, D-1, Office, \$100.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$400, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, West Roxbury District, D-1, Office, \$400.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$290.20, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Brighton District, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$290.20.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$798.25, to the appropriation for

Municipal Court, South Boston District, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$498.25, D-1, Office, \$300.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor he, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$600, to the appropriation for Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division, B-5, Express Charges, \$600.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF PORTION OF CLARENDON STREET TO METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 17, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith an order by which the City Council may empower the Board of Street Commissioners to transfer to the Metropolitan District Commission for care and control that portion of Clarendon street from Beacon street to Back street.

I am also enclosing a letter from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners recommending that this transfer be made. I respectfully urge the adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
November 17, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Metropolitan District Commission has requested that the City of Boston transfer to the Commission for care and control that portion of Clarendon street from Beacon street to Back street. It is the intention of the Metropolitan District Commission that this portion of Clarendon street will serve as an access road to Embankment Parkway.

The Board of Street Commissioners recommends that the request of the Metropolitan District Commission be granted.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE J. CURLEY, Chairman.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 4, 1949.

Board of Street Commissioners, 401 City Hall
Annex, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

I attach, for such action as is necessary to be taken by your Board, a request from Metropolitan District Commissioner William T. Morrissey to his Honor the Mayor, that Clarendon street, from Beacon street across Back street, be transferred to the care and control of the Metropolitan District Commission, under the provisions of section 87, chapter 92, of the General Laws.

I also attach a copy of my letter to his Honor the Mayor which is self-explanatory.

Yours very truly,
ROBERT F. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Metropolitan District Commission,
September 29, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

It is the intention of this Commission to start work on Embankment Parkway within the next two weeks. It will be necessary for the Commission to take Clarendon street, from Beacon street across Back street, which is now a public highway; also Berkeley street, from Beacon street across Back street, which at the present time is under private ownership.

May I respectfully request that you transfer the care and control of Clarendon street from Beacon street across Back street, under section 87,

chapter 92 of the General Laws, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, so that we can take complete control of the highway.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY,
Commissioner.

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting through the Metropolitan District Commission, is desirous of obtaining the care, custody, and control, including police protection, of a certain parcel of land, being a portion of Clarendon street, Boston Proper; and

Whereas, The Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston considers it to be for the best interests of the City of Boston to place the said premises in the care, custody, and control, including police protection, of the said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting by and through its Metropolitan District Commission, now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston, with the approval of his Honor the Mayor be, and it hereby is, authorized to transfer the care, custody, and control, including police protection of the premises hereinafter mentioned, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting through its Metropolitan District Commission, for a period of ninety-nine (99) years being an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, wherein the said City of Boston reserves the right to enter upon the said premises hereinafter mentioned for the purpose of laying, maintaining, repairing, constructing, and reconstructing sewer and water pipes, and wherein the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by its Metropolitan District Commission, agrees to hold the City of Boston harmless from all liability and damage on account of any damage or injury to persons or property within or upon the premises hereinafter mentioned. The said premises are situated in Boston Proper and are a portion of Clarendon street, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the southwesterly line of Clarendon street, one hundred eighty (180) feet; northwesterly by the southeasterly line of Storrow Memorial Embankment, thirty-nine and 57-100 (39.57) feet; northeasterly by the northeasterly line of Clarendon street, one hundred eighty (180) feet; and southeasterly by the northwesterly line of Beacon street, thirty-nine and 57-100 (39.57) feet.

The above-described premises are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Clarendon Street, Boston Proper, November 1, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Morris A. Berkowitz, for compensation for damage to property caused by city truck.

Louis J. Capodilupo, Jr., for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 7 Thacher court.

John F. Cummings, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 36 Leicester street, Brighton.

Harry Doren, for compensation for damage to car by school students from South Boston High School.

Robert T. Finnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Simon Lopez, doing business as Globe Leather & Shoe Bindings, for compensation for damage to property at 1112 Washington street, caused by defective water pipes.

James T. Lyons, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Summer street near bridge.

Maverick Spa, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 1 Maverick square, caused by leak in water main.

National Theatre, for compensation for damage to property at 535 Tremont street, caused by city truck.

Daniel Pignato, for compensation for injuries caused by fire truck.

Max Weinstein, for compensation for damage to property at 979-983 Harrison avenue, caused by defective catch-basin.

Evelyn Belyea, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in sidewalk on Massachusetts avenue near Washington street.

Executive.

Petition of Eleanor M. McMackin to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Frank D. McMackin, late member of Fire Department.

Margaret T. Towle, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Francis Towle, late member of Fire Department.

Elizabeth F. Ryan, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, William F. Ryan, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Glenville Bowling Alleys, by Herbert L. Randall, 2 Glenville terrace, Ward 21, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received, viz.:

Boston Cenade Convent, Jerard Jennings, Symphony Hall, December 11.

The permit was granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held November 22, 1949, at 11 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of issue of \$403,000 of bonds or notes for purpose of acquiring trackless trolley vehicles.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held December 5, 1949, at 10 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles between junction of North Harvard street and Franklin street and junction of Holton street and Athol street (Brighton), over Franklin street, Fern street, and Holton street.

Severally placed on file.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF STREET COMMISSIONERS.

Notice was received from the Board of Street Commissioners of election of George J. Curley as chairman, with authority to approve bills of the incidental expenses of the department, also payrolls and drafts; of election of John T. O'Dea, Jr., as chairman pro tempore, with authority to approve bills of the incidental expenses of the department, also payrolls and drafts; of election of A. Joseph Freno as chairman pro tempore, with authority to approve bills of the incidental expenses of the department, also payrolls and drafts.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred October 31) of Lester Berger, to be Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred October 31) of William B. Powers, to be Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1950.

3. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred November 14) of Abraham Snyder, Violet Baker, and Lillian Snyder, to be Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1950.

4. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred November 14) of Raymond Gross to be Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1950—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cook and Hannon. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

RESURFACING OF WARREN STREET
AND HUMBOLDT AVENUE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the cobblestones and tracks on Warren street and Humboldt avenue and resurface said highways.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIRS TO WELDON STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the street and curbstones on Weldon street to allow passage of automobiles in and out.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TEMPORARY REOPENING OF STATE-
BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation for the temporary reopening of the State-Boston Retirement System to certain employees of the city and county, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

MEASURES TO COUNTERACT FALSE
FIRE ALARMS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Fire Commissioner to re-establish bells or sirens, or other warning devices, on fire boxes in order to counteract the increased number of false alarms.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

President HURLEY in the chair.

BANNING DISTRIBUTION OF POLITICAL
LITERATURE OUTSIDE OF POLLING
PLACES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Law Department to provide an ordinance, or necessary legislation, to prohibit the distribution of political literature outside of polling places at future elections.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Albert F. Brown (referred October 10) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred fifty dollars (\$550) be allowed and paid to Albert F. Brown in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Robert F. Barnes (referred October 10) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Paving Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225) be allowed and paid to Robert F. Barnes in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Paving Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Michael Joy (referred November 14) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred eighty-five dollars (\$185) be allowed and paid to Michael Joy in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Paul J. Bouche (referred November 14) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department—recommending the passage of accompanying order.

Ordered, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be allowed and paid to Paul J. Bouche in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

SURVEYS FOR SLUM CLEARANCE BY
BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately make a survey of tentative locations for slum clearance in the Erie street and Ellington street section and also have surveys for the construction of housing under the \$200,000,000 State program and that such survey be submitted to the Mayor-elect, Honorable John B. Hynes, for study.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT TALBOT AVENUE
AND BLUE HILL AVENUE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately install traffic lights or a rotary at junction of Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PHILIP S. GREEN.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Norfolk street and Morton street, Dorchester, in honor of Sgt. Philip S. Green who was killed in the European Theater of Operations in 1944 while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

"STOP" LIGHTS AT MORTON AND
HARVARD STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately study the advisability of placing "Stop" lights at the junction of Morton street and Harvard street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FLOODING OF PORTION OF FRANKLIN
FIELD FOR SKATING.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to flood a portion of Franklin Field for skating and that

a further study be made by the Park Commissioner for the complete renovation of the locker facilities for these activities.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PROPOSED CEDAR GROVE STATION PARKING LOT.

Coun. BEADES and KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That it be requested that his Honor the Mayor request his Excellency the Governor to demand that the trustees of the MTA hold a public hearing on the proposed Cedar Grove Station parking lot; and be it further

Ordered, That his Excellency the Governor convey to the trustees of the MTA the opposition of the Boston City Council to establish such a parking lot in this area.

The order was passed under suspension of the rule. Later in the session, on motion of Councilor Keenan, it was voted to reconsider the foregoing vote. On further motion of Councilor Keenan the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

RESURFACING OF CERTAIN WARD 17 STREETS.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Montrie street, Ward 17, and Park street, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Reports on petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day, viz.:

Crawford Bowling Alleys, by Victor Mochi, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3 (referred November 14).
Glenville Bowling Alleys, Herbert L. Randall, 2 Glenville terrace, Ward 21 (referred November 21).

Kenmore Recreation, Inc., by Tobias Wolbarst, 82 Lansdowne street, Ward 5 (referred October 31)—

recommending that licenses be granted under the usual conditions.

Reports accepted; licenses granted under usual conditions.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 7.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on the following streets in Ward 7:

East Fifth street, East Sixth street, East Seventh street, I street, and Gates street.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPLE DWELLING UNITS UNDER CHAPTER 200, STATE HOUSING ACT.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority has constructed multiple unit dwellings for veterans under chapter 372 such as the veterans' housing now located on Farragut road, South Boston; and

Whereas, At the time these projects were considered, chapter 200 relating to the State Veterans' Housing provisions was not available to construct projects which were built under chapter 372; therefore, the then State Chairman of Housing requested the Boston Housing Authority to file for said multiple dwelling units under chapter 372 which is the City Housing Program and later on they could convert to the chapter 200 State Program; and

Whereas, Due to the high cost of construction of said multiple dwelling units under chapter 372, and due to the fact that said chapter 372 does not

provide for any subsidy from the State as in chapter 200, the rents in these multiple dwelling units range from \$60 to \$80 a month, not including electricity; therefore be it

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to apply to the State Board of Housing for the conversion of all chapter 372 multiple dwelling unit projects to chapter 200, State Housing Act, so that veterans may be afforded the opportunity of taking advantage of the subsidy provided by the State and also the 40-year amortization period which is provided under chapter 200, so that the rents in such projects may be comparable to those in the D street and other projects constructed under chapter 200; and be it further

Ordered, That copies of this order be sent to the Chairmen of the State Board of Housing and the Boston Housing Authority.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ARC LIGHT ON EAST FOURTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on East Fourth street, between K and L streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON BAXTER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to substitute electric lights for the present gas lamps on Baxter street, from C to E street, in South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INVESTIGATION OF BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to thoroughly investigate the administration of the Boston Housing Authority with the view of determining whether or not the Authority is awarding contracts in accordance with the intent of the law, the number of employees and their duties, and the method in selecting tenants.

The question came on suspension of the rule, and the Council refused to suspend the rule, yeas 6, nays 8.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Chase, Cook, Keenan, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—8.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MICHAEL SOLAZZO.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Charles and Leverett streets, Ward 3, in honor of Private Michael Solazzo of Company K, 179th Infantry, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Italy on February 13, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, the Council voted at 3.50 p.m. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President Hurley at 4.58 p.m.

PERMIT FOR AMATEUR FOOTBALL GAME, BRAVES FIELD.

Coun. LINEHAN and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That a license be hereby granted to William M. Mullen, Director of Recreation, Boston

Park Department, to use Braves Field on the afternoon of Sunday, November 27, 1949, for an amateur football game between the Chippewa A. C. and the St. Paul football team, provided that the provisions of section 25 of chapter 41 of the revised ordinances of 1947 relative to liability insurance shall be complied with; the fee for said license shall be \$5.

The order was passed under suspension of the rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred today) asking public hearing on proposed Cedar Grove Station parking lot and requesting that the opposition of the Council to such a parking lot be conveyed to trustees of MTA—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) amending County Compensation and Classification Plan for third and fourth assistant clerk of court, Roxbury and Dorchester District Courts—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred November 14) appropriating \$35,000 to be expended under direction of Mayor as administrative expenses in connection with United States Savings Bond Allotment Plan, said sum to be charged to Contingent Fund—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa — 16.

Nays — 0.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring \$38,000 from income

of Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of the Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa — 17.

Nays — 0.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) transferring \$30,953.11 from Reserve Fund to various courts—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa — 16.

Nays — 0.

6. Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of appropriations between departments—recommending passage of the following four orders, viz:

Assessing Department, \$10,665.95; City Council, \$800; Park Department, \$43,200; Special Appropriation, \$4,000, for Public Celebrations.

The report was accepted, and the foregoing four orders were passed, yeas 13, nays 1:

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa — 13.

Nays — Councilor Chase — 1.

Voting Present — Councilor Keenan — 1.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Hannon, at 5.15 P.M., to meet on Monday, November 28, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, November 28, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Linchan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: David Cohen, 26 Deering road, Dorchester.

Constables without power to serve civil process, to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1950: Russell P. Saia, 163 O street, South Boston; William A. Stratton, 47 Hampstead road, Jamaica Plain; Patrick Barrett, 202 South street, Jamaica Plain; Edward Villeboisoux, 71 Wait street, Roxbury, vice James J. Kenney.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

INSTALLATION OF GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 21, 1949, concerning the installing of granolithic sidewalks on the following streets in Ward 7:

East Fifth street, East Sixth street, East Seventh street, I street, Gates street.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on the following streets in Ward 7:

East Fifth street, East Sixth street, East Seventh street, I street, Gates street.

Please be advised that, at the present time, there are no funds available to carry out this work. However, this sidewalk work will be put on the list to be given consideration during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS AND EDGESTONES, BEECHCROFT STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of recent date, concerning the construction of granolithic and edgestone sidewalks on Beechcroft street, Brighton, from Faneuil to Hester streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 17, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works construct granolithic and edgestone sidewalk on Beechcroft street in Brighton, from Faneuil to Hester streets, and this will advise you that, due to the large amount of work on hand and the lateness of the season, this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF MOULTRIE AND PARK STREETS, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 21, 1949, concerning the resurfacing of Moultrie and Park streets, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Moultrie and Park streets, Ward 17, and I regret to advise you that there are no funds available at the present time to do the work this year.

However, these streets will be put on the list to be given consideration for construction during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, EAST SECOND STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 23, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 14, 1949, concerning the installing of granolithic sidewalks on East Second street, from N street to Farragut road, Ward 5.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 21, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on East Second street, from N street to Farragut road, Ward 5, and this will advise you that, at the present time, there are no funds available to carry out this work.

However, this granolithic sidewalk construction will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SMOKE NUISANCE, DONALD McKAY
SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 25, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the smoke nuisance at the Donald McKay School, Cottage street, East Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, November 23, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on November 15, 1949, the order, passed by the City Council on October 31, 1949, requesting the School Department, through your Honor, "to investigate the smoke nuisance at the Donald McKay School on Cottage street in East Boston," was presented.

The structural engineer reported to the Committee that the principal of the school and the custodian were unaware of a smoke nuisance at this building. The chief engineer, Heating and Ventilating Division of the Department of School Buildings, has assured the structural engineer that an examination of the heating equipment will be made promptly, and, if the oil burning apparatus is found to be faulty, corrective measures will be taken immediately.

The report of the structural engineer was accepted by the School Committee.

Very truly yours,
LOUISE KANE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT TYLER AND OAK
STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 29, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Tyler street and Oak street, Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 13, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated August 29, 1949, Requesting that Traffic Lights Be Installed at the Intersection of Tyler Street and Oak Street in Boston.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections. We hope to have them installed before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available for new traffic signals. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for the installation of traffic signals in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, the installation is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHT, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of

October 17, 1949, concerning the installation of a pedestrian traffic light at the corner of Faneuil and Market streets in Ward 22.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 20, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 17, 1949, Requesting that a Survey Be Made to Determine the Advisability of Installation of a Pedestrian Traffic Light at the Corner of Faneuil and Market Streets in Ward 22.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that at the present time we are completing the installation of traffic signals at 25 intersections throughout the city, which we hope to accomplish before the frost sets in.

The present program will use all of the funds now available. However, we intend to ask the City Council for additional funds for further installations in the spring of 1950.

The requested signals will be included in the new program if, in the judgment of the engineers of this department, it is found to be necessary for the convenience and safety of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PLACING OF "SLOW" SIGNS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 22, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the placing of "Slow" signs at N and Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 4, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated October 31, 1949, Requesting "Slow" Signs at N and Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Streets, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

As regards the subject Council order, please be advised that our engineers will survey the area mentioned with a view to erecting the signs requested.

Respectfully submitted,
PHILIP T. DESMOND,
Acting Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the City Treasurer setting forth the necessity for an appropriation of \$3,322.77 to meet expenses of the \$15,550,000 bond issue of November 1, 1949, not covered by the premium received, due to the low coupon rate bid.

I respectfully recommend passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Office of City Treasurer,
November 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With your approval, under the date of November 1, 1949, this office issued \$15,550,000 City of Boston coupon serial bonds of various coupon

rates and purposes to a syndicate headed by Lehman Brothers at a price of par and a premium of \$622.

Section 20 of chapter 44 of the General Laws provides that any premium received on the sale of bonds may be used for the cost of issuing, preparing and marketing the same. Ordinarily the premiums received on such issues are more than sufficient to meet all necessary expenses and because of this fact no appropriation for this purpose was requested in the Treasury Department budget.

The low coupon rate bid by the successful syndicate was responsible for the small premium received on this issue. Other bids carried substantially larger premiums but the coupon rates were higher. In accepting the bid of Lehman Brothers, the city obtained the lowest net interest cost over the life of the bonds.

The expenses of the issue, which include printing and engraving 13,550 coupon bond certificates, advertising, signing, and delivering the bonds in New York City, amounted to \$8,944.77. Application of the premium of \$622 leaves a deficiency of \$8,322.77 to be provided for.

I therefore respectfully request the transfer from the Reserve Fund to the Treasury Department special budget item, "Expenses of Bond Issues," the sum of \$8,322.77 to cover this deficiency.

Very truly yours,
HENRY F. BRENNAN,
City Treasurer.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$8,322.77, to the appropriation for Treasury Department, Expenses of Bond Issues, \$8,322.77.
Referred to Executive Committee.

SUBMISSION OF BILLS AND DEMANDS TO CITY AUDITOR.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith amendments to section 19 of chapter 3 and section 4 of chapter 6 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947. These amendments have been prepared by the City Auditor and are to cover certain changes which this official proposes to make as of the first of the new year in the handling of bills and demands against the city. The accompanying letter of the City Auditor explains the proposed changes, and I respectfully recommend adoption of the amendments.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department, November 25, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

As a result of the survey report relating to the city's financial administration, I am planning to put into effect, as of the beginning of the new fiscal year, the so-called "standard invoice" system recommended in the report. Under this system, all vendors doing business with the city will be supplied with standard invoices on which to prepare their bills, and these invoices will be returned directly to this office rather than under the present arrangement where they are sent to the departments concerned. The advantages of the proposed system are as follows:

1. Expedite payments to vendors. Bills will be processed promptly upon receipt in this office, whereas at present they may remain in departments for considerable periods.

2. Eliminate duplication of work. At the present time, when bills are received they are checked by department clerks, and when sent to this office for payment the work already done in the departments is repeated in this office.

3. Simplify examination process in Auditing Department. At the present time, departments submit bills once a month for payment. This necessarily means that a large number of bills are

submitted at one time for examination and approval. If, during the course of examination in this office, a question develops on any one bill, it is often necessary to hold the entire draft submitted by the department. Under the proposed arrangement each bill will be a separate entity, and any delay which may occur in its examination will affect it alone.

In order to establish the new system, it will be necessary to amend existing ordinances which provide that bills shall be sent to departments. I submit herewith a proposed amendment to cover the new system and respectfully recommend its submission to the City Council.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX, City Auditor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Forty-nine.
An Ordinance Concerning Certain Bills and Demands Against the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 19 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

SECTION 19. Every person selling any goods to, doing any work for, or rendering any services to, the city of Boston or the county of Suffolk shall submit his bill or demand for the same to the city auditor in such form as said auditor may require. The board or officer contracting for such work, goods or services shall certify to the city auditor, at such time and in such form as said auditor may require, that such work has been done, goods delivered, or services rendered, as the case may be, and that payment therefor, in a specified amount, should be made. This section shall not apply to the payment of the salary or wages of any officer or employee.

SECT. 2. Chapter 6 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

SECTION 4. The auditor shall examine every bill and demand rendered against the city of Boston or the county of Suffolk and shall ascertain whether the following facts exist: (a) that such bill or demand has been incurred by some person duly authorized; (b) that funds appropriated for the purpose are on hand in a sufficient amount for the payment of such bill or demand; (c) that the clerical computations involved in such bill or demand are correct; and (d) that the certificate prescribed by section nineteen of chapter three of these ordinances has been furnished. If the auditor finds that all of said facts exist, he shall make an appropriate notation on the bill or demand and forthwith forward the same to the city treasurer for payment, and, as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, shall draw a draft upon the city treasurer for the payment of such bill or demand. If the auditor finds that any of such facts does not exist, he shall return the bill or demand with his objections to the person submitting the same.

SECT. 3. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909,

as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Auditing Department, B-28, Expert, \$227, D-16, Miscellaneous Supplies, \$617.40, to the appropriation for Auditing Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$844.40.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Sinking Funds Department, B-28, Expert, \$1,662.50, to the appropriation for Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,662.50.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$6,000, to the appropriation for City Documents, B-1, Printing and Binding, \$6,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,800, to the appropriation for City Council Proceedings, B-1, Printing and Binding, \$1,600, B-29, Stenographic and Copying, \$200.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Law Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,000, County Buildings, B-39, General Repairs, \$5,000, to the appropriation for Public Buildings Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,000, B-39, General Repairs, \$5,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Ferry Service, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,000, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service, A-3, Unassigned (Overtime), \$5,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Bridge Service, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$7,000, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$7,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for City Debt Requirements, Interest, \$50,000, to the appropriation for Contingent Fund, \$50,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$358, to the appropriation for Penal Institutions Department, Office Expenses, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$358.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

RESOLUTION RE APPLICATION FOR LOAN FROM PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 28, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Housing Authority relative to its application for funds for additional federally-aided housing in Boston and a preliminary loan for planning and surveys.

Consideration and adoption at your meeting today of the resolution accompanying the communication is recommended.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
November 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This Authority, pursuant to the provisions of the Housing Act of 1949, has applied to the Public Housing Administration for program reservation for construction of additional federally-aided low-rent housing in Boston. The Public Housing Administration has approved 4,000 units for Boston for the forthcoming two years. No reservation beyond two years will be accepted by Public Housing Administration at this time.

To enable the Authority to start the program and make necessary surveys and do the necessary planning, application has been made for a preliminary loan of \$550,000. Public Housing Administration has indicated its willingness to approve such loan upon submission to it of a resolution of the governing body of the city approving the application of the Authority for such a loan. Such approval of the City Council is a requirement of the law and is a condition precedent to the loan.

I transmit copies of a resolution, in form satisfactory to Public Housing Administration, which will record the city in favor of the aforesaid action of this Authority.

Public Housing Administration requires that the resolution be in its office on Wednesday, November 30, 1949. It is, therefore, respectfully requested that you submit the enclosed resolution to the City Council today.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority is applying to the Public Housing Administration in accordance with the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for a preliminary loan in the amount of \$550,000, to cover the costs of surveys and planning in connection with the development of not to exceed approximately 4,000 dwelling units of low-rent public housing; and

Whereas, There exists in the City of Boston a need for such low-rent public housing at rents within the means of low-income families, especially families of living or deceased veterans or servicemen, which need is not being met by private enterprise; and

Whereas, Such a condition constitutes a menace to the health, safety, morals, and welfare of the inhabitants of the city; Now, therefore, he it

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston does hereby approve the application of the Boston Housing Authority to the Public Housing Administration for a preliminary loan, in an amount not to exceed \$550,000, to cover the costs of surveys and planning in connection with the development of not to exceed approximately 4,000 dwelling units of low-rent public housing in the City of Boston, and does hereby declare its intent to enter hereafter into an agreement with said Housing Authority for the local cooperation of the city in the provision of said low-rent public housing which may be required by the Public Housing Administration pursuant to the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Joseph G. Babb, to be reimbursed for legal expenses incurred on account of overturn of fire apparatus.

Mrs. Edward A. Bulger, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in Centre street.

Joseph Goodman, for rebate on secondhand license.

Helen M. Hutcheson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 11 Logan Way.

Joseph Jaramillo, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Sadie Kalish, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 32 Edinboro' street.

Edith Lewis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 36 Central street.

Solomon Mayman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 22 Browning avenue.

Johanna Pacht, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 305 Belgrade avenue, during replacing of water meter.

Florence J. Rivard, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1568 Tremont street.

St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of Bay State Nurseries, Inc., caused by raised street level at Broadway underpass.

Gladys M. Shepard, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at City Hall Annex.

Agnes L. Toomey, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at City Hall Annex.

Dr. Glenn W. White, for compensation for damage to car by car of School Buildings Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received, viz.:

Boston Tributary Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, December 2, 3, 9, and 10.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on December 8, 1949, at 2.15 P.M., on revocation of certificate of public convenience and necessity of Pierce Bus Lines, Inc.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on December 12, 1949, at 10 A.M., on petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company for further amendment of Certificate No. 1945 for carriage of passengers between Park square and Plymouth, to permit picking up and discharging of passengers (1) at Neponset Circle, at junction of Neponset avenue, Gallivan Boulevard, and Old Colony Parkway; and (2) near Fields Corner, at intersection of Adams street and Dorchester avenue.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure by Boston Housing Authority of \$201,129 for operating expense and reserves for the chapter 372 projects for fiscal year 1949.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Charles A. Birmingham as Trustee of Boston Metropolitan District Commission for term ending October 24, 1951.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT A. MACLELLAN.

Notice was received from the School Committee of re-election of Robert A. MacLellan as Commissioner of School Buildings.
Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT JAMAICAWAY AND BYNNER STREET.

Coun. CAREY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Jamaica-way and Bynner street in Ward 10.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PENSION RIGHTS OF CERTAIN POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation relative to the pension rights of policemen and firemen hereafter retired for accidental disability under the Boston Retirement Act, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

SOLICITATION OF VOTES FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee on Ordinances of the City Council be directed to immediately enact an ordinance which will provide for the prosecution of and penalty for any citizen who is found guilty of soliciting the vote of any member of the City Council in support of the candidacy of any candidate for the office of President of the City Council, unless said solicitor is himself an elected member of the Boston City Council or the Mayor of the city or his representative.
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

LIST OF VACANCIES IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. BEADES and KEENAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately submit to the Boston City Council a list of all vacancies in the housing projects in existence at the present time; also a list of the number of vacancies filled since September 1, with a notation of how long these apartments were left vacant.
Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT CENTRE AND SAMOSET STREETS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric light at the junction of Centre and Samoset streets in Ward 16, Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

TELEVISION ANTENNAE IN D STREET HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow the installation of television antennae in the D Street Housing Project.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

TELEVISION SETS IN SOUTH BOSTON
HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow tenants in all of the South Boston housing projects to install television sets with their own aeriels.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

NEW LOCATION FOR SOUTH BOSTON
LIBRARY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Directors of the Boston Public Library be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to find a new, suitable location for the South Boston Branch of the Boston Public Library due to the fact that the present location must be vacated.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FACILITIES FOR HOMELESS MEN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Welfare Department be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide more adequate facilities for homeless men who are in need of lodging.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROPRIATION FOR SOCIAL LAW
LIBRARY.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to the proprietors of the Social Law Library the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the maintenance and enlargement of said library, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Social Law Library.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

HIGH-INCOME FAMILY TENANTS IN
HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission be requested to thoroughly investigate the reasons why the Boston Housing Authority permits so many high-income families to be tenants in the housing projects: and be it further

Ordered, That the Boston Finance Commission give a report to the City Council, stating therein how many families in the housing projects own new cars, and all those whose income is \$100 or more per week.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the order was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.57 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 5.14 P.M.

RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN MEMBERS
OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation to permit the retirement of members of the Police Department at two-thirds pay at fifty years of age after a service of twenty years; provided that said legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

CHANGE IN PENSION SYSTEM OF CER-
TAIN MEMBERS OF THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation to provide that members of the Police Department who are members of a contributory retirement system shall be relieved of such membership and be placed under the free pension system and their contributions returned to them; provided that said legislation contains a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred November 21) for transfers of appropriations between departments—recommending that the following 15 orders ought to pass, viz.:

Order for transfer of \$4,000 to State-Boston Retirement System.

Order for transfer of \$3,318.97 to Boston Traffic Commission.

Order for transfer of \$80,000 to Hospital Department.

Order for transfer of \$19,650 to Institutions Department, Long Island Hospital.

Order for transfer of \$300 to Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home.

Order for transfer of \$2,600 to Public Works Department, Lighting Service.

Order for transfer of \$18,000 to Sidewalks, Construction, etc.

Order for transfer of \$25,000 to Snow Removal.

Order for transfer of \$1,500 to Conventions, Entertainments, etc.

Order for transfer of \$9,579.54 to Jail.

Order for transfer of \$100 to East Boston District Court.

Order for transfer of \$300 to West Roxbury Municipal Court.

Order for transfer of \$290.20 to Brighton Municipal Court.

Order for transfer of \$798.25 to South Boston Municipal Court.

Order for transfer of \$600 to Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division.

The report was accepted, and the foregoing 15 orders were severally passed, yeas 16, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Keenan—1.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred November 14) designating intersections in honor of deceased veterans—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, and said orders severally passed.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred November 21) appropriating \$100,000 from income of Water Service to be expended by Commissioner of Public Works for Water Service, Contractual Services, Equipment and Materials—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; order passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring from Reserve Fund \$8,322.77 to Treasury Department, Expenses of Bond Issues—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; order passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 31) transferring \$5,844.39 from Reserve Fund to Metropolitan Transit Authority Deficiency Assessment—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; order passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

6. Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers in various departmental appropriations—recommending that the orders, with the exception of order for transfer of \$10,000 from Law Department to Public Buildings Department, ought to pass.

Report accepted; said orders, with exception of foregoing order, were passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

7. Report on message of Mayor and resolution (referred today) approving application of Boston Housing Authority to Public Housing Administration for loan, not to exceed \$550,000, to cover cost of surveys and planning—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said resolution was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Harold J. Ennis (referred November 14) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand three hundred sixty-two dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$1,362.68) be allowed and paid to Harold J. Ennis in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Patrick G. Howell (referred November 14) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

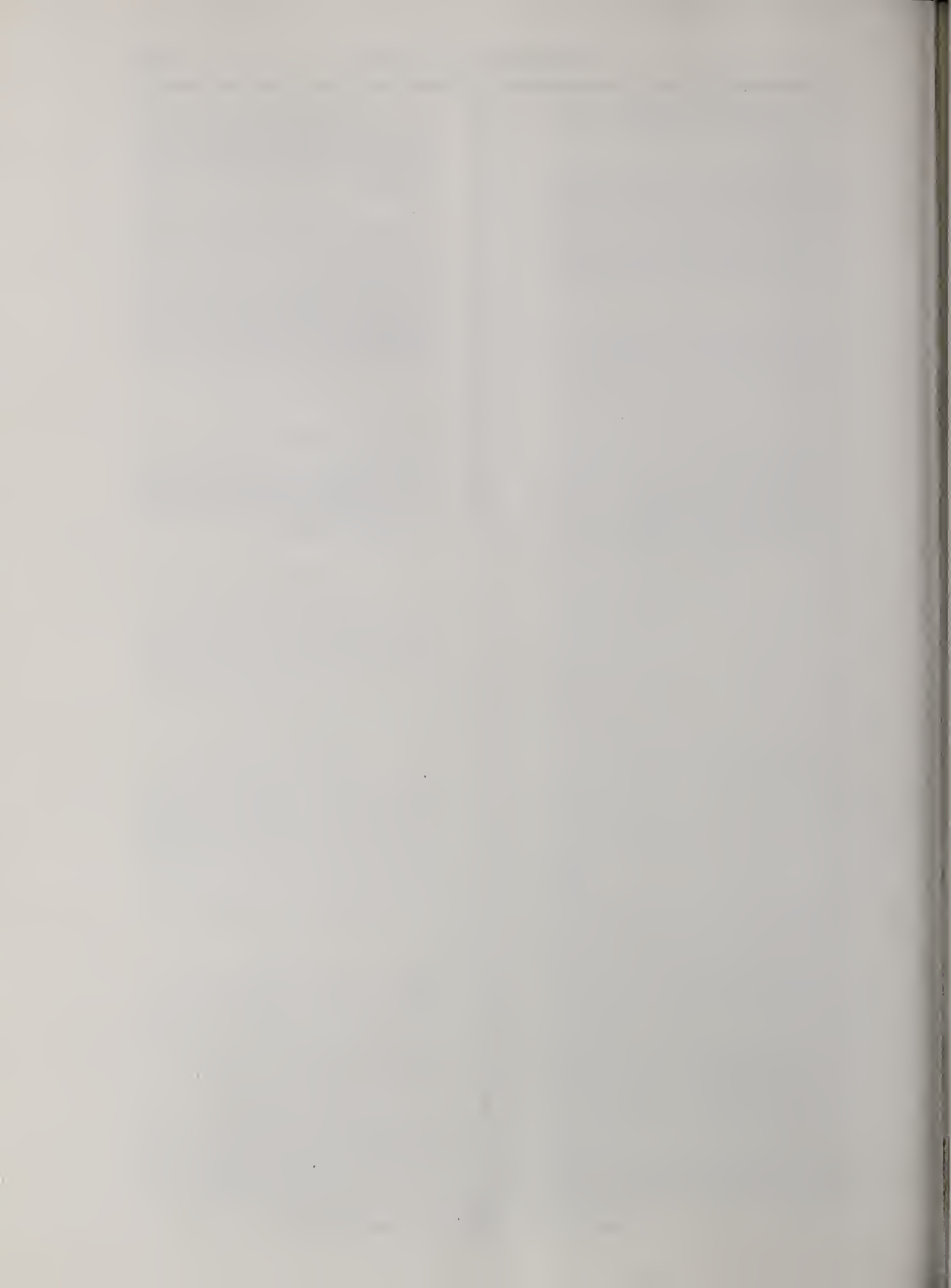
Ordered, That the sum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) be allowed and paid to Patrick G. Howell in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor apparatus belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders passed.

Adjourned, on motion of Councilor Hannon, at 5.22 P.M., to meet on Monday, December 5, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, December 5, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Coffey.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, as follows:

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 3, 1950.

Anthony T. Abbatessa, Ward 1; Frank J. Amerena, Ward 1; Joseph Catino, Ward 3; Anthony DeFalso, Ward 3; Henry Repucci, Ward 3; Benjamin Rich, Ward 5; Joseph J. Slattery, Ward 5; Albert C. Traey, Ward 7; Peter E. Mortensen, Ward 8; James White, Ward 9; Joseph M. Hogarty, Ward 10; Walter H. Grady, Ward 11; Donald C. Colbath, Ward 12; Howard R. Fraser, Ward 12; Francis X. Mulligan, Ward 13; Abraham Barsook, Ward 14; Joseph M. Gilmore, Ward 15; Frederick H. Fandel, Ward 16; Harold J. Nolan, Ward 18; James P. Pistorio, Ward 18; Leo J. Zepf, Ward 19; George L. Johnson, Ward 21.

Thirty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 3, 1950.

Alfred DiNapoli, Ward 1; Wilton M. McCormack, Ward 1; Wilfred L. McDonald, Ward 1; Edward S. Brock, Ward 2; John E. Kimball, Ward 2; William J. Martin, Ward 2; Robert J. McCarthy, Ward 2; Richard S. O'Brien, jr., Ward 2; Paul C. Root, Ward 5; William L. Boyce, Ward 6; George T. Mulvey, Ward 6; Joseph E. Richards, Ward 7; Clifton R. MacNeil, Ward 8; James McLaurin, Ward 9; George E. Cross, Ward 10; Ivan A. Waynick, Ward 10; Nelson D. Slafer, Ward 11; Raymond L. Beck, Jr., Ward 13; John F. Coffey, Ward 13; John Hay, Jr., Ward 13; William M. Shute, Ward 13; Edward R. Woodbine, Ward 13; Morris Doren, Ward 14; Barnett Feldstein, Ward 14; William Yenofsky, Ward 14; Francis L. Johnson, Ward 16; Arthur G. Marotta, Ward 16; Patrick Martin, Ward 16; George J. McGarron, jr., Ward 16; John J. McGettrick, Ward 17; Carl G. Malmquist, Ward 18; Thomas P. Manning, Ward 18; Erling A. Hanson, Ward 19; John K. Fettig, Ward 20; Harold E. Gore, Ward 21; Robert F. Kendall, Ward 22; Oke S. Wickman, Ward 22.

One hundred forty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear January 3, 1950.

Anthony Annesse, Ward 1; Harry R. Hodson, Ward 1; Walter Horne, Ward 1; John Scrima, Ward 1; Samuel B. Tino, Ward 1; Nicholas Lazzaro, Ward 1; Francis P. Collins, Ward 2; Ernest Gaurino, Ward 2; Edward T. Reardon, Ward 2; William D. Russell, Ward 2; Thomas F. Shumala, Ward 2; Cornelius R. Ahern, Ward 3; Pasquale Borzillo, Ward 3; Frank A. Cassino, Ward 3; Peter A. Catullo, Ward 3; Frank W. Corcoran, Ward 3; Michael Lopiatto, Ward 3; Isadore Rosenfield, Ward 3; Angelo Ventola, Ward 3; Patrick H. Earl, Ward 4; John F. Farmer, Ward 4; Anthony Kurdoose, Ward 4; James Marchillo, Ward 4; John J. Rogun, Jr., Ward 4; Raymond C. Allen, Ward 5; Daniel Bortnick, Ward 5; Arthur J. Hamill, Ward 5; Bernard J. Kellner, Ward 5; Hugh H. MacKay, Ward 5; Lawrence C. Mausur, Ward 5; James W. Moynihan, Ward 5; Adolphe Robicheau, Ward 5; David F. Toomey, Ward 5; Charles Celeste, Ward 6; Benjamin F. Draper, Ward 6; Andrew D. Frazier, Ward 6; Joseph L. Hayes, Ward 6; Thomas F. Healey, Jr., Ward 6; Harry J. Percell, Ward 6; James E. Campbell, Ward 7; James F.

Casey, Ward 7; Terence O. Cavanagh, Ward 7; Andrew R. Collins, Ward 7; Edward C. Cote, Ward 7; Joseph F. Driscoll, Ward 7; Donald S. Everett, Ward 7; John E. Murphy, Ward 7; John E. Roach, Ward 7; James J. Stapleton, Ward 7; George W. Stratton, Ward 7; Maurice Ward, Ward 7; George F. Haddad, Ward 8; Peter J. Jasperson, Ward 8; Joseph F. Johnson, Ward 8; John I. Kelly, Ward 8; James F. McDonald, Ward 8; George D. Stewart, Ward 8; Charles H. Weeks, Ward 8; Vernon F. Blackman, Ward 9; Robert Reynolds, Ward 9; John J. Schleppe, Ward 9.

Paul A. Brandis, Ward 10; Anthony M. Jaross, Ward 10; Joseph T. Kelly, Ward 10; John T. O'Brien, Ward 10; Joseph G. Parrett, Ward 10; Ralph L. Simmons, Ward 10; John P. Sullivan, Ward 10; Nathaniel P. Baker, Ward 11; Joseph Green, Ward 11; James Johnstone, Jr., Ward 11; William P. Murdock, Ward 11; John D. Alexander, Jr., Ward 12; Sidney M. Herman, Ward 12; Henry Lewis, Ward 12; Charles E. Moody, Ward 12; Louis Price, Ward 12; Albert J. Baron, Ward 13; Edward P. Callahan, Ward 13; Joseph J. Donahue, Ward 13; Joseph M. Gaul, Ward 13; Edward A. Miller, Ward 13; Joseph E. Quinn, Ward 13; John J. Sheehan, Jr., Ward 13; Harry Gilbert, Ward 14; Abraham Glick, Ward 14; Jack H. Gross, Ward 14; Jack D. Harris, Ward 14; Nathan Hurwitz, Ward 14; Joseph Kempner, Ward 14; Alvan G. Levenson, Ward 14; Jacob Phillips, Ward 14; Morton Solbjorg, Ward 14; Louis C. Starr, Ward 14; Max Swartz, Ward 14; Lawrence Anderson, Ward 15; Paul Danu, Ward 15; John I. Flynn, Ward 15; George L. Brisendine, Ward 16; James M. Curran, Ward 16; Michael J. Davey, Ward 16; Edward D. Inglis, Ward 16; William G. Moore, Ward 16; Gordon S. Roche, Ward 16; William W. Stock, Ward 16; Francis T. Carey, Ward 17; William J. Curran, Ward 17; Robert E. Gorman, Ward 17; Lawrence E. Hansen, Ward 17; Joseph Seuvera, Ward 17; Frank D. Ward, Ward 17; William Caplan, Ward 18; Joseph H. Cohen, Ward 18; Louis Fogelnest, Ward 18; John G. Glaze, Ward 18; Francis J. Martin, Ward 18; Bernard G. Masteron, Ward 18; Abraham G. Nedder, Ward 18; Lawrence F. O'Neil, Ward 18; Blaise F. Tosi, Ward 18; Charles Dolan, Ward 19; Chester E. MacDonald, Ward 19; Chester T. Marek, Ward 19; Victor Nelson, Ward 19; Ernest J. Stahl, Ward 19; William E. Whelan, Ward 19; Howard W. Yandell, Ward 19; Edmund V. Burke, Ward 20; John M. Campbell, Ward 20; James C. Collins, Ward 20; James J. Murray, Ward 20; Douglas L. Thompson, Ward 20; Samuel Drukman, Ward 21; Curtis P. Drummond, Ward 21; Cedric T. Lauders, Ward 21; William E. MacLeod, Ward 21; Harry M. Simpson, Ward 21; Fred J. Stoloff, Ward 21; Stephen Balyosian, Ward 22; Harry Denton Brown, Ward 22; John J. Cullen, Ward 22; Percy Delaney, Ward 22; John Gray, Ward 22; Abraham C. Isenberg, Ward 22; Charles R. Mhoney, Ward 22; Joseph E. Manger, Ward 22; George J. Owen, Ward 22; John F. Wholey, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950: Arthur A. Devin, 82 Regent street, Roxbury, Mass.; Roland Kudlec, 12 Edison street, Dorchester, Mass.

Constables, without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond, for the term ending April 30, 1950: Rudolph Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Roxbury, Mass.; James H. MacInnes, 1 Momidnoek street, Dorchester, Mass.; vice Robert Kelly, deceased.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

VETO OF RESOLUTIONS RE PENSIONING OF POLICE OFFICERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature, and disapproved, two resolutions adopted by your

Honorable Body, at its meeting on November 28, 1949, endorsing certain legislation relative to the pensioning of police officers.

One act permits the pensioning of police officers with 20 years of service, at the age of fifty years, with two-thirds pay; and the other act proposes to re-establish for police officers the free pension system which was suspended in 1922, and provides for the retirement of those who are members of a contributory system, with a free pension and the return of their contributions.

It is hardly necessary to comment on the absurdity of these two proposals.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF BENCHES AT CASTLE ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of November 14, 1949, concerning the installing of benches on the south side of Castle Island.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 30, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your memorandum of November 15, 1949, with attached City Council order dated November 14, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to install benches on the south side of Castle Island, because it is the sunny side of the island and is shielded from the north winds.

I wish to inform you that I will have some benches installed on the sunny side of the island.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF TREE, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the removal of the tree opposite 17 Rockville road, Ward 12.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 29, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of November 2, 1949, with attached City Council order dated October 31, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioners to remove the tree opposite 17 Rockville road, Ward 12, which is in a very dangerous condition.

I have had the tree superintendent look at the tree, and have looked at it myself, and find that probably the safest thing would be to take the tree down.

We are starting work on the removal of this tree within the next few days, and other tree work in Rockville park which obviously is very necessary.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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FRANKLIN FIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of No-

ember 21, 1949, concerning the flooding of a portion of Franklin Field for skating, and the completion of the renovation of locker facilities for this activity.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 2, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication with attached City Council order dated November 21, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioners to flood a portion of Franklin Field for skating, and that a further study be made by the Park Commissioners for the complete renovation of the locker facilities for these activities.

A portion of this athletic field is now covered with temporary structures for housing purposes. The flooding of this field or any portion of it would, due to the grades of the field and the underground drainage system, mean that we would also flood portions of the area where people now live.

Any diking off of a portion of this area would still mean that the area flooded where the water would be would back up in the underground drains and create a very damp condition in the general neighborhood of these one-story structures now housing veterans.

I will give serious consideration in the budget for next year for the renovation of the locker facilities in the locker building. The building, although built about forty years ago and still in good condition, does need at least some slight alterations and repairs.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

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WARNING DEVICES ON FIRE-ALARM BOXES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 1, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Department relative to your order of November 21, 1949, concerning the re-establishment of bells, sirens, or other warning devices on fire-alarm boxes.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, November 30, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Referring to attached City Council order dated November 21, 1949, requesting the Fire Commissioner to re-establish bells, sirens, or other warning devices on fire-alarm boxes, I beg to inform your Honor that this matter has been previously considered in detail.

Experience has proven that the attachment of a bell within a fire-alarm box, which rings when the box is opened, does not necessarily deter the sounding of false alarms, but has definitely given persons who are actually turning in an alarm for fire the impression that the ringing of the bell is an indication that the alarm itself has been sounded, thereby failing to complete the necessary action of pulling the hook inside the box cover, with the result that no alarm is sounded, and considerable delay is occasioned before proper notification is given the fire-alarm office.

I do not recommend the attachment of these warning devices.

Respectfully yours,
RUSSELL S. CODMAN, JR.,
Fire Commissioner.

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BUMPER CURBING, SOUTH MUNROE
TERRACE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 28, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the erecting of a bumper curbing on South Munroe terrace, at the junction of Neponset avenue.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 28, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately erect a bumper curbing approximately 18 inches in height on South Munroe terrace, at the junction of Neponset avenue, for the purpose of preventing automobiles from dropping on to the property at 187 Neponset avenue, which would endanger the lives and safety of children in this area, and this will advise you that a two-rail wooden fence has been erected on South Munroe terrace extending from No. 41 South Munroe terrace to Neponset avenue, 100 feet in length, by the District No. 6 Paving Service forces.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,

Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

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CLEANING OF STREETS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 31, 1949, concerning the cleaning of the streets in the Ward 14 area.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 29, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of November 2, attaching Council order dated October 31, 1949, request of Councilor Ansel, as follows:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have the Sanitary Division immediately clean the streets in the Ward 14 area.

The foreman in charge of the districts which include Ward 14 has reported that the streets in this area have been thoroughly cleaned since the date of this order in Council.

D. M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner.

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RESURFACING OF WARREN STREET AND
HUMBOLDT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 21, 1949, concerning the removal of the cobblestones and tracks on Warren street and Humboldt avenue and the resurfacing of said highways.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works remove the cobblestones and tracks on Warren street and Humboldt avenue, and resurface said highways, and this will advise you that, at the present time, there are no funds available to carry out this work.

However, these streets will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

WELDON STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of November 21, 1949, concerning the repairing of the street and curbstones on Weldon street, to allow passage of automobiles in and out.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 25, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street and curbstones on Weldon street to allow passage of automobiles in and out, and this will advise you that, at the present time, there are no funds available to carry out this work.

However, this street will be placed on the list to be given consideration for construction during the coming year.

Very truly yours,
ROBERT P. CURLEY, Commissioner.

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MAKING CERTAIN STREETS ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of September 13, 1949, concerning the making of McLellan street, Wales street, Balsam street, and Arbutus street one way.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 28, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated September 13, 1949,
Requesting that McLellan Street, Wales
Street, Balsam Street, and Arbutus Street
Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:

In further reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held on November 18, 1949, it was voted to make Arbutus street and Balsam street one way.

It was also voted to reject the request that McLellan street and Wales street be made one way.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM T. DOYLE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$7,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$7,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 1, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$7,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$7,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year, to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... \$7,000

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

SALE OF FIREHOUSE ON ELM STREET, CHARLESTOWN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit a communication from James E. Sullivan, Superintendent of Public Buildings, relative to the sale of an abandoned firehouse situated at 11 Elm street, Charlestown.

I enclose for your consideration an order whereby the City of Boston may sell the premises at 11 Elm street, Charlestown, to the Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc., at private sale, for the sum of \$100, and recommend the adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Very truly yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
December 2, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The premises at 11 Elm street, Charlestown, formerly occupied by Engine Company 27 of the Boston Fire Department, is presently occupied by Charlestown Chapter No. 71, Disabled American Veterans, under a lease from this department.

In recent months the officers and members of this chapter have formed a new Massachusetts corporation under the name of Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc. This corporation has requested permission to purchase the premises at 11 Elm street, Charlestown, at private sale, for a consideration of \$100.

As this property is no longer required for municipal purposes, I recommend that it be sold to Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc., for the sum of \$100.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately twenty-six hundred (2,600) square feet of land, together with the building thereon, situated on the southeasterly side of Elm street, between Howard place and Payson place, in the Charlestown district of the City of Boston, and

Whereas, The said parcel of property is no longer required for public purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and be hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell the herein-after-described parcel of property for a consideration of one hundred dollars (\$100) to the Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc., and to execute and deliver in the name and behalf of the City of Boston a deed satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, conveying all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of property hereinafter described.

The said parcel of property is bounded and described as follows: Northwesterly by Elm street, forty-six (46) feet; northeasterly by Howard place, fifty-two (52) feet; southeasterly by land of Burton M. Lawler, twenty (20) feet; northeasterly by land of Burton M. Lawler, eight (8) feet; southeasterly by Payson place, twenty-six (26) feet; southwesterly by Payson place, sixty (60) feet; containing approximately twenty-six hundred (2,600) square feet of land.

The above-described parcel, together with the measurements thereof, are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Elm street, Charlestown, August 1, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the president of the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital for an additional appropriation of \$10,000, to correct serious conditions existing due to leaking pipes, stagnant water, decomposing kitchen drainage, and water seepage in the duct spaces under the kitchen, scullery, serving room, and dishwashing room at the Boston City Hospital.

It was impossible to determine the seriousness of these conditions until the old duct work was recently removed and temporary lighting brought into the spaces, making it possible to inspect these dangerous and unsanitary conditions.

The estimated cost of \$10,000 for this work has been arrived at after conference between a firm of consulting engineers, the architect, and the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital. Because of the seriousness of this condition, it is necessary that this additional appropriation be made available at once.

Immediate consideration and adoption of the accompanying order transferring the sum of \$10,000 from the Reserve Fund is respectfully recommended.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department,
December 9, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Your approval is respectfully requested for an addition of \$10,000 to the appropriation for Hospital Department, Installations, Alterations and Repairs, to be obtained from available sources.

This additional money is necessary in order to repair leaks, etc., discovered after work under contract for repairs and renovations to ventilating duct work and repairs to metal pans in kitchen, Boston City Hospital, had begun.

Respectfully yours,
MARTIN J. ENGLISH, M.D.,
President, Board of Trustees.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, \$10,000, to the appropriation for Boston City Hospital, Emergency Repairs to Water Mains, etc., \$10,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO
PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the Superintendent of Printing, requesting an additional appropriation of \$7,500 from the revenue of the department, to be used for the purchase of postage.

The Superintendent of Printing states that this additional appropriation is necessary because the requirements of the Health Department have exceeded estimates for postage in the mailing of chest X-ray reports as part of the free chest X-ray program that is now being carried on throughout the city.

In accordance with this request there is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$7,500 from the income of the Printing Department, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, an additional sum of \$7,500 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Printing Department for the following purposes:

PRINTING DEPARTMENT, SPECIAL APPROPRIATION,
Departmental Stationery and Postage, . . . \$7,500

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS
BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for City Planning Board, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$331.70, to the appropriation for City Clerk, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$331.70.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$22,000, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$4,500, Municipal Employment Bureau, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$3,000, Registry Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$2,500, Supply Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,000, to the appropriation for Health Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$37,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division, D-3, Fuel, \$10,000, F-11, Workmen's Compensation, \$4,500, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$14,500.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service, C-4, Motor Vehicles, \$10,000, F-11, Workmen's Compensation, \$3,248, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Sanitary Service, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$13,248.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Department of Veterans' Services, F-8, State and Military Aid, Soldiers' Relief and Burials, \$4,600, to the appropriation for Department of Veterans' Services, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,000, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$3,600.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Municipal Court, City of Boston, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,810, to the appropriation for East Boston District Court, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,500, D-1, Office, \$310.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

RESCISSION OF PRIOR ORDER AND
NEW ORDER FOR SALE OF LAND AND
BUILDINGS TO CARNEY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 5, 1949.
To the Honorable the City Council,
Gentlemen:

On May 16, 1949, and on June 6, 1949, there was read and passed by your Honorable Body an order authorizing the conveyance of the land and buildings, formerly utilized for a convalescent hospital in the Dorchester district of Boston as a branch of the Boston City Hospital, to the Carney Hospital by purchase price of \$1. This order was approved by me on June 7, 1949.

To allay any possible doubts as to the legality of the title, it is the preference of his Excellency, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing, that a fair price

be paid for the instant property which has been independently appraised at \$10,000.

Accordingly, I am submitting herewith an order which rescinds the order of June 7, 1949, and which authorizes the sale of the property to the Carney Hospital for the sum of \$10,000.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land containing approximately 373,189 square feet, together with the buildings thereon, situated on the easterly side of Dorchester avenue and adjacent to Dorchester Park in the Dorchester district, by virtue of a deed to the City of Boston, dated April 19, 1890, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 548; and

Whereas, This parcel of property was formerly used by the Hospital Department of the City of Boston as a convalescent home for women; and

Whereas, The use of this parcel of property for hospital purposes has been abandoned and the Trustees of the City Hospital of the City of Boston have by a vote passed May 16, 1941, authorized the disposal of this parcel of property; and

Whereas, This parcel of property is no longer needed for public purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to sell the parcel of land, hereinafter described, together with the buildings thereon, for a purchase price of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to the Carney Hospital, a charitable corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth, with a principal place of business in Boston, subject to the exception and reservation hereinafter set forth; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to execute and deliver a written instrument satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, conveying this parcel of land together with the buildings thereon, subject to the following exceptions and reservation:

The City of Boston excepts and reserves to itself the right and easement necessary for the maintenance and construction of surface drainage sewerage works in the location designated therefor on the plan hereinafter referred to.

The Parcel of land herein authorized to be sold and conveyed is bounded and described as follows: Westerly by the easterly line of Dorchester avenue seven hundred twenty-four and 80-100 (724.80) feet; northerly by lands now or formerly of John J. White, Mary C. Harrington, Patrick Barry et al., and Margaret W. Barry, one hundred eighty-nine and 70-100 (189.70) feet; easterly by lands now or formerly of Margaret W. Barry, Peter Kelly et al., Mary C. Murray and John F. Caskins et al., two hundred six and 60-100 (206.60) feet; easterly again, by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park), two hundred eight and 3-100 (208.03) feet, and six hundred twenty-six (626) feet; southerly by land of the City of Boston (Dorchester Park), seven hundred fifty-four and 30-100 (754.30) feet; containing 373,189 square feet of land, more or less.

The said parcel of land, all of the above measurements, and location of right and easement of the sewerage works are shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester, March 31, 1944, Wm. J. Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," and on file in the office of said department, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

The order of the City Council, approved by the Mayor of Boston, June 7, 1949, relating to the sale of the above-described parcel of land is hereby rescinded.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Barry Brothers for compensation for damage, to property at 304 Neponset avenue, caused by broken water main.

John Borra and Michael Martin Lovezzola, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Brighton and Harvard avenues.

Boston Cab Company, for compensation for damage to cab caused by car of Mayor's office.

Mrs. Ernest N. DiBenedetto, for compensation for injuries caused by car of Park Commissioners.

Patrick Farina, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Louis Germano, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Mrs. Michael Grieco, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 183 Leyden street, caused by water being shut off.

Martin B. Groden, for compensation for injuries caused by manhole cover being dropped on foot by health inspector.

Harry W. Houghton, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

John N. Jenkins, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Lawrence F. Kehoe, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cambridge street.

Lena Kipnis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Hammond avenue.

Anthony Maffei, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 34 North Bennet street, during installation of water meter.

James A. Magner, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Henry G. McAllister, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 23 Agawam street, caused by water being shut off.

Helen A. McLaughlin, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in digging for sewer break at 47 Paul Gore street, Jamaica Plain.

Evelyn Pinksen, for son, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Lucy Stone School.

John Rizzotto, for compensation for damage to pushcart by city truck.

Samuel Rotondo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Frank M. Seluk, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Florence Sofnas, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Wyoming street.

Florence Solari, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Saratoga street.

Executive.

Petition of Margaret Hoban to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, James F. Hoban, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Marguerite G. White, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Edward J. White, late member of Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day: Granville Club, Inc., Orpheus J. Ross, president, 15 Granville street, Roslindale, Ward 18.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY PRO TEM PERMANENT SCHOOL PENSION FUND.

Notice was received from the Board of Trustees of the Permanent School Pension Fund of election of Agnes E. Reynolds as secretary pro tem for meeting of trustees on November 28, 1949. Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of bearing to be held December 9 at 10 a.m., on petition of President and Fellows of Harvard College and Sears Roebuck & Co., for consent of department to construction and maintenance of a railroad for private use for transportation of freight, upon and across Cambridge street, near Windom street, at grade, in Brighton.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF JUNCTION IN HONOR OF
LIEUT. CARL E. RADLO.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the space at the junction of Maple and Schuyler streets, Ward 12, Lieut. Carl E. Radlo Square in honor of Lieut. Carl E. Radlo, a member of the 88th Division who was killed in Italy in 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INFORMATION ON DISCHARGE OF
BOSTON SANATORIUM EMPLOYEES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Assistant Superintendent of the Boston Sanatorium be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inform the City Council as to the reasons for the discharge of employees, who were appointed from the Civil Service lists, immediately prior to their becoming eligible for permanent employment.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

President HURLEY in the chair.

PAINTING OF WHITE TRAFFIC LINES,
WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint white lines in the center of the roadway on Hancock street, Bowdoin street, and Geneva avenue, Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

COASTING SIGNS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to supply police stations with suitable coasting signs which might be placed on coasting streets for the protection of children.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF CHILDREN'S TONSILS AT
CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the removal of tonsils of children, which practice was stopped over six months ago.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FLOODING OF SOUTH BOSTON PARKS
FOR SKATING.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Park Department be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to flood Columbus Park, Marine Park, and Christopher Lee Park in South Boston for winter skating.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ADEQUATE LIGHTING ON CERTAIN
SOUTH BOSTON STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to provide adequate lighting facilities on East Fourth street, between O and P streets, and on Jay street, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON BOLTON STREET,
SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on wooden poles, in place of the gas lamps on Bolton street, between B and C streets, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

DISCHARGE OF FORMER TRANSIT DE-
PARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the members of the Boston City Council go on record as protesting the discharge of the former Boston Transit employees by the MTA.

Referred to Committee on Public Works.

DISCHARGE OF EMPLOYEES BY STATE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That his Excellency, the Governor of Massachusetts, be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately reinstate the 350 City of Boston citizens, all veterans of World War II, who were recently discharged by the State Public Works Commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Public Works.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN
FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$7,000 from income of George F. Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of Park Commissioners that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

COMMENDATION OF COMMISSIONER
MCDONALD AND ANN MACKAY.

Coun. HANNON, LANE, and LINEHAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council express its confidence in the integrity of G. Frank McDonald, the Commissioner of Institutions, and his very able assistant, Ann Mackay, Director of the Child Welfare Division, and commend them for the very efficient manner in which they have conducted the affairs of this department during the tenure of their office.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

ASSISTANT ON TRUCKS DOING SANDING,
ETC.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed to assign an assistant to all trucks doing sanding work, and be it further

Ordered, That snow trucks be alerted to work as emergency crews during all snowstorms.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of abandoned firehouse at 11 Elm

street, Charlestown, to Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc.—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading, and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION OF BROCKTON & PLYMOUTH STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

Coun. BEADES, KEENAN and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor convey to the Department of Public Utilities the opposition of the Boston City Council for the petition of the Brockton & Plymouth Street Railway Co., and the further amendment of Certificate No. 1945 for carriage of passengers between Park square and Plymouth, to permit picking up and discharging of passengers: (1) at Neponset Circle, at junction of Neponset avenue Gallivan Boulevard, and Old Colony Parkway; and (2) near Fields Corner, at intersection of Adams street and Dorchester avenue. The hearing is to be held on December 12, 1949.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RESOLUTION OPPOSING PARKING LOT IN CEDAR GROVE SECTION.

Coun. BEADES and KEENAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby records itself as opposed to the establishment of the proposed parking lot in the Cedar Grove section of Dorchester by the Metropolitan Transit Authority; and he it further

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor he notified of the opposition of the Boston City Council to this proposed parking lot, and that his Excellency the Governor inform the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of such opposition; and he it further

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor request the said Trustees to hold a publicly-advertised hearing in order to give the residents of this district an opportunity to express their opposition to this proposal.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARDS 18 AND 19.

Coun. McCORMACK and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Neponset avenue, in Wards 18 and 19.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARDS 11 AND 12.

Coun. TRACY and COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Columbus avenue, Walnut avenue and Seaver street, in Wards 11 and 12.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council voted at 3.25 p.m. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.47 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred today) that Traffic Commission be requested to install traffic lights at intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Neponset avenue, in Wards 18 and 19—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred August 22) accepting chapter 362, Acts of 1949, re removal of vehicles—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On motion of Coun. Chase the order was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred November 28) transferring appropriations of \$10,000 from Law Department and County Buildings to Public Buildings Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring \$10,000 from Reserve Fund to City Hospital, Emergency Repairs to Water Mains, etc.—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on passage of the order. Coun. RAMSEY moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Hospitals. The motion was lost, yeas 8, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Chase, Hurley, Keenan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan—8.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Wenzler—10.

Coun. SULLIVAN then moved that the order be recommitted to the Executive Committee. The motion was lost, yeas 8, nays 9.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Chase, Hurley, Keenan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan—8.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Wenzler—9.

The question then came on the passage of the order and the order was passed, yeas 12, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Keenan, Ramsey—4.

Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.

5. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$7,500 for Printing Department for Departmental Stationery and Postage—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

6. Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfer of appropriations between departments—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Carey, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS AT ANDREW SQUARE.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a thorough study and survey of the serious bottleneck of vehicular traffic that exists at

Andrew square so that recommendations for alleviating this bottleneck may be made and definite action may be taken and carried out during the spring of 1950.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

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NAMING OF STREET IN HONOR OF
VICTOR J. L. CANTOLA.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to change the name of Lawrence street, near Birmingham Parkway; the change to be from Lawrence street to Cantola street in honor of Victor J. L. Cantola who was killed in the service of his country while serving in the United States Navy.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT CHESTNUT HILL
AVENUE AND CHISWICK ROAD.

Coun. SHANLEY and LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the intersection of Chestnut Hill avenue and Chiswick road, Brighton.

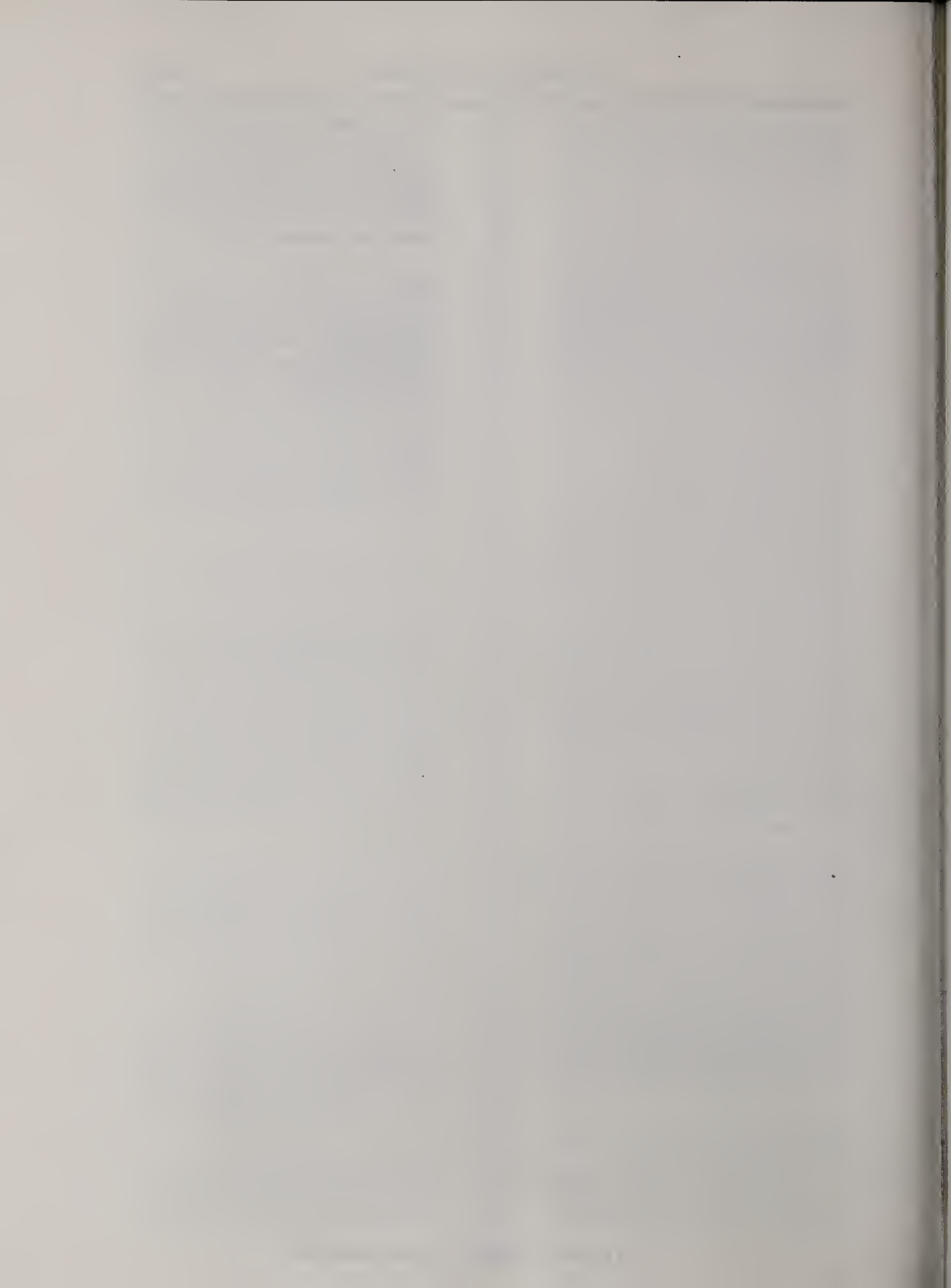
Passed under suspension of the rule.

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Adjourned at 5.55 P.M., on motion of Councilor Keenan, to meet on Monday, December 12, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, December 12, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Coffey. The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

FLOODING OF SOUTH BOSTON PARKS FOR SKATING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 11, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of December 5, 1949, concerning the flooding of Columbus Park, Marine Park, and the Christopher Lee Playground in South Boston for winter skating.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 9, 1949.
Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum of December 7, 1949, with enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Department to flood Columbus Park, Marine Park, and the Christopher Lee Playground in South Boston for winter skating.

It is the usual custom, about the middle of December, to flood all places where we have had satisfactory results. Any flooding of playgrounds prior to that time usually means that we get a light coat of ice which is not sufficiently heavy to withstand the weight of many of the youngsters; also, that the ice gets all broken.

I have issued instructions to have the regular places flooded about December 12, 1949.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF RUBBISH, ETC., FROM BAXTER STREET, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 7, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Department, relative to your order of October 10, 1949, concerning the removal of rubbish, lumber, and bricks from the vicinity of 37 and 39 Baxter street, Ward 6, South Boston, where buildings have been torn down.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 7, 1949.

Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of order in Council, request of Councilor Wenzler, under date of October 10, 1949, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, that rubbish, lumber and bricks be removed from the vicinity of 37 and 39 Baxter street, Ward 6, South Boston, where buildings have been torn down."

Report has been received from the Sanitary Division foreman in charge of the district stating that two loads of debris have been removed from this property, although the cleaning of private property is not the concern of the Public Works Department.

ROBERT P. CURLEY,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN ANDREW SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of December 5, 1949, concerning the making of a survey of traffic conditions in Andrew square.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated December 5, 1949,
Requesting a Survey of Traffic Conditions
in Andrew Square.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be informed that at the present time this department is making the study requested.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SUPPLYING OF POLICE STATIONS WITH COASTING SIGNS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of December 5, 1949, concerning the supplying of police stations with coasting signs.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated December 5, 1949,
Requesting This Commission to Supply
Police Stations with Coasting Signs.

Dear Sir:

In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that all police stations are supplied with coasting signs.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PAINTING OF WHITE LINES ON CERTAIN DORCHESTER STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of December 5, 1949, requesting that white lines be painted in the center of the roadway on Hancock street, Bowdoin street, and Geneva avenue.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated December 5, 1949,
Requesting That White Lines Be Painted
in the Center of the Roadway on Hancock
Street, Bowdoin Street, and Geneva Avenue.

Dear Sir:

Our painting program has ended for the season because of weather conditions. When we resume our program in the spring we will repaint this location.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

**TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HYDE PARK AVENUE
AND NEPONSET AVENUE.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of December 5, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Hyde Park avenue and Neponset avenue.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated December 5, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at the Intersection of Hyde Park Avenue and Neponset Avenue.

Dear Sir:

The above-mentioned location is on a list of proposed installations and will be given consideration when funds become available for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

**TRAFFIC LIGHTS, CHESTNUT HILL
AVENUE AND CHISWICK ROAD.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of December 5, 1949, concerning the installation of traffic lights at Chestnut Hill avenue and Chiswick road, Brighton.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 12, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated December 5, 1949, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at Chestnut Hill Avenue and Chiswick Road, Brighton.

Dear Sir:

At the present time there are no funds available for the installation of traffic signals. This intersection will be considered when money is made available.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

**TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS
BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Finance Commission, G, Incidentals, \$600, to the appropriation for A-1, Permanent Employees, \$600.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, B-39, General Repairs, \$15,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, B-39, General Repairs, \$15,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Institutions Department, Child Welfare Division, B-17, Care of Persons, \$1,225, to the appropriation for A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,025, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$200.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$105, to the appropriation for Temporary Home, A-3, Unassigned, \$105.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Jail Improvements, \$1,000, to the appropriation for Miscellaneous Expenses, Sheriff, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$1,000.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

**SALE OF LAND IN BRIGHTON TO BOSTON
COLLEGE.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 12, 1949.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Trustees of Boston College have already acquired a tract of land which was formerly known as the Lawrence Basin from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The City of Boston owns certain parcels of land bounded on the west by the land of Boston College and bounded on the east by the land formerly known as the Lawrence Basin. This intervening strip of land was originally acquired by the city for Water Department purposes, but, after the transfer of the reservoir basin to the Metropolitan Water Board in 1898, said land was transferred to the control of the Park Department.

In order that Boston College may have a continuous strip of land from what is known as the Heights through and including the Lawrence Basin, recently acquired from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, it is necessary that Boston College acquire the intervening strip, formerly in the care and custody of the Park Department.

Reverend William L. Keleher, S. J., rector of Boston College, has requested to purchase this strip of land to unite both parcels of land belonging to Boston College. To this end, an independent appraisal has been made of this tract, and it has been evaluated at \$16,000.

The Board of Park Commissioners informs me that the Park Department has no use for this isolated strip of land. In my opinion this parcel of land is no longer devoted to, nor is it suitable or adaptable for, a public use or purpose. This

parcel of land should be conveyed to the Trustees of Boston College for the sum of \$16,000.

I recommend your consideration and passage of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land situated in the Brighton District of Boston; and

Whereas, The said parcel of land is now in the care, custody, and control of the Board of Park Commissioners for Park Department purposes, and the Board of Park Commissioners has declared the said parcel of land is no longer required for Park Department purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston be, and it hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to sell at private sale to the Trustees of Boston College, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the parcel of land hereinafter described for the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000), and that his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to execute and deliver to the Trustees of Boston College a written instrument, satisfactory in form to the Law Department of the City of Boston, conveying all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of land hereinafter described. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the intersection of the Boston-Newton boundary line and the northerly line of Beacon street, thence running by land of the Trustees of Boston College, and others situated in Newton, ten courses along said Boston-Newton boundary line as follows: N18-53-28W, 501.37 feet; N38-24-58W, 164.80 feet; N18-45-48W, 263.40 feet; N2-38-22E, 175.50 feet; N10-30-48W, 396.88 feet; N5-34-58W, 253.00 feet; N28-50-07E, 158.26 feet; N50-59-22E, 105.00 feet; N64-30-22E, 66.68 feet; N64-00-39E, 260.71 feet to a point thence turning and running by land of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston by three courses as follows: S25-59-21E, 63.00 feet; 283.73 on a curve radius 880 feet; 25.87 on a curve radius 16.00 feet to a point thence turning and running by land of the City of Boston S25-25-18E, 102.73 feet, thence turning and running by other land of said Trustees of Boston College situated in Boston by thirteen courses as follows: 33.89 feet on a curve radius 307.90 feet; 139.60 feet on a curve radius 264.50 feet; S47-31-20W, 22.70 feet; 213.08 feet on a curve radius 568.00 feet; S69-01-00W, 199.20 feet; 280.54 feet on a curve radius 197.90 feet; S12-12-10E, 1069.90 feet; 179.21 feet on a curve radius 220.8 feet; 171.72 feet on a curve radius 358.00 feet; 236.40 feet on a curve radius 860.00 feet; S70-26-20E, 216.40 feet; 295.25 feet on a curve radius 679.90 feet; N81-40-50E, 381.25 feet, to a point on the northerly side line of Beacon street; thence turning and running along said northerly side line 47.82 feet on a curve radius 912.00 feet to a point of tangency; thence running S81-37-30W, 1232.13 feet, to the point of beginning, being the same land shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Chestnut Hill Park, Beacon Street, Brighton, December 8, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," on file in said department.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Raymond S. Blaachard, for compensation for damage to car caused by truck of Public Works Department.

Harry Boxer, M.D., for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 18 Westminster street.

John J. Coppinger, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Laura J. Damoa, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 19 Mellen street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Eleanor E. Downey, for compensation for damage to car by city sanding truck.

George J. Farley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dacia street.

Paula M. Lawler, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Boston Common.

James J. McGonagle, for compensation for damage to property at 81 Old Harbor street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Edwin J. McLaughlin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Donald R. McMorro, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at D Street Housing Project.

Barbara Nuzzolo, for compensation for damage to coat caused by paint on Municipal Building, Roslindale.

John M. O'Brien, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mildred, Joseph, Janet, and Florence Pollini, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by car of Police Department.

Pauline A. Prendergast, for compensation for damage to car by Fire Department vehicle.

Executive.

Petition of Helen V. McCarthy to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Edward F. McCarthy, late member of the Fire Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

Tributary Theatre of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, December 17, 24, and 31.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room, 166 State House, on January 10, 1950, at 10 A.M., on petition of the New York Central Railroad Company for 35 per cent increase in all forms of commutation fares with minimum fare of 20 cents per ride and with no change in conditions named in said tickets.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held January 17, 1950, at 10 A.M., on petition of Boston Edison Company on amended "Terms and Conditions applicable to all rates for electric service," filed November 22, 1949.

Severally placed on file.

INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Thomas F. McDonough of interest in proposed contract between City of Boston and Thomas F. McDonough, A. I. A., for preparation of plans and specifications of proposed addition to Michael E. Perkins School, South Boston, for the School Buildings Department, and the proposed Welfare Building on Blue Hill avenue for the Welfare Department.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM V. WARD.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of William V. Ward to be a member of the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare for the term ending April 30, 1952, vice Margaret J. Gookin, deceased.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HARVARD AND MORTON STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately install traffic lights on Harvard and Morton streets which have been the scenes of many accidents in which citizens have been critically injured and until such time that traffic lights are installed, be it further

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested to communicate with Station 19 to assign a police officer to handle traffic in that area so that further accidents can be averted.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPLACING OF OLD STREETCARS ON MATTAPAN LINE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the MTA officials be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey for the purpose of replacing the old streetcars on the Mattapan line which are antiquated and outmoded and which are detrimental to the lives and safety of the general public.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

SCROLL FOR LIVING EX-MEMBERS OF 22-MAN CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Messenger be directed to include in the City Council budget for the year 1950 an amount sufficient to cover the cost of a scroll which shall be presented, with suitable ceremony, to all living ex-members who have served in the so-called 22-man Council in the City of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

COMMENDATION OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF REPUBLICAN PARTY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Whereas, The present activities of certain groups in our Commonwealth in their endeavor to have placed on the ballot a referendum which will prohibit, if accepted, the use of school buses by parochial school children, is not expressive of the freedom we so dearly cherish and enjoy, and
Whereas, It is clearly evident that the intent of this referendum is a movement to penalize specific groups; and

Whereas, While this movement does not receive the approbation of thinking members of the Republican Party; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to commend and extol, for their fairness and open-minded action in publicly condemning the activities of those persons who seek the passage of this referendum, the five living Republican Ex-Governors of the Commonwealth—Cox, Allen, Saltonstall, Fuller and Bradford, and also the Chairman of the Republican State Committee, and to further support and endorse the action of these Ex-Governors of the Republican Party for their unbiased and all-American attitude toward this "so-called bus petition."

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

USE OF STREETS BY UNION FREIGHT RAILWAY.

Coun. HANNON and LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council Committee on Public Safety be directed to take up with the Traffic Commission of the City of Boston the possibility of eliminating the Union Freight Railway from the streets of the City of Boston, or of confining its activities to certain hours of the day or night, or to a certain limited portion of the highway used by the railway.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

CHANGING NAME OF BUFFALO STREET TO LIFE STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have Buffalo street changed to Life street, in Ward 22.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPAIRS TO SOUTH BOSTON HANDBALL COURTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the damaged floors of the handball courts in the South Boston gymnasium.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPARATUS FOR SOUTH BOSTON GYMNASIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish trapeze rings and punching bags at the South Boston gymnasium.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

NEW AMBULANCE FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in his budget for the coming year a sum sufficient to provide for the purchase of a new ambulance for the Health Department, to replace the present old ambulance which is falling apart and is in a dangerous condition.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAYMENT OF WELFARE MONEY BEFORE DECEMBER 22.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare to advance to recipients of any form of aid or relief money that may be spent for Christmas, the date of payment of the money to be not later than December 22, 1949.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted at 2.30 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.02 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Alice T. Crowley (referred October 31) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Daniel J. Crowley—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Alice T. Crowley, widow of Daniel J. Crowley, a member of the Fire Department, who died on October 25, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor.

Report on petition of Helen B. McFarland (referred November 14) to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, John E. McFarland, late member of Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Helen B. McFarland, widow of John E. McFarland, a member of the Fire Department, who died on November 8, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions

and Annuities; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor.

Report on petition of Marie K. Costello (referred November 14) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Peter V. Costello, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Marie K. Costello, widow of Peter V. Costello, a member of the Fire Department, who died on September 15, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor.

Reports accepted; orders severally passed.

Report on order (referred today) that Traffic Commission be requested to immediately install traffic lights on Harvard and Morton streets and that the Police Commissioner be requested to have Station 19 assign a police officer to handle traffic in that area—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred December 5) rescinding order approved by the Mayor on June 7, 1949, for sale of land on Dorchester avenue to Carney Hospital for \$1 and the sale of the same land to Carney Hospital for \$10,000—recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of land in Brighton for \$16,000 to Trustees of Boston College—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of departmental appropriations—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; orders severally passed, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Reports on appointments by the Mayor of Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950—David Colon, (referred November 28), Roland Kadlec, (referred December 5), Arthur A. Devin, (referred December 5)—that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor of Constables without power to serve civil process and to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950—Patrick Burrett, (referred November 28), Russell P. Saia (referred November 28), James B. MacInnis, (referred December 5)—that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 16, yeas 15, nays 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

Report on appointment of Edward Villeboisoux, (referred November 28), to be Constable without power to serve civil process, to serve without bond for term ending April 30, 1950, *vice* James J. Kenny—that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Lane. Whole number of ballots 16, yeas 12, nays 4, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 31) for appropriation of \$23,000 for acquisition of land at Commonwealth avenue, Sidlaw road, and Chiswick road, Brighton—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councilor Chase—1.

RESURFACING OF BOSTON STREET, WARD 7.

Coun. LINEHAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Boston street, Ward 7, from Andrew square to Edward Everett square, removing or covering up the present streetcar tracks.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

USE OF PARKING METER RECEIPTS FOR TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. LINEHAN, HANNON, CHASE, ANSEL, and CAREY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Council be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to draft a bill for presentation to the incoming Legislature which will provide for the use of parking meter receipts to install traffic lights and to make other traffic improvements throughout the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTABLES.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler to recall from the Committee on Confirmations the appointments by the Mayor of three other constables for confirmation, the motion was lost, yeas 5, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Hurley, Kinsella, Shanley, Wenzler—5.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Keenan, Lanigan, Yerxa—5.

Voting Present—Councilors Beades, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy—1.

On further motion of Councilor Wenzler to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost, yeas 5, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Carey, Hurley, Kinsella, Shanley, Wenzler—5.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Keenan, Lanigan, Yerxa—5.

Voting Present—Councilors Beades, Linehan, McCormack, Tracy—1.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 11.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install

traffic lights at the intersection of Rossmore road and McBride and Washington streets, in the Jamaica Plain section of Ward 11, as this particular intersection is extremely hazardous and there have been many serious accidents at this location, and the lives and safety of school children in this vicinity are in constant jeopardy.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Coun. LANIGAN in the chair.

CONDEMNATION OF SONG.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, Whereas the Boston City Council goes on record as condemning the use of the song "I Want a Passport to Boston," now being used as part of the score of the present show at the Shubert Theatre, "Alive and Kicking," as this song evidently intends to defame the fine traditions of this city and to question the character of its citizens; be it further

Resolved, That the Council endorses the sentiments of Boston songwriter Lee Morris who states, "Boston's the cradle of liberty; New York is the home of the B-M-T. Boston has Durgin's—add Locke-Ober to that; Manhattan has the Automat. They laugh at our politics, say that we're screwy; But who votes for Marcantonio and Dewey? So tell these Broadway characters: 'Admit it, don't be chicken! Long after you've fled on the Merchants, we'll still be alive and kickin'!"

On motion of Councilor Shanley, it was voted that the resolution lay on the table.

Adjourned at 4.32 P.M., on motion of Councilor Yerxa, to meet on Monday, December 19, 1949, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, December 19, 1949.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councillors Carey, Coffey, Sullivan, and Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:
John A. Letteney, 2417 Centre street, West Roxbury, Mass., as Constable authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1950.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

APPARATUS FOR SOUTH BOSTON GYMNASIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Park Department, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the furnishing of trapeze rings and punching bags for the South Boston Gymnasium.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 15, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated December 12, 1949, requesting the Park Commissioner to furnish trapeze rings and punching bags for the South Boston Gymnasium.

I have issued instructions to have these trapeze rings and punching bags installed in this gymnasium.

Yours very truly,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIRS TO HANDBALL COURTS,
SOUTH BOSTON GYMNASIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Public Buildings Department, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the replacing of damaged floors of the handball courts in the South Boston gymnasium.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
December 15, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and the City Council order requesting the Superintendent of Public Buildings to replace the damaged floors of the handball courts in the South Boston Gymnasium, I would advise as follows.

The money for this work is being included in the budget for 1950 to take care of this situation.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES E. SULLIVAN, Superintendent.
Placed on file.

NEW AMBULANCE FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Health Department, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the providing of a new ambulance for the department.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, December 16, 1949.
Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Subject: Relative to City Council Order Providing for the Purchase of a New Ambulance for the Health Department.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your communication of December 13, together with the City Council order passed on December 12, 1949.

Provisions are being made for a revision of the ambulance service in the Boston Health Department. Under the present 1949 budget, or in the 1950 budget, sufficient funds to supply adequate ambulance services are to be provided.

JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D., M.P.H.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PAYMENT OF RELIEF MONEY NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of the Public Welfare, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the advancing to recipients of any form of aid or relief, money that may be spent for Christmas, the date of payment of the money to be not later than December 22, 1949.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
December 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In answer to the following City Council order passed on December 12, 1949:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare to advance to recipients of any form of aid or relief, money that may be spent for Christmas, the date of payment of the money to be not later than December 22, 1949," may I say that arrangements have been made so that relief payments during the week of Christmas will reach recipients not later than December 22, 1949.

Sincerely yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$9,401.93 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended

under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1949 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$170,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of \$9,401.93, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 13, 1949.
Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of \$9,401.93, which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on
January 12, 1887, Maintenance and
Improvement of..... \$9,401.93

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1949, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item A-1, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1949, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department budget.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of nine thousand four hundred one dollars and ninety-three cents (\$9,401.93) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on
January 12, 1887, Maintenance and
Improvement of..... \$9,401.93

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

APPROPRIATION FROM INCOME OF
CITY RECORD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am submitting herewith an appropriation order for \$1,500 to provide sufficient funds for printing the City Record for the balance of the year. This additional appropriation is necessary because of the increase in printing costs which could not be anticipated in the original City Record budget.

I recommend passage of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1949, an additional sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the City Record. Any excess of expenditures over income shall be met by taxes.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 19, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Special Appropriation, Contingent Fund, \$675, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, West Roxbury District, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$675.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Works Department, Ferry Service, B-39, General Repairs, \$8,500, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Lighting Service, B-42, Miscellaneous Services, \$8,500.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Bridges, Repairs, etc., \$3,800, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Bridge Service, A-2, Temporary Employees, \$2,000, A-3, Unassigned, \$1,800.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, B-39, General Repairs, \$1,649, to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home, B-18, Cleaning, \$464, B-39, General Repairs, \$1,100, D-16, Miscellaneous Supplies, \$85.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division, D-2, Food and Ice, \$7,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$5,600, A-3, Unassigned, \$1,400.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Health Department, B-17, Care of Persons, \$2,500, B-22, Medical, \$6,000, to the appropriation for Health Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$8,500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Frances Chester, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 25 Faneuil Hall square.

Agnes Circeo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 28 Orleans street.

Matthew W. Cooney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John J. Dahill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Martin Deuling, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 54 Woodlawn street.

Charles E. Denny, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

James B. Donaghu, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Ralph H. Donovan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Congress street.

Edward P. Elmo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Helen Fitzpatrick, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Soley street, Charlestown.

George Fleming, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in elevator, City Hall Annex.

Isadore Gordon, for compensation for damage to car caused by fire apparatus.

Frances Hahn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in North Market street.

Alice Hane, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Alice T. Higgins, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Buick street.

John A. Hopkins, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Ralph J. Kotas, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Anita LaRoeca, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 50 Salem street.

Henry B. Lupien, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Michael Lynell, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him.

Frank A. Majeski, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

Robert D. McFadden, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Merrimac street.

Andrew McQuade, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Fire Department.

Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to property of Ferdinand Furniture Company, at 2260 Washington street, caused by city employee.

James H. Misheff, for compensation for damage to car.

Joseph J. Murray, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Dorothy Tucker, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street.

Walter H. Thornton, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him.

Executive.

Petition of Anna C. Donovan to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Owen F. Donovan, late member of Police Department.

LOCATIONS FOR UNDERGROUND CONDUITS, ETC.

Copy of order was received from the Department of Public Utilities, granting permission to the Metropolitan Transit Authority to install and maintain underground conduits, wires and cables, etc., in Lexington street, East Eagle street, and Chelsea street in East Boston and Chelsea.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONER McDONALD.

A communication was received from Commissioner G. Frank McDonald thanking the Council for the adoption of a resolution commending Commissioner McDonald and Deputy Commissioner Ann Mackay for their conduct of the Institutions Department.

Placed on file.

ILLUMINATED CHRISTMAS TREE FOR SUBURBAN BUSINESS CENTERS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to order the Director of Public Celebrations to immediately arrange to set up an illuminated Christmas tree in each business center of the various sections of the outlying sections of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

USE BY PUBLIC OF LAVATORIES IN RESTAURANTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of public restaurants not permitting men's and women's lavatories to be used by the patrons and general public; and be it further

Ordered, That the Mayor request the Law Department to prepare a City Ordinance compelling public use of lavatories in public restaurants.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

GASOLINE FILLING STATIONS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to grant no additional permits for gasoline filling stations in Ward 20 over the objection of the people in that district; and be it further

Ordered, That the members of the Board of Appeal not waive existing zoning restrictions at any location in Ward 20 over the objection of the people.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REMOVAL OF TREE, WEST FIFTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree in front of 225 West Fifth street in South Boston because of the dangerous condition as it is now leaning against the building.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCIL.

President HURLEY announced that he would call a special meeting of the City Council for Friday, December 30, at 11.00 A.M., and he understood that the Mayor would call a special meeting of the City Council for Tuesday, December 27.

BENCHES ON SOUTH SIDE WALL, FORT INDEPENDENCE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place benches on the south side wall of Fort Independence at Castle Island.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

OUTSIDE AERIALS IN D STREET HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Board be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to allow tenants in the D street project in South Boston to place outside aerials so they can have the use of their television sets.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES

Coun. KINSELLA, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred August 24) of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company

for license to operate motor vehicles on Bennington street, between Chelsea street and London street, and on London street between Bennington street and Porter street, East Boston—recommending that license be granted.

Report on petition (referred December 5) of Granville Club, Inc., Orpheus J. Ross, president, 15 Granville street, Roslindale, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that license be granted.

Reports accepted; licenses granted under usual conditions.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT DUDLEY AND WEST COTTAGE STREETS.

Coun. HURLEY and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Dudley and West Cottage streets, Roxbury.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT HAMPDEN STREET AND NORFOLK AVENUE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Hampden street and Norfolk avenue, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT AMBULANCE ENTRANCE TO CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights on Albany street at the ambulance entrance to the City Hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

SALE OF FIREHOUSE ON ELM STREET, CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. KINSELLA called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

Order for sale of land and building on Elm street, Charlestown, to The Charlestown Disabled Veterans Club, Inc., for \$100.

On December 5, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas twenty, nays none.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted at 2.15 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President Hurley at 2.50 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Elizabeth F. Ryan (referred November 21) to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, William F. Ryan, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Elizabeth F. Ryan, widow of William F. Ryan, a member of the Fire Department, who died on July 5, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance

of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Eleanor M. McMackin (referred November 21) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Frank D. McMackin, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws an annuity of \$1,200 be allowed and paid to Eleanor M. McMackin, widow of Frank D. McMackin, a member of the Fire Department, who died on November 6, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the pension to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Grace M. O'Donnell (referred June 16) to be paid an annuity on account of death of husband, James J. O'Donnell, late member of Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of \$1,720 be allowed and paid to Grace M. O'Donnell, widow of James J. O'Donnell, a member of the Police Department, who died on March 18, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Grace M. O'Donnell, so long as she remains unmarried, \$1,200 a year.

For each of the following-named children, during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, \$260 a year:

James J. O'Donnell, born April 25, 1932; Richard F. O'Donnell, born July 25, 1936;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for each of said children shall be \$520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$1,500 from income of City Record to meet current expenses payable during financial year beginning January 1, 1949—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of departmental appropriations—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said orders severally passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of \$9,401.93 from income of Parkman Fund to be spent under direction of Park Commission—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler—18.

Nays—0.

FLOODING OF MARCELLA STREET
PLAYGROUND.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to flood the Marcella street playground for ice skating.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

PAVING OF PORTION OF WASHINGTON
STREET.

Coun. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare plans for the paving of Washington street, between Egleston square and Forest Hills, in conjunction with the Boston Public Works Department.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

CONSTRUCTION OF OAKWOOD AVENUE.

Coun. KEENAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct Oakwood avenue, Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rule.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor of Constables without power to serve civil process, and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1950:

John J. Cunniff (referred November 21)—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

William A. Stratton (referred November 28)—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Rudolph Trent (referred December 5)—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Cook. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 10, nays 3, and the appointments were confirmed.

COMMENDATION OF COMMISSIONER
CAULEY AND HIS ASSOCIATES.

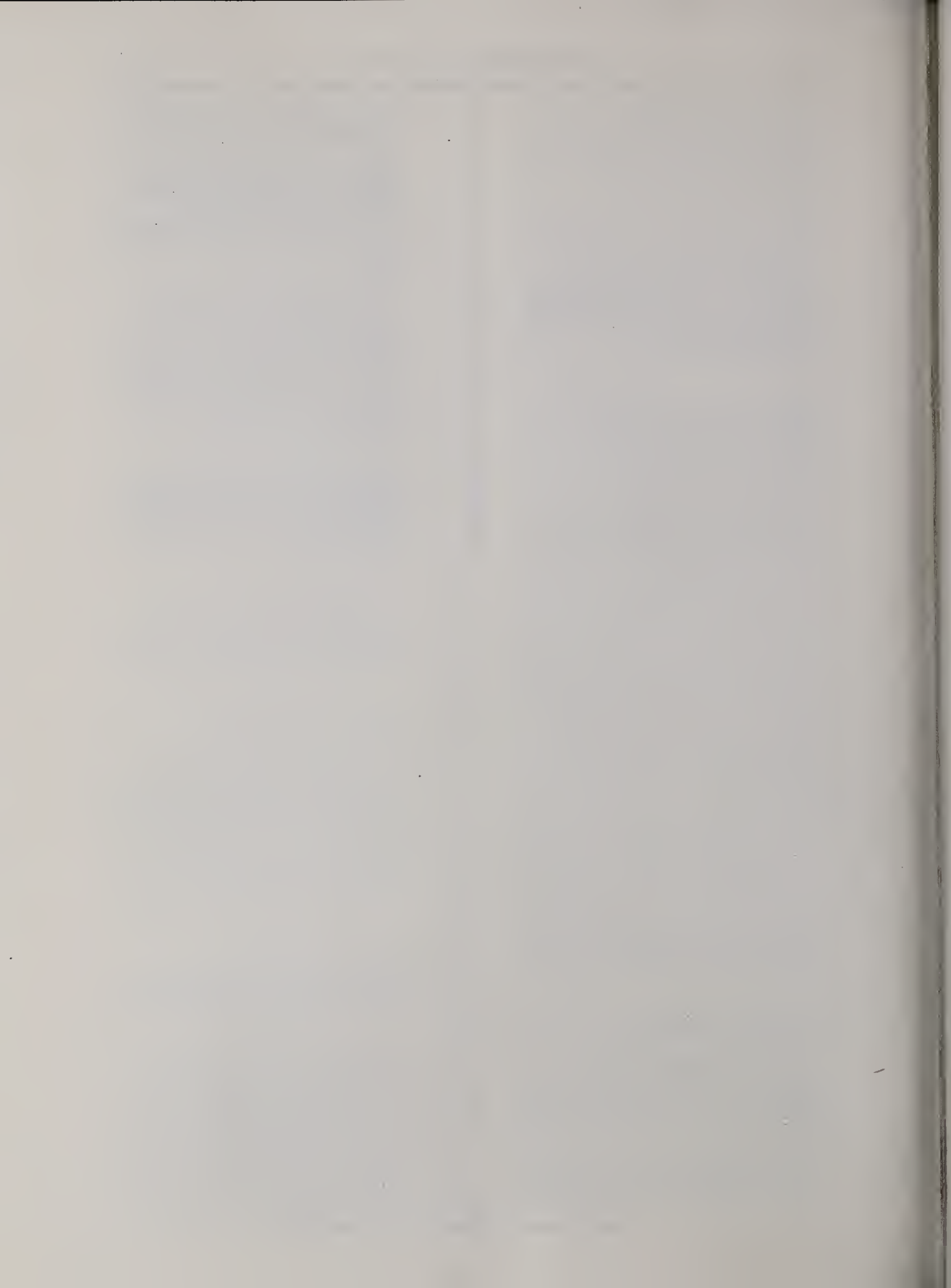
Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to commend Health Commissioner Dr. John H. Cauley and his associates for the efficient manner in which they have cooperated with the federal government in the so-called chest X-ray drive, which reflected great credit upon our city.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned at 3.05 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ansel.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)



CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Wednesday, December 21, 1949.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Carey, Coffey, Cook, Keenan, Lanigan, Sullivan, Tracy, Yerxa.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

CALL FOR THE MEETING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 20, 1949.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Boston Housing Authority, setting forth that under the provisions of the Lanham Act, temporary dwelling units, such as are located at Columbia Village, Alsen Village, and Franklin Field, must be demolished before January 1, 1951, unless the City Council approves a waiver by December 22, 1949.

Due to the tremendous demand at the present time for housing facilities, and the lack of the same it is advisable that approval be given by the City Council, and the Mayor, to a waiver of the provisions of Federal Law whereby these structures must be demolished on or before January 1, 1951.

The passage of such a resolution would make certain an extension of the period of demolition. A copy of the resolution approving waiver is enclosed, passage of which I accordingly recommend.

It is imperative in order that the welfare of the persons occupying these premises be considered that the City Council meet and act at once.

Accordingly you are requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber on Wednesday, December 21, 1949, at 2 P.M., for the consideration of this matter concerning housing.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Placed on file.

WAIVER OF DEMOLITION PROVISIONS,
TEMPORARY HOUSING DEVELOP-
MENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 21, 1949.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I beg to forward herewith communication received from the Boston Housing Authority

which it is vital that the Council adopt at once to prevent the demolition of the apartments at Columbia Village, Alsen Field, and Franklin Field.

This waiver before December 22, 1949, is necessary in order that the time for demolition be extended, and the extension is vital because of the extremely large number of persons that are upon the waiting list seeking apartments in the Boston Housing Authority properties.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
December 15, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This Authority operates, as agent for the City of Boston, three temporary developments for veterans at Columbia Village, Alsen Field, and Franklin Field. They were constructed by the Federal Public Housing Authority in 1946 and turned over to the city.

However, by the provisions of Federal Law (the Lanham Act) these structures must be demolished on or before January 1, 1951. This Authority feels that there will be need for these dwellings for a period subsequent to January 1, 1951.

In order to accomplish this, it is necessary for the city, acting through the City Council, to request the Public Housing Administration to waive the provisions of the Federal Act relative to removal of the structures. Such procedure is made possible by virtue of the Independent Offices Appropriations Act of 1950.

I enclose a resolution, in form satisfactory to Public Housing Administration, which you are respectfully requested to submit to the City Council at its meeting on December 19, 1949.

Very truly yours,
JOHN J. COLEMAN, Chairman.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Boston which has jurisdiction over the area in which Project V-19131 is located, that the waiver of the removal requirements of Section 313 of the Lanham Act (Public Law 849, 75th Congress, as amended) with respect to said project is hereby specifically approved in accordance with the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1950.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the resolution was adopted, yeas 13, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Kusella, Lane, Linahan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler.

Nays—0.

Councilors Bryan and Beades announced that Councilors Ansel, Cook, and Keenan, absent on account of their attendance at a funeral, wished it to appear in the record that if they were present they would vote in favor of the resolution.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, President HURLEY declared the meeting adjourned at 2.10 P.M.

street he changed to Life street, I would advise that said street was laid out as a public street October 13, 1949. All changes in the names of public streets cannot take effect until March 1, following the name change order. For this reason the Board does not hold street name changes until the latter part of January or the early weeks in February. The Board would be pleased to take up the matter later.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HARVARD AND MORTON STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 21, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the installing of traffic lights on Harvard and Morton streets.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 16, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated December 12, 1949,
Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights
on Harvard and Morton Streets.

Dear Sir:
In reply to the subject Council order, please be advised that there are no funds available to this department for the installation of traffic signals at above location. However, we have erected a police officer's spotlight and understand that a police officer is to be stationed at this point regularly.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO F. CURLEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF OLD STREETCARS ON MATTAPAN LINE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority, relative to your order of December 12, 1949, concerning the replacement of cars on the Mattapan line.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
December 21, 1949.

Mr. Lawrence P. Gilligan,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
The trustees have directed me to reply to your order of December 12 in regard to cars on the Mattapan line.

Within the last year we have replaced the old heavy 30-ton cars, which had been on that line for many years, with so-called No. 5, or 15-ton cars, which have a depreciation life of 30 years, and as all the cars on the line are within that period it is not possible to replace such vehicles until they have reached their life table, without adding to cost of service either in fares or deficits.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.
Placed on file.

FACILITIES FOR HOMELESS MEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Overseers of Public Welfare, relative to your order

of November 28, 1949, concerning the providing of more adequate facilities for homeless men who are in need of lodging.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
December 19, 1949.

Hon. James M. Curley,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
In answer to the following City Council order passed on November 28, 1949:

"Ordered; That the Public Welfare Department be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide more adequate facilities for homeless men who are in need of lodging,"

may I state that this is a problem that has been before the Overseers of the Public Welfare for some time. The decision will rest largely on exactly how far the City of Boston should go in providing transient relief from city funds when, because of settlement laws, financial aid should be received from the state directly, or from other cities and towns.

The Overseers of the Public Welfare will continue to give this matter serious study, and trust that a solution will be found.

Sincerely yours,
LOUIS P. LEONARD, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS BE- TWEEN DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1949.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Workmen's Compensation Service, \$4,000, to the appropriation for City Documents, B-1, Printing and Binding, \$4,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for City Debt Requirements, Interest, \$30,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, B-39, General Repairs, \$30,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$75,000, to the appropriation for Contingent Fund, \$75,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Reserve Fund, \$16,000, to the appropriation for Superior Court, Civil Session, General Expense, B-34, Jurors, \$16,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, \$109.68, to the appropriation for East Boston District Court, D-1, Office, \$109.68.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, \$113.01, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Dorchester District, F-7, Pensions and Annuities, \$113.01.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, \$860, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Roxbury District, B-4, Transportation of Persons, \$860.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Budget Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$144.84, to the appropriation for Miscellaneous Expenses, County of Suffolk, Budget Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$144.84.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Contingent Fund, \$322.68, to the appropriation for Miscellaneous Expenses, County of Suffolk, Budget Department, A-1, Permanent Employees, \$322.68.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

J. D. Brennan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Chelsea street.

Joseph A. Buckley, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 37 Larchmont street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Charles W. Crewe, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John L. DeNatale, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

M. A. Dickey, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Floyd J. Downey, for compensation for damage to property at 3557 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, caused by blast that shook property.

Abraham Fishman, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ann Glavin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington street and Montfern avenue, Brighton.

Margaret Harrison, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Corey and Centre streets.

Mrs. Laurence J. Kennedy, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by defective elevator in City Hall.

Margaret C. Lydon, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by an alleged defect in Centre and Thomas streets.

John E. Mercurio, for compensation for damage to car of Frank Caputo by city truck.

Bertha S. Meserlian, for compensation for injuries caused by defective sidewalk at 1907 Centre street, West Roxbury.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The bond of Lester Berger, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the City Council.

RESCISSION OF PRIOR ORDER AND NEW ORDER FOR SALE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS TO CARNEY HOSPITAL.

Coun. KEENAN called up, under unfinished business, No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

3. Order for sale of land and buildings on Dorchester avenue to the Carney Hospital for \$10,000, and rescission of prior order approved by the Mayor on June 7, 1949, for sale of said premises to the Carney Hospital for one dollar. On December 12, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas nineteen, nays none.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa.

Nays—0.

SALE OF LAND IN BRIGHTON TO BOSTON COLLEGE.

Coun. KEENAN called up, under unfinished business, No. 4 on the Calendar, viz.:

4. Order for sale of land in Brighton to Trustees of Boston College for \$16,000. On December 12, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 19, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lanigan, Linchan, McCormack, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000 TO HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

A notice was received from the Emergency Finance Board of vote passed December 21, 1949, approving transfer of appropriation of \$15,000 from Public Welfare Department to Hospital Department.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room, 166 State House, on December 28, 1949, at 10 a.m., on petition of City of Boston on schedule of tolls and charges for use of Sumner Tunnel for the year 1950.

Placed on file.

CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROAD ACROSS CAMBRIDGE STREET, BRIGHTON.

Copy of order was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of granting consent to the President and Fellows of Harvard College and Sears Roebuck and Co. for the construction of a private railroad across Cambridge street, Brighton, subject to certain limitations, conditions, and restrictions.

Placed on file.

RESULT OF CITY ELECTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
December 19, 1949.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
Assistant City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

We certify that at the City Election held in the City of Boston on November 8, 1949, for the choice of mayor, for the term of four years, JOHN B. LYNES of 31 Druid street, was duly elected to said office.

We further certify that for the choice of two members of the School Committee, for the term of four years, the following were duly elected to said office:

Michael J. Ward, 51 Wallingford road.
Kathleen T. Ryan Dacey, 458 Calmet street.

We also certify that for the choice of one member of the City Council from each ward, for the term of two years, the following were elected from the wards as set forth against their names:

- Ward 1. James S. Coffey, 451 Meridian street.
- Ward 2. Michael Leo Kinsella, 7 Belmont street.
- Ward 3. George T. Lanigan, 20 North Anderson street.
- Ward 4. Perlle Dyar Chase, 136 Huntington avenue.
- Ward 5. John E. Yerxa, 3 Fairfield street.
- Ward 6. John B. Wenzler, 514 East Broadway.
- Ward 7. Thomas E. Linehan, 770 Columbia road.
- Ward 8. William F. Hurley, 76 Pleasant avenue.
- Ward 9. ———
- Ward 10. Francis Patrick Tracey, 66 Calumet street.
- Ward 11. Philip A. Tracy, 9 Hampstead road.
- Ward 12. Milton Cook, 168 Ruthven street.
- Ward 13. Thomas J. Hannon, 15 Hartford street.
- Ward 14. Julius Ansel, 22 Wales street.
- Ward 15. Robert J. Ramsey, 39 Cameron street.
- Ward 16. John J. Beades, 278 Minot street.
- Ward 17. Anthony J. Farin, 7 Packard avenue.
- Ward 18. Michael Herbert Cantwell, 4 Violante street.
- Ward 19. Thomas L. McCormack, 30 Orchard street.
- Ward 20. Walter D. Bryan, 18 Alhambra road.
- Ward 21. Edmund V. Lanc, 1666 Commonwealth avenue.
- Ward 22. Vincent J. Shanley, 73 Parsons street.

Respectfully yours,
 J. JOSEPH CONNORS,
 EVERETT R. PROUT,
 GERTRUDE A. PFAU,
 Board of Election Commissioners.

Placed on file.

VOTE ON REFERENDUM ON PLAN A.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Board of Election Commissioners,
 December 19, 1949.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
 Assistant City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

We certify that at the City Election held in the City of Boston on November 8, 1949, the vote on the referendum was as follows:

Question.

"Shall the City of Boston adopt the form of government defined as Plan A under the provisions of an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and consisting of a mayor, a city council of nine members elected at large, and a school committee of five members elected at large, with all candidates therefor being nominated by preliminary elections?"

Yes.....	146,162
No.....	73,882
Blanks.....	80,457

Respectfully yours,

J. JOSEPH CONNORS,
 EVERETT R. PROUT,
 GERTRUDE A. PFAU,

Board of Election Commissioners.

Placed on file.

SALE OF LAND AT COMMONWEALTH AVENUE, CHISWICK ROAD, AND SIDLAW ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Finance Commission,
 December 27, 1949.

To the Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen:

There is before you for final action at today's meeting an order which provides for the purchase of a parcel of land for park purposes at Commonwealth avenue, Chiswick road, and Sidlaw road, Brighton, for the sum of \$23,000. This parcel

contains only about 26,000 square feet and, because of its small area, has very limited possibilities for public use.

The need for another park in this section is questionable. This parcel is within a short distance of vast park and playground areas already in use. In fact, the principal benefit from the project would be to the owner of an apartment building which faces it, in that making a park of it would keep the area open.

While the proposed cost of the land is not out of line with neighboring valuations, since 1946 the assessed valuation has risen from \$10,000 to \$25,900.

The present owner of the parcel has tried to obtain change in the zoning restrictions to permit the erection of stores and has claimed that he has been offered approximately \$110,000 for it in the event the zoning restrictions can be changed to permit stores. He claims also that within two years he has been offered about twice the present assessed value by persons who desired it for an apartment house development.

It must be recognized that the \$23,000 proposed to pay for it will be but the beginning of the taxpayers' expense. The treatment of the area, the maintenance of it, and the loss of taxes which will follow city purchase will add substantially to the first cost. Yet, because of its location and size its use will be by a very small segment of the people who would pay for it.

It seems to the Finance Commission that it is time to stop this type of generosity at city expense. Each such project further reduces the taxable area of the city and makes the taxation burden heavier for those who must pay the city taxes.

The Finance Commission recommends that you deny your approval to the final passage of the order referred to.

Respectfully submitted,
 EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman
 ALEXANDER WHEELER,
 LEO J. DUNN,
 FREDERICK DEANE,
 JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
 The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF, Secretary.
 Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment (referred December 19) of John A. Letteney as Constable, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond recommending confirmation of said appointment.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Bryan and Kinsella. Whole number of ballots 17, yeas 17, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTION OF PRISONS.

Coun. CANTWELL, for the Committee on Prisons, submitted the following:

The Committee on Inspection of Prisons respectfully submits the following report of commitments to, and discharges and transfers from, the Suffolk County House of Correction and Charles Street Jail during the municipal year 1949.

MICHAEL H. CANTWELL,
 Chairman of Committee.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
 County of Suffolk, Office of Sheriff,
 Frederick R. Sullivan.

June 30, 1949.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to, and the discharges from, the Suffolk County Jail, from December 15, 1948, to June 30, 1949.

Remaining December 15, 1948: men, 178; women, 51; total, 229.

Committed from December 15, 1948, to June 30, 1949: men, 4,066; women, 643; total, 4,709.

Discharges from December 15, 1948, to June 30, 1949: men, 4,056; women, 647; total, 4,703.

Remaining June 30, 1949: men, 188; women, 47; total, 235.
 Poor debtors remaining December 15, 1948, none.
 Poor debtors committed from December 15, 1948, to June 30, 1949, 1.
 Poor debtors discharged from December 15, 1948, to June 30, 1949, 1.
 Escapes, none.
 Recaptures, none.
 Insane, 17.
 Deaths, 1.

Respectfully submitted,
 FREDERICK R. SULLIVAN,
 Sheriff and Jailer.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
 County of Suffolk, Office of Sheriff.
 December 15, 1949.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to, and the discharges from, the Suffolk County Jail from June 30, 1949, to December 15, 1949.

Remaining June 30, 1949: men, 188; women, 47; total, 235.

Committed from June 30, 1949, to December 15, 1949: men, 3,796; women, 590; total, 4,386.

Discharges from June 30, 1949, to December 15, 1949: men, 3,811; women, 579; total, 4,390.

Remaining December 15, 1949: men, 163; women, 40; total, 203.

Poor debtors remaining June 30, 1949, none.
 Poor debtors committed from June 30, 1949, to December 15, 1949, none.

Poor debtors discharged from June 30, 1949, to December 15, 1949, none.

Escapes, none.
 Recaptures, none.
 Insane, 16.
 Deaths, none.

Respectfully submitted,
 FREDERICK R. SULLIVAN,
 Sheriff and Jailer.

Suffolk County House of Correction.
 June 16, 1949.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to, and the discharges from, the Suffolk County House of Correction at Deer Island, from December 16, 1948, to June 15, 1949:

Remaining, December 15, 1948, 581.

Committed, 1,101.

Discharged, 1,030.

Remaining, June 15, 1949, 652.

Showing How Discharged.

Expiration of sentence, 649.

Expiration of sentence and fine paid, 11.

Permit of Penal Commissioner, 347.

Expiration of sentence and permit of Penal Commissioner, 3.

Fine paid and permit of Penal Commissioner, 1.

Order of the court, 4.

Died, 3.

Transferred to:

Barnstable House of correction, 1.

Boston Psychopathic Hospital, 1.

Boston State Hospital, 4.

Bridgewater State Hospital, 1.

Charles Street Jail, 3.

Concord Reformatory, 1.

Norfolk Prison Colony, 1.

Respectfully submitted,
 ROBERT P. MACKIE, Master.

Suffolk County House of Correction.
 December 16, 1949.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to, and the discharges from, the Suffolk County House of Correction at Deer Island, from June 16, 1949, to December 15, 1949:

Remaining, June 15, 1949, 652.

Committed, 1,148.

Discharged, 1,468.

Remaining, December 15, 1949, 632.

Showing How Discharged.

Expiration of sentence, 888.

Expiration of sentence and fine paid, 15.

Permit of Penal Commissioner, 532.

Expiration of sentence and permit of Penal Commissioner, 4.

Order of the court, 3.

Order of the National Guard, 2.

Transferred to:

Boston Psychopathic Hospital, 1.

Boston State Hospital, 5.

Bridgewater State Farm, 2.

Charles Street Jail, 3.

Concord Reformatory, 10.

Norfolk Prison Colony, 1.

Westboro State Hospital, 1.

Worcester County House of Correction, 1.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW H. MCCARTHY,

Deputy Master.

The report of the committee was accepted.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON EAST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install bracket electric lights on the wooden poles on East Third street, from O street to Farragut road, Ward 6, and to remove all gas lamps that are there now.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

DREDGING AND CONSTRUCTION WORK ON POND IN FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. ANSEL, COOK, and TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to dredge the pond at Franklin Park, which very recently took the lives of two young boys, and a concrete base be constructed therein, and during the winter a three-foot depth of water be provided therein for skating purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan, the Council voted at 2.30 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President Hurley at 2.49 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. LANIGAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfer of appropriations between departments—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 13, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Carey, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Lane, Linehan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.
 Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred November 28) for amendment to section 19 of chapter 3 and section 4 of chapter 6 of the Revised Ordinances of 1949, affecting submission of bills and demands to City Auditor—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF
LAND IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. LANE called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order for appropriation of \$23,000 for purchase of land for park purposes at Commonwealth avenue, Sidlaw road, and Chiswick road. On December 12, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

Councilor Chase moved that the order lay on the table. The motion was lost. Councilor Chase then moved it be referred to the Executive Committee. The motion was lost.

The question then came on giving the order its second reading and passage. The order was rejected (fifteen votes being required for passage), yeas, 14, nays, 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Carey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Tracy, Wenzler—14.

Nays—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilor Yerxa.

On motion of Councilor Cook to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was passed. Councilor Hannon then moved that the order lay on the table until the next meeting. The motion was passed.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook it was voted that when the Council adjourn, it be to meet again on Friday, December 30, 1949, at 11 A.M.

Adjourned at 3.18 P.M., on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Friday, December 30, 1949, at 11 A.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Friday, December 30, 1949.

Final meeting of the City Council of 1949 held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Sullivan.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of John A. Letteney, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Petitions for minors' licenses were received from three newsboys. Licenses granted under usual conditions.

APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES MCGILLIVARY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Charles McGillivary, 112 O'Callaghan Way, South Boston, as member of Board of Assessors for term ending March 31, 1953, vice Edward C. Carroll, retired.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held January 9, 1950, at 10 A.M., on petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company, for certificate of public convenience and necessity for operation of motor vehicles on Bennington street, between Chelsea street and London street; on London street, between Bennington street and Porter street.

Placed on file.

REFERENCE OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

President HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That any orders or petitions in the hands of committees of this Council, which the City Clerk shall decide should properly be referred as matters of unfinished business, be referred to the next City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

INCREASED PAYMENT TO THOMAS D. GOGGIN.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, Because of the intent of the Legislature as indicated in Chapter 681, of the Acts of 1949, to increase by 20 per cent the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances to certain retired persons in the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk, the compensation of Thomas D. Goggin established by the City Council at its meeting of July 1, 1940, be increased to \$21.60 per week, said amount to be paid during the period of his permanent incapacity.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

On motion of Councilor Linehan to reconsider the foregoing vote the motion was lost.

OPPOSITION TO DRIVE-IN THEATERS.

Coun. BEADES and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to refuse to grant the licenses for the

following proposed Drive-In Theaters: (1) Neponset Drive-In Theater, Inc., the proposed location of which is 775 Gallivan Boulevard, and (2) The West Roxbury Drive-In Theater to be located at 1213 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, thereby justifying his, the Mayor's, promise to the people of Dorchester and West Roxbury; said promise which you yourself, Mr. Mayor, made on the radio, in the newspapers, and in personal letters to the clergy of the Dorchester and West Roxbury districts in which you stated that you would never sanction Drive-In Theaters in the City of Boston as long as you were Mayor; and be it further

Ordered, That you hold a public hearing on this matter so that the people of Dorchester and West Roxbury will be given an opportunity to openly express their disapproval of a location of an enterprise of this nature in their district so that it will be a matter of record for all future petitioners that the residents of Dorchester and West Roxbury are unalterably opposed to such an enterprise coming into their district.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF LAND IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. LANE called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz:

2. Order for appropriation of \$23,000 for purchase of land for park purposes at Commonwealth avenue, Sidlaw road, and Chiswick road.

On December 12, 1949, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 21, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—21.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of South Shore Coach Lines (referred May 23) for license to operate motor vehicles from Quincy line over Neponset avenue to Adams street, to Dorchester avenue, to Broadway, to Park square. From Park square to Church street, to Stuart street, to Broadway, and over the same route from Broadway and Dorchester avenue to Quincy line—recommending that license be granted.

The report was accepted, and the question came on granting the license. The petition was rejected, yeas 6, nays 11:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, Lane, Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—6.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Hurley, Keenan, Linehan, McCormack, Ramsey—11.

On motion of Councilor Shanley to reconsider the foregoing vote the motion was carried. The petition was again rejected, yeas 7, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Carey, Hannon, Keenan, Linehan, Ramsey—9.

Voting Present—Councilors Cook, McCormack, Tracy—3.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. LINEHAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Walter H. Thornton (referred December 19) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his nets as operator of motor truck belonging to Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand three hundred eighty-eight dollars and ninety-five cents (\$1,388.95) be allowed and paid to Walter H. Thornton in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his nets as

operator of a motor truck belonging to the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of John L. DeNatale (referred December 27) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand nine hundred fifty dollars (\$1,950) be allowed and paid to John L. DeNatale in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of John A. Hopkins (referred December 19) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$62.50) be allowed and paid to John A. Hopkins in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Ralph J. Kotas (referred December 19) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor vehicle belonging to Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of sixty-two dollars and fifty cents (\$62.50) be allowed and paid to Ralph J. Kotas in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor vehicle belonging to the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of Michael Lynch (referred December 19) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Park Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred ninety-six dollars (\$696) be allowed and paid to Michael Lynch in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Park Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Report on petition of James B. Donoghue (referred December 19) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of motor truck belonging to Highway Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) be allowed and paid to James B. Donoghue in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as operator of a motor truck belonging to the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the Contingent Fund.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS FOR 1949.

Coun. TRACY, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

The Committee on Claims respectfully submits the following report showing the disposition of claims during the municipal year 1949:

Claims pending January 1, 1949.....	1,099	
Claims received during 1949.....	824	
		1,923
Claims disapproved during 1949.....	486	
Claims approved during 1949.....	180	
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—not suits).....	109	
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—suits).....	56	
		831
		1,092
Amount paid on approved claims, \$37,094 34		
Amount paid on reimbursements		
—not suits.....	11,844 35	
Amount paid on reimbursements		
—suits.....	21,606 24	

Total amount paid during 1949.....	\$70,544 93
Claims pending January 1, 1950.....	1,092

For the Committee:
PHILIP A. TRACY, Chairman.

The report was accepted.

IMMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION OF SHAWMUT AVENUE SUBWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to start work immediately on the construction of the Shawmut Avenue Subway extension.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

PRESENTATION TO COUNCILORS CAREY AND KEENAN.

On motion of Councilor Cook, presentation of farewell gifts to Councilors Carey and Keenan was made by President HURLEY.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO PRESIDENT HURLEY.

Councilor Keenan, in behalf of the Council members, presented to President HURLEY an ivory gavel in appreciation of his service as President of the Council for the year 1949.

Adjourned, *sine die*, at 12.26 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

